

OVER THE TOP. Jimmy Sloan, sophomore, practices his pole vaulting techniques. Harding finished fourth in the AIC conference meet. -Photo by Sharon Bowles.

TAKING A TUMBLE. Dave Preston, senior, ended his run down the field during a men's intramural football game by being tackled by Brett Biggs, senior, and Chris Johnson, junior. -Photo by Wayne Westerholm.



Endless Activities

Picture yourself walking across campus on a hot August afternoon. As perspiration drips from your forehead, you see a squirrel resting in the shade, seeking refuge from the hot sun. In the background you hear the crack of a bat as it hits a ball over center field. Intramural softball has begun.

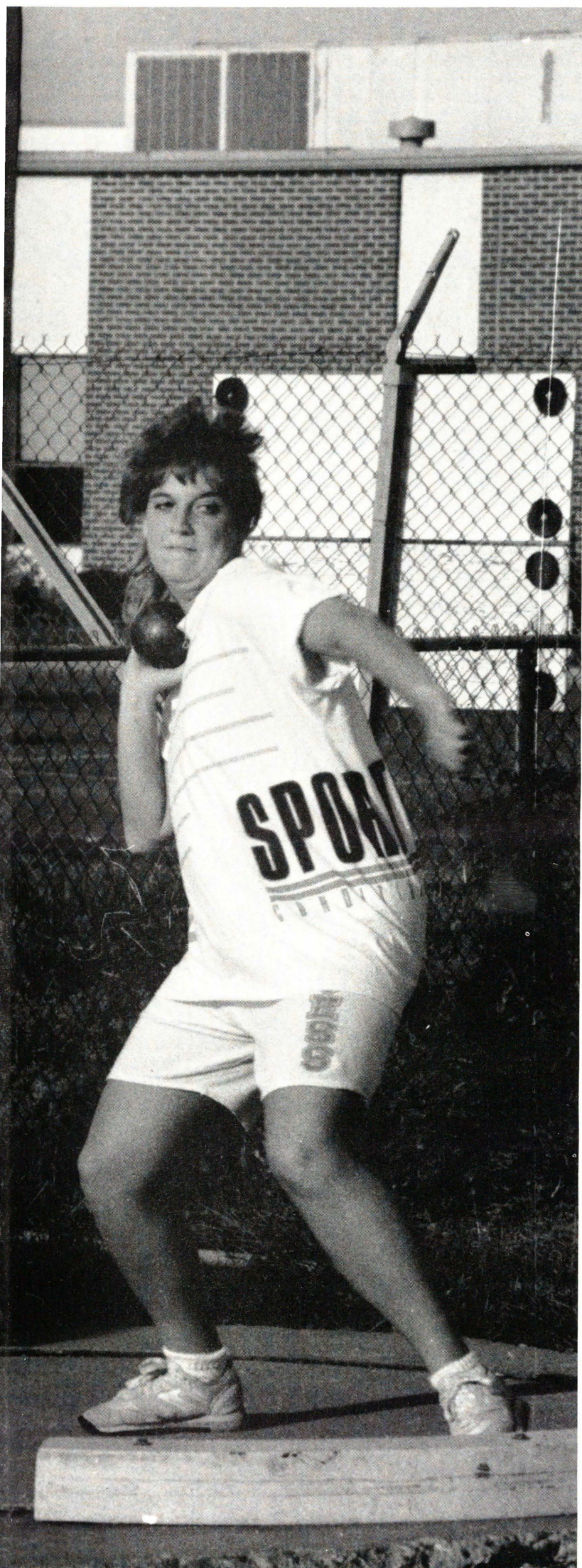
Now, it's mid-October. The chilly west winds forced you to grab your jacket before you left for your afternoon walk. As you walked along the railroad tracks in silence, you hear the chatter of volleyball and basketball players as they hurriedly crossed Park Avenue to make it to practice on time. The football players were already on the field.

It's spring now and the baseball players barely gave the field time to dry before they began sliding into bases, perfecting their passes, and swinging the bats.

Through the years, Harding University's arena of sports has grown to include 12 intercollegiate sports and 19 intramural sports, making an endless list of athletic activities available to the students.

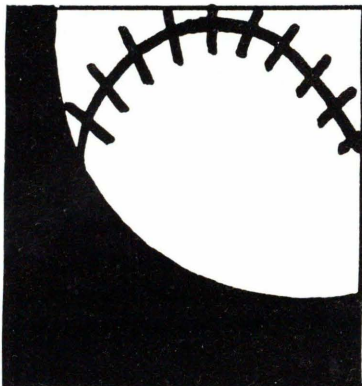
-Kimberly Nunn
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A SHOT IN THE LIGHT. Susan Troughber, senior, as well as many other club members, took advantage of the club track and field day that was hosted by the men's and women's intramural programs. Clubs competed against each other in the events. -Photo by Sharon Bowles.





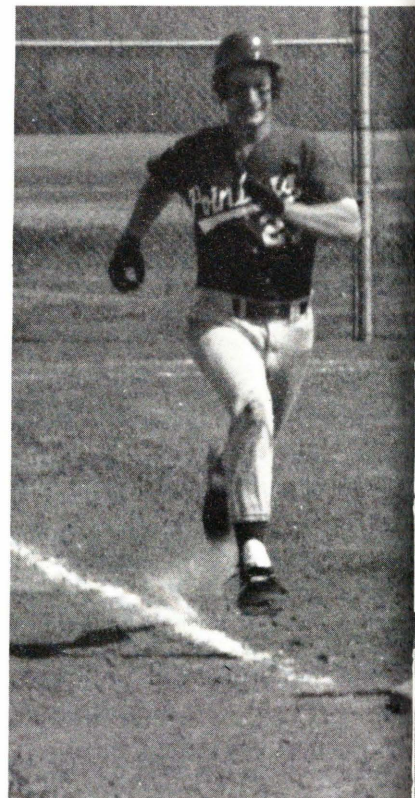
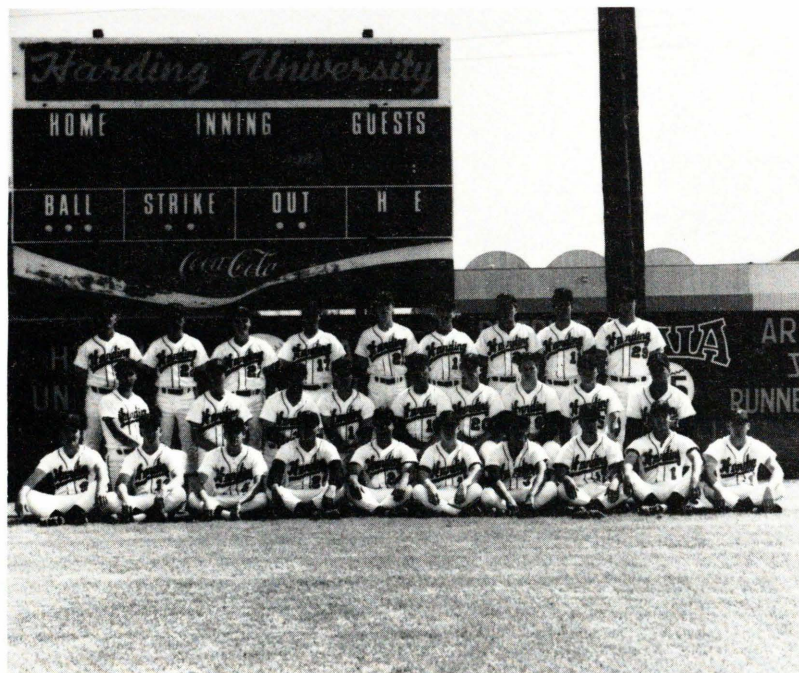
GIVE IT A TOSS. Sophomore Mark Williams strengthens his pitching abilities during a spring game. The Bisons ended the season with third place standings in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.



SCOREBOARD

Southern Ark. U	19-5
Harding U	16-8
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Ouachita Baptist U	8-16
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BASEBALL. Front row: Mark Williams, Scott Rose, Bryan Ellsworth, David DePew, Tom Hull, Derek Harrell, Andy Kinser, Gary Barnes; second row: Jeff Phillips, Todd Hook, Archie Shelton, Chris Byrd, Mike Martin, John Kodatt, Wade Darnell, Daron London, Greg Lamb; back row: Steve Smith, Robert Cooper, Larry Cheshier, Perry Parr, John Bossong, Ernie Parsons, John Labas, Todd Humphry, Pat McGaha; — Photo by Ken Bissel.





Team placed 2nd in conference

The Harding Bison Baseball team swung its way to a final season record of 25 wins and 25 losses, with a final standing of 16-8 in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference.

Their season record gave them second place status in both the AIC and District 17.

According to the players, the season was exciting as well as challenging.

"It was really exciting reaching the finals," said Scott Rose, "but it was also disappointing getting that close and not being able to go all the way."

Senior John Kodatt had a 9-and-0 pitching season, making him the leading pitcher in the conference. Another pitcher,

David DePew, had a 6-4 record, also ranking him in the AIC as one of the top 10 pitchers in the conference. Rose had at least two dozen stolen bases and scored 10 homeruns.

Junior Jeff Phillips said, "I think we could have won the conference, but we lost it in the pitching. However, we are hoping to do better in the future. We have a lot of good men that will continue playing for Harding and some good freshmen coming in."

Although they didn't take home the conference championship, the team did return home with good attitudes and high hopes for next year.

— Ronnie Biggs

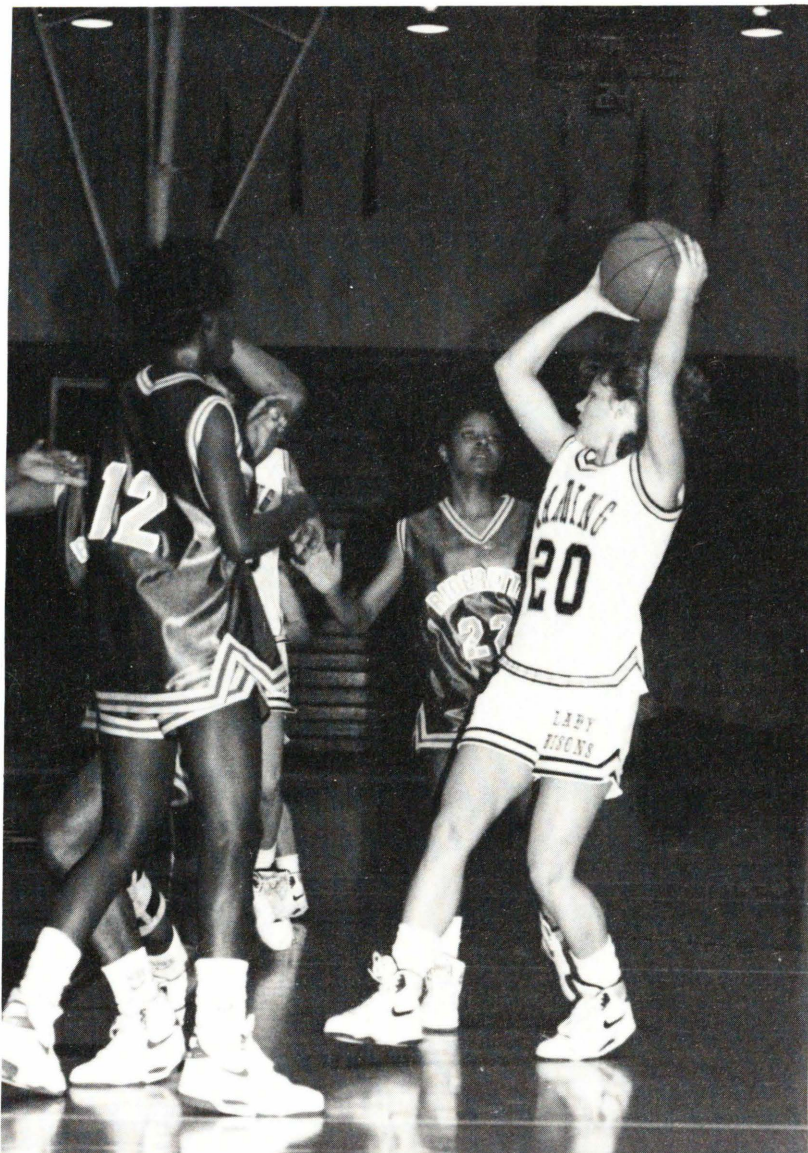
WARMING UP. Scott Rose, senior, readies himself for a pitch from the opposing team. Rose had a successful season in stealing bases and hitting homeruns. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.



OUT. Larry Cheshier, sophomore, quickly got this runner out at base. The Bison were second in the AIC. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.

LOOK FOR THE OPEN PLAYER. Carrie White, senior, looks for an open player. White was among the four seniors that made up the starting line up. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.

Women's Basketball. Front row: Zondra Harris, Lisa Kirk, Gena Hudson, Stephanie Williamson, Carrie White, Jennifer Alexander, A.J. Grimes, Kara Hutchinson; Back row: Greg Harnded, Joy Wilson, Stephanie Nixon, Angie Hugan, Syrene Birch, Nancee Wilson, Johnette Lever, Marla Lewis, Keith Marrow, Jim Martin. — Photo by Ken Bissell.



UP FOR THE SHOT. Marla Lewis, freshman, was up for the shot in the two point zone. The Lady Boson's had a succesful season once again. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.



Women's Basketball



Bisons break record, triumph over Ark. College

As the weather grew colder, the Lady Bisons got warmer. After an okay start at the end of the fall semester, they returned after Christmas vacation with renewed energy. Possibly the most exciting of their contests was their overtime victory over the Lady Reddies of Henderson State.

The starting line-up of the 1989-90 Lady Bison's basketball team boasted four outstanding senior leaders, Syrena Burch, Lisa Kirk, Carrie White, and Gina Hudson. At forward, Syrena Birch lead the team in scoring, averaging around 13 points in each game. Lisa Kirk, a senior guard, continued to shoot well from the three point line, racking up her fourth year among the high percentage scorers in the AIC. Carrie White, playing guard, was second in the average points scored for the Bison's with the average of about 11 points a game. Gina Hudson was important in maintaining the defensive intensity, playing forward

and accounting for many good defensive plays, as well as shooting consistently outside.

Nancy Wilson, a 6'2" freshman forward, added the factor of height to an already talented lineup. She was among the top ten AIC players in rebounding, and still had three years of college eligibility remaining.

This year the Lady Bison's took a major step in the right direction when they triumphed over Arkansas College. A task that had not been overcome in the history of the school.

Greg Harnden, in his first year as coach of the Lady Bison's, was impressed with the quality, character, good attitudes, and well rounded lives of the players. "These girls are not just here to play basketball," he said. "These ladies also spend time together off the court and are very active in their social clubs."

"We're not just a basketball team," Kirk said, "We're friends."

-Ken Ash



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Monticello 15-1

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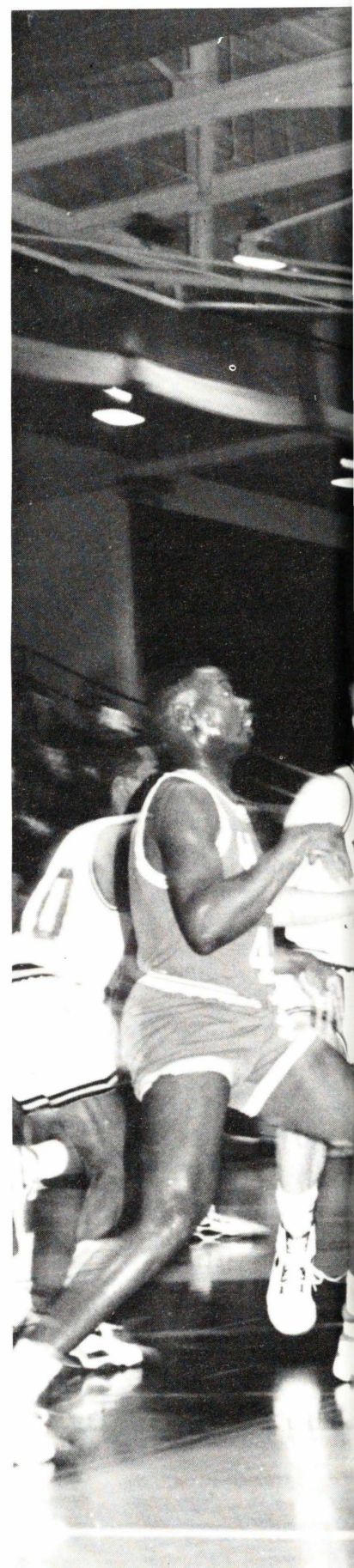


MEN'S BASKETBALL. Front row: Iverson, Atkins, Vance, Williams, Hubbard, Washington, Wood, Martin, Prince, Shadiskis; Back row: Coach Boyd, Counts, James, Nesbitt, O'Claire, Garcia, French, Hindrich, Collins, Camper, Bucy. — Photo by Ken Bissell.



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SCORE. Senior Guard David James scores two points against Arkansas College. James scored an average of 20.8 points per game during his basketball career at Harding. — Photo by Wayne Westerholm.



Men's Basketball



Bucy coaches last season, four end college career

The basketball season drew to a close with four outstanding players and a coach ending their career with Harding. The 1989-90 season marked the end of the college basketball career of Corey Camper, Sean French, David James, and Curtis Washington.

The "roller coaster season," as James called it, was not without excitement. According to James the team continually worked for a home court advantage in the playoffs.

The 1990 team will face many challenges and changes. With a number of their seniors graduating, the '90 team will use freshmen talents to the fullest. Probably the most visible change to the program will be the absence of Head Coach Jess Bucy.

The '89-90 season concluded Bucy's 21-year-career as head coach of the Harding Bison men's basketball team. "Coach Bucy has been a good Christian

teacher of the game," James said. "One thing he did for me was to help improve my shooting. He's probably one of the better shooting coaches in the NAIA."

Though much talent will remain for the '90 team, the members all agreed they would miss the efforts of those leaving. Camper and James were both named to the All-AIC first team and All-NAIA District 17 selection during their 1988-89 season. Camper led the AIC with an average of 22.4 points scored per game in '88, during the '89 season he moved to the number two spot on the books for career points, placing behind high scorer Butch Gardner. James placed third with an average of 20.8 points per game.

Though those who remain feel confident that they will give Harding another team to be proud of, they all agreed that the skills of the senior players and especially those of Bucy will be missed.

— Wayne Westerholm
Kimberly Nunn

SUSPENSE. Opposing team members look with suspense while Corey Camper, senior, towers over them to score two points. The 1989-90 season was Camper's last at Harding University. — Photo by Wayne Westerholm.

Bison Boosters

Cheerleaders offer support for crowds as well as teams

To the Bison cheerleaders, there is more to cheerleading than "Yeah rah! Go team go!"

When the girls assume the role of a Bison cheerleader, they assume the role of someone who keeps busy practicing, organizing, and edifying.

The football cheerleaders arrived at school a week early and practiced five eight-hour days learning floor cheers, chants, and routines. "We practiced our routines early so we could spend more time making posters, doing run throughs, and making locker decorations and good luck notes with candy for the players," said Angie Butler, captain of the cheerleading squads. "We didn't have much luck with bonfires and pep rallies this year because of scheduling conflicts."

"The highlight of the year

was the UCA game," she said. "We got permission from the deans to shoepolish the campus the night before the game."

The day of the game, it was apparent that the cheerleaders had provided Bison spirit. The students could not glance across campus without seeing "Go Bisons, Beat UCA" written in white on the buildings and car windows.

Butler said, "That night, we had an impromptu pep rally that consisted of hollers, chants, and just acting silly for the players. There was a feeling in the air. We knew the Bisons would win."

"Six out of the eight basketball cheerleaders tumble or know gymnastics so we plan on using that talent," Butler said.

The basketball cheerleaders did as much for the basketball players as the other cheer-

leaders did for the football players. They, too, tried to give the players and the fans as much excitement as possible, she said.

The football cheerleaders were Krissi Alexander, Shannon Banks, Angie Butler, Tiffany Cook, Nicole Dawkins, Lori Griffin, Tammi Hollingsworth, Cindy Jones, and Cheryl Risner.

The basketball cheerleaders were Angie Butler, Laura Cobb, Brenda Curd, Monica Kimbrell, Malinda Lucky, and Lisa Senecal.

Butler, like many of the other cheerleaders was persistent in her effort to help the teams win.

"I'm determined to get the crowd fired up this year," she said. "Enthusiasm makes such a difference."

— Lex Owens



RALLY BAGGERS. Darren Bonham, senior, and Tim O'Neal, sophomore, prepare for one of the many Bison football games where Rally Baggers could be seen scattered across the bleachers. Rally Baggers wore trash bags and painted their faces to support the team. — Photo by John Klein.



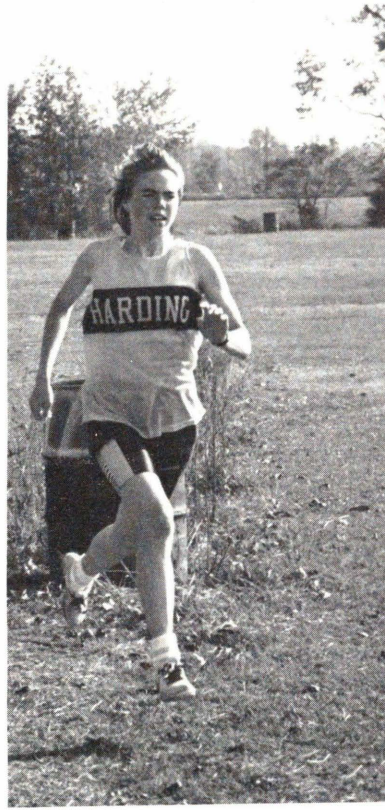
GO TEAM. Lori Griffin, sophomore, cheers on the football team. The cheerleaders supported the teams in any way they could. -Photo by Sharon Bowles.



FOOTBALL CHEERLEADERS, Front row: Shannon Banks, Cheryl Risner, Lori Griffin; Second row: Tammy Hollingsworth, Tiffany Cook, Cindy Jones, Nicole Dawkins, Krissi Alexander; Back row: Angie Butler. -Photo by Ken Bissell.



BASKETBALL CHEERLEADERS, Front row: Malinda Lucky, Angie Butler, Lisa Senecal, Brenda Curd; Second row: Miranda Rowland, Monica Mikbrell, Laura Cobb, Alisa Malone. -Photo by Wayne Westerholm.



RIDING THE WIND. Melynda Cordry, senior, shows off her winning style. Cordrey accepted the team's first place trophy in chapel. — Photo by Jeff Montgomery.



WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY: Melynda Cordry, Laura Dillman, Chanrda Latimer, Jenny Cole, Carrie White, Margaret Eoff, Kelsie Hutchinson. — Photo by Ken Bissell.

CONCENTRATING. Margaret Eoff, senior, pushes on toward the finish. Eoff helped make up the AIC championship team. — Photo by Jeff Montgomery.



Harding U	24
U of the Ozarks	75
U of A at Monticello	76
Arkansas College	78
Hendrix College	107
Arkansas Tech U	135
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Women's Cross Country

Runners excell, take conference title

“Doing your best,” the inner theme that is ingrained into each of the cross country runners was sure to be the basis of the team’s fourth consecutive conference championship.

Senior Melynda Cordry expressed that running helped her to release stress and relax. She said that looking forward to competition kept her motivated. That proved to be true when Cordry outdid herself during her '89 season by capturing an All-American title, a first for the Lady Bisons.

However, she did not stop there. Cordry went on to place seventh in the national competition. To add to her physical accomplishments, Cordry also ranked as an Academic All-American.

“Each runner is talented and we all participate in what we do well,” said Coach Ted Lloyd. He also pointed out that the team atmosphere gives each runner a sense of belonging.

The girls got more than just running from being on the team. “I appreciate the friendships that I have made, as well as the satisfaction from exercising and competing,” said senior Margaret Eoff.

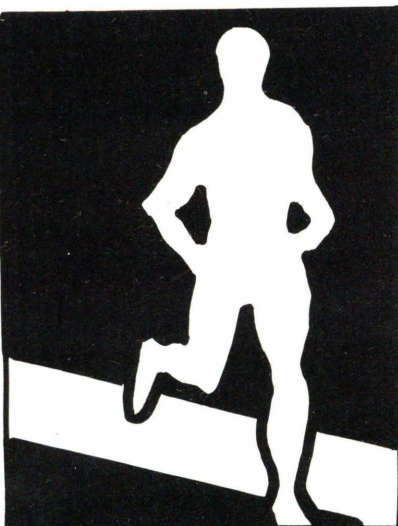
Six Harding women ran in the AIC meet. They were Melynda Cordry, 18:44; Kelsie Hutchinson, 20:10; Jenny Cole, 21:41; Margaret Eoff, 21:49; Carrie White, 21:52; Chandra Latimer, 22:13. Coach Lloyd also received AIC and NAIA Coach of the Year honors.

—Josette Mattingly
Kimberly Nunn



MAKING A BREAK FOR IT. As the crowd looks on, Melynda Cordry, senior, Jenny Cole, freshman, and Margaret Eoff, senior, take the lead from Bear competitors.—Photo by Jeff Montgomery.

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY. Front row: Kevin Brockus, Andrew Guthrie, Tim Seay, Nathan Mills, Barry Baggett, Jonathan Byrd, Marty Koonce; Back row: Darren Robertson, Tony Davis, Allen Gill, Ken Edwards, Jon Murray, Mark Halbert, Rick Trujillo, Greg Richey, Kevin Yaws, Coach Ted Lloyd. — Photo by Ken Bissell.



Harding U	34
Ouachita Baptist U	68
U of Arkansas at Monticello	73
Henderson State U	95
U of Central Arkansas	112
Southern Arkansas U	148
U of the Ozarks	203
Hendrix College	204
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OUT IN FRONT. Tim Seay, sophomore, sets the pace at a fall cross-country meet, with Rick Trujillo, senior, close behind. Harding's cross country team captured the AIC championship this year. — Photo by Jeff Montgomery.



Men's Cross Country



Cross country team gathers many honors

Setting out to do their best, the men's cross country team entered into their season with 18 consecutive wins in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference Championship. The team proved its worth by ending the season with their 19th consecutive District Championship.

Senior Jon Murray said, "Cross country is a team sport. Many people are led to believe that it is an individual sport; however, the team depends on each runner because it is important that each does well."

A team effort is something that can be seen each time the team gets together to practice. The members agreed that it's

sometimes hard to run the 50-90 miles that each runner runs each week. The team effort not only makes one feel a responsibility to go to practice, but the team is also an encouragement.

At the conference meet, the runners encouraged each other and as a result, members followed each other closely to the finish line. Jon Murray finished with a time of 25:45, Tony Davis, 26:53; Allen Gill, 27:31; and Mark Halbert, with a time of 27:54. The runners, however, were not the only ones to close the season with honors. Coach Ted Lloyd received Coach of the Year honors.

— Josette Mattingley
Kimberly Nunn



COMPETING. John Murray, senior, approaches Rick Trujillo, also a senior. Trujillo went on to win the race. — Photo by Jeff Montgomery

STACKING. Tim Seay, sophomore, Rick Trujillo, senior, Greg Richey, sophomore, and Marty Koonce, senior, group together in order to secure consecutive high places. — Photo by Jeff Montgomery.

Football

Team sets new record, places second in NAIA

No one had done it in more than 10 years. Everyone said it couldn't be done. Everyone said that we would lose. The 1989 Bison football team proved them wrong.

According to many players and fans, the highlight of the season came on Nov. 16, when the Bisons beat the UCA Bears on their home field.

The Bears had been unbeaten at home for 12 years and had not lost a conference game in four years, but Harding changed all of that. Not only had Harding defeated the number one team in the conference, they had reserved a berth in the NAIA playoff's for the first time in Harding's history.

Bison punter Mark Thomas said, "The coaches and team knew that whoever scored first would control the game. We won two battles that night, one was on the field and one in the fans." It was estimated that there were more than 3,000 Harding fans at the game.

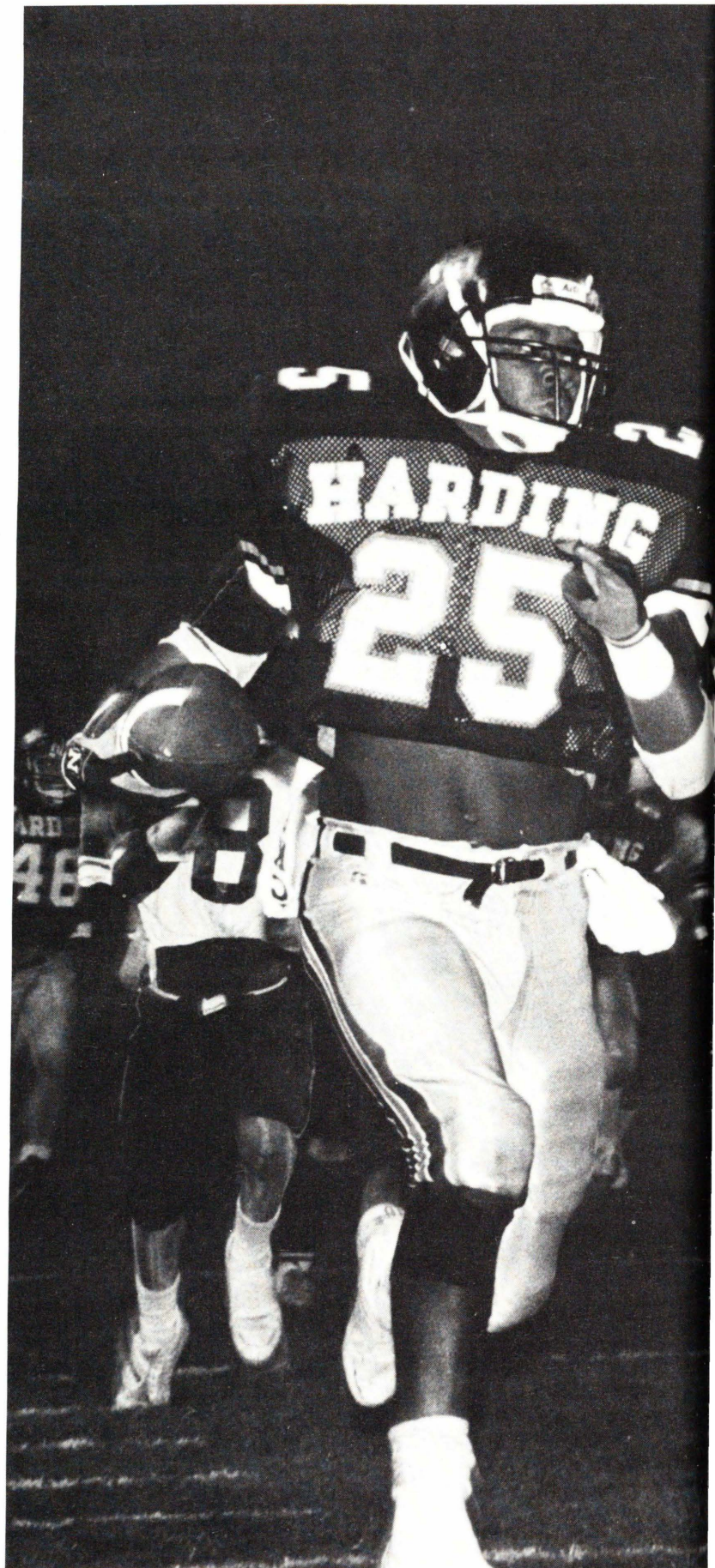
Head Coach Larry Richmond, who took the Bison's to the playoffs in only his second season, took the team from last year's last place to this year's first place tie for the AIC title.

The Bisons were ranked eighth in the NAIA Division I poll. Thomas said, "Coach always put us in our place. He said we were not out there to impress, but to do a job."

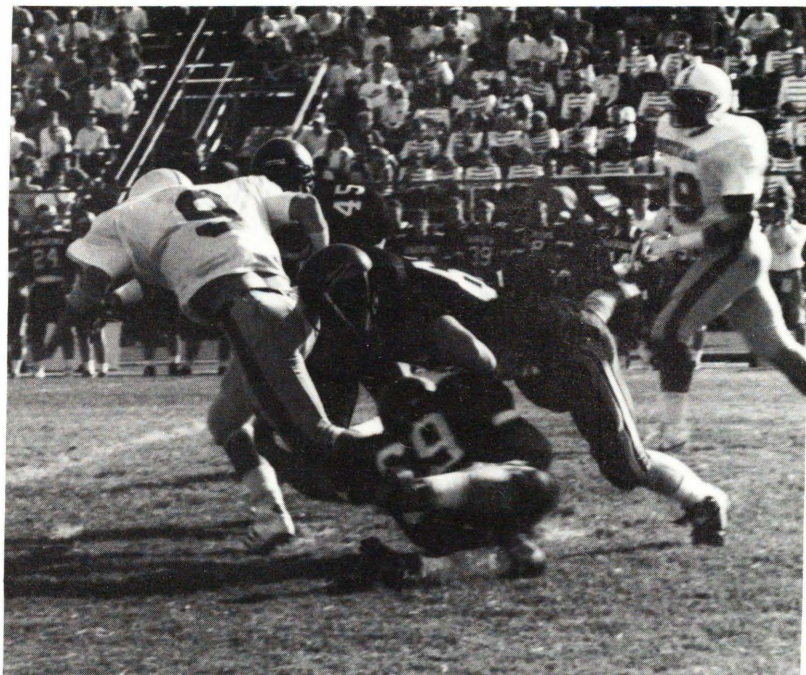
Though Richmond stressed team play, several of the players did very well individually. Chris Hill and Darrell Biggers both rushed for more than 500 yards each. Quarterback Tad Niblett passed more than 1400 yards in 11 games. Mike Alexander received passes totalling 521 yards, including a 50 yard pass from Niblett. Barry Bowens received passes totalling over 550 yards. Thomas punted over 2700 yards, including a 51-yard punt.

Sophomore Pat Gill must not be forgotten. In January of 1990 he was named to the 1989 NAIA Division I All-American first team. That came after he received All-AIC honors and earned NAIA District 17 Defensive Player of the Week three times. Gill had an outstanding year with 102 solo tackles and 96 assists. He cost the opposition more than 50 yards in losses, recovered two fumbles, and caught one interception.

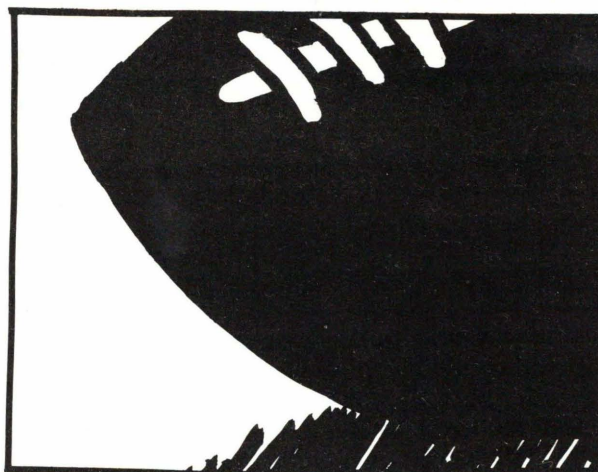
-Wayne Westerholm



TOUCHDOWN. Darrell Biggers, freshman, runs in a touchdown at a home game. The Bisons experienced a very successful season. — Photo by Wayne Westerholm.



GO DEFENSE. Kyle Eubanks, sophomore, Troy Foster, sophomore, and Kenwick Thompson, junior, tackle UAM quarterback O'Neal Webber. The Bison defense proved invaluable in winning the AIC championship. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.



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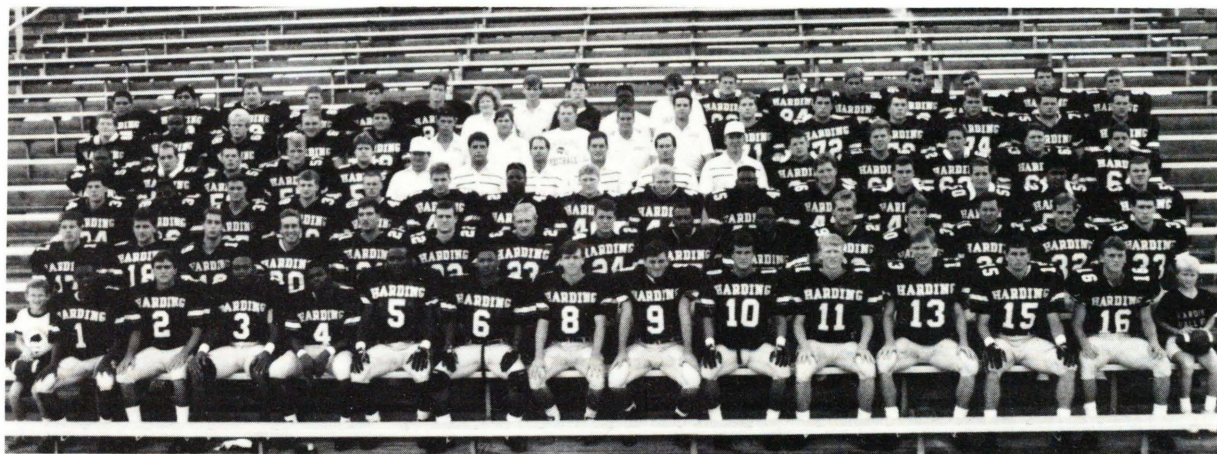
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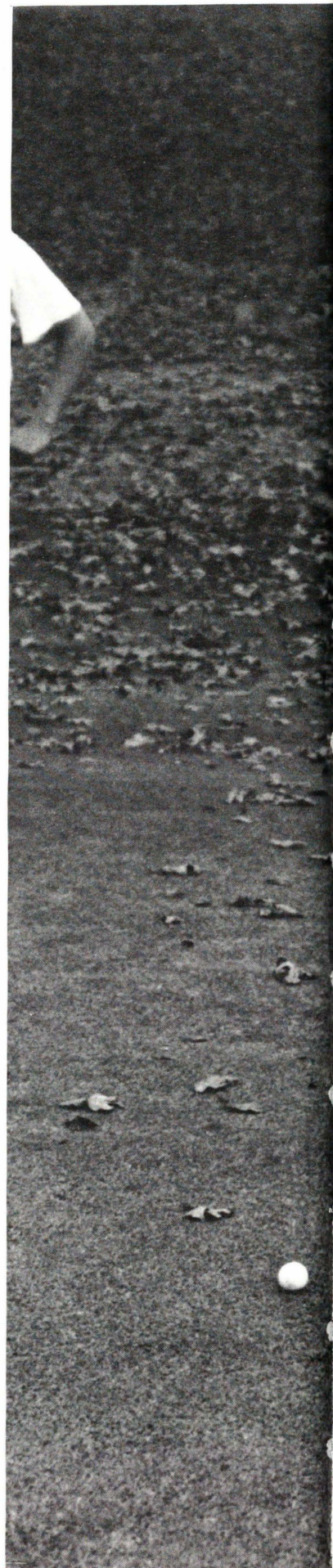
FOOTBALL TEAM. Front row: Huckeba, Bowens, Niblett, White, Hadnot, Phillips, Homes, Goodwin, LeFevre, Reynolds, Pace, Turbeville, Phillis, Davis, Floyd; Citty, Willett, Baker, Hill, Thomas, Fitzhugh, Laughary, Griffin, Biggers, Cathey, Alexander, McGee, Brackett, Hearyman, Cook; third row: Rogers, Gill, Autry, Claiborn, Sparkman, McAlister, Shorter, Shoemaker, Spann, Thompson, Myers, Tolleson, Blackmon, Gonzales, Roberts; fourth row: Wiley, Dickson, Paddock, Dugger, Graser, Gordey, Frank, Ragsdale, Richmond, Tribble, Huckeba, Slater, Clark, Davis, Reed, Reeves; fifth row: Foster, Ford, Barber, Eubanks, Garrett, Perry, Fox, Albright, Duncan, Hendrix, Emshoff, Davis, Dotson, Peters, Johnson, Holland; Back row: Proctor, Protcor, Clay, Owen McAfee, Citty, Thrasher, Bradley, King, Marshall, Morrow, Miller, Harrell, Martin, Gilliland, Cate, Guffey, Thompson. — Photo by Ken Bissell.

LINING UP. Senior Scott Barber lines his ball up with the hole at a practice at the Searcy Country Club. The Bisons placed third in the AIC. — Photo by John Klein.

GOLF. Front row: Jason Nier, Darrell Welch, Scott Barber, Matt Patton; Back row: Coach Russell Showalter, Todd Rhinehart, Berney White Jr., Russ Maile, Tom Koller, Brad Pistole. — Photo by Ken Bissell



GETTING INTO POSITION. Russ Maile, sophomore, concentrates as he positions himself to putt the ball during an afternoon practice. Harding had four individual leaders in the AIC Golf Tournament. — Photo by John Klein.





Expectations fulfilled, season a challenge

The 1988-1989 Bison golf team entered the season expecting a second place conference championship. Their expectations were fulfilled.

The team took a one-stroke edge over Arkansas Tech in district play. Seven returning players and one freshman lead the Bisons in an exciting season.

"It was a really good season," Coach Russell Showalter said. "We had a lot of good guys playing. We may not have been conference champions but we did our best."

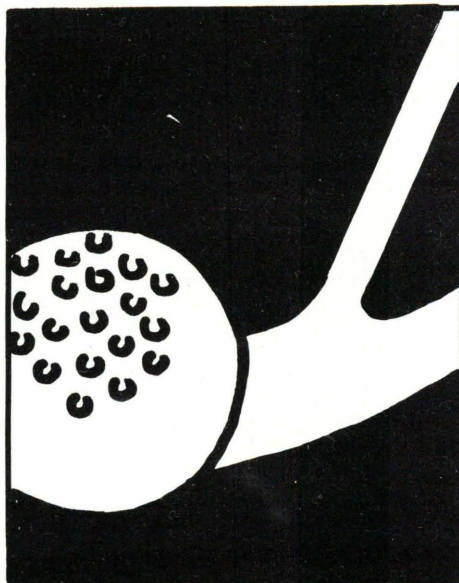
The Bisons started the season with a disappointing fourth place finish at the Red Apple Inn, but managed to finish second or third in the remaining five tournaments, to pull back

to a third place conference finish behind second place Arkansas Tech University and first place Henderson State University, who were ranked in the national top 10.

The Bison team had several AIC individual leaders, including David Converse with an average of 80.2, Robert Master with an average of 81.6, Matt Patton with an average of 82.2, and Todd Rinehart with an average of 83.0. Converse was also named to the All-District team.

The team was made up of seniors Converse, and Masters; juniors, Scott Barber, Brett Biggs, and Matt Patton; sophomores, Jason Mier and Chris Brewer; freshman, Todd Reinhart.

— Brett Biggs



SCOREBOARD

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Ark. Tech U	45
Harding U	39.5
Ouachita Baptist .	36
U of Central	
Ark.	31.5
Hendrix College..	25
Southern Ark. U.	16.5
U of the Ozarks ..	12
Ark. College	10.5



PLANNING STRATEGY. Sandra Jones, senior, and Sandra Nies-tadt, senior, discuss how well they think the Bucs will do in the meet. -Photo by Sharon Bowles.

BISON BOWLING. Denise Costin, sophomore, enjoyed keeping score during intramural bowling games. -Photo by Jeff Montgomery.



LOTS OF LAUGHTER. Sandra Peachy, junior, Pam Peachey, junior, Laura Nickerson, senior, Sharon Gordon, senior, and Robin Phillips, senior, shared a few laughs at the club track and field day. The day offered another chance for fellowship between club members. -Photo by Sharon Bowles.

KEEPING BUSY. Barbara Barnes, director of the women's intramural program for the past 25 years, manages to keep herself busy making plans for the program. -Photo by Jeff Montgomery.



Women's Intramurals



Women's intramurals offer many options

Harding's endless list of activities has been enhanced by the women's intramural program for many years.

Barbara Barnes, director of the women's intramural sports program for the past 25 years, and her five assistants, Kim Stacy, Sally Gardner, Jennifer McMillin, Susan Traugher, and Roxie Toms, did a lot of work to make the program successful.

Sally Gardner said, "The program gives females an opportunity to play basic sports, and it keeps them fit."

Being dedicated to the program came easy for Barnes. "The intramural sports program for women keeps me out with all the young people, and it keeps me active. I get to meet many new people and see all of the people I have already met. It is such a unique experience to be a part of several hundred girls' lives," she said.

The program was split into two parts. Fall sports consisted of softball, tennis, table tennis,

badminton, and volleyball. The spring program was comprised of basketball, racquetball, track and field, and softball. Students earned points for each sport they participated in. Jackets were awarded to the top ten women who earned the most participation points during the year. Plaques were awarded for club sportsmanship, individual, and high point.

According to Barnes, the purpose of the program was to encourage students to participate in sports.

"You find more people who have a real interest in sports and they really want to play," said Caroline Pillay. "Intramural sports are your own choice, you tend to get pushed into club sports. Club is more competitive, intramural is more fun."

After 25 years with the program, Barnes hoped the future would be as successful as the past.

- Rebecca English



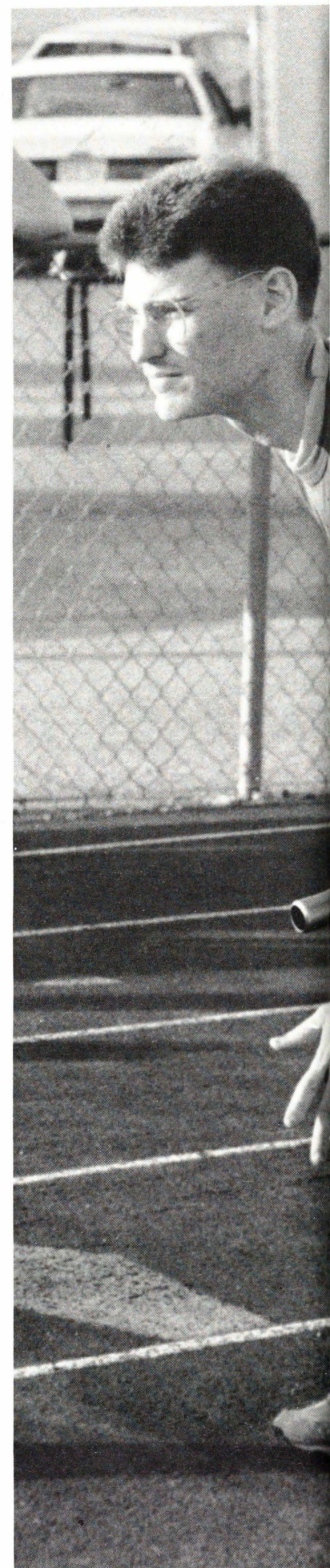
SOFT LANDINGS. Susan Traugher, senior, had a tough time making it over the bar when she participated in the high jump event during the club track and field day, hosted by the intramural programs. Traugher was an assistant for the director of the women's intramurals. -Photo by Sharon Bowles.

CONCENTRATION. Mike Zanolli, senior, concentrates as he hits the ball during a men's intramural softball game. Zanolli's team, the Phills, placed second in the major league division. -Photo by Kimberly Nunn.

NO YOU DON'T. Jason Clark, junior, holds tight to his hopes of stopping Doug Black, senior, from making a touchdown during a men's intramural football game. David Diffine, freshman, William Gay, sophomore, and Gary Richie, senior, work hard to help out their teammate. The program offered over nine sports to the male students. -Photo by Wayne Westerholm.



ANTICIPATION. James Scott, senior, anticipates the sound of the gun during the club track meet. -Photo by Sharon Bowles.



Men's Intramurals



Intramural program helps build character

“A sport for every man and every man in a sport,” was the motto for the men’s intramural sports program. According to Coach Mike Pruitt, the program was designed to develop stamina and skill in an activity, as well as to develop social attributes towards opponents, teammates, spectators, and officials.

Each time a student played a sport at the new field, he was reminded of the motto, “He that striveth in the games, exerciseth self control.”

The intramural program was also held in high regard by the students.

Lynn Ball, a junior, said, “It helped you meet new people, that otherwise, you may not have met. It helps you to grow athletically, but more importantly, it helps you grow spiritually.”

The intramural program was also something that both the expert and the beginner could enjoy. By dividing the program into

major league sports and minor league sports, the program was made available to everyone.

Pruitt, who served his first year as the director of the men’s intramural sports program, was pleased with the formation of the program.

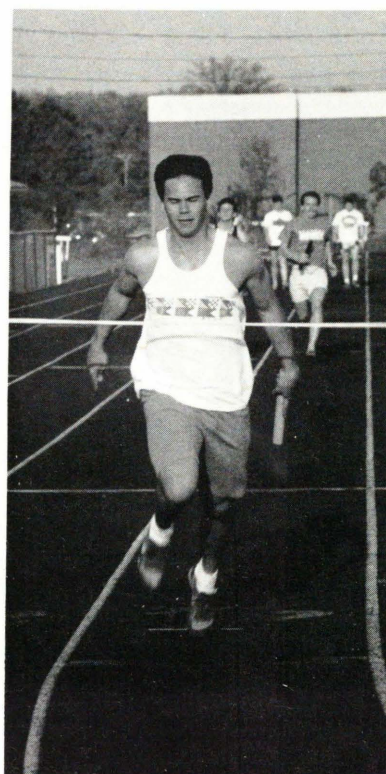
“Basically, there have been no changes in this years’ program. Mr. Beck developed a program that runs smoothly, due to excellent participation by the students in the activities.”

Each year, students are awarded with picture reviews, honor roll, and an awards assembly that includes winners of intramural jackets, the spirit award, and the athlete of the year award.

Men’s intramural sports provided acknowledgement for outstanding ability and a doorway for new friendships.

The idea for the men’s intramural sports program was “One who participates should be a better Christian for having done so.”

— Lex Owens

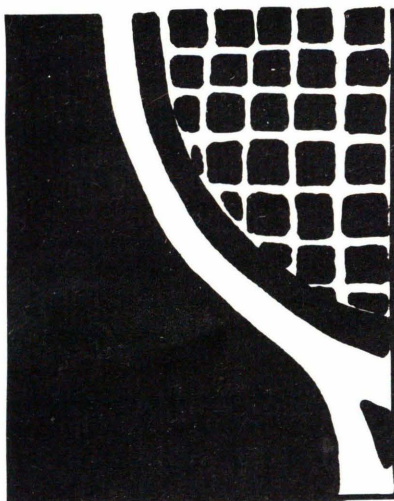


IN THE CLEAR. Tommy Brown, sophomore, crosses the finish line far ahead of the other runners during the club track and field day. The intramural program offered sports to both the beginner and the expert. -Photo by Sharon Bowles.



ON THE COURT. Richie Roberts, junior, concentrates on his volley while practicing for his next meet. Harding placed second in the AIC tennis conference -Photo by Sharon Bowles.

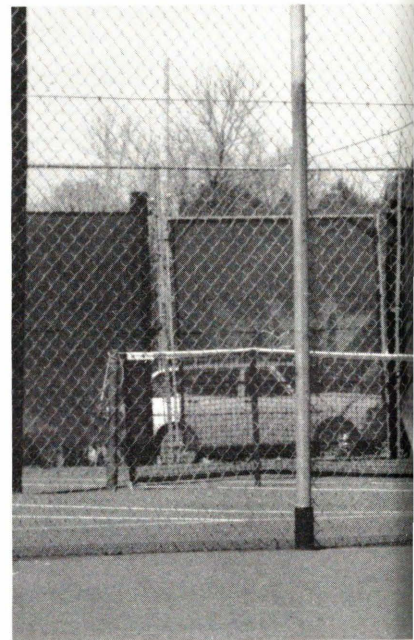
PURE JOY. Ruy Martinez, senior, took pure joy in playing on the 1989 tennis team. Martinez helped his team place second in the AIC conference. -Photo by Sharon Bowles.

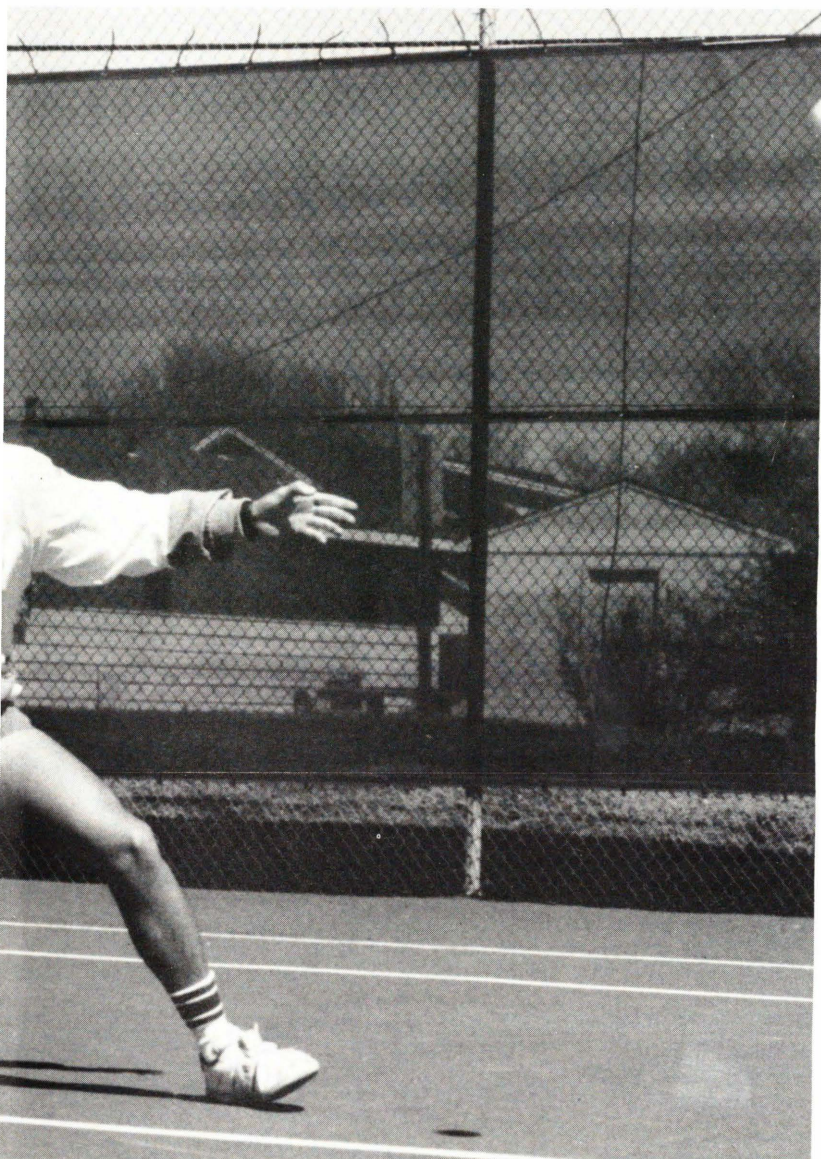


SCOREBOARD

Southern Ark U	7-0
Harding U	6-1
U. of Central Ark.	5-2
Hendrix College.....	4-3
Ouachita Baptist U ...	3-4
Henderson State U ..	2-5
Arkansas Tech U	1-6
Ark. College.....	0-7

TENNIS- Front Row: Gregg Barden, Leonardo Bravok, Jorge Woog, Todd Gilliam, Kelly Barden; Back row: Richie Roberts, Pravesh Mahabeer, Enriwque Valeró, Ruy Martinez, Coach David Elliot, and Ernesto Tovar. -Photo by Ken Bissell.





Bison tennis team accomplished much

District champions, AIC runners-up, and a camaraderie that lasted year-round. Those things, and many more, were what made the 1989 tennis season special.

According to many of the team members, the unity that the team members displayed during the 1989 season was what made it such a success.

"We were very close. We blended together really well and we all liked each other," said team member Lee Mackey.

Coach David Elliot said, "We had an excellent season with the highlights being named the District 17 champions, AIC runners-up, and ending up 25th in the national tournament.

Their list of accomplishments didn't stop there, however. Richie Roberts, sophomore, and freshman Ernesto Tovar were named to the All-AIC men's tennis team, Leonardo Bravo was given honorable mention, Coach Elliot was named the NAIA District 17 Coach of the Year, and they

ended the year with a conference record of 20 wins and 7 losses, and a non-conference record of six and one.

Also, Harding had four all-District 17 players, they were Tovar, Roberts, Bravo, and Arturo Martinez. Martinez and Gregg Barden also made the academic All-Americans. Barden won the Intercollegiate Coaches Association Graduate Scholarship.

Not only did most of the team members have tough class schedules, they also had a tough tennis schedule to keep up with.

"We played some tough schools, like University of Arkansas in Little Rock and Oral Roberts University, which were non-conference schools but helped us get ready for our harder conference matches," said Todd Gilliam.

Through a successful season and many academic accomplishments, the 1989 tennis team made their list of endless accomplishments.

— Tanya Atkinson

ON THE MARK. Todd Gilliam, junior, positions himself to volley the ball back to this opponent. Harding's tennis team placed second in the AIC conference. -Photo by Sharon Bowles.



Women's Track & Field

Runners stormed through '89 season

The women's track team produced endless achievements in their 1989 season. Not only were they the AIC Conference champions, but two Harding runners ended the season with all American standings.

Cheryl Bednosky, a senior from Penconic, N.Y., and Letha Stewart, a freshman from Little Rock, received AIC All American standings.

Bednosky set three new AIC records. She finished the 1500 meter run in 4:47.40, the 3000 meter run in 10:49.90, and the 800 meter run in 2:21.29. Stewart won the long jump with a distance of 17 feet and 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches.

The Harding team as a whole took the conference by storm.

LONG SHOT. Robyn Counts, senior, keeps an eye on the shot put as it lands far from her. The team spent hours each day practicing for the spring events. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.

Another all-AIC event winner was Harding's relay team composed of Margaret Eoff, Stewart, Tina Bearden, and Kelsie Hutchinson. They won both the 400 and 1600 meter relays.

Kelsie Hutchinson, Melynda Cordry, and Tracey Parkes also were named to the all-AIC team.

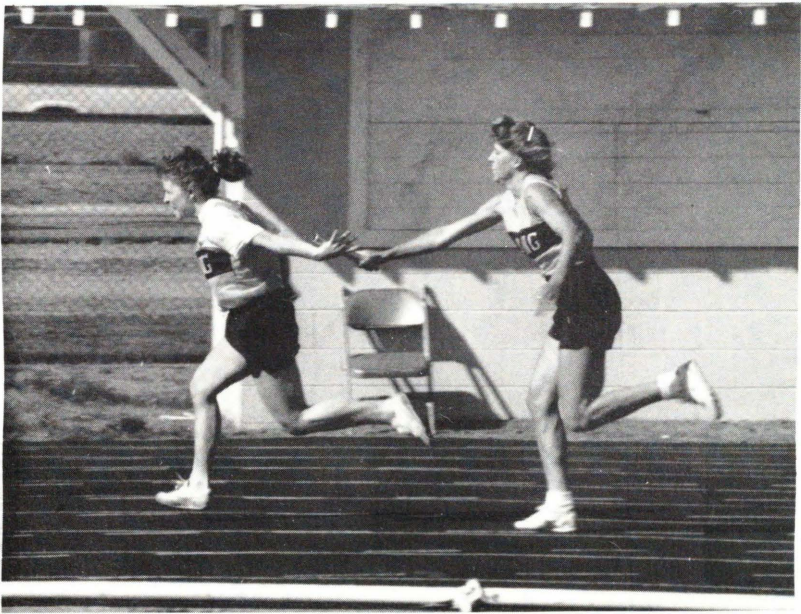
However, the students weren't the only ones to walk away with the gold. Coach Ted Lloyd received honors as the AIC District 17 Coach of the year.

"We never verbalized any goals," Lloyd said, "but the team and I had an understood goal of winning the AIC conference. The track team re-wrote school records in almost every event."

— Lex Owens



HERE GOES NOTHING. Even though the discuss wasn't her event, sophomore Tracy Parks gives it a spin during an afternoon practice. Parks went on to run in the All-AIC meet. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.



PASSING ON. Margaret Eoff, senior, hands a baton off to Kara Hutchinson, senior, during a relay. Eoff and Hutchinson, along with Tina Bearden, freshman, and Lethea Stewart, senior, were all AIC event winners at the AIC conference meet. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.



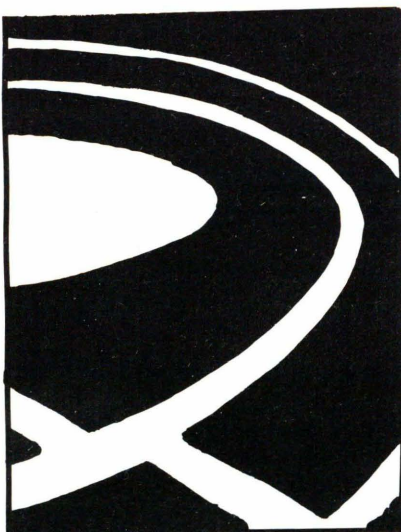
SCOREBOARD	
Harding University.....	181
Central Arkansas.....	113.5
UA Monticello.....	85.5
Arkansas College.....	39
Hendrix College.....	21
Arkansas Tech.....	13
Univ. of Ozarks.....	2



TRACK- Front Row: Robbe Counts, Carrie White, Kara Hutchinson, Kelsie Hutchinson, Melynda Condry, Elaine Fletcher; Back row: Lori Wright, Laura Dillman, Chandra Lockhart, Margaret Eoff, Sharon Coleman, Julie Jordan. -Photo by Sharon Bowles.



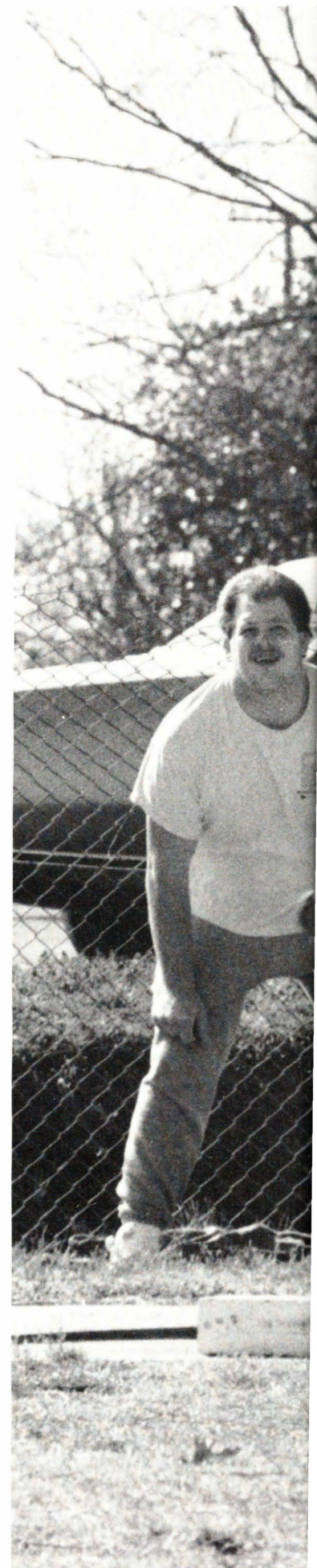
ARCHING OVER. Senior Te Howard practices his high jump skills. Howard won the All-AIC high jump with a height of 6 feet and 10 inches. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.



SCOREBOARD

U of Central Ark. . .	172
Ouachita Baptist U .	115
U of Ark. at Monticello.	96
Harding U	71
Henderson State U . .	58
Southern Ark. U . . .	14
Ark. College	0
Hendrix College	0

ALMOST OVER. Hugh Galyean, sophomore, didn't quite make it over the low hurdle spring training. The team placed fourth in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.



Men's Track & Field



Successful season, team placed fourth

The Harding University men's track and field team finished fourth in the AIC for the 1989 season, defeating close ranked Henderson State University and Southern Arkansas University.

Coach Ted Lloyd said there were several goals the team hoped to fulfill that season, including being more competitive moving up in the AIC standings.

Olester Bernard won all AIC in the shot put category, with a distance of 54 feet 2 inches. John Murray won the 5000 meter run with a time of 15:25.84, and the 10,000 meter run with a time of 32:06.55. Te Howard won the high jump with a jump

of 6 feet 10 inches.

For the Bisons, the season was filled with excitement and goal fulfillment.

Harding had five men who qualified for nationals in the spring, including Bernard, Howard, Murray and Jimmy Sloan.

Howard captured six AIC championships in the high jump, including three indoor and three outdoor titles. He was also a four-time NAIA scholar athlete. He has a college career best of 6 feet 10 1/4 inches.

Murray, another runner in the limelight will compete for a national championship during the 1990 season.

— Rebecca English

LOOK AT IT GO. Olester Bernard, and Terry Albright, both seniors, anticipate the landing of the shot put during a spring practice. The men's track team placed fourth in the AIC.

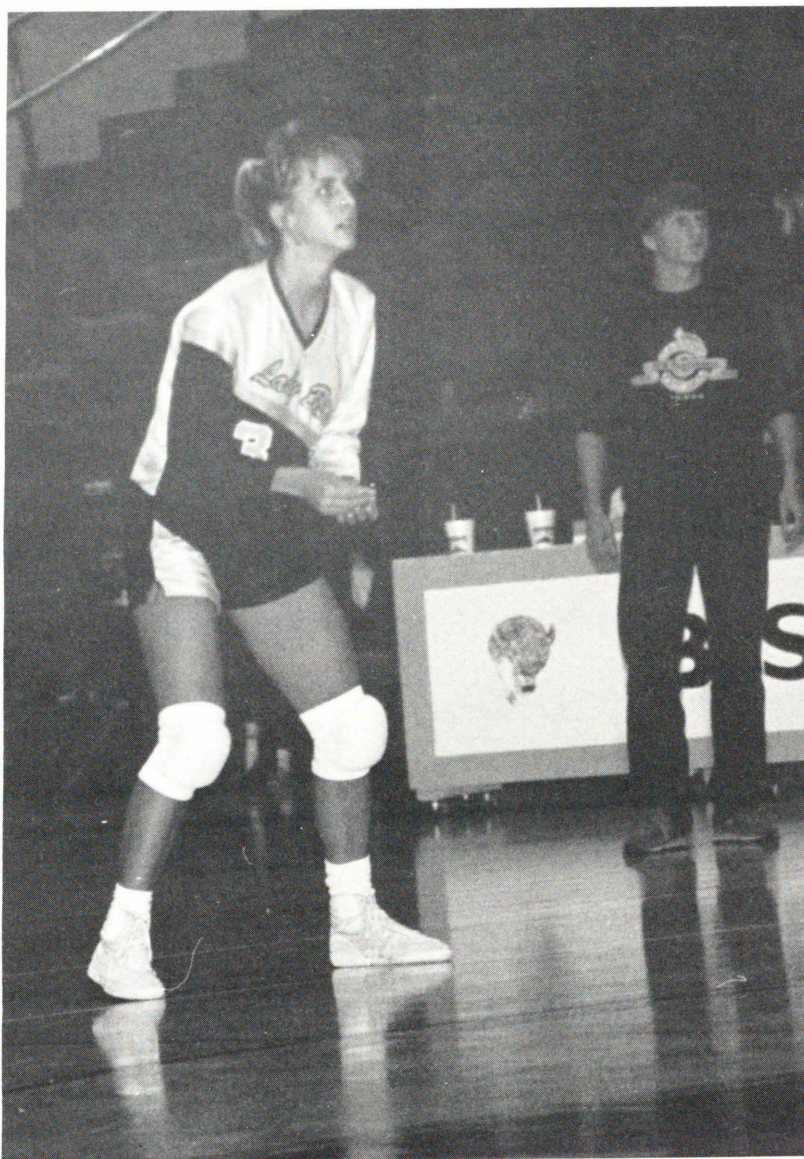
MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD.

Front row: Christopher Hobby, Ken Edwards, Kevin Yaws, Greg Richey; Back row: Hugh Galyean, Jon Murray, Shawn Humphrey, Tom Koller, Richard Holmes. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.



I'M READY. Alyssa Neal, freshman, readies herself for a return during a successful game against Central Arkansas University. The 1989 season was successful for the Bisons. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.

VOLLEYBALL. Front row: Margie Smith, Angela Mitchell, Susan Malone, Stephanie Dempsay, Alyssa Neal, Staci Haynes, Diane Hodo, Dawn Uhalt; Back row: Coach Karyl Bailey, manager Shari Bennett, Larrie Maples, Tammy Todd, Kally Willingham, Carolee Musick, Wendi Scott, Kara Borchardt, student assistant Kenny Hightower, graduate assistant Todd Humphry. — Photo by Ken Bissell.



UP FOR THE SPIKE. Tammy Todd successfully spikes the ball during the 1989 Bison volleyball season. Todd was a sophomore from Raytown, Mo. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.



Volleyball



Determination paid, victorious season

The Lady Bison volleyball team combined hard work and determination to produce a victorious season.

After five key players completed their eligibility at the end of the 1988 fall semester, the 1989 season was questionable, but the new year had several surprises.

Coach Karyl Bailey said, "Last spring, I told the veteran players that if they work hard, there would be a good solid volleyball team even if there was no help from the freshman class."

"Not only was there a tremendous improvement from the veteran women, but there was a surprising addition. Seven capable freshmen joined the

squad, promising a great deal of character and talent," Bailey said.

Four juniors and three sophomores made up the rest of the team.

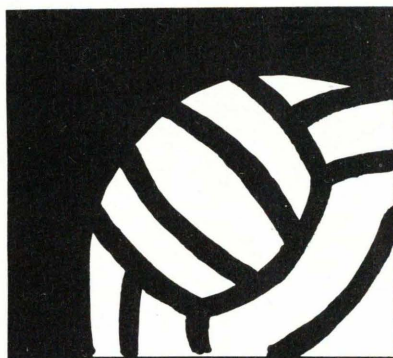
"The veterans provided leadership in every sense of the word," Bailey said.

The Lady Bisons improved in two aspects of the game. According to Bailey, the team was a better hitting team and a better blocking team than in previous years.

"Blocking," Bailey said, "was probably the biggest single factor for their winning season."

"This year's team didn't know what it meant to give up," he said.

— Lex Owens



SCOREBOARD

HARDING U.	11-1
SOUTHERN ARK. U.	11-1
ARK. TECH U.	11-1
HENDERSON STATE	5-7
CENTRAL ARK.	4-8
OUACHITA BAPTIST U. . .	4-8
HENDRIX COLLEGE	1-11

Searcy Steel

Steel team ranks high with 11-4 season record.

The 1989 season for the Searcy Steel soccer team proved to be a successful one. The team posted a final record of 11 wins and 4 losses in the fall, for a second place finish in the conference.

Cesar Angulo, a junior member of the team, said the highlight of the season was beating the University of Arkansas Razorbacks in Fayetteville. "It was really exciting to go down there and beat such a big school," he said. He was also excited about the increase in the size of the home crowd this year. "Last year there would be around 10 people at a game," Angulo said, "but this year we had crowds as large as 50 people. It was great."

Renee Benson was among the Steel fans and attended most of the home games. She said that she enjoyed going to the games even though she had never seen a soccer game before that fall. "I don't know much about soccer, but it was exciting to watch," Benson said. "It was a great way to spend a Saturday afternoon."

The Steel team was comprised of Harding University students, although the team was not sponsored by the college. Local businesses provided support for the team, and the players paid for most of their travel expenses.

— Myleea Hill



STEAL AWAY. A member of the Searcy Steel Soccer team works a little offense against an opposing team member. The team competes in both the spring and the fall semesters. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.

KICKER. Franco Zengaro, senior, kicks the ball downfield at a soccer game. A number of students enjoyed playing on the non-Harding sponsored team. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.



ON THE RUN. Tony Tabora, senior, and Louis Allen, sophomore, run the ball down the field at a home game. The crowds for the 1989-90 season were bigger than ever. — Photo by Dena Fritcher.



HERE GOES. Jeremy Lewis, graduate, builds up power to kick the ball to another team member. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.

SOFT TOUCH. Bornwell Sianjina, freshman, sends the soccer ball downfield. Searcy Steel went 11 and 4 for the season. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.

All Stars

All Stars honored in AIC and NAIA

The success of the 1989 Bison football team did not end with the end of the season. After leading the Bisons to an AIC championship, sophomore Patrick Gill was named to the AIC and NAIA teams.

Gill, a linebacker, led the Bisons with 102 solo tackles, but he gave much of the credit to his teammates. "It was a team effort," he said. "They helped me out a lot."

Three other Bisons were selected to the All-AIC team. Split end Mike Alexander had 32 receptions for the Bisons. Defensive end Kenwick Thompson had 67 sacks and defensive back Lance Rogers made four interceptions.

Several other Bisons were selected for the second team and honorable mention All-AIC teams. Fred Wiley was named to the second team. Darryl Biggers, Detrick Cathy, Brent Goodwin, Chris Will, Tad Niblett, Pete Fillis, John Spann, and Mark Thomas were all on the honorable mention list.

Coach Larry Richmond was selected as the AIC and NAIA District 17 Coach of the Year, an honor that, according to

Gill, Richmond was very deserving of. Gill said, "he emphasized unity." He attributed the success of the team to the hard work of the team and the coach and their determination to stick together.

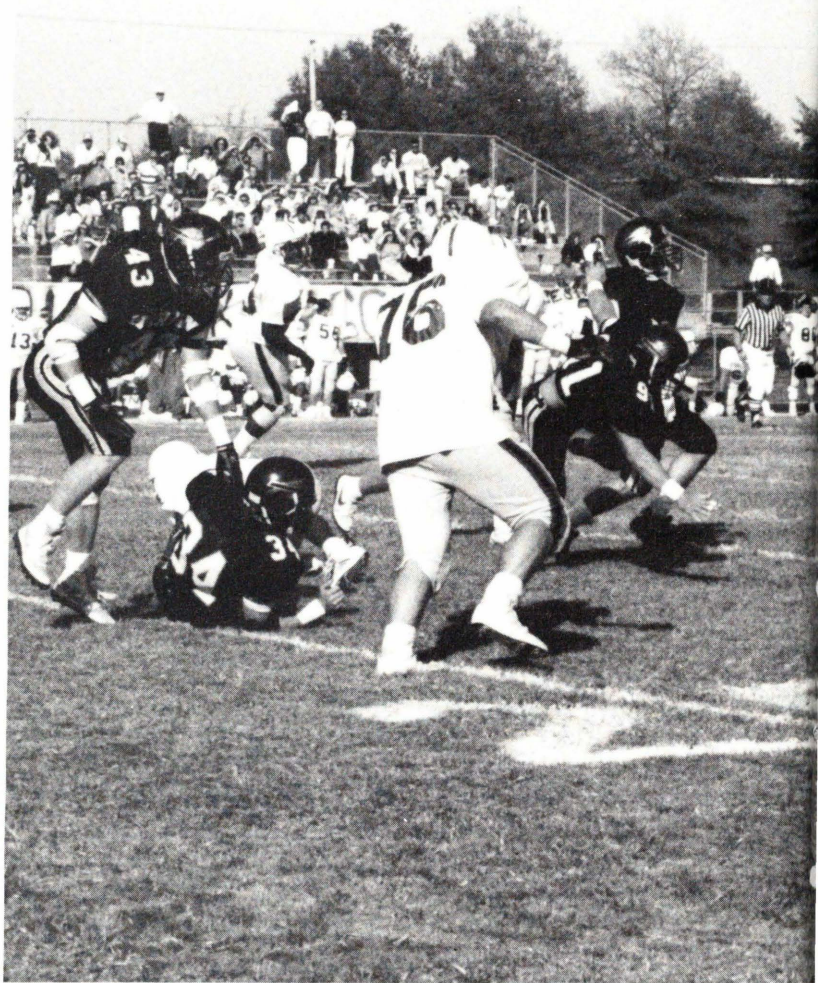
The 1988-89 Bison basketball team was also successful in achieving All-AIC status for several players. Guards Corey Camper and David James were selected to the first team. Camper led the team in scoring, assists, and rebounding averages with 22.4 points, 3.6 assists, and 7.5 rebounds a game for the Bisons and led the team in free throw percentages with 80 percent. Carl Collins was selected to the Honorable mention team.

Julie Roddy represented the Lady Bisons' on the 1988-89 AIC honorable mention team. Roddy, playing center, averaged 8.5 points and 6.1 rebounds a game. Teammate Lisa Kirk said, "Julie was a consistent leader for us."

Whatever the task before them, the teams proved their worth by continually striving to do their best.

— Myleea Hill

GO ON IN. Corey Camper, senior, stands hopeful as he watches the ball roll around the rim during their game against Henderson State. The Bisons' defeated Henderson 67-64. — Photo by John Klein.



TACKLE. Kenwick Thompson, junior, successfully completes another tackle. Thompson was selected to the AIC team. — Photo by Jeff Montgomery.



TWO POINTS. Guard Corey Camper, senior, scores yet another two points for the mighty Bisons. Camper led the Bisons in scoring during the 1989-90 season. — Photo by Wayne Westerholm.



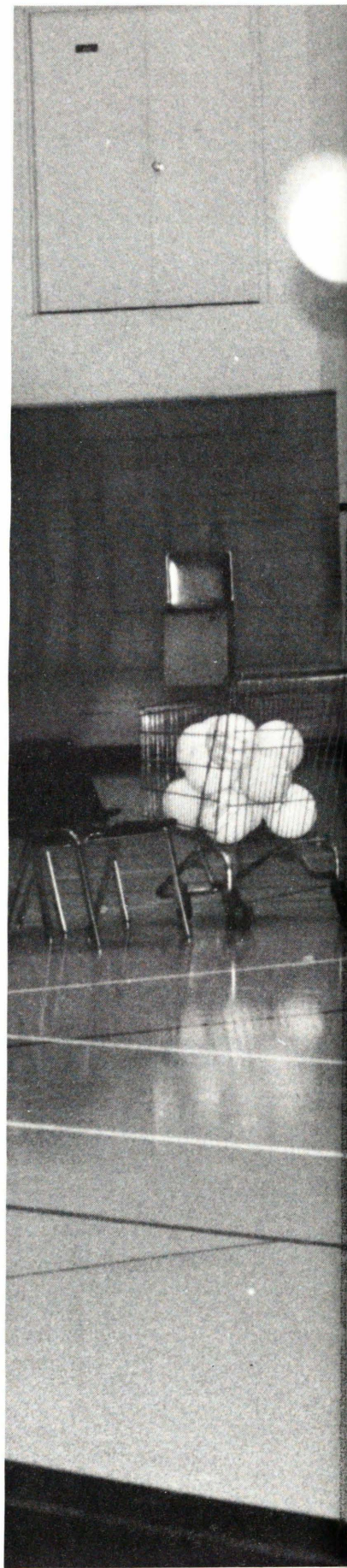
ON THE RUN. Mike Alexander, senior, works hard at his offensive skills. Alexander was selected to the All-AIC team and made 32 successful receptions during the 1989 season. — Photo by Sharon Bowles

WHAT FORM. Senior golf player Matt Patton drives the ball to hole two. Patton earned All-AIC honorable mention status. Photo by John Klein.

CONTACT. Richie Roberts, junior, makes contact during a spring tennis practice. Roberts placed on the All-AIC team for his work during the '89 season. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.



BUMP. Tammy Todd, sophomore, bumps the ball to the opposition during a fall '89 volleyball game. Todd was named to the AIC. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.





Team ends season with 20-7 record

Good things come to those who give one hundred and ten percent. For several Harding intercollegiate athletes all the giving produced new team accomplishments and individual honors.

Finishing match play with a 20-7 overall record, 6-1 in conference action, the tennis team placed two members on the All-AIC squad. Freshman Ernesto Tovar and sophomore Ritchie Roberts received the honors. Coach David Elliot was also rewarded for the successful season by being named the NAIA District 17 Coach of the Year.

Four members of the golf team were among the top of the individual leaders in conference play. David Converse's 80.2, Robert Master's 81.6, Matt Patton's 82.2, and Todd Rhinehart's 83.3 stroke averages were all good enough for All-AIC Honorable Mention honors. "We had a lot of talent this year," Rhinehart said. "Even

though we did not play up to our potential, we still had a good time on the course."

Great team and individual strides were made for the women in volleyball. The Lady Bisons' won their first AIC regular season crown with a 43-8 record. Although it was a team effort, several key players were singled out by the AIC for their exceptional play. Making both All-AIC and All-NAIA District 17 teams were Susan Malone, setter, and Tammy Todd, middle hitter. Sophomore setter Stephanie Dempsey made the All-NAIA District 17 squad, while Kelly Willingham made the All-AIC team. Dr. Karyl Bailey, the Lady Bisons' only head coach in the programs seven years of existence, was named the AIC and NAIA District 17 Coach of the Year.

— David VanBuskirk



GAME PLAN. Members of the tennis team take a quick strategy break. Strategy proved helpful in getting team members to All-AIC status. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.

All Stars

Runners excelled, earned top honors

The '89 men's and women's track and cross country teams had much to be proud of. Their overall accomplishments, both team and individual, were outstanding and in some cases set new standards by which Harding tracksters and cross country runners will be measured.

To women's track team was able to achieve something that had never been done at Harding both teamwise and individually. For starters, they captured their first AIC crown. "The womens' program really came of age this year and performed outstandingly," said Coach Ted Lloyd, who coached both the men's and women's track and cross country teams. "Not only that, but Harding had its first two All-American women tracksters in the program's history."

By leaping an incredible distance of 18'6" in the long jump, Letha Stewart became one of two Lady Bisons to make indoor All-American in 1989. The other woman was Cheryl Bednosky. Bednosky rewrote the record books at the indoor nationals. With her 1500 meter time of 4:47.40, her 800 meter time of 2:21.29, and a time of 10:49.90 in the 3000 meter run she broke three school records and qualified as an All-American. The amazing thing is that she broke all three of these records in the same day.

Some other outstanding times obtained by the AIC champs were in the 400 meter relay as Margaret Eoff, Stewart, Tina Bearden and Kelsie Hutchinson ran a 49.58. Eoff ran a 1:01.14 400 meter dash and Eoff Stewart, Beardon and Hutchinson team a 4:15.78 1600 meter relay. Other All-AIC members included Melynda Cordry and Tracy Parks.

The men's track team "Per-

formed well but lacked depth," according to coach Lloyd. Though the AIC crown was not obtained by the men, some individual accomplishments were definitely noteworthy. Harding had three indoor All-Americans and three outdoor All-Americans.

Olester Bernard's shot put distance of 54'2" and Te Howard's high jump of 6'10" 1/2" helped them to achieve All-American status both indoor and outdoors. Bernard placed third at the indoor nationals and fourth at the outdoor meet. Howard took second at the indoor nationals and fourth at the outdoors. Teammates Jon Murray and Jimmy Sloan also made All-American status. Murray ran a 32:06.55 at the outdoor nationals, placing him third, and Jimmy Sloan pole vaulted an astounding 16'2", placing him fourth at the indoor nationals.

Both the men's and women's cross country teams brought home an AIC championship in '89. The men defended their title with the help of Jon Murray, Mark Halbert, Allen Gill, and Tony Davis who all made the All-AIC team.

The women won the AIC with the help of six All-AIC runners. Cordry, Eoff, Hutchinson, Chandra Latimer, Carrie White and Jennifer Cole.

But, Cordy separated herself from the pack as she went on to place seventh at the national meet. That was the highest place finish for any Harding cross country runner, male or female, in the school's history. Her solid finish made her the first female cross country All-American in the school's history.

The track and cross country squads put up quality numbers and brought home the AIC crowns for Harding.

— Darren Bonham



LOOK AT IT GO. Seniors Terry Albright and Olester Bernard watch as the shot put lands many feet away. Bernard ranked in the AIC shot put event with a distance of 54'2". — Photo by Sharon Bowles.



ONLY A LITTLE LONGER. Cross country runner Kelsie Hutchinson, sophomore, toughs it out alone at a fall cross country meet. Several Harding runners made All Star ranking. — Photo by Jeff Montgomery.

GETTING DIRTY. Senior Letha Stewart makes a perfect, but dirty, landing. Stewart's specialty was the long jump, an event that took her to All-AIC status. — Photo by Sharon Bowles.

