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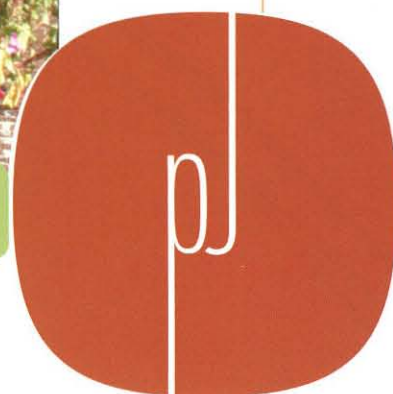
coming from diverse paths,
students step forward
chasing after intellectual,
social and spiritual ambitions

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Junior Vince Ching and senior Don Gaines study at Midnight Oil between classes Oct. 4. "The atmosphere at Midnight Oil is perfect for studying because they have good music, good coffee and it's not overcrowded," junior Jodi Pittard said. •Chelsea Roberson

Stopping between classes, sophomore Darryl Collins and senior Jessica Berry share a song on his iPod on Oct. 4. "To me my iPod is the never ending soundtrack to my life; it's usually playing the music that pertains to my mood," Collins said. •Chelsea Roberson



seniors visualizing the future

Senior's cultural heritage inspires future career

Senior Denice Sandoval knew how it felt to be the “new kid.” As a child, her family moved frequently, and by the time she graduated from high school, she had attended nine different schools.

“My parents have been missionaries since I was a 5-year-old,” she said. “We zigzagged between Chile and Argentina.”

Sandoval, whose mother is Argentinian, grew up speaking both English and Spanish. During the summer of 2006, she put her language skills to use.

Sandoval dedicated her summer to working on a research project involving three 4-year-olds in Searcy — one English-speaking, one Spanish-speaking and one fluent in both English and Spanish — to examine the differences in sound production by each. She also worked for the White County Health Department, where she helped Spanish-speaking clients fill out paperwork and served as an interpreter between them and the nurses.

“My first real job was my dream job,” Sandoval said.

Beverley Haze, a county health records clerk, worked closely with Sandoval at the health department and said she was an asset to the workplace.

“She’s very friendly, always willing to help and seems to have a lot of compassion for people,” Haze said. “I see her having a very bright future [because of] the combination of her background and education and the

good choices she makes in life.”

Sandoval grew up in Viña del Mar, Chile, but she had moved all over the world and struggled with language barriers. Her desire to help others stemmed from her own childhood.

“I just know what it’s like when the way you communicate is different from the way others do,” she said. “Even switching dialects is a big deal.”

Dr. Dan Tullos, director of the communication disorders program, expressed Sandoval’s impressiveness as a student and prospective speech pathologist.

“[Sandoval is] representative of the type of student we like to have,” Tullos said. “She’ll be graduating in December, so she’s one step ahead of many other students.”

Tullos said he expected Sandoval’s faith to make an impact in the largely non-Christian field of speech pathology, because of the need for Christians in the communication disorders field.

After graduation, Sandoval said she hoped to work as a speech pathology assistant and planned to attend graduate school in the fall to continue researching the differences between Spanish and English.

“I want to be able to help Spanish-speaking people in the United States by offering them my services,” she said.

•Molly Morris

Gathering games to play with clients Sept. 20, senior Denice Sandoval uses games as a reinforcement for a child’s proper speech sound production. When Sandoval was not interpreting, studying for classes or working at Westside Elementary, she found the time to make lesson plans for her clients. •Jon Bryon





Testing a volunteer's hearing Sept. 21, senior Denice Sandoval works on her clinical at Westside Elementary School. Communication disorders majors were required to do 60 off-campus clinical hours for a semester. •Chelsea Roberson



Reviewing the anatomy of throat, Denice Sandoval listens to her clinical supervisor Dr. Dan Tullos, professor of communication, in the speech and hearing clinic on Sept. 20. Clinical supervisors allowed students to observe them and gradually take over certain clients during the clinical process. •Jon Byron

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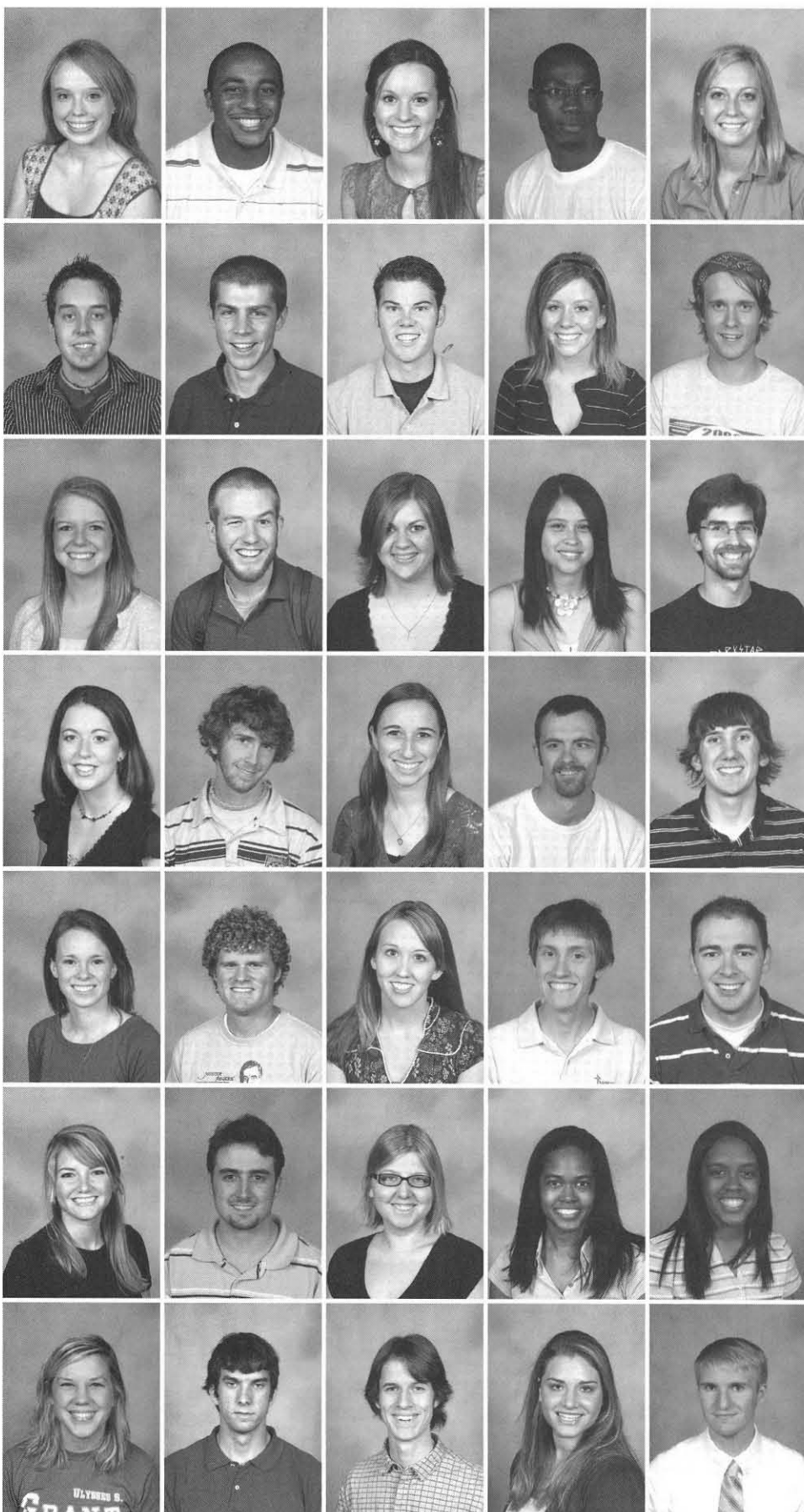
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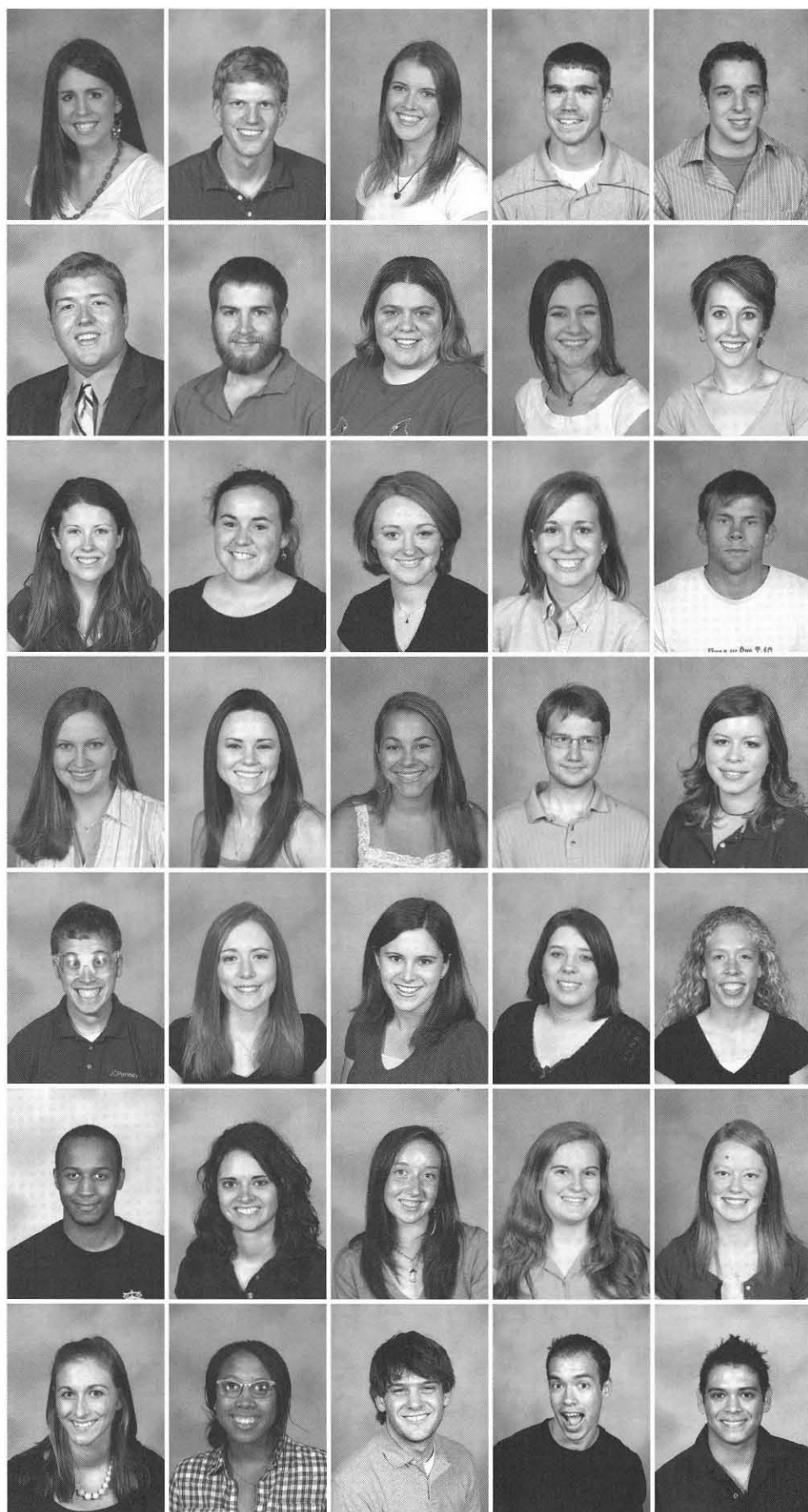
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Returning their shopping carts at Kroger on Sept. 21, seniors Julie Dow and Rachel Knight crash their "baskets" or "carts." Dow, a Floridian, believed the cart to be called a grocery basket and Knight, who was raised in Iowa, called it a cart. •Amber Bazargani



In between classes Sept. 21, senior Joshua Hollis opens one of the doors of the Ganus Athletic Center for junior Holly Rozzell. Holding the door open for women was a common practice in South Carolina where Hollis was raised. •Amber Bazargani

Reaching for his Dr Pepper, sophomore Michael Barnes buys a drink in the Keller Hall lobby Sept. 21. "In the South everything is a coke, whether it's Sprite, Dr Pepper or whatever; it is all coke," Barnes said. •Jon Byron



north vs. south

Students defend their geographical differences

Technically, the battle for supremacy between the North and the South ended on a battlefield in the Civil War. However, after the last shot was fired and the soldiers returned home, another conflict arose between these two foes. This debate boiled the blood of Northerners and Southerners alike for decades; however, it was arguable whether or not this conflict would spark another civil war. Amidst the arguments that raged between occupants to the north and south of the Mason-Dixon Line, one quarrel surpassed all others: pop or coke?

In a more general context, Northerners and Southerners had a long list of dialectal differences. From "cokes" to "y'alls" in the South and "pop" to "you guys" in the North, countless people expressed their opinions on the correct pronunciation of various words and remained locked in this distressing regional conflict.

Unfortunately, this provincial clash intensified even more. Another term was added to the pop vs. coke debate.

"Pepsi is not coke or pop ... Pepsi is soda," sophomore Virginia Beach, Va., resident Nick Empson said.

But the conflict did not stop there. In addition to the "coke vs. pop vs. soda" quarrel, "y'all vs. you guys" also caused dissension.

"I get made fun of a lot for saying 'you guys' instead of 'y'all,'" sophomore Carter Truax of Ohio said.

Southerners winced upon hearing this commonly used Northern-coined phrase.

"I can't handle 'you guys,'" sophomore Cory Lee of Texas said. "Other

than that, Northerners don't really bother me."

On the other hand, Southerners used phrases that caused equal annoyance among Northerners.

"I don't 'fix' to do anything, I just do it," sophomore Jillian Taylor of Connecticut said.

In addition to words and phrases, names were also added to the list of regional pronunciation faux-pas.

"People from the South pronounce my name wrong," junior Ben McDonald of Indiana said. "My name is Ben, not Bin. I'm not a storage container; I'm a human being."

The main argument presented by those defending their drawl was that they did not speak with an accent.

Even though no right or wrong accent ever existed, certain connotations generally were associated with each accent.

"Northerners think Southerners are hicks, and they sometimes stereotype us," junior Jennie Wilkinson of Arkansas said.

In rebuttal, Southerners stated that Northerners were rude and always in a hurry.

The bottom line was that Northern and Southern accents were here to stay. As long as people still lived in both the North and in the South, each accent would thrive and flourish. The controversy over which was right or wrong did not start a second civil war, but it would more than likely live on over the course of time.

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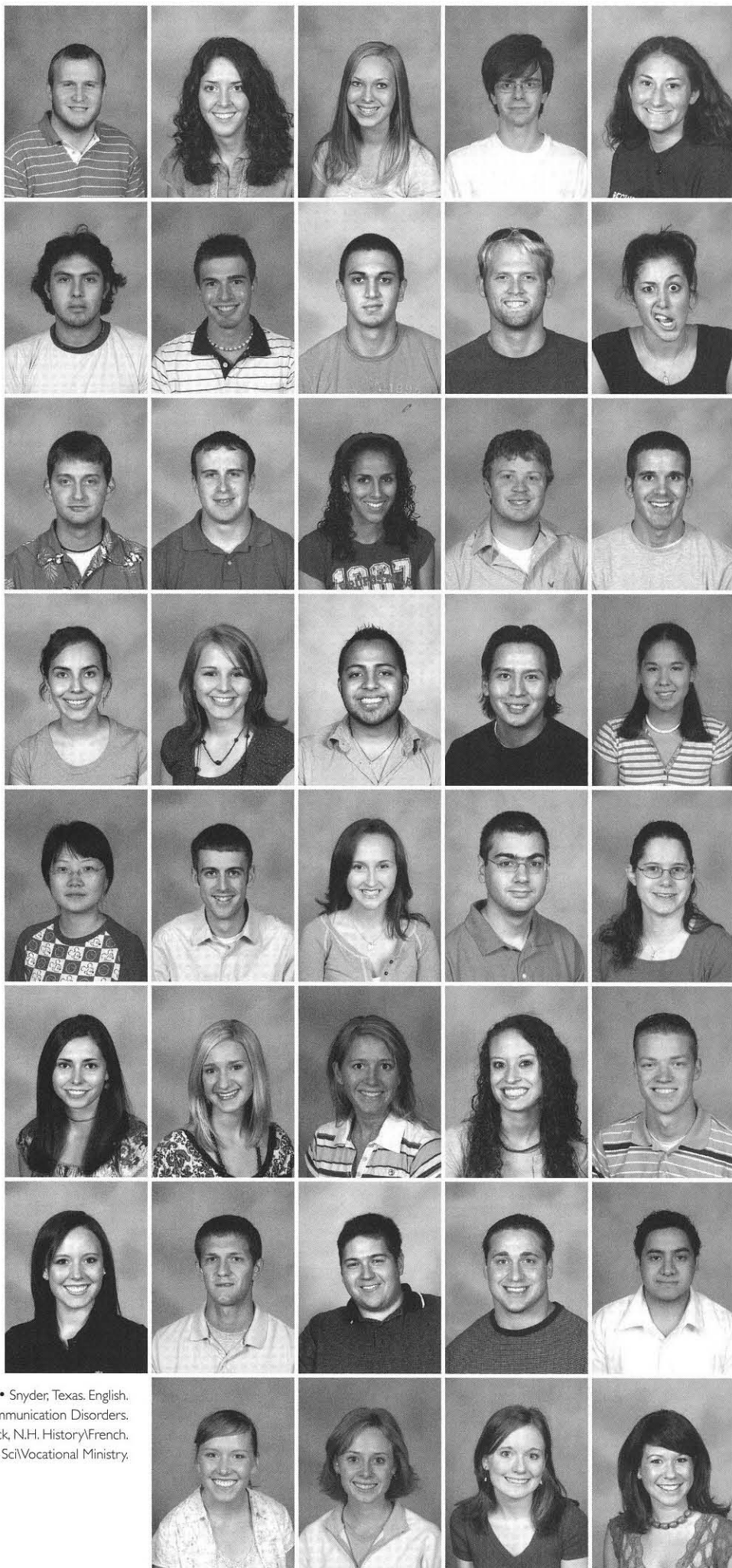
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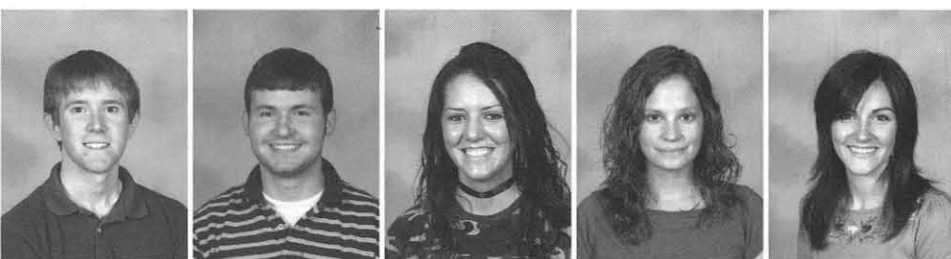
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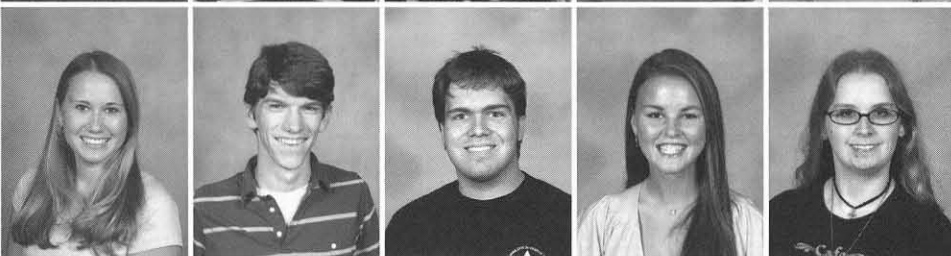
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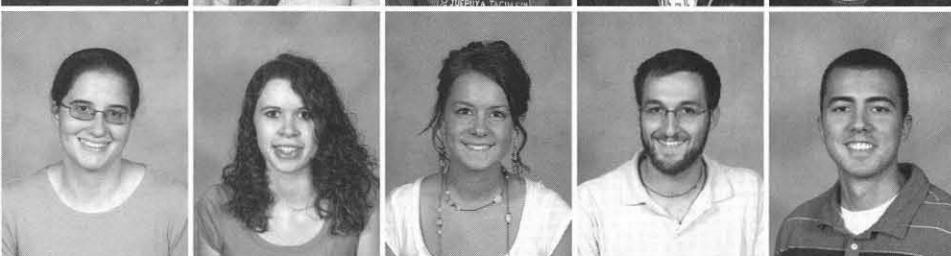
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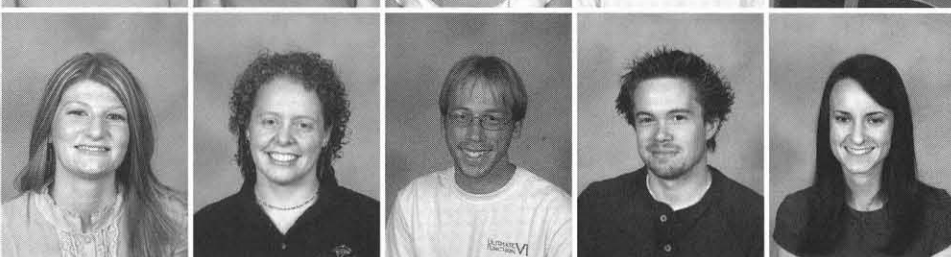
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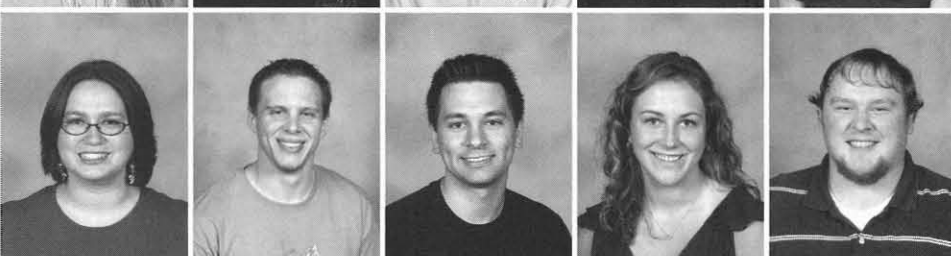
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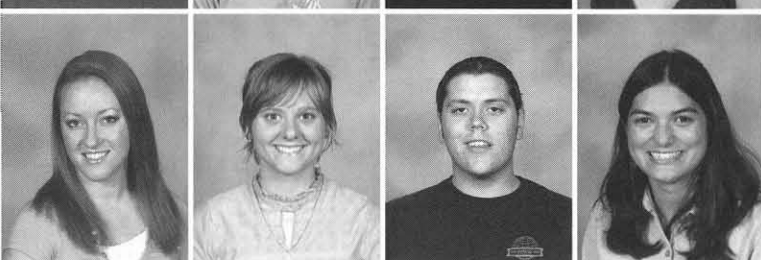
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In Shores Chapel on Sept. 11, a piece of artwork by senior Margaret Hlasta is displayed in remembrance of Sept. 11, 2001. "There are pieces of people's lives displayed like a store receipt, a plane ticket, a photo of a baby in a fireman costume ... things from our daily lives that, on one day for those involved, was flipped completely upside down or lost," Hlasta said. •Chelsea Roberson

Praying for America on the front lawn Sept. 24, sophomore Alyssa Santa Ana remembers the terrorist attack on Sept. 11. "[The attack was] something that made me realize how serious death was, and it felt more personal watching it on television than reading about it in a history textbook," Santa Ana said. •Amber Bazargani



harding remembers

Echoes of terrorist attacks resurface on campus

Heads were bowed and hands were clasped in prayer as students all over campus prayed for those affected by the attacks on Sept. 11, 2001. Even after five years had passed, students still hung flags in their windows and attended memorial devotionals for those lost in the attacks.

For many students, news of the attacks were heard while sitting in class at high school.

"I didn't believe it when my friend told me," junior Jillian Shackelford said. "I honestly thought she was kidding. It wasn't until I went into the library and saw everyone crowded around the TV that I realized what had really happened."

Senior Alex Cone said he believed it, but was not able to find out all of the information available to the public.

"The teachers in my school were told not to let us watch TVs or get online," Cone said. "It just added to the confusion and concern I felt at the time."

There were several schools that tried to keep students from having complete access to the news. Senior Rachel Hatfield said she thought it frightened her even more when her school practiced the same method to keep the students calm.

"The anxiety of not knowing what was happening in our country, even if we were safe or not, was only heightened by the fact that we were not allowed to watch the news," Hatfield said.

Senior Jessica Berry who attended a large public high school in Duncanville, Texas, said she understood what her school was trying to accomplish by keeping the students uninformed because she did not grasp the complexity of what was happening. She said she refrained from asking any questions but knows now that it was all for the best that they continued their lives at school as normally as possible.

Many students agreed, whether they continued with class or watched the news non-stop all day, they knew the country was going to change forever because of the attacks.

"I'm definitely feeling the effects now," Berry said in regard to the financial burdens the attacks put on the funds provided for schools.

Shackelford expressed her pride for her country as Americans joined together to face the reality that so quickly attacked them.

"There was a definite sense of unity that developed in the first few weeks after the attacks," Shackelford said. "We all put on a unified face as one country. We were all affected by this, not just one specific people."

Though no one could truly say what the country would be like had the attacks never happened; it was believed by many that the country made a 180-degree turn at that point and would never be the same. Five years later, students on campus still prayed for the families and friends of those affected and would for years to come.

•J. Cliff Ganus and Natalie Lollis



While visiting New York City, freshman Kayla Anderson looks up to snap a photograph of the twin towers in March of 2000. "The thing that impacted me was the overall tragedy of it because it was so sudden," freshman Zac Santos said. •Courtesy of Kayla Anderson

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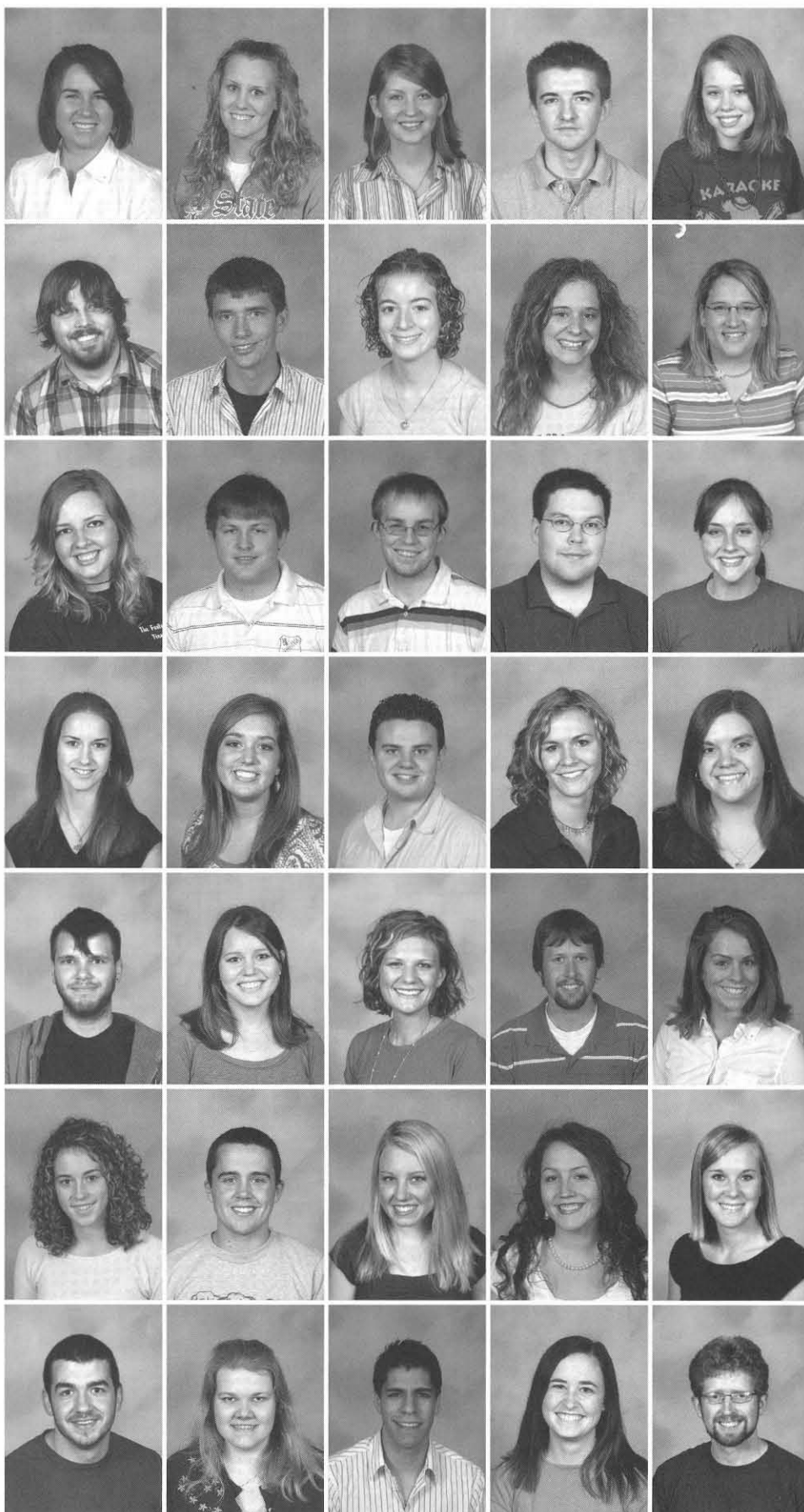
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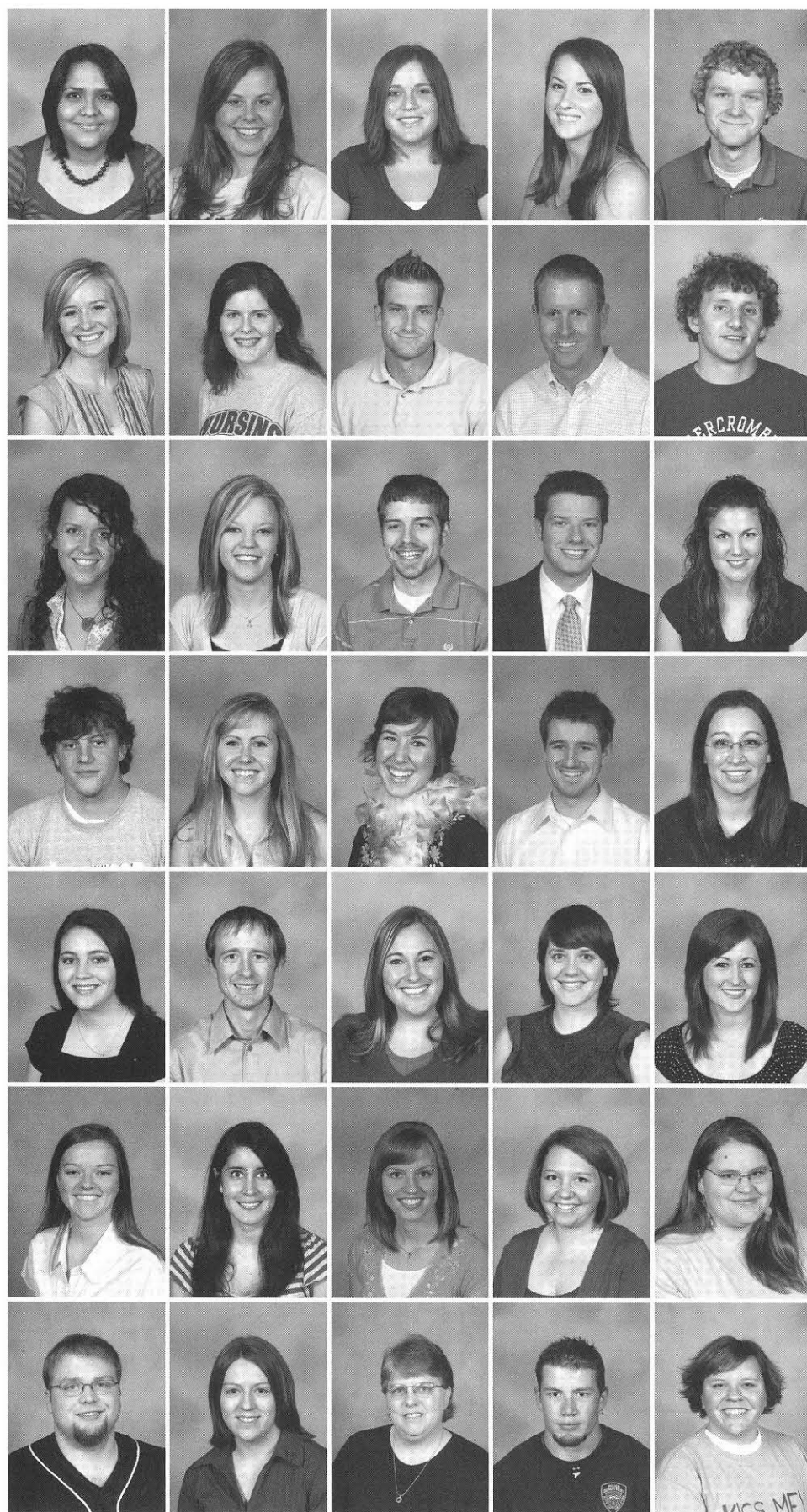
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Excited to see one another, sophomore Gavin LaFave and junior Andrew Frazier greet one another in the student center Sept. 26. The student center was a common place for friends to say a quick hello after chapel and between classes. •Jon Byron



first impressions

Student defines relationships through greetings

A total of 350 Harding students comprised a Facebook group called "I've Been Hugged by Josh Searcy." But Searcy's hugs spread much further than that. Though some had no idea who he was or why in the world he went around hugging people, others relied on and were comforted by his famous bear hugs.

"Until you've experienced the phenomenon of Josh Searcy's bear hugs, you probably won't understand how they could possibly merit a Facebook group," sophomore Steven Barber said. "However, when you are finally blessed by his embrace and reach that ultimate realization of appreciation, please join this group."

Sophomore Justin Kennemer said he grew so accustomed to the Searcy ritual that he no longer waited for even the slightest outreach from him.

"You get to the point that you run and jump into his arms," Kennemer said.

For those who did not know Searcy, his story began in Kenya where he was raised.

"Actually, I didn't start [the hugging]," Searcy said. "When I was in high school, in ninth grade, I saw one of my friends hugging a lot of girls before they left to go home, so I started it and just kept doing it."

Searcy said because his school in Kenya was so small, everyone was

comfortable enough with everyone else to greet each other with hugs. He felt compelled to do the same when he came to college.

Some may wonder exactly how these famous hugs were executed. Were they Harding appropriate side hugs or daring full-frontals? Did Searcy go up to random strangers and hug them tightly or did he wait for an introduction first?

"I usually ask people," Searcy said. "When I'm introduced to someone, I say, 'Hey, my name is Josh. Do you mind if I give you a hug?'"

As far as the side versus full-frontal hugs, Searcy preferred to leave that up to the hug receiver.

Understandably, some people were less open to receiving hugs from strangers.

"The worst reaction I've ever gotten was that someone walked away because he thought I was making fun of him," Searcy said.

So if a tall blonde was spotted in the student center dishing out hugs left and right, one could guess with much certainty Searcy was simply doing what he did best.

As sophomore Harrison Cobb, a member of Searcy's Facebook fan club, said, Searcy was "making a difference around the world, one bear hug at a time."

•Lauren Mitchell



While crossing paths Sept. 24, senior Christopher Rapko and sophomore Austin Roberts shake hands. Hand shakes were a popular greeting between male students. •Amber Bazargani



Greeting with affection, sophomore Joshua Searcy embraces his girlfriend sophomore Lauren Caldwell in one of his famous hugs Sept. 12. "I just become speechless when he gives me a hug," sophomore Rachel Hooper said. •Chelsea Roberson



Latin culture influences junior Karina Gomes and senior Tania Grande to greet one another with a kiss on the cheek Sept. 24. Harding's international Latin students came from Mexico and Central and South America. •Amber Bazargani

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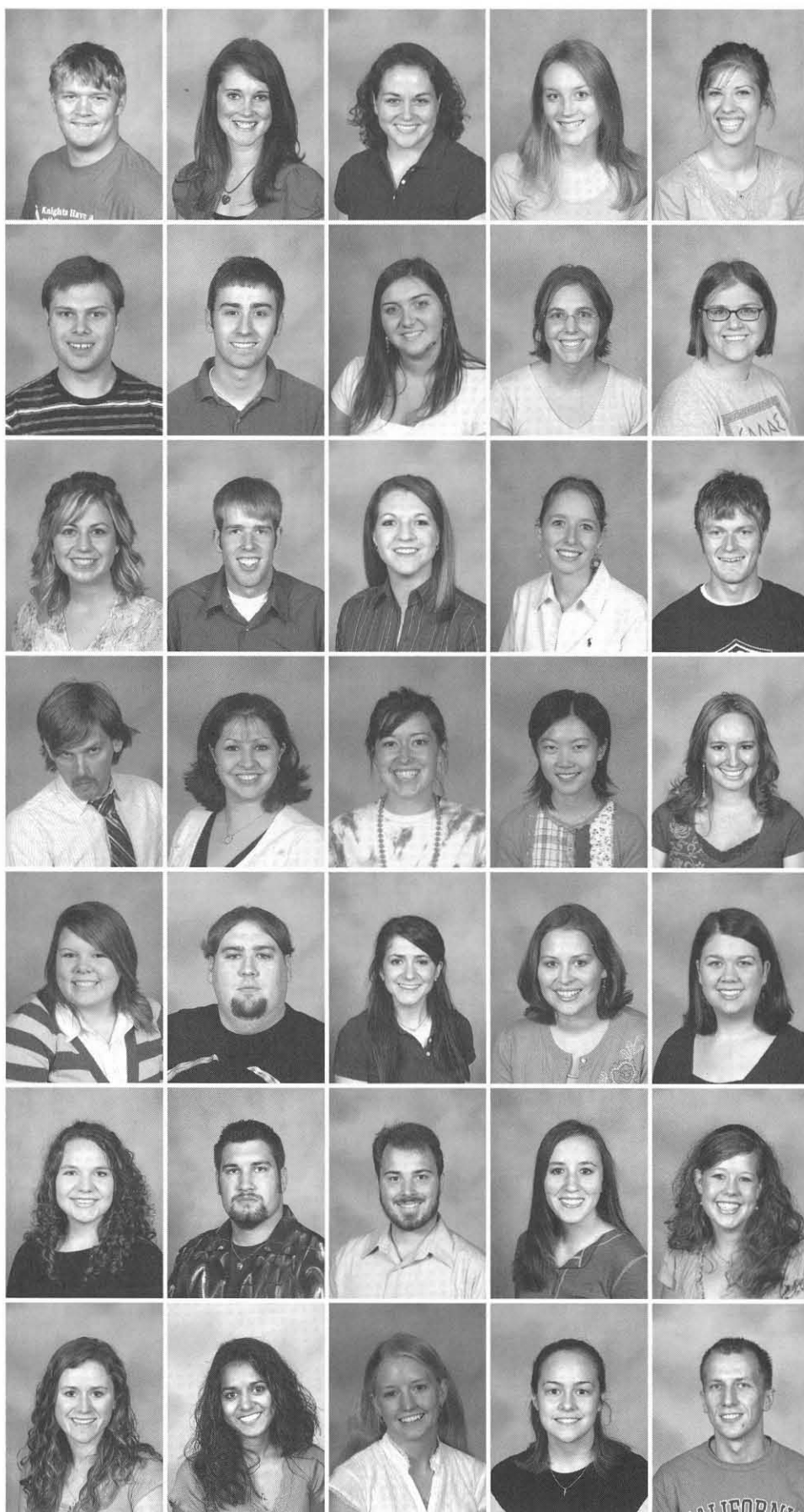
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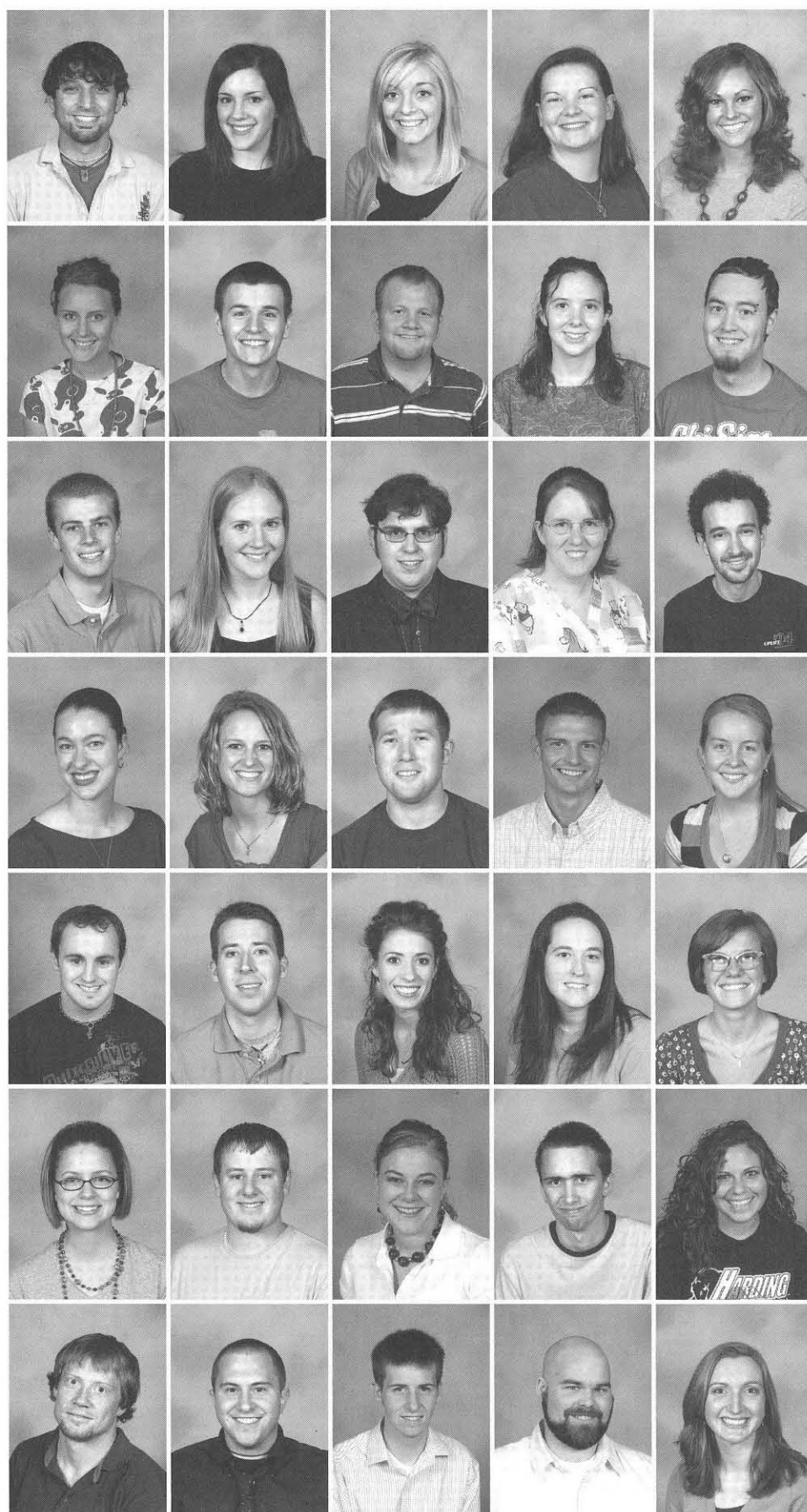
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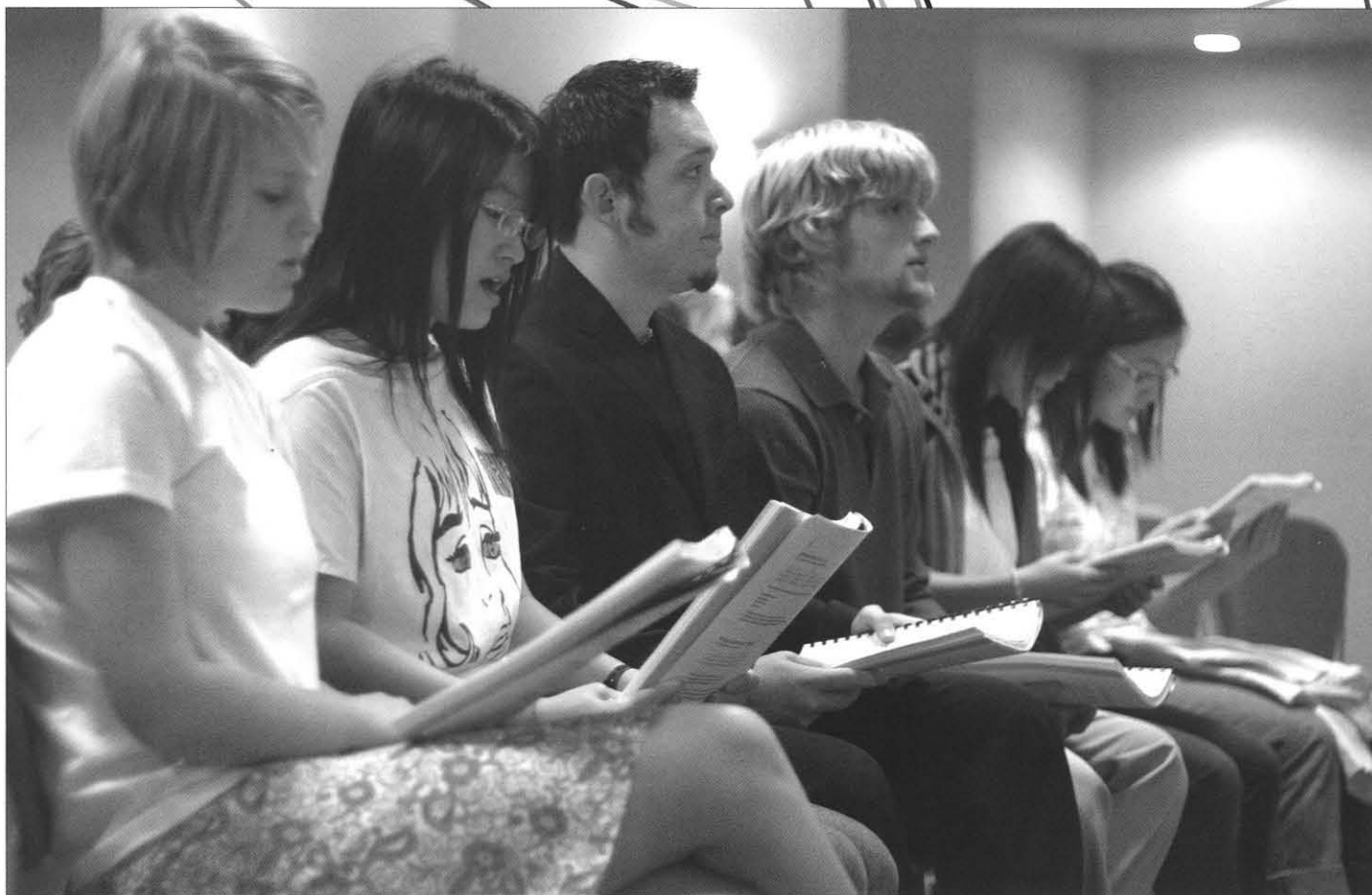
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In Shores Chapel, sophomore Joshua Borgelt, senior Wryland Reed and freshman Haocheng Yu talk before service begins Sept. 3. "It's incredible; it was just four guys and a few Chinese students, and God has turned it into a huge blessing," Borgelt said about the Sunday morning service. •Amber Bazargani



During service Sept. 17, junior Savannah Smith, graduate student Xiaohua Chen, sophomore Joshua Borgelt, senior Matthew Kiefer and freshmen Yun Li and Hui Chen sing from hymnals created especially for the worship service. "Chinese church has created a unique opportunity for cross-cultural worship," Smith said. •Chelsea Roberson



Chinese and American students participate in the Chinese service Sept. 17 in Shores Chapel. Many students and faculty joined Chinese exchange students on Sunday mornings to worship together.
•Chelsea Roberson

Christ unites nations

Sunday worship service brings cultures together

Synchronicity: the coincidence of events that seem related but are not obviously caused one by the other. This is a phenomenon found often in nature and occasionally in the lives of human beings, but in the case of Wryland Reed, a junior ministry major, synchronicity was enough to make him change his entire life's plan in order to follow a calling.

Reed began his academic career as a math and physics major, but after attending Spring Valley Church one Sunday morning, he decided a life change was in order. The topic of the lesson was ministry opportunities in China, a subject Reed had previously been interested in after hearing a similar presentation in chapel.

After that message, Reed began spending time with the Chinese students on campus, and what was first just an opportunity to find out more about the culture, quickly changed to a new life of mission and ministry. He and his friends invited the students to watch movies on Friday nights in the McInteer building and also took those who were interested to church on Sunday mornings.

"I had always thought that the Scriptures

were the only way to minister," Reed said. "But I learned that all we can do is plant the seed and let God do the rest."

So many Chinese students became interested in going to church that Reed and his friends began holding their own services in Shores Chapel. There were more than 30 people in attendance on the first Sunday and the number stayed steady through the rest of the spring semester.

May Cao, a junior English major from China, became friends with Reed during the spring of 2006 while she was taking language training classes. Cao, who now refers to Reed as her brother, said he was very helpful to her and her friends when they first arrived at school, whether providing transportation to Wal-Mart or explaining things to them from their Bible classes.

"Whenever we had problems, he would show up and try his best to fix it," Cao said. "I guess everyone who knows him would say he is a good fellow, a diligent student, and, above all, a loyal and helpful friend."

As summer approached, Reed decided to stay in Searcy in order to keep the services going

for the Chinese students remaining on campus through the break.

Staying in town meant finding a job, and after much prayer, Reed was hired by a local church to work 40 hours a week. These hours gave him plenty of time to spend with the Chinese students during the evenings and on weekends.

"I spent all my waking hours ministering," Reed said. "Everything I saw happening was nothing but good. I learned how to serve; I learned how to love."

Through the synchronicity of a couple presentations, a few interested friends and much prayer, Reed was able to influence the lives of many students on campus, both Chinese and American.

With more than 80 Chinese students on campus and more than 60 people regularly attending the Sunday morning worship service, Reed spent much of his time taking Chinese lessons, trying to light the same fire in others that had been sparked inside of him and continuing his plans to live in China with a group of students after graduating in January of 2008.

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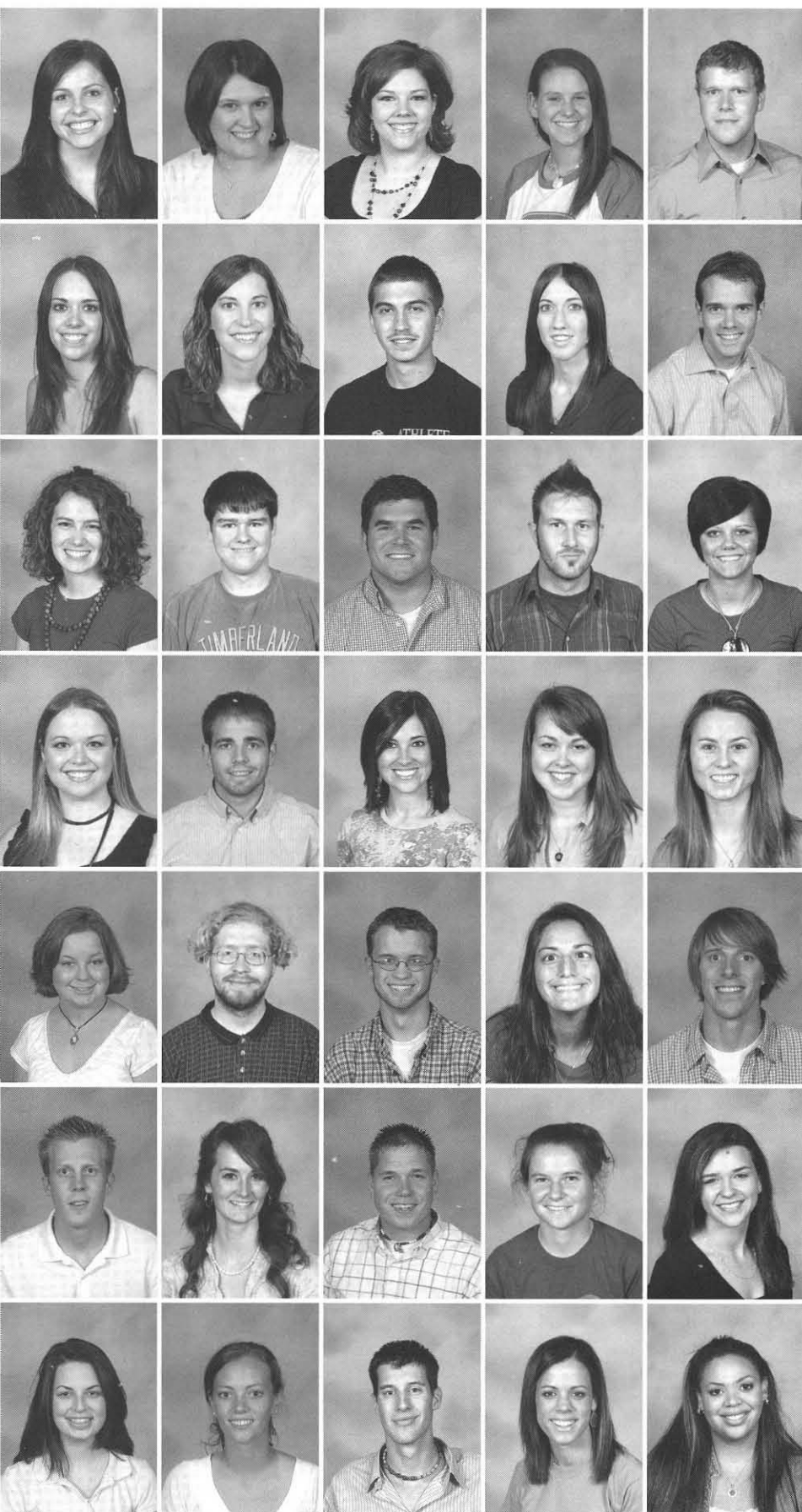
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turning point

Despite name change 'Harbin Devo' lives on

From home Bible studies to private stairway devotionals, there were a number of opportunities for students to worship together and hear the Word on campus. As students returned in the fall of 2006, however, they noticed some changes to the long-lived Harbin Devo.

Every year flyers went up on residence hall doors and bulletin boards in the student center for the Harbin Devo. This year those flyers read "Fountain Devo," which was the first sign that something was different.

Because of the declining attendance last year, senior Jonathan Colvin and sophomores Kensley Cummings, Scott Taylor and Chris Rapko, directors for the Fountain Devo thought giving it a new name would help bring new life to the devotional along with bringing in more attendants.

Cummings said the new direction they were wanting to take made him think of Saul's salvation and how he changed his name to Paul, and because it was held at the fountain, he said there was nothing better to call it.

After the name change, leaders took on the task of redirecting the devotional.

Cummings said to go along with the theme of unity and growth, they wanted to incorporate more social interaction, so they planned more activities within the devotional such as cookouts and Ultimate Frisbee.

"Our basic theme is growth and unification, getting people out of their comfort zone," Taylor said.

Taylor and Cummings said they wanted to help people grow both spiritually and mentally. One way of doing that was to bring in both student and guest speakers.

Sophomore Brenna Griffin was also on the committee for the devotional and said she had faith the Fountain Devo could return to what it once was.

"[The] Fountain Devo has a lot of potential," Griffin said. "Our attendance is going up, and we have some amazing things planned. I can already see God working in the people there and on the leaders as well. I think it's just a great opportunity to help a lot of people grow closer to God."

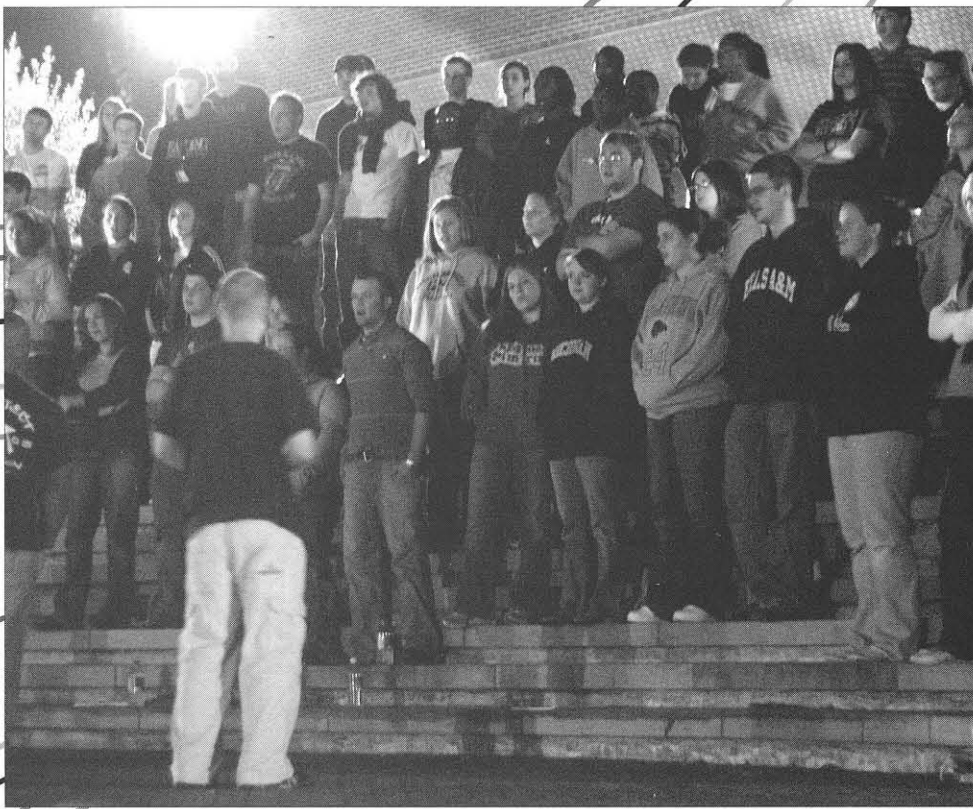
Griffin said the committee was also planning for a split devotional between men and women throughout the year to try and reach everyone on a more personal level.

Students could still enjoy the former "Harbin Devo" in the same place on the Benson steps every Wednesday night. Attendance went back up to 120 in the fall and continued to grow each week.

•Natalie Lollis

Students talk with high schooler Taryn Smith, daughter of Regional Advancement Director Dirk and his wife Wendy Smith on Sept. 20. "Home Bible studies give you an opportunity to establish a relationship with a family away from home," sophomore Tess Smith said. •Amber Bazargani





Praising God in song, students stand during the Fountain Devo on the Benson steps Sept. 20. "I like that you're outside in God's creation and you can look at the stars and focus on God," freshman Lauren McCullin said. •Amber Bazargani

Sitting in a circle, Dr. Mike James, chair of the Department of Communication, conducts a home Bible study Sept. 27. Many faculty members welcomed students into their homes to hold Bible studies. •Amber Bazargani



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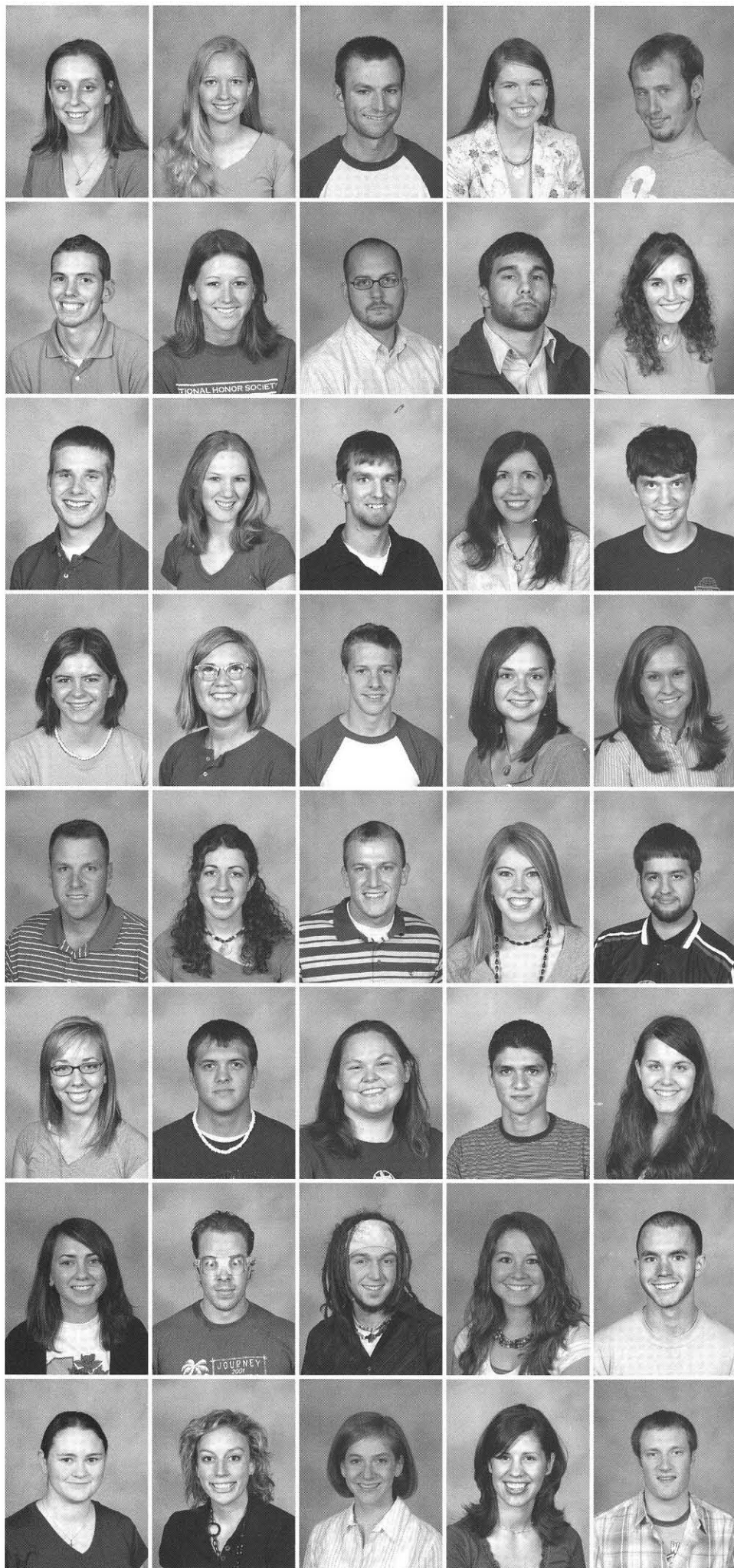
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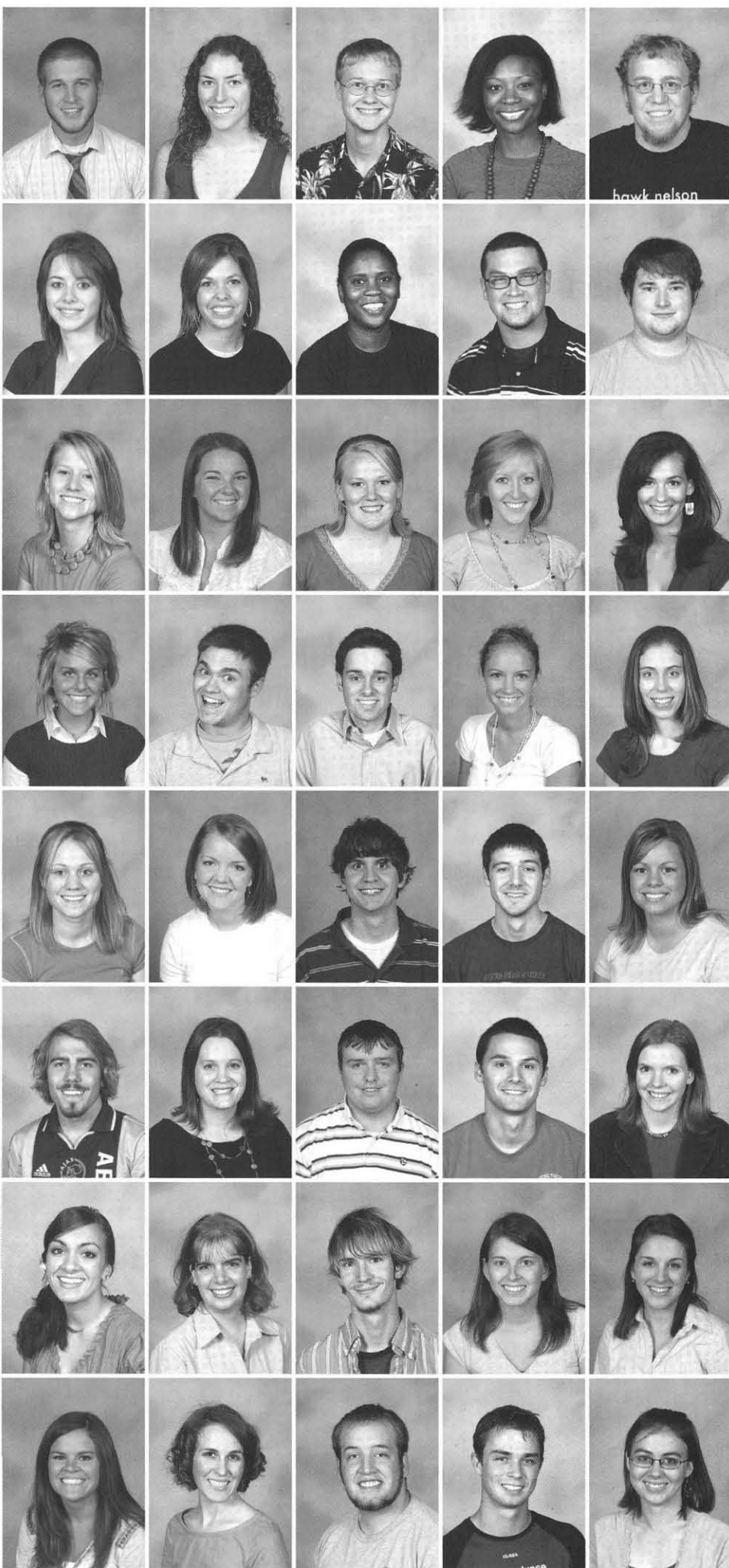
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Cooking at home Oct. 22, senior Malina Thiede prepares broccoli soup for dinner. Living off campus allowed Thiede to easily prepare vegetarian dishes since she did not have a meal plan. •Courtesy of Malina Thiede

Making a salad in the cafeteria, freshman Jacob Mahaffey chooses a healthy option Oct. 13. The cafeteria also offered a stir fry dish and sandwich station, as well as vegetables and fruit. •Amber Bazargani





Standing at her bathroom sink, freshman Sammy Dillon mixes barley powder into her water for a vitamin and mineral boost Oct. 17. "I'm a vegetarian because of the health benefits; it provides energy and makes you feel better," Dillon said. •Amber Bazargani

health food

Infatuation with health food products increases

Many students have heard of the 'freshman 15,' a dreaded curse put upon college students as soon as they began moving into their dorm rooms. However, some students found ways to beat the curse and keep up healthy eating habits while attending college and participating in dorm life.

One of the oldest methods of healthy dieting adapted by students was vegetarianism. Senior Malina Thiede practiced such eating habits because she felt she did not need meat to eat nutritiously.

"I don't eat meat because I feel like there are better ways of getting the kinds of things you need than through meat," Thiede said. "I feel like it's better to eat vegetables and whole grains because there's not as much fat and hormones."

Other students, like sophomore Stacey McConn, simply watched their diet and what they took in every day in order to maintain healthy living.

"I try to eat as many vegetables as I can," McConn said. "I also try to eat a salad and a sandwich for lunch every day because you usually can't go wrong with some wheat bread, turkey and veggies. Mostly I just try to eat as well as I can regarding whatever's being served in the [cafeteria]."

One obstacle facing health enthusiasts was how to obtain the food that benefited their bodies. However, Searcy provided a number of outlets for such culinary purchases.

"Most of my food I buy at the grocery store," Thiede said. "You can buy healthy food anywhere. There's a health food place here in Searcy, but there's not much variety. Every now and then I go to Wild Oats Food in Little Rock, but that's just every once in a while."

McConn also found ways to maintain a healthy diet on campus. Executive Chef Stephen Kerr said the cafeteria staff worked diligently to provide healthy options for students in the cafeteria.

"We base everything on the new pyramid according to the FDA," Kerr said. "We try our best to make sure that everything is met. We have people from special allergy diets all the way to vegan diets by choice so we try to meet everybody's needs."

Kerr said he thought some students abandoned healthy eating habits because of the move away from their parents.

"Probably the best reason is that breakaway from mom and dad; it's really easy to get off and make the wrong decisions," Kerr said. "It's hard a lot of times to find the right balances with school, eating and sleeping — everything that does not always work together in the college atmosphere. By having a good diet, it helps control the other two — your thinking processes and your sleeping processes."

Thiede said she ate healthy foods in order to feel good about herself.

"I feel better when I'm eating healthy," Thiede said. "I find when I'm eating fresh vegetables and things that are good for you, I feel like I'm making better decisions about my body and my future. I think healthy eating prevents obesity and other diseases that I won't have to worry about."

Kerr offered a more physiological motive for keeping healthy eating habits.

"If you don't eat right, the rest of your body doesn't work right," Kerr said.

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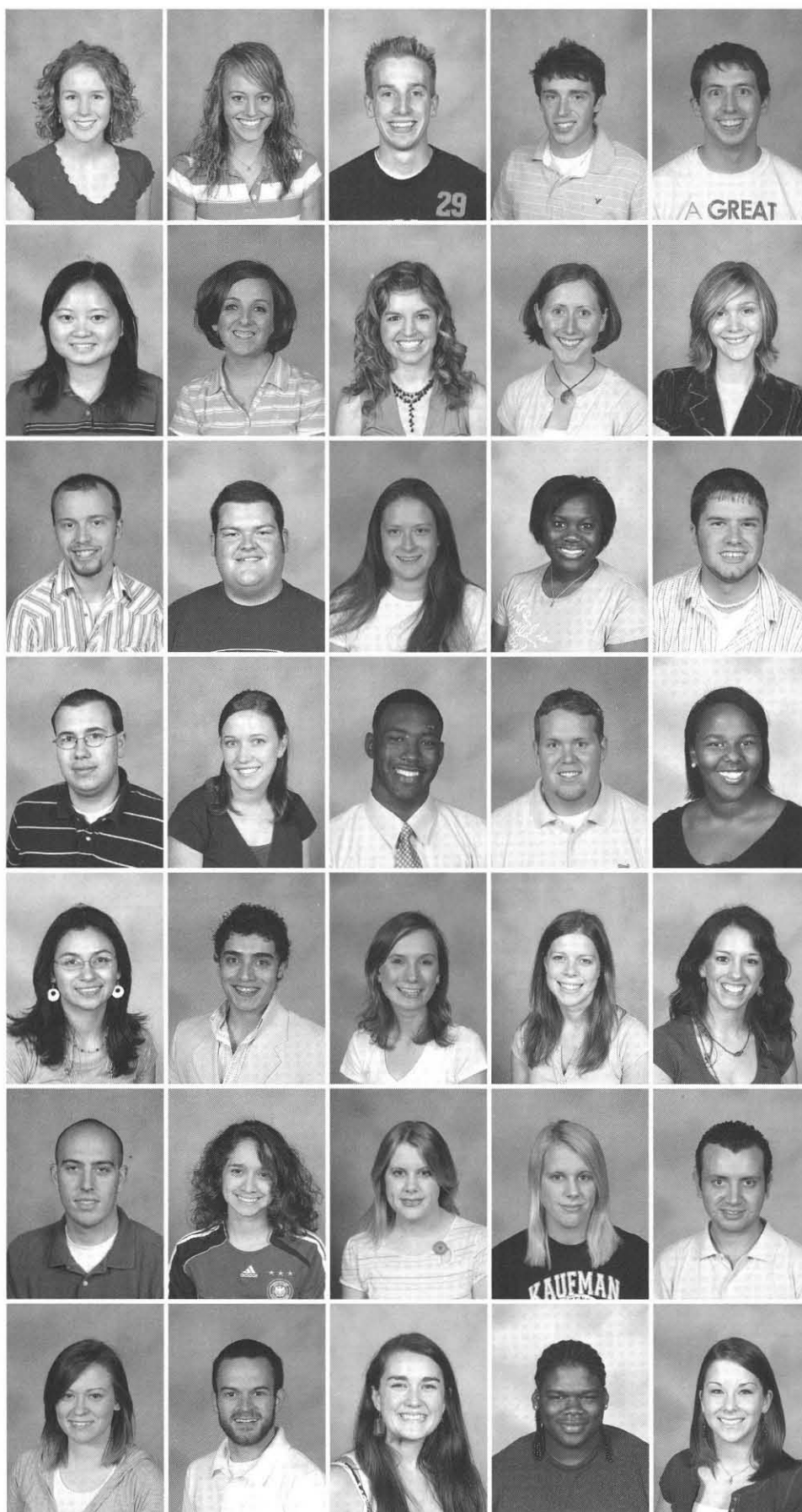
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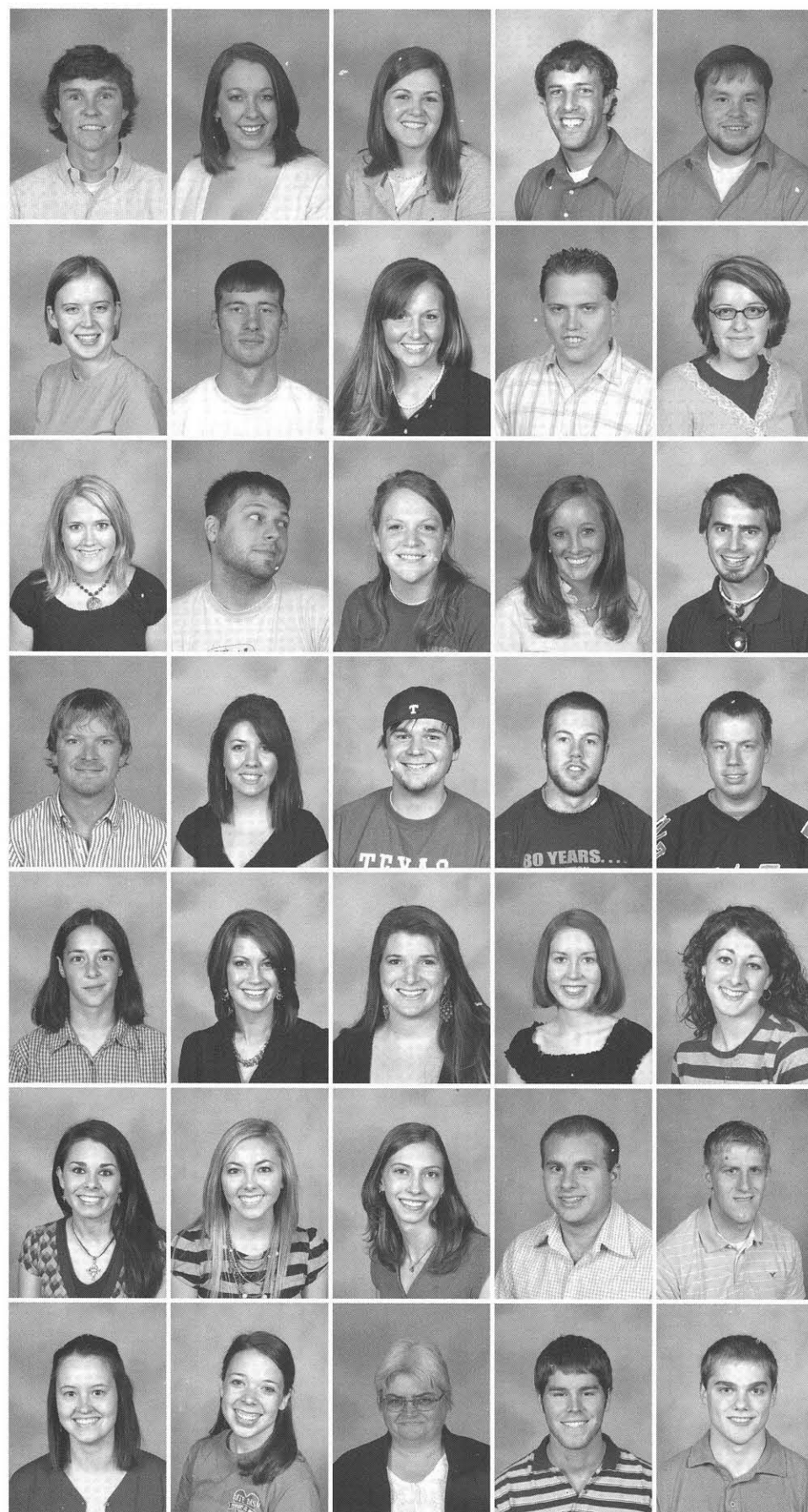
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juniors heart-inspired music

Junior displays enthusiasm and talent for music

With the ability to make the 88 keys on a standard piano come together in a way that was pleasing to the ear, junior Chris Jordan had become a marvel at his craft. Yet, far from entertaining hopes and dreams of one day being a world-renowned musician, Jordan said he just loved to play, feel the music and entertain audiences.

Jordan, who was from Fort Worth, Texas, had been playing piano since he was a little boy. Jordan said his family always kept a keyboard around the house while he was growing up, and he would mess around on the keys without completely realizing what he was doing. It was not until the fifth grade that he began taking lessons.

"I took one month of piano lessons, had one recital and then just started doing my own thing," Jordan said.

A major turning point in his early piano career came while attending a music camp during high school.

"I went to a jazz camp for drums the summer after my sophomore year," he said. "The drums helped me find the right rhythm, but I ended up sticking with piano. From this point on, I began learning a lot more about blues."

According to Jordan, blues was his favorite style to play.

"Blues is an expression of a musician's creativity," Jordan said. "When I'm playing, I picture words with the notes I am playing. To me, blues is the most liberating style to play."

Jordan carried this desire for self-expression into college. Jordan was seen playing spontaneously in the cafeteria as well as in dormitory lobbies. He also played frequently at the Underground Coffeehouse as a member of the Underground House Band.

"I just love playing for a large audience," Jordan said. "I feel like I can just be myself when I am playing, and the audience gets to see the raw Chris."

"When I came to Harding, I only knew a few songs, but playing for people motivated me to learn more stuff."

Combining his talent with friendly competition, Jordan entered the 2006 talent show, one of his proudest moments.

"When I first got up there to play, I really had no idea what I was going to play," Jordan said. "But I just felt the music and played, and people really seemed to enjoy it."

Yet, while Jordan had some high points in his life, he said his biggest accomplishment came in the summer of 2004 when he played in a talent show while on a cruise.

Jordan said when he first stepped in front of the audience of about 1,000 people, he did not know what he was going to play.

"I just started playing what I knew, and before I knew it, the audience was singing and clapping; it was pretty awesome."

Despite his desire to play piano and entertain audiences, Jordan said after college he wants to focus on using his degree in business management.

"I never want music to become a job or obligation to make money, I just want it to be fun," Jordan said. "I dream of owning a jazz club one day."

However, no matter what Jordan does in the future, he said he hopes to still be playing the blues and getting better at his craft.

"I'll keep upgrading my keyboard, buy a piano for my house and just keep on playing," he said.

•Jordan Dyniewski

During the talent show Feb. 25, 2006, junior Chris Jordan improvises on the piano. "He has an amazing ability to make up his own special arrangements to everyday songs and makes it enjoyable for anyone who is listening," junior Keri Stevens said. •Chelsea Roberson





Hanging out in his dorm room in Cone Hall, junior Chris Jordan mixes music on his keyboard Oct. 19. "I'm an artist that creates for fun, [and] when the fire is burning, I create the most; when the fire is cool I listen the most," Jordan said. •Jon Byron

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 Rebecca Adams • Athens, Ala.
 Deedra Adkisson • Melbourne, Ark.
 Sarah Agee • Pearcy, Ark.
 Martha Aguilar • Morelia, Mexico
 Leslie Aldridge • Choctaw, Okla.
 Cynthia Aleman • La Ceiba, Honduras

Keely Alexander • Cordova, Tenn.
 Cameron Alt • Clinton, Miss.
 Alex Anderson • Huntsville, Texas
 Erin Archer • Frankfort, Ohio
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 Evan Bacon • Bakersfield, Calif.
 Diana Bailey • Star City, Ark.

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 Rachel Beck • North Richland Hills, Texas

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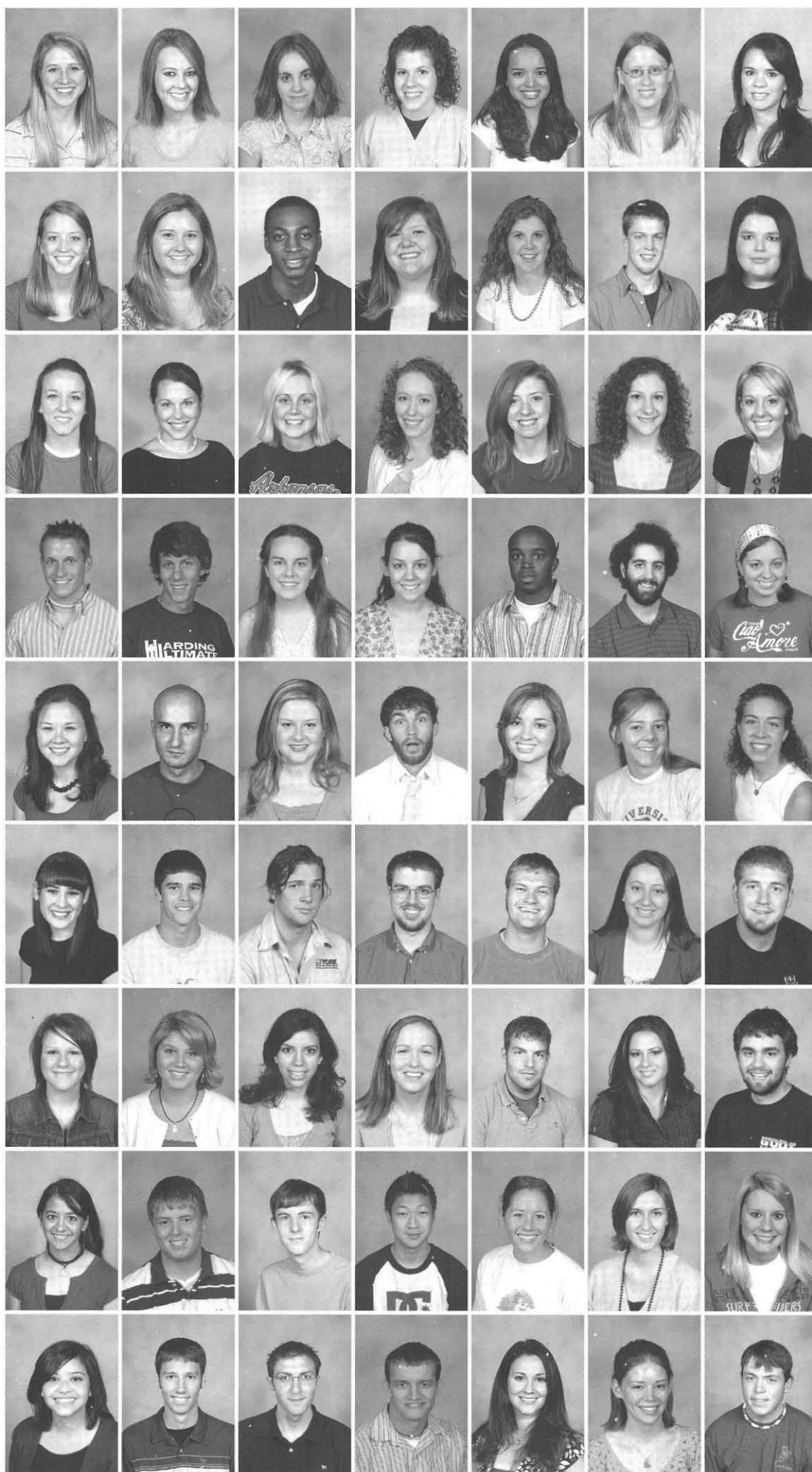
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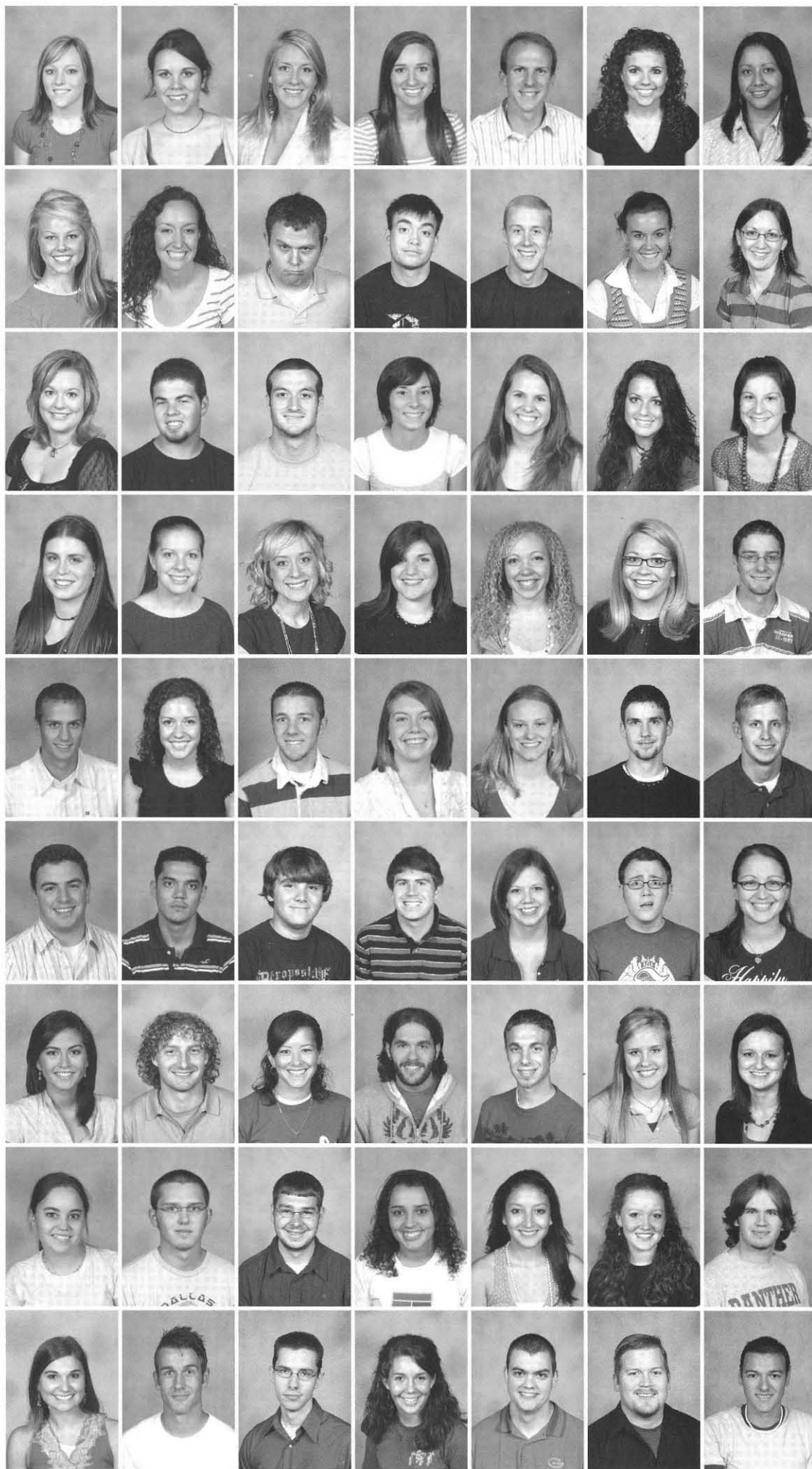
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 Jamie Cope • Pitman, N.J.
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Tonya Counts • Kensett, Ark.
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 Sam Craft • Ruston, La.
 Lauren Crawford • Eads, Tenn.
 Michael Crouch • Haslet, Texas
 Jennifer Crowe • Ladera Ranch, Ohio
 Flor Cruz • Guatemala City, Guatemala

Elyssa Currie • Cordova, Tenn.
 Jessica Custer • Fort Walton Beach, Fla.
 Nicholas Dalton • Mayfield, Ky.
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 Jordan Davidson • Marshall, Ill.
 Brooke Davis • Blountville, Tenn.
 Carrie Davis • Russellville, Ark.

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 Jonathan Dean • Fontana, Calif.
 Joshua Deitch • Carlisle, Pa.
 Melanie Diehl • Sebastian, Fla.
 Anna Dixon • Tallahassee, Fla.
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 Amy Dougan • West Chester, Ohio

Robin Dover • Lake Ozark, Mo.
 Sarah Drake • Marysville, Ohio
 Christy Duncan • Holland, Ohio
 Laura Durfee • Tigard, Ore.
 April Durham • Smithville, Ark.
 Jes Ellis • O'Fallon, Mo.
 Mark Ellis • Saint Clair, Mich.

William Ellis • Saint Clair, Mich.
 Kelli Estepp • Kingsport, Tenn.
 John Ettinger • Noblesville, Ind.
 Lauren Fellers • The Colony, Texas
 Mandy Finch • Baton Rouge, La.
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 Zach Fisher • Flower Mound, Texas

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Triston Graham • Milano, Texas
 Tristan Grant • Canberra, Australia
 Sterling Gray • Rockford, Tenn.
 Anna Greek • Pioneer, Tenn.
 George Green • Jacksonville, Fla.
 Jay Green • Searcy, Ark.
 Andrew Griffin • La Mesa, Calif.

Working in the Ezell computer lab, sophomore Penny Cronk wears her nose ring while studying Oct. 18. "Penny and I had been wanting to get our noses pierced for a long time," freshman Christie Cronk said. •Amber Bazargani

As Resident Life Coordinator Katrina Timms looks on, senior Susana Veliz signs in at the front desk of Pryor Hall early Nov. 4. Curfew was extended to 1 a.m. on the weekends and to midnight during the week. •Amber Bazargani



piercings approved

Harding changes campus rules and regulations

In the spring of 2006, members of the administration re-evaluated some of the codes of conduct in the Goldbook. This meant three things for students: shorts, later curfew and piercings.

Students agreed that hearing President David Burks announce the changes in chapel was a shock. Quiet shrieks could be heard from girls specifically when he informed them of the new policy allowing for nose piercings. That excitement was accompanied by a sigh of relief from students who had pierced their noses prior to the rule changes.

Since the spring, a number of students took advantage of the opportunity to add an accessory to their wardrobe.

The Cronk family, Keith Cronk, vice president of information services and technology, and Dr. Reet Cronk, associate professor of business and their daughters Penny, a sophomore, and Christie, a freshman, both of whom had pierced noses, each had an individual reaction to the changes. The girls' parents were generally accepting of the new rules.

"I am happy with the new rule changes," Reet said. "I think we, as a college, need to evaluate all we do, including our rules, to see if they are still serving the purpose for which they were instituted."

Students like the Cronk sisters found the piercings to be a fun means of expression and spoke positively about the changes. Senior Linnea Jordan pierced her nose after hearing about the rule changes.

"I think that it was good that Harding changed the rules because [nose piercing is] not as socially taboo as it used to be," Jordan said. "As a matter of fact, [nose rings] are very common now."

Jordan said society's views on nose piercings were changing and said although they used to be worn as a sign of rebellion, many people had one because it was another accessory for them to wear.

Christie got her nose pierced in Australia in June after graduating high school. She said when her sister Penny got her nose pierced more than a year ago it made her want to get her own nose pierced. When Christie heard of the rule changes, she was thrilled.

"I thought, great, now I'll be legal and now every second girl you see will have one," Christie said.

But the rule changes affected more than just students with piercings. Until now, dorm parents had to enforce the piercing rules as part of the dress code. Katrina Timms, residence life coordinator for Pryor Hall, was relieved that the rules had changed.

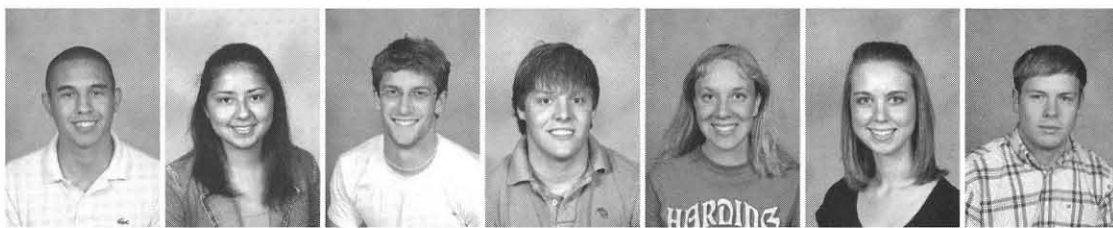
"Although I don't personally like the piercings, they are now allowed, and the girls don't have to hide them; but I have watched over the years as the rules have changed and eventually this too will lose its glory and there will be another rule in question," Timms said.

•Katie Dear



Sophomores Kristen Dellapace and Vivian Shettlesworth talk by the cereal station Nov. 8 in the cafeteria during lunch. The "no shorts before 2 p.m." rule was changed to allow shorts to be worn all day with the exception of in class or chapel. •Jon Byron

James Griffith • Brentwood, Calif.
 Wilka Guerra • Chiriqui, Panama
 Andrew Hall • Florence, Ala.
 Bradley Hammer • Roseburg, Ore.
 Whitney Hammes • Searcy, Ark.
 Rebecca Handley • Larue, Texas
 Scott Hannigan • Horatio, Ark.



Amanda Harrison • Granite City, Ill.
 Brenda Haustein • Chesterfield, Mo.
 Olivia Hawkins • Glenwood Springs, Colo.
 Brooke Hayes • Searcy, Ark.
 Kendyll Helf • Athens, Texas
 Cara Helmuth • Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Brittany Henderson • Beaverton, Ore.



Heather Henderson • North Little Rock, Ark.
 Brooke Henry • San Ramon, Calif.
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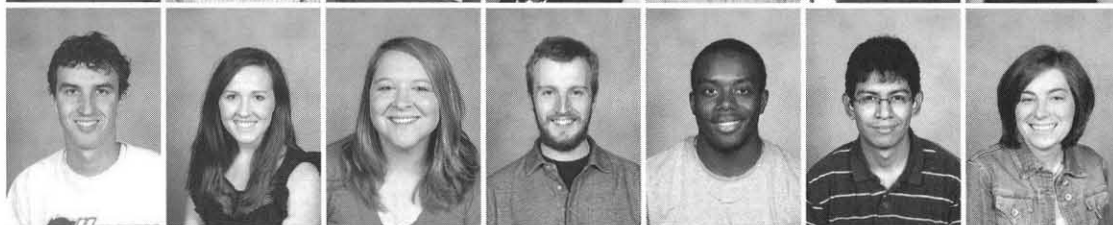
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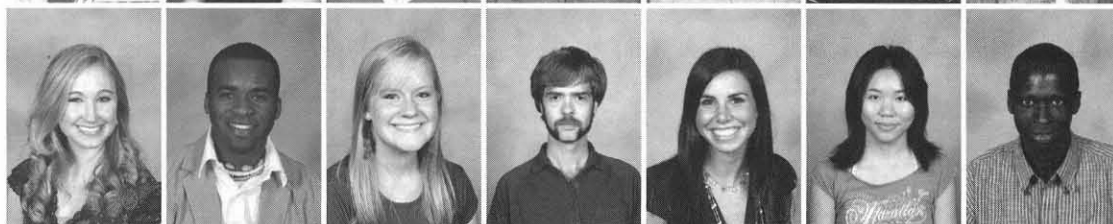
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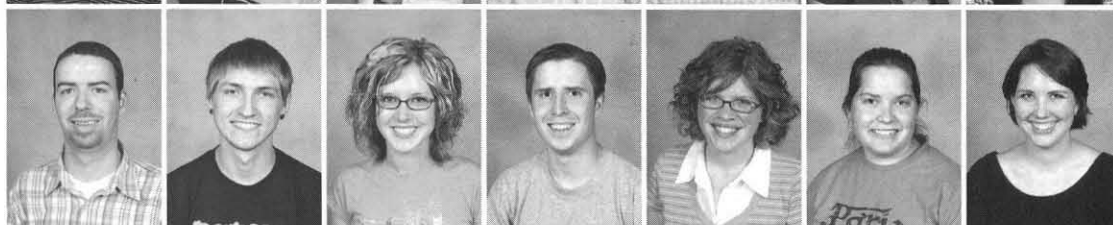
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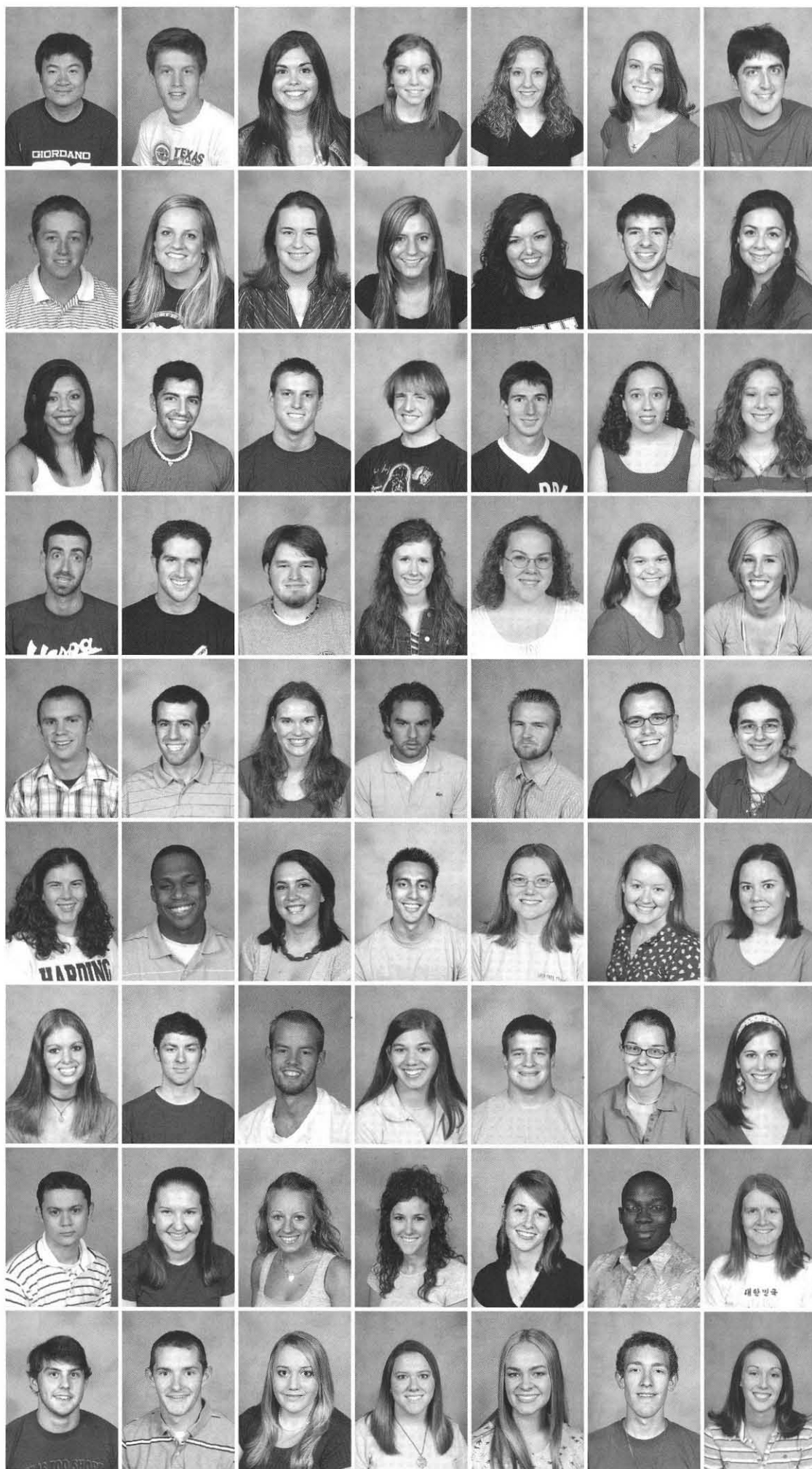


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 Rebecca Latson • Madison, Miss.



Timothy Lavender • Collierville, Tenn.
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Jeremy Perkins • Collierville, Tenn.
 Matthew Perring • Guthrie, Okla.
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 Amanda Phillips • Jacksonville, Ill.
 Karlyn Phillips • Paradise Valley, Ariz.
 Justin Pilgrim • Conway, Ark.
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changes completed

Campus beautification and renovation finished

In early 2005, a new presence was seen on campus with the arrival of the spring semester. As ubiquitous as any student or professor, his addition to campus daily life was soon felt by all occupants on campus. This presence was that of the construction worker.

The reason for the construction worker's presence was to complete a series of renovations involving the Lily Pool, Graduate, Kendall, Pattie Cobb and Keller Halls, and the Heritage Inn. According to President David Burks, these renovations were a part of a five-year plan and were set on the drawing board four years ago.

"The reason for our long-range plans was to upgrade the campus and provide new facilities for a growing student body," Burks said.

Mike Steelman of Steelman Kennel in Little Rock laid out the plan for the first phase of the renovations, the Heritage Inn. The project began with workers creating a new entrance off of Market Street which housed the university's public safety offices, admissions office and the Florence Room, where hotel guests could eat breakfast.

"The Florence Room was named and decorated in honor of Harding's first international program in Florence, Italy," Vickie Walton, manager of the Heritage Inn, said.

The second phase of the Heritage project involved the entire renovation of several of the existing offices on the second floor, which included the advancement, public relations and general counsel offices, as well as the office which housed the American Studies Institute. A new addition to the second floor was a chapel, designed for weddings, receptions, dinners and other events.

"The addition of the beautiful chapel which faces campus has been the

most outstanding part of the renovation project," Walton said.

While the Heritage Inn was updated, the idea behind the renovation of Pattie Cobb Hall was a return to history. According to Dr. Sheri Shearin, assistant dean of students, the project was not only a renovation, but a restoration of Pattie Cobb's original appearance.

Pattie Cobb was constructed in 1919 as a part of Galloway Woman's College. Interior renovations such as flooring, painting and lighting, and exterior changes such as new windows, porch furniture and railing, were implemented with the goal of bringing back the original style of the building.

"It is on the National Historic Registry, so we want to preserve that part of Harding's history," Shearin said.

Shearin played an active role in selecting the décor for the project.

"I enjoyed being able to help shop for the furnishings, to look for the pieces that matched the architecture of the building, and I was able to incorporate Harding's history in that," Shearin said. "We were able to use some of Dr. George Benson's furnishings in the lobby and work those pieces in so we can continue to carry the heritage and traditions on at Harding."

Danny DeRamus, physical resources director, spearheaded the renovation process, which began in May of 2006.

"We wanted to bring memories back rather than just be a building; to not just be a dorm for girls, but to be a piece of history on this campus," DeRamus said.

Administrators agreed that the renovations helped enhanced the beauty of the campus.

•Jennifer Merrill and Darin Sackett

Cooking in Pattie Cobb Hall on Oct. 22, sophomore Lizz Schallert makes a fruit pizza cookie. The kitchen renovations provided new appliances for residents.
•Amber Bazargani





Sitting on the steps of the Lily Pool, students study between classes Oct. 12. "I think the Lily Pool is really nice, and it enhances the beauty of the campus," sophomore Ben Freeman said. •Amber Bazargani

Hanging out in the Heritage Lobby on Oct. 23, senior Michelle Staggs and freshman Ben Adams talk about an upcoming function. "I think the Heritage Lobby looks nice; it's peaceful and a nice place to relax for a little bit," Staggs said. •Amber Bazargani



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 Stewart Riggs • Mary Esther, Fla.
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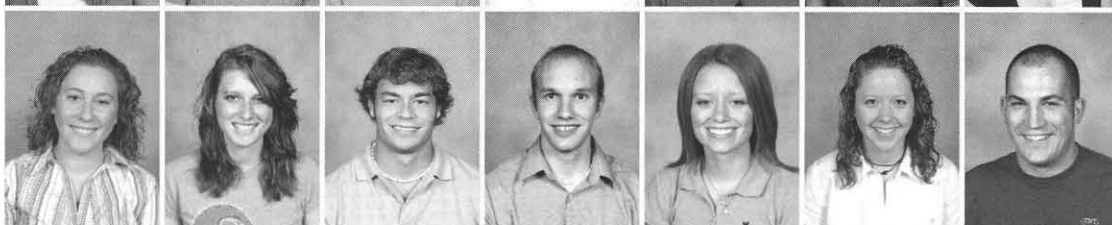
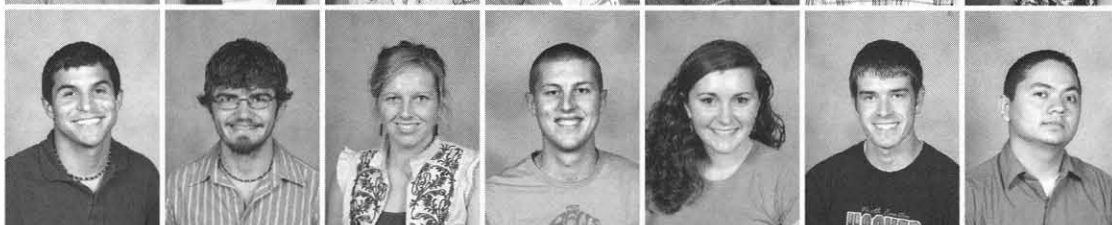
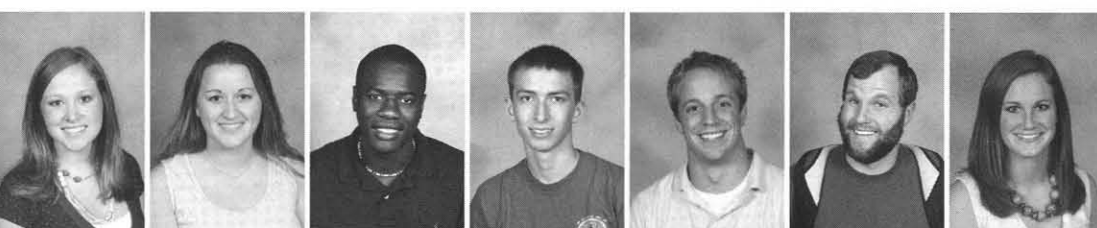
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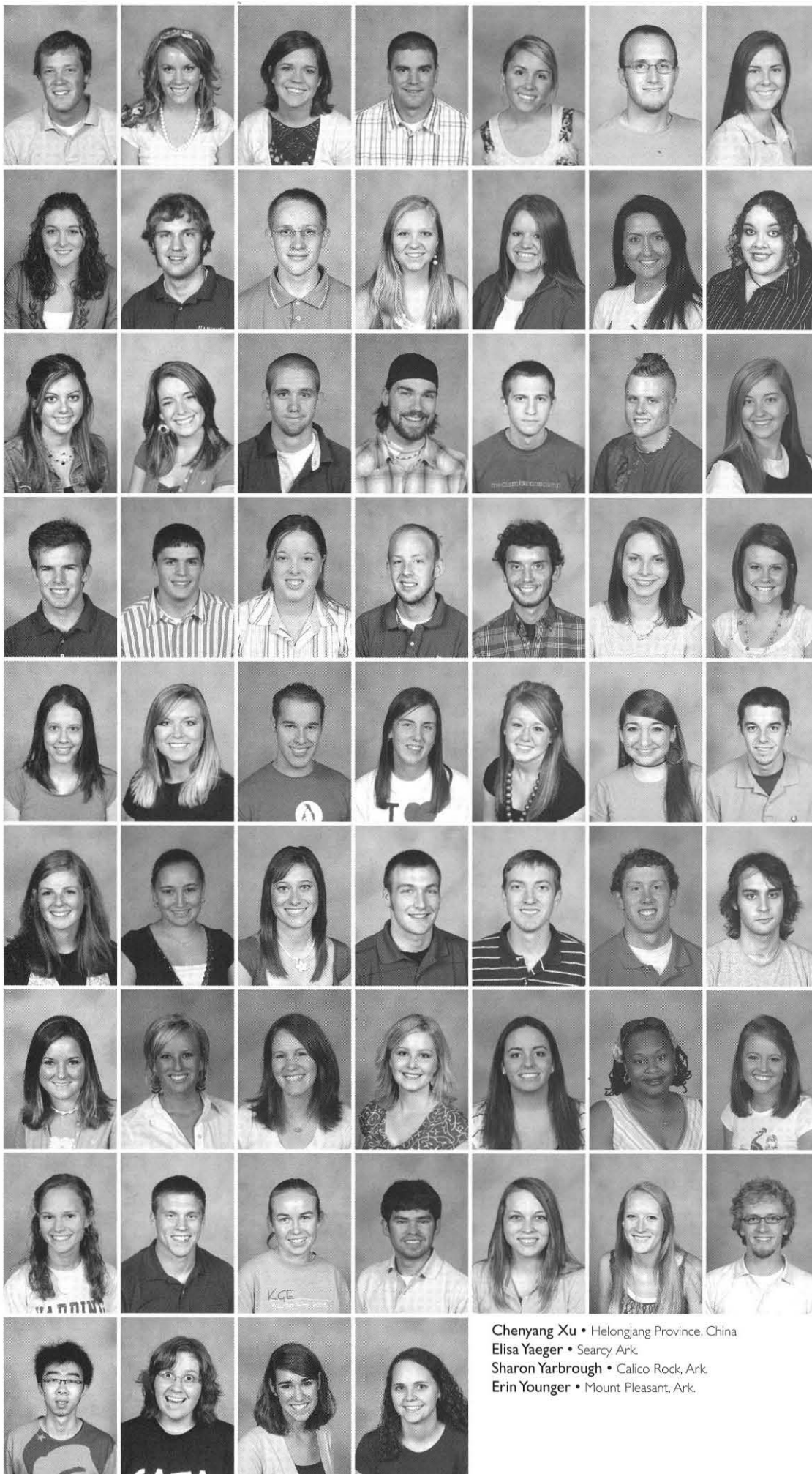
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