

sophomores engaged in service

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During summer vacation, students may have gone home to their families, worked or went on a family vacation; others might have enrolled in summer classes and some might have even participated in internships. One student in particular had a different experience during his summer break: sophomore Jordan Whetstone went through Marine training at Parris Island, S.C.

"It was like a 'rite of passage' for me and a very positive experience," Whetstone said. "I didn't know exactly what was going to happen, but I knew it was going to hurt."

He said he went to training with a purpose.

"I went into it with a couple of goals in mind: One was to come out more in shape physically and the other was to become closer to God, which was a really big goal for me," Whetstone said.

Whetstone said he leaned on God to get him through the camp's rigorous activities.

"The camp was really fast pace," Whetstone said. "After the first week, I said to myself, 'I really need to read my Bible.' It really helped me out, just reading my Bible, singing and praising God every day."

Whetstone said the camp was physically exhausting.

"We walked everywhere we went," he said. "The weather was humid enough that we had to drink about three gallons of water a day to keep hydrated. Our uniforms, or camays as they are called, were drenched with sweat day after day."

Despite the demanding physical activities, Whetstone said he was able

to express his faith openly and freely. In an atmosphere where most of his colleagues were not spiritually motivated, Whetstone said he was able to be an example to his peers.

"One guy said I was the best Christian example he had ever seen in his whole life, which shocked me," Whetstone said.

Although Whetstone was physically worn out every night, he found time to read his Bible as much as he could.

"The only time I would have to read my Bible was at night during rack," he said. "Even though I wasn't supposed to, I would do it anyway, and if I couldn't do that, I would go to the bathroom or as we called it the 'head' and would read my Bible there."

Whetstone had some advice for potential Marines.

"Go in there willing to change; don't go saying you're not willing to change," Whetstone said. "You need to conform to their ways, but you can stay the same while you're doing it."

Whetstone's attitude had a positive effect on many of his friends, such as sophomore Makenzi Williamson, who was on the track team with him.

"He's been very encouraging, especially in track, and he's always been someone I can tell things to or just hang out with," Williamson said. "He always keeps me laughing."

Williamson said she can see how training camp has changed him.

"He's definitely gotten more mature and more responsible," Williamson said. "He appreciates the more serious things in life now."

•Darin Sackett

During job training in Conway, Ark., sophomore Reese McIntyre learns how to wire an explosive. "Seeing Reese amongst all of the other brave soldiers ... made me more proud of him than ever," sophomore Linzi Lawson said. •Courtesy of Ashley Clarke





In full uniform, sophomore Jordan Whetstone walks across campus Oct. 17. "As soldiers we are more than Marines; we are protecting our brother to the left and to our right," Whetstone said. •Jon Byron

Clearing enemy occupied buildings in February of 2005, sophomore Reese McIntyre, combat engineer, participates in the MOUT (Military Operations on Urban Terrain) training drill. "I think it's really admirable that [Reese and Jordan are] committed to the service and can also continue their education in a Christian school," sophomore Marci Blackshear said. •Courtesy of Ashley Clarke



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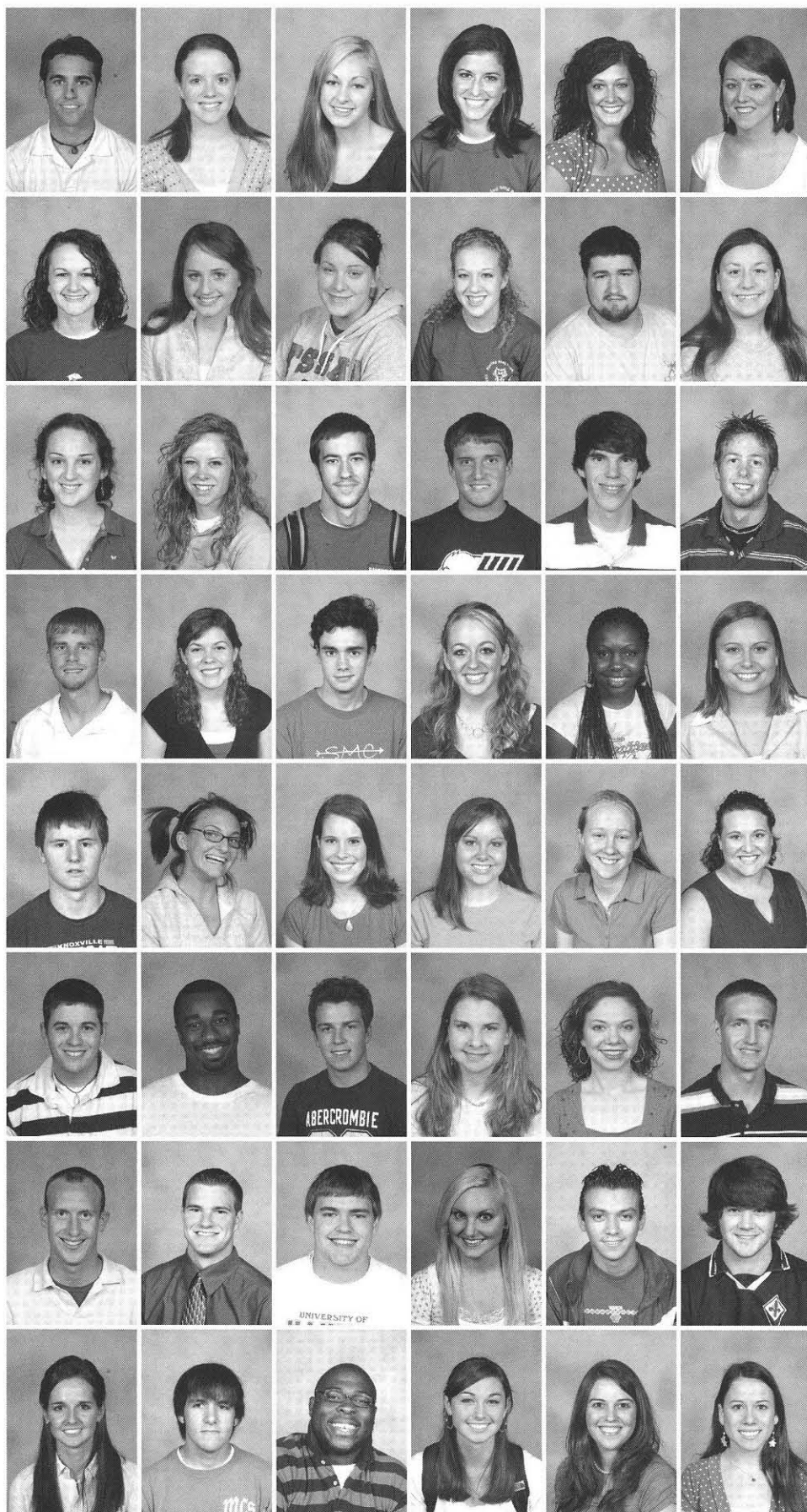
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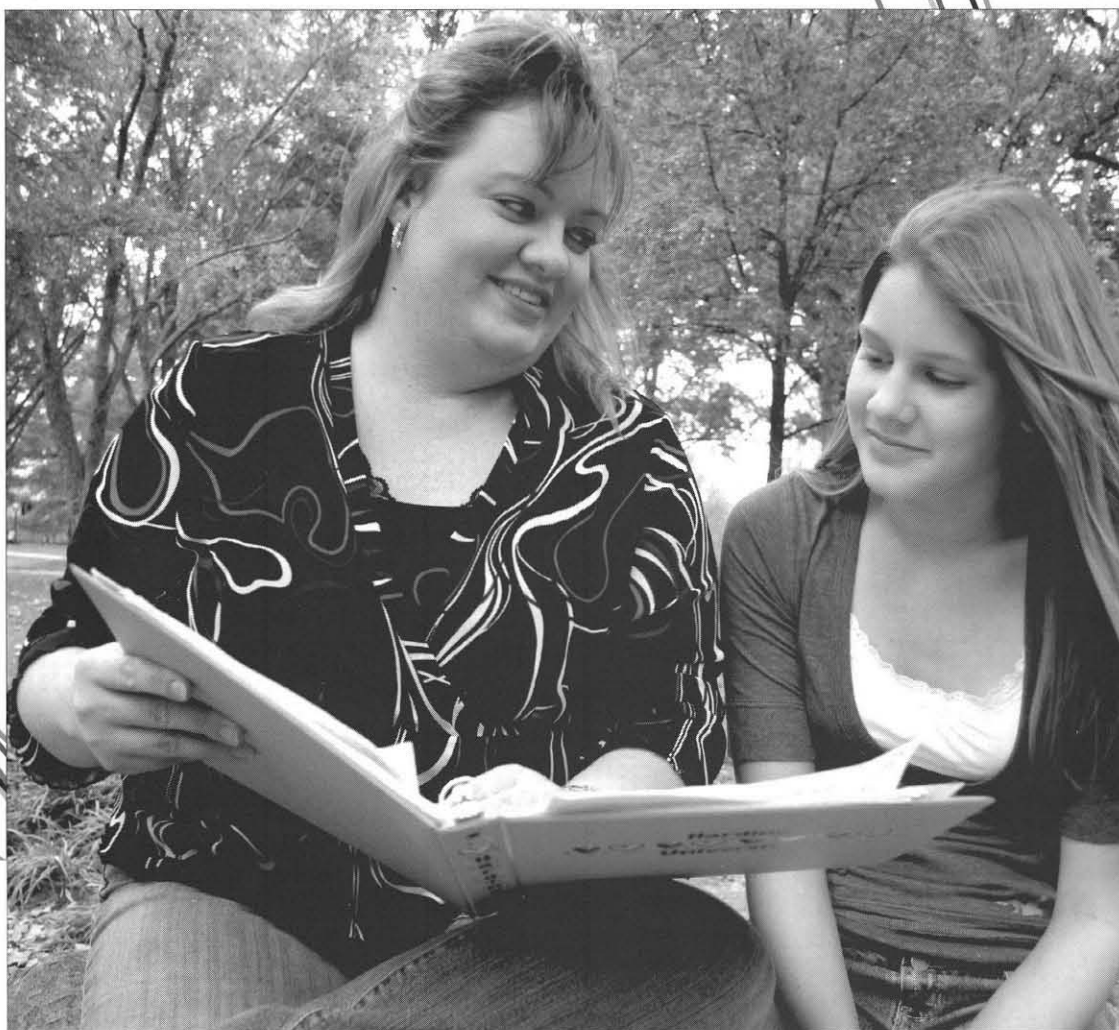
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Sitting in front of the Brackett Library on Oct. 30, senior Cindy Wammack shows her 13-year-old daughter, Morgan, her school work. "I was excited to have the opportunity to continue my education in such a positive Christian atmosphere," Wammack said. •Amber Bazargani



back to school

Adult students seek to further their education

Some students have accepted whole-heartedly the adage that one is never too old to stop learning. Cyndi Bonds, a 58-year old student, came to Harding in the fall semester to pursue a bachelor's degree in interior design. She had already earned undergraduate degrees in history, geography, science and education.

Bonds had previously taught in private schools, but 17 years ago she had an accident that forced her to stop teaching and affected the use of her hand.

In 2002, Bonds began classes at the University of Central Arkansas; she later dropped those classes and transferred to the Pittsburgh Institute to take courses online. Four years later, she came to Harding.

Bonds said her parents did not want her to come back to school because they believed it was too difficult for her considering the accident. However, Bonds' son and daughter, who graduated from UCA, were supportive of her desire to continue her education.

"It has been hard to adapt to school again because of my hand; plus, I have to drive back and forth to Conway every day," Bonds said.

According to Bonds, money was one of the factors that affected her decision to return to

school. She said she had not taught enough to get a technical retirement and with her social security and disability pension she could not support herself. She said she felt returning to school would allow her to build a better life for herself financially.

After graduation, Bonds said she wanted to work in residential interior design and, in turn, build up social security that would allow her to live more comfortably.

Bonds said her classmates were welcoming and supportive of her return.

"Everyone was very helpful to me; I loved it here," Bonds said.

Allen Figley, assistant professor of business and director of the master of business administration program, was Bonds' teacher for Principles of Sales during the fall. He said he was impressed by the fact she wanted to continue her education.

Figley said there was a cultural difference between Bonds and the rest of the class because she had an awareness and knowledge of past events that other students did not have.

"She certainly appeared to have an interest in learning more than in a grade," Figley said.

Figley said, in his experience, adult students had a more noticeable interest in their subject

matter. This was true due to the experience they had gained in their adult lives.

While Bonds had college experience before coming to Harding, other non-traditional students did not. Melissa Elliott, who came to Harding to pursue her bachelor's degree in communication disorders, was 49 years old when she began her college education.

Previously, the responsibilities of single parenthood had prevented Elliott from attending college. When she decided to pursue her bachelor's degree, members of her family supported her ambitions.

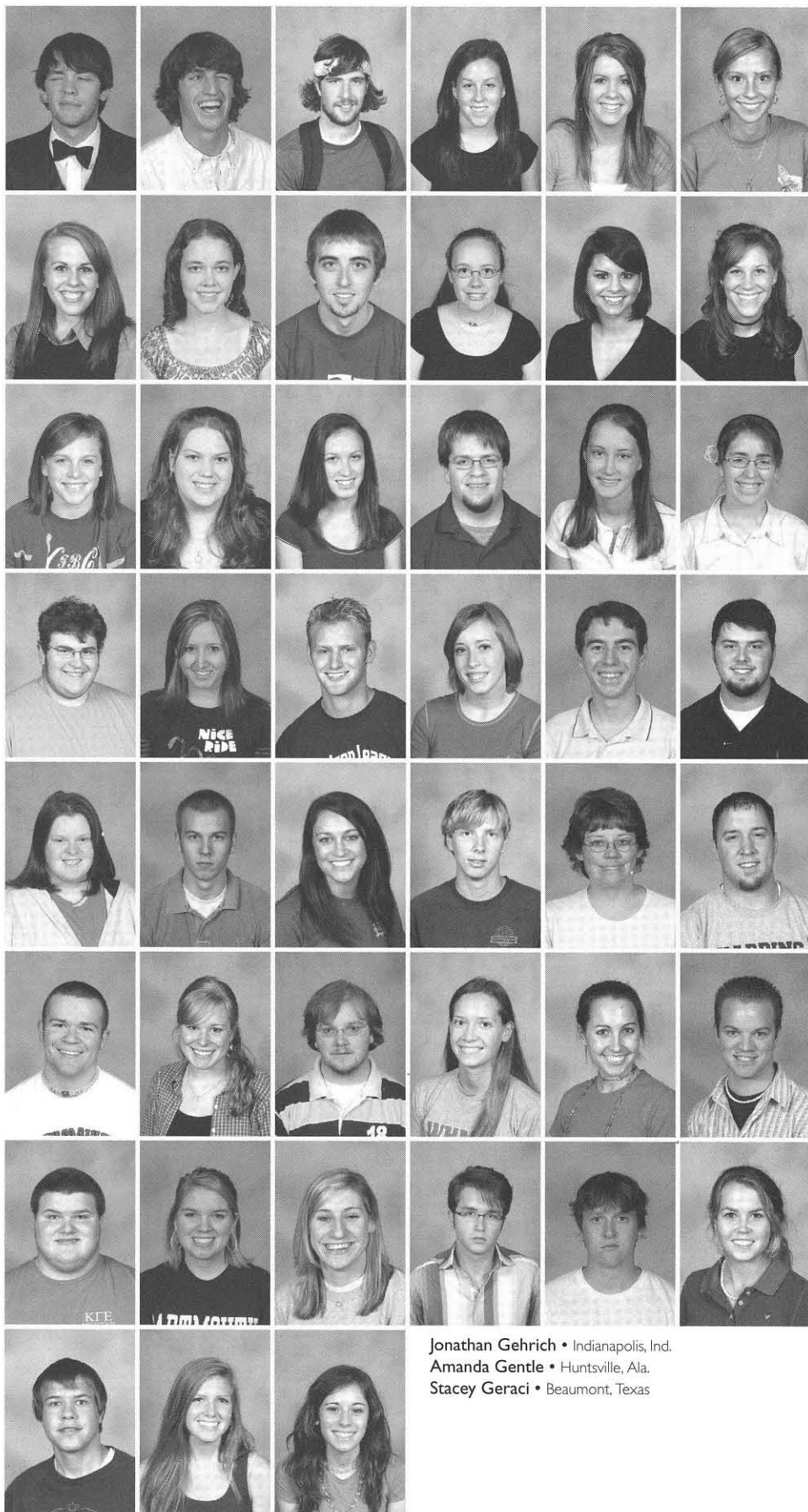
"I always wanted to go to college," Elliott said. "Now one of my dreams is coming true."

Elliott said the hardest thing she faced was not having a computer. This made researching and writing papers more difficult for her.

She said the classes from her fall semester were difficult and stressful, but her classmates supported her.

"Sometimes I was afraid and questioned myself if I was going to do it," Elliott said. "I encourage older women to come back to school. I am a big believer in education; it takes a lot of faith."

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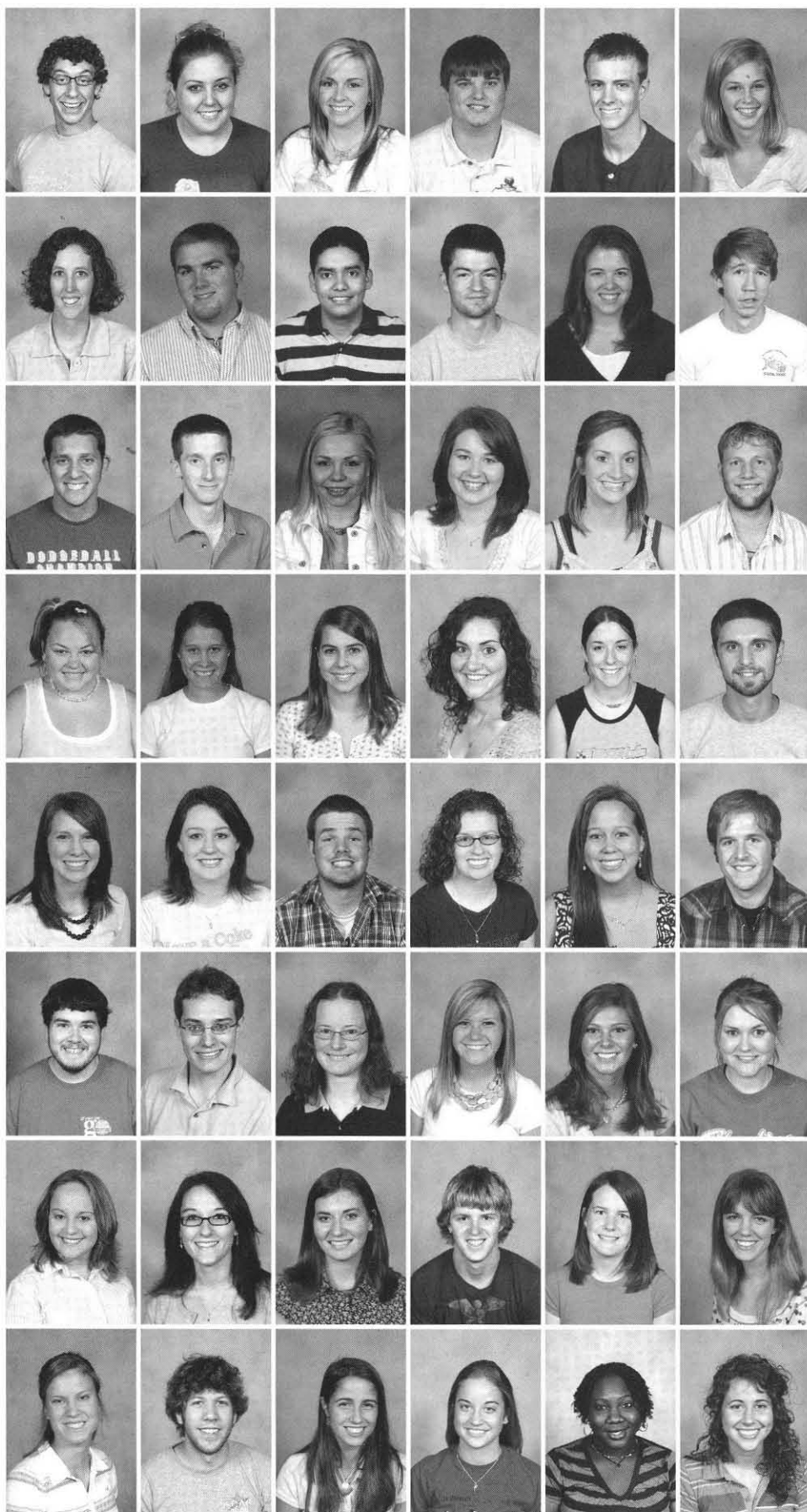
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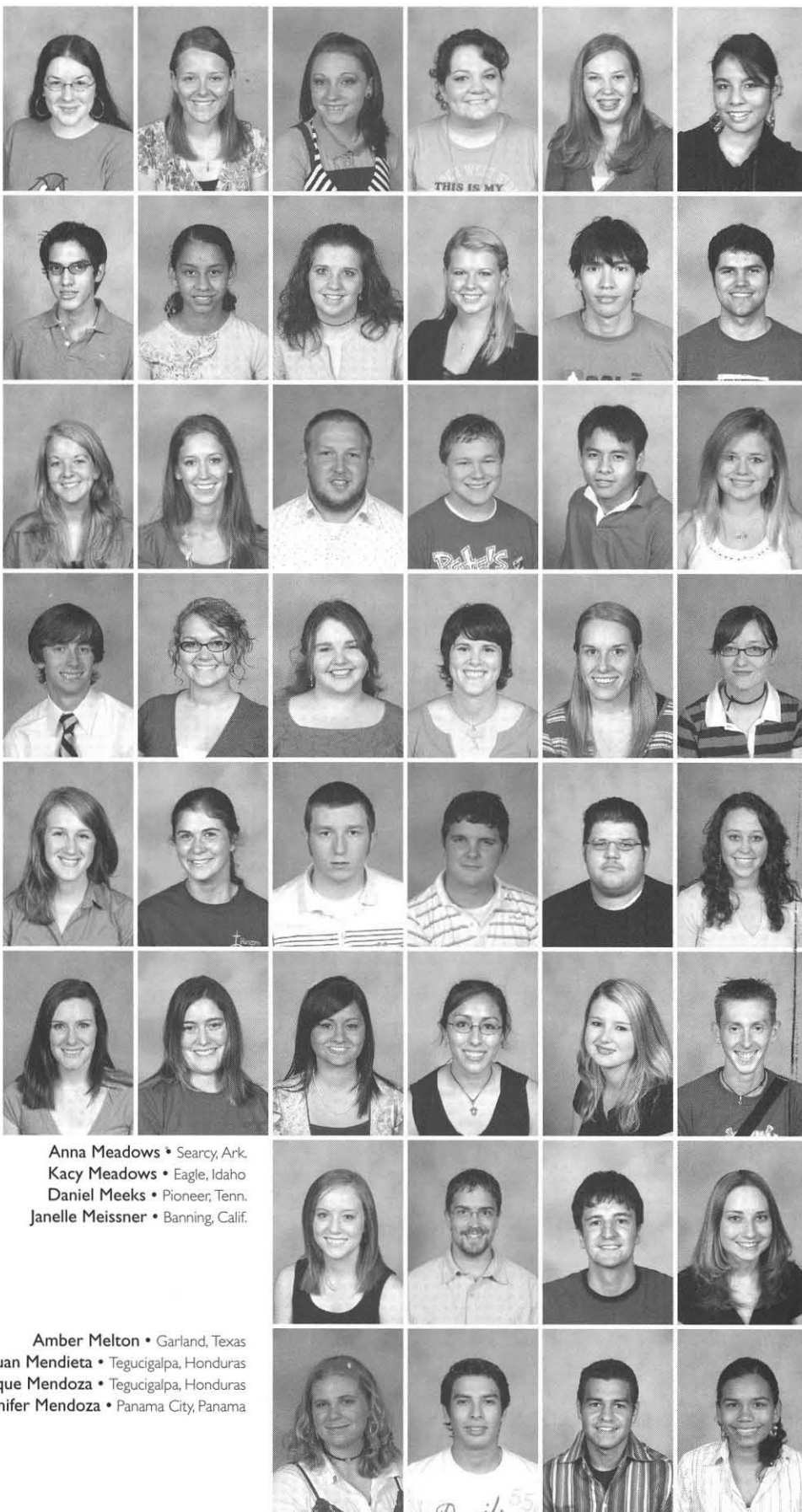
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uniting in missions

Women unite to serve God's kingdom on earth

In the fall of 2005, senior Casey Allison felt the need to organize a seminar for women with an interest in mission work. Allison said she noticed men had a higher level of involvement in missions than women. She knew many young women wanted to be involved in missions, but as single students without mission teams, they did not know where to start.

In response to this need, Allison created Women of Missions. The group gathered together in the McInteer building once a week to share common interests and passions — especially an interest in missions.

Senior Cynthia Landon was one of the speakers for the seminar and one of the main organizers for the group during the fall.

Landon said the purpose of Women of Missions was to connect the members with each other, encourage them, pray for members and serve God.

"The group has changed a lot because of the people," Landon said.

Landon said the group started with 50 women who attended every meeting during the group's first year. The group had 40 members at the beginning of its second year. Landon said the group grew after chapel announcements made by members and by word-of-mouth publicity.

Junior Sarah Console was in charge of the group during the fall. She said she knew of the group because mission work was her main focus when she came to Harding.

Console said the group met together in an informal setting every week and every member was involved in organizing and leading the meetings.

Women of Missions worked together with Brothers United for Missions during the Day of Service in 2005. During the fall of 2006, the group planned activities such as a fund-raiser for a student who was in Afghanistan, a scrapbook for the group members and a retreat for two days in November at Camp Tahkodah.

During the retreat, members had the opportunity to learn about missions and what it was like to be a woman missionary. They also played games, watched movies and had the opportunity to get to know one another better.

Andrea Miller was a speaker for the retreat. After living for six years in Africa, Miller came to Harding with her husband, Matt Miller, visiting professor of missions. Miller spoke to the women about the importance of women in missions and issues women missionaries face.

Miller said relationships formed by group members could affect their mission opportunities in the future.

"This group is neat because the girls have the same mind set and interests," Miller said. "They can share their experiences and they can form teams for mission work."

•Martha Aguilar



During a Women of Missions meeting Nov. 2, junior Nicole Dicken, 2005 graduate Rachel Phillips, and sophomores Kristina Brazle and Natalie Metz listen to senior Casey Allison's missions experience in the missions lounge. "I like the accountability, the openness and the ability to share dreams and ambitions," Metz said. •Amber Bazargani

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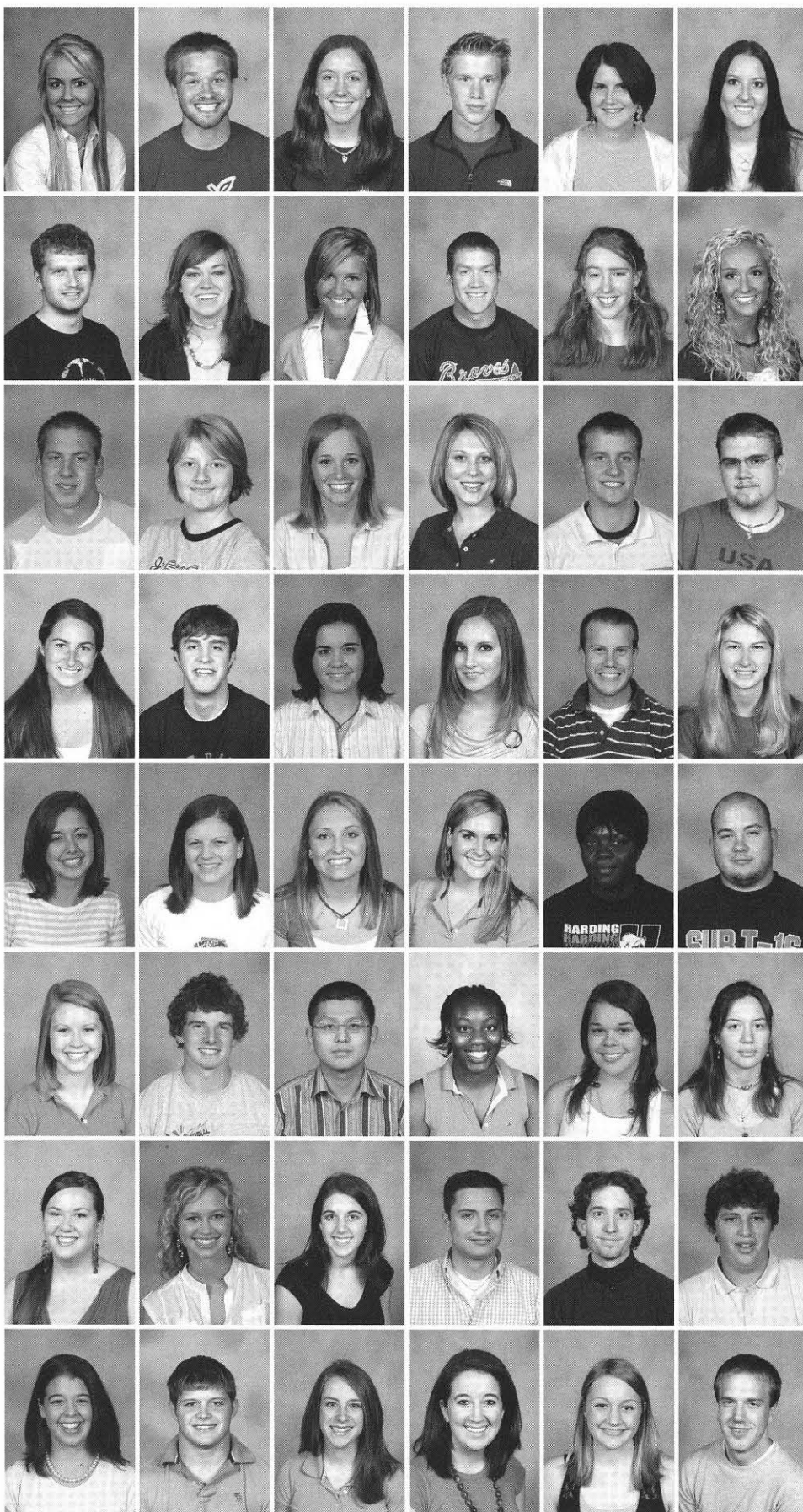
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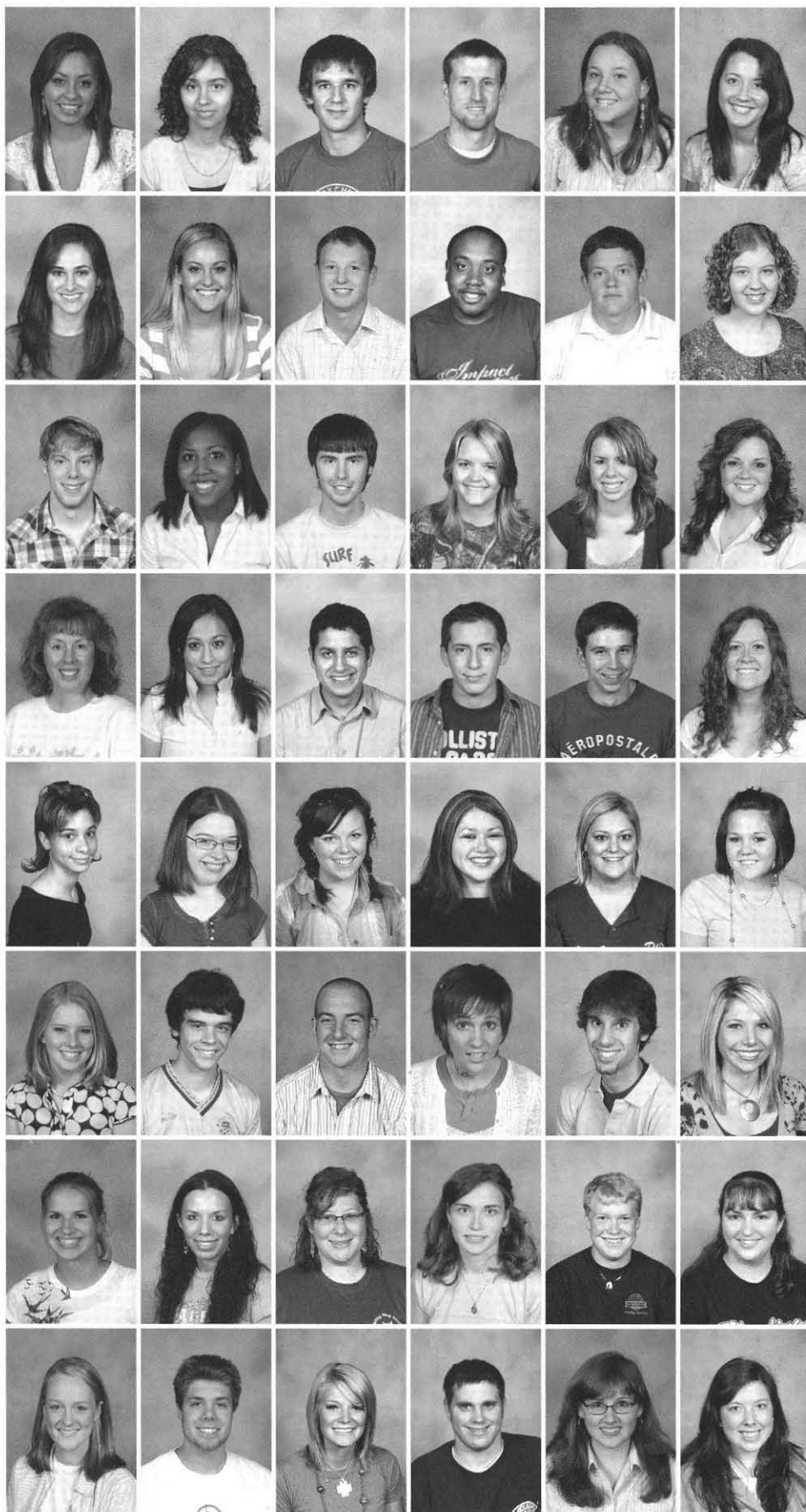
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the finished product

Seniors display art collections in Stephen's gallery

The mood was light at the reception for the senior art show of seniors Lindsay Hickerson and Jefferey Shelton on Oct. 3. Lively music played in the Stevens Art Gallery where each of them was displaying 14 pieces of art they had prepared throughout the past four years. Hickerson and Shelton said they were relieved to have finally reached this culminating event in their experience as art majors.

Organizing a quality senior art show was time consuming and often stressful. The students were required to independently determine the logistics of preparing their work, arrange their pieces in the gallery and advertise the show. Shelton said the process was often exhausting.

"This past week, I got about two hours of sleep per night," Shelton said about the time it took to work on a show.

Hickerson said preparing a theme was challenging and the most time consuming part of the experience. She and Shelton decided on "The Hands of an Artist" as their theme.

Tessa Davidson featured more than 30 pieces of art in a separate gallery during the same week. Davidson, whose theme was "Sharing the Word with the World," said her family came from North Carolina to help her set up for her solo show.

"We all spent a good eight hours setting up the lighting, hanging the pictures and preparing for the reception," she said.

The students' work was well worth the effort, though, and many felt a strong sense of accomplishment following their exhibition.

"I was amazed by the amount of people who wrote and told me how they were moved to tears and deeply touched by the artwork," said Davidson, whose pieces reflected a strong spiritual theme. "I know that these responses are not a reflection of my ability as an artist, but rather it is because the message that was presented is so powerful."

Choosing the works to include was also an important step in planning a senior show. The number of pieces that were included varied and depended on many factors, such as whether or not the student shared the gallery and the size of their artwork.

Dr. John Keller, professor and chair of the art department, said this year's graduating art majors were the last to have the chance to host these individual art shows.

"Beginning next year, we will be assigning the show dates," Keller said. "We are moving to group shows within majors."

This year, art students were able to reserve a Steven's Art Gallery for themselves, or share it with one or two other artists. After this year, however, Keller said there would be one interior design show, one graphic design show and one fine arts show.

Shelton expressed his hopes that his art show would reflect well on him and on the entire department.

"Hopefully [the viewers] will see the time I put into it," Shelton said. "They'll see that there's good work from our art department."

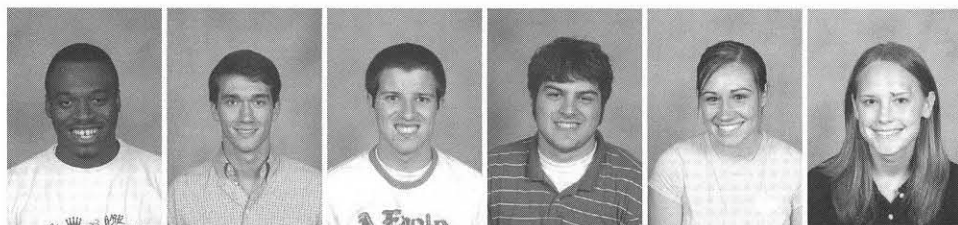
•Molly Morris



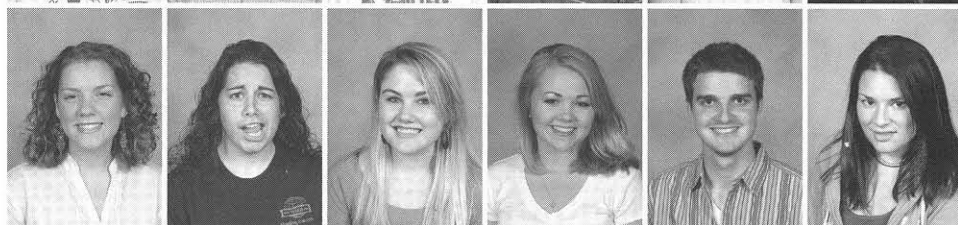
Looking at art in the Steven's Art Gallery on Oct. 8, seniors Josh Granberg and Chris Campbell, and juniors Travis Trull and Lauren Greek attend an opening show for seniors Stefanie Sanderson and Lindsay Richardson. Senior art students sent invitations to friends and family to attend their shows' opening night. •Courtesy of Michael Landon



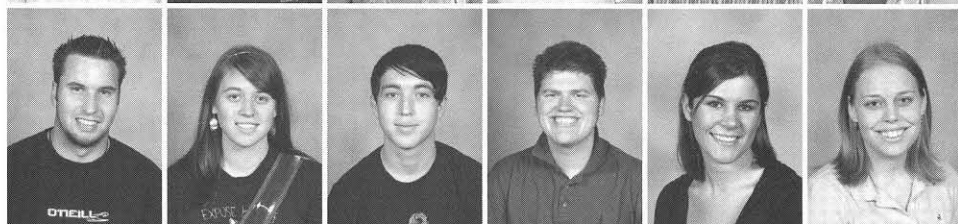
Using child's art as a theme, senior Stefanie Sanderson displays her artwork in the Steven's Art Gallery on Oct. 9. "It was one of the hardest things I've ever done, but the most memorable and enjoyable," Sanderson said. •Jon Byron



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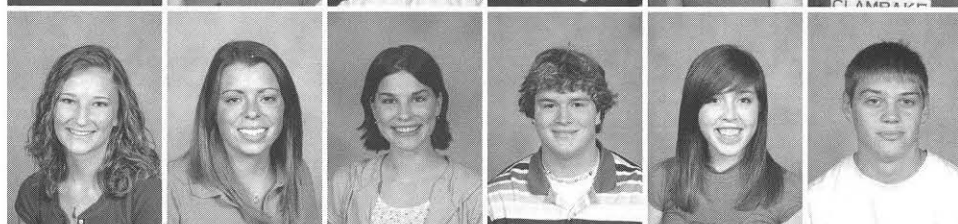
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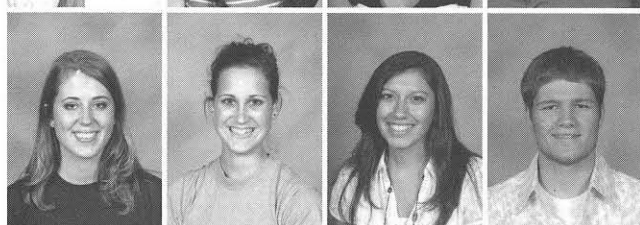
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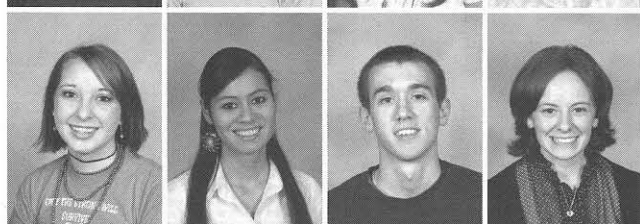
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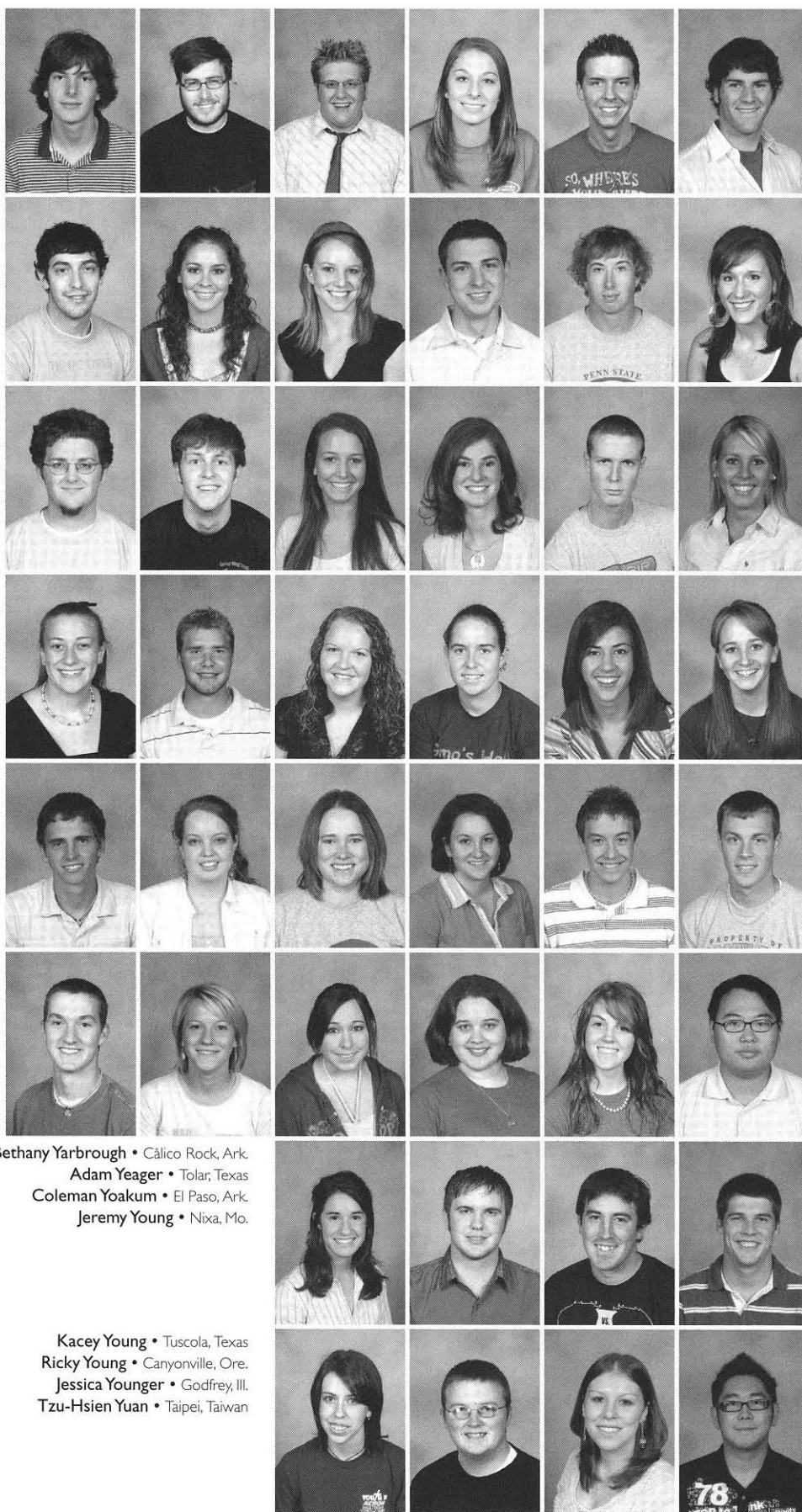
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On the Job

Students discover new ways to earn extra income

As a college town, Searcy provided many job opportunities for students to earn extra money. The jobs that were offered varied from serving food to selling clothes, but other jobs existed that some students might not have otherwise thought of.

"I have worked for The Pampered Chef for one month," junior Rebekah Gibb said. "I have held many jobs in my life, but with having my own business, I can work when I want to and make as much money as I am willing to work for. I am my own boss, and I love it."

Working for The Pampered Chef involved finding people to host parties where the consultant displayed and demonstrated the products to be sold. As with most jobs, working for The Pampered Chef had many benefits.

"To start off, I don't have to work unless I want to make money," Gibb said. "I don't have a set schedule, so if I have a lot of tests one week, I just won't set up a show. I make 20 percent, to start off, of everything I sell, and I don't have to keep an inventory. I also get free products and discounted products. As I recruit more people, then I will make a larger percentage."

While some jobs required people to have certain skills, Gibb said no specific skills were necessary to work for The Pampered Chef.

"[People] just work their shows around what works for them," Gibb said.

In addition to becoming a consultant for The Pampered Chef, students also had the opportunity to work as consultants for Mary Kay.

As with The Pampered Chef, Mary Kay offered similar benefits. The most attractive, according to sophomore Vivian Shettlesworth, was the flexibility.

"I am a Mary Kay beauty consultant, and I've been working since June 2006," Shettlesworth said. "I really like that I set up my own hours. A really big plus is I get 50 percent off, so basically, I'm a wholesale buyer."

Although the flexibility and discounts were ideal for college students, working for The Pampered Chef or Mary Kay was not for everyone.

"I would like a more stable job," sophomore Derek McCormick said. "I don't like jobs where you get paid for what you sell."

Others who could not picture themselves working for The Pampered Chef or Mary Kay said finding motivation would be difficult.

"I like to know that I can go to work each day," freshman Kalyn Heid said. "I'd be too lazy and would keep putting off work."

Working as a consultant for The Pampered Chef or Mary Kay was not ideal for every student. Like any other job, these positions had pros and cons. However, for a few students, becoming consultants for The Pampered Chef or Mary Kay offered the perfect solution to their monetary needs.

•Lauren Mitchell



Demonstrating how to correctly use the Food Chopper, junior Mallory Barcus, an independent consultant for The Pampered Chef, shows junior Hannah Plexico products during a personal tutorial Feb. 6 in Plexico's Pryor Hall apartment. Even though Barcus worked on campus, she said selling The Pampered Chef products allowed her the opportunity to earn some extra money. •Jon Byron

freshmen commitments of love

Freshmen begin to make wedding preparations

At every college, freshmen experienced many things during their first year. At Harding, it might have been picking out a chapel seat, trying to decide on a social club or realizing that DCB runs out sooner than one might have thought. For a lot of first-year students, the load was tough to handle. For a select few, however, the new college lifestyle was made more stressful as they planned a wedding on the side.

Freshmen Misha Apple and Chris Brownlow dated for seven months before Brownlow proposed. They planned their wedding early because Apple was traveling with the HUG program in the fall of 2007 and would not be returning to the states until a month before the wedding Dec. 7. Apple said this pushed all of the planning forward, but she was not too stressed.

"I am in the beginning stages still; just doing little stuff here and there on the weekends," Apple said. "We will worry about the big stuff later."

Apple said Brownlow was not too involved in the planning process.

"He doesn't have much of an opinion [on the wedding], and he supports my decision to do whatever I want to with the decorations and stuff," Apple said. "The only thing he doesn't understand is why he cannot have all of his friends as his groomsmen, instead of just four."

Brownlow did get one thing he liked in the wedding: the color blue.

"I know that is his favorite color, so I chose blue as one of the main colors," Apple said. "I want him to be happy with the decorations too, not just me."

Sophomore Meredith Irwin said she experienced some of the same things when she planned her wedding to senior Andy Irwin during her freshman year.

"One of the hardest parts for me was trying to find time to do school work," Irwin said. "I had so much fun planning the wedding, that's all I ever wanted to do."

Irwin also said it was difficult being in Searcy instead of Memphis, where the nuptials were taking place.

"When you are planning a wedding, you have to make appointments for everything, and I could not go to those appointments a lot of the time because I was in school," Irwin said.

Irwin said one thing that made the planning easier was that most of her bridesmaids were Harding students and could help her throughout the process.

"They helped with all of the little stuff and even had my lingerie shower in the lobby of Sears dorm," Irwin said. "It was perfect, though, because instead of the shower being in Memphis, I was at Harding with all of my best friends."

Meredith's fiancé, Andy, was busy with schoolwork at the time. However, she said he still had a say in the planning.

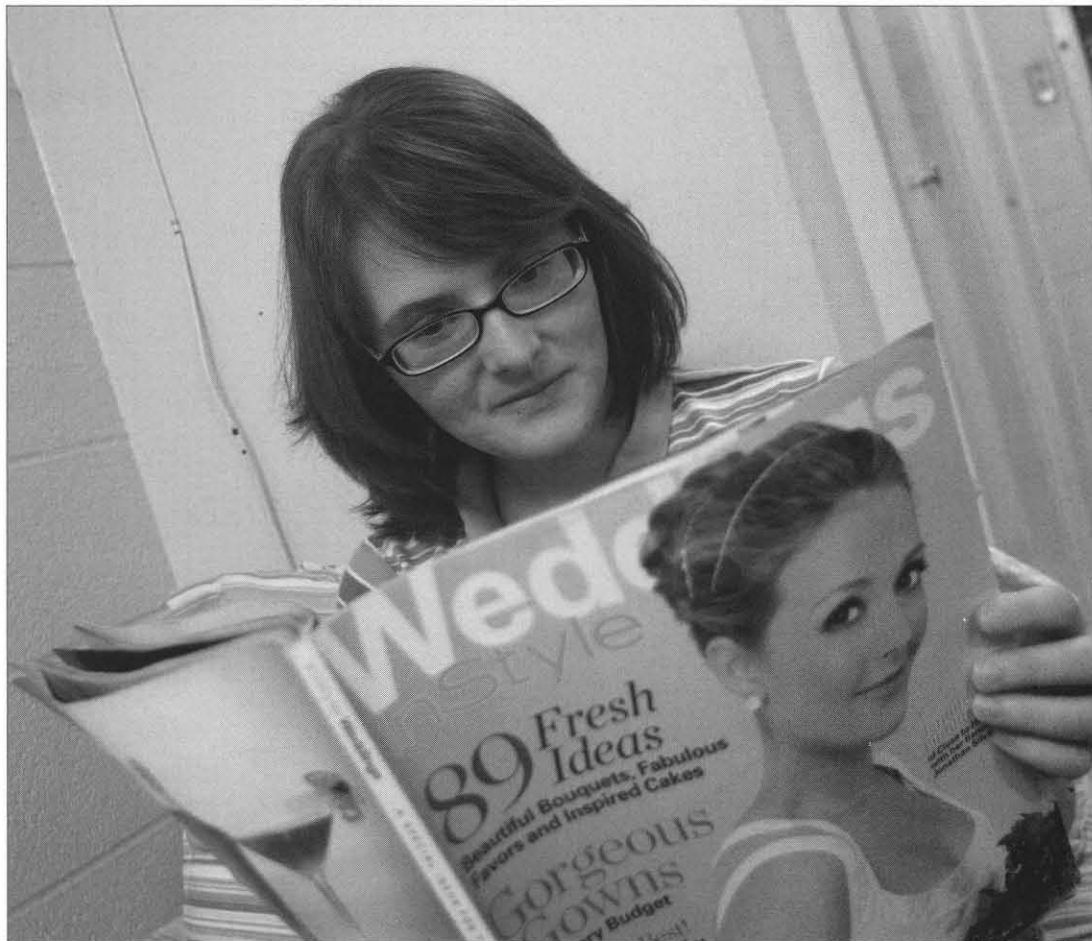
"Andy was studying for the MCAT during that time, so he couldn't just focus solely on the wedding like I did, but he helped me out as much as possible," Irwin said.

Irwin said all of the planning was worth it when the wedding went smoothly Aug. 5, 2006.

"The wedding was beautiful, and all of the stresses seem worth it," Irwin said. "I am so lucky that everything worked out so wonderfully."

•Erin Smith

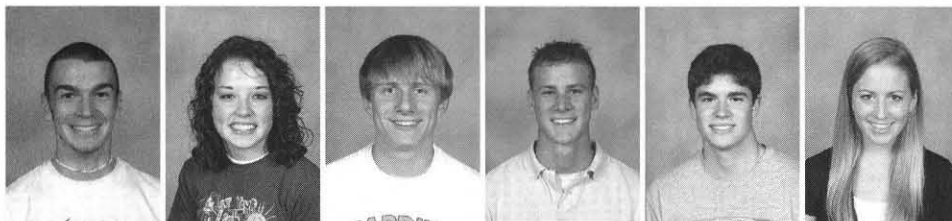
Glancing through a bridal magazine in Sears Hall on Nov. 16, freshman Misha Apple gets ideas for her upcoming wedding. Bridal magazines and Web sites provided helpful planning tips and ideas for future brides. •Chelsea Roberson



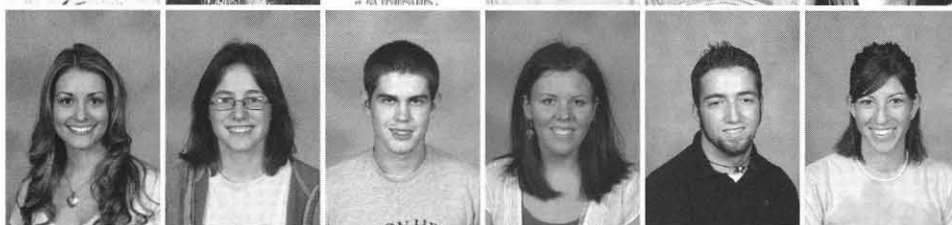


While in their apartment in the Village, senior Andy Irwin and sophomore Meredith Irwin wash dishes Feb. 6. "As a freshman I was planning for the happiest day of my life," said Irwin, who planned for her Aug. 7, 2006 wedding during her freshmen year. •Chelsea Roberson

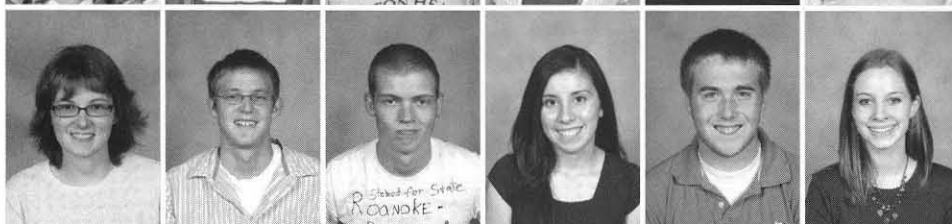
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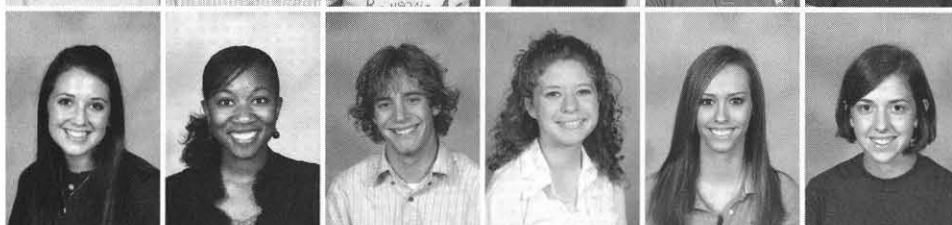
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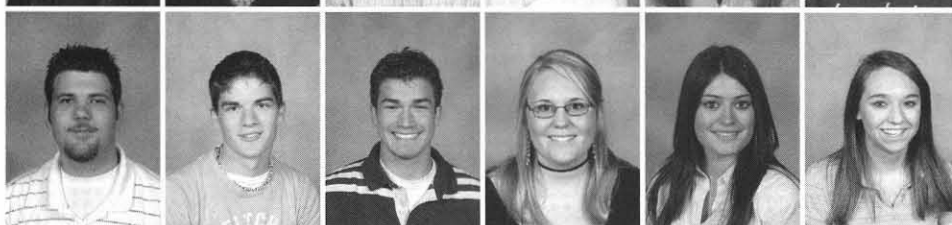
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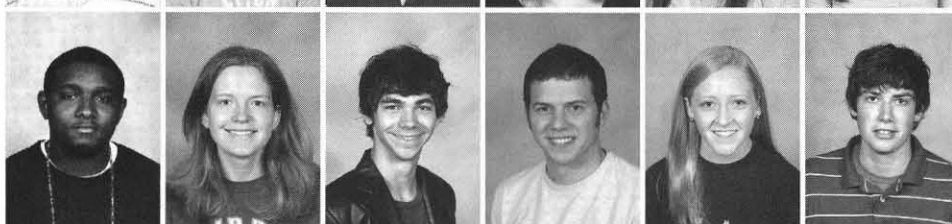
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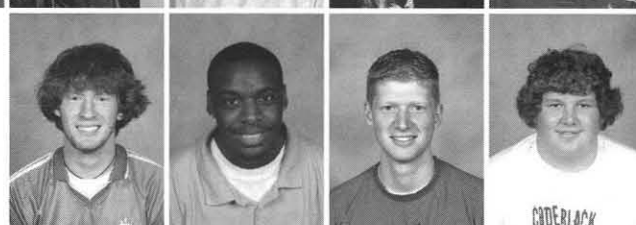
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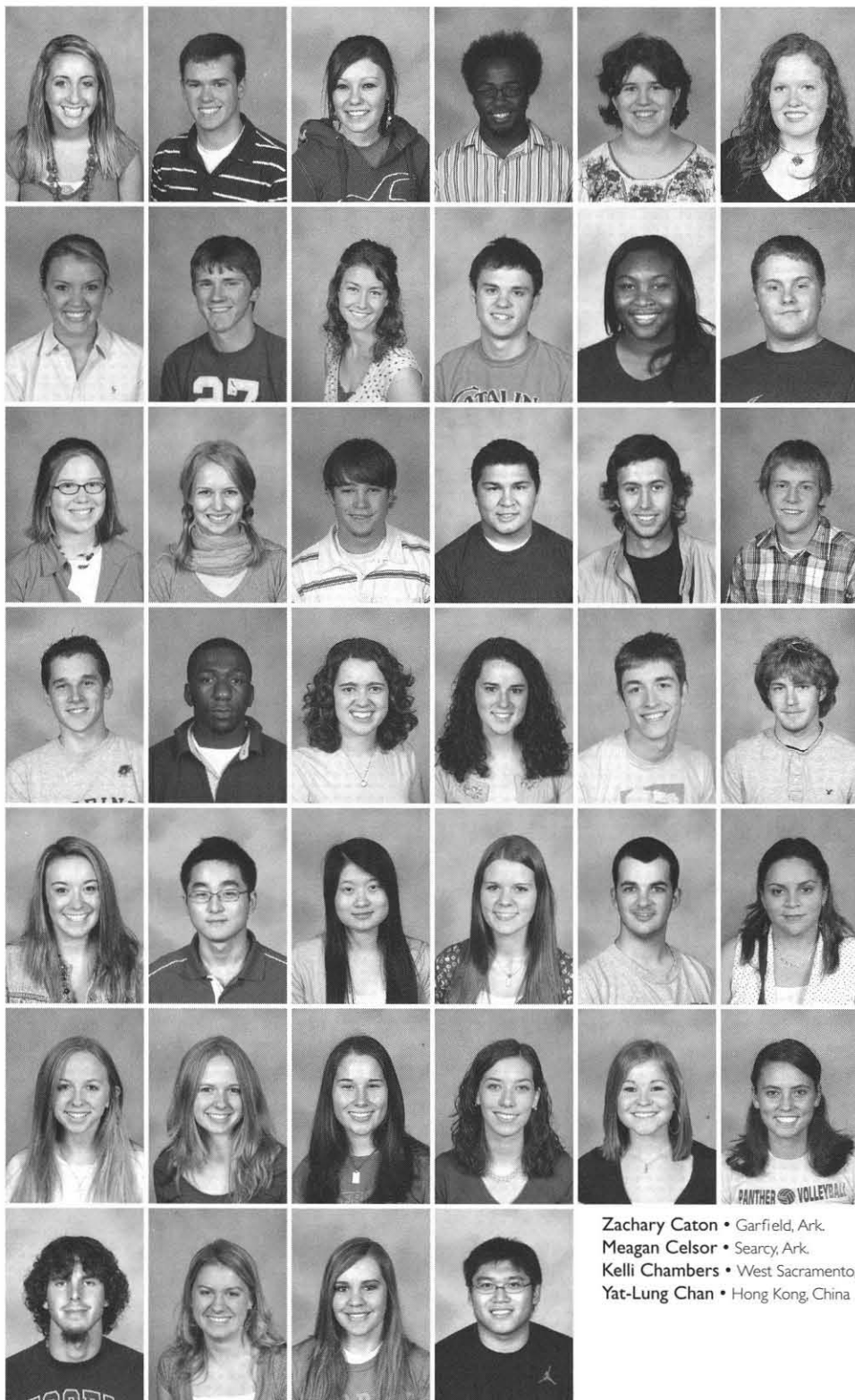


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Reading with a child Nov. 13, freshman Marie Yates dedicates her free time to working with children in the projects in downtown Little Rock. "One thing I've noticed about the kids that's encouraging to me is that no matter what situation they are in, they find a way to be joyful in it," Yates said. •Courtesy of Jared White



Little Rock outreach

Students devote Saturdays to sharing God's love

Every Saturday morning at 9:30, a group of students met in the student center to carpool to Little Rock, where they spent the day visiting with underprivileged and homeless people in the city. Sophomore Zach Long started making the weekly trip with a few friends in the fall of 2005. Originally, the group visited the homeless people under the Broadway Bridge, taking them food and water and spending time getting to know them. Since then, the mission grew to include weekly visits with underprivileged children in one Little Rock neighborhood.

Long said he began visiting the poor and homeless in Little Rock as a way of showing love to people around him.

"I was talking about being a true follower of God and I needed to start doing it," Long said. "I realized that there are people around me in Little Rock that I could reach out to."

About 30 to 40 homeless people were usually gathered under the bridge, many of them trying to support drug and alcohol habits or other activities, Long said. The students spent time sharing not only food, but also encouragement and

conversation with the people gathered there.

The first person Long met under the bridge was Kellino, a man he said had struggled with an addiction to crack cocaine for 19 years and had been homeless for four of them.

The two men quickly became friends and prayed together over each other.

"It's been the most impactful friendship I've ever had," Long said.

With the help of another friend, Kellino was able to quit his cocaine habit cold turkey — an accomplishment that was almost unheard of without the help of professionals or a rehabilitation program.

"He saw that I believed in him, and he said that was his main motivation," Long said.

The group also began spending time with some inner-city children and made visiting with them a regular part of their Saturdays in Little Rock.

In November of 2006, the group hosted a Christmas party in one of the city's projects. There was even a Santa Claus there to visit with the kids.

Long and the other volunteers wrote down

each child's information and the gifts he or she requested so they could provide the kids with presents they may not have received otherwise.

"We had no idea how we'd get the money for this," Long said. "We went through the dorms and asked for spare change to buy gifts for kids in the projects and God provided."

The volunteers collected \$1,450 in two nights and spent about \$15 per child.

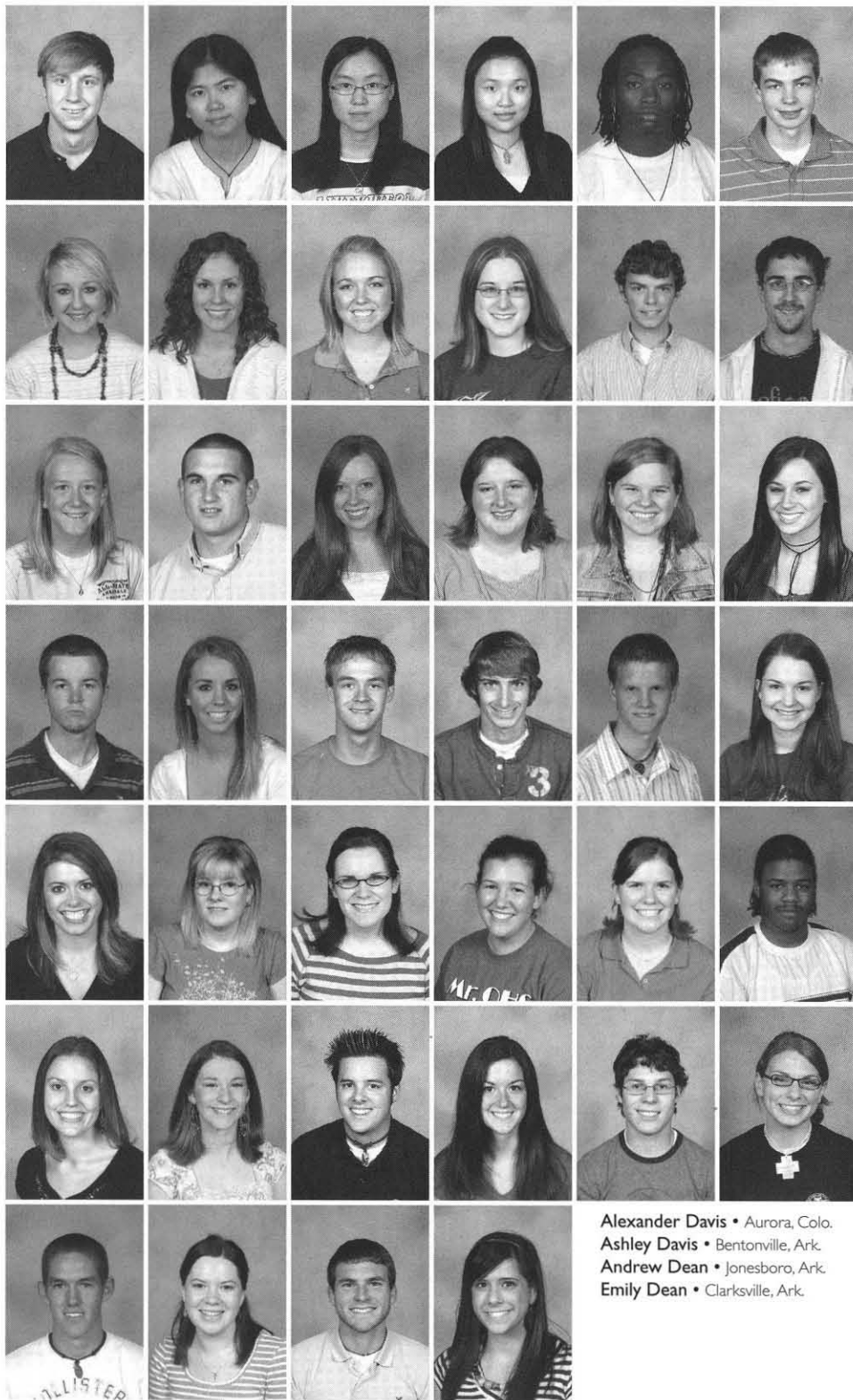
Freshman John Cannaday spent several of his Saturdays in Little Rock visiting with the kids.

"These little kids are just awesome," Cannaday said. "They love each other so much and without inhibition. They show us the same love that they show each other."

Long said he believed he had been called to serve people who are underprivileged.

"No matter what your major is, you can use it to serve," Long said. "There's a ton of needy people, and we've got what it takes to help them. I'm trying to challenge everyone to live more simply and use what we have to glorify God."

•Molly Morris



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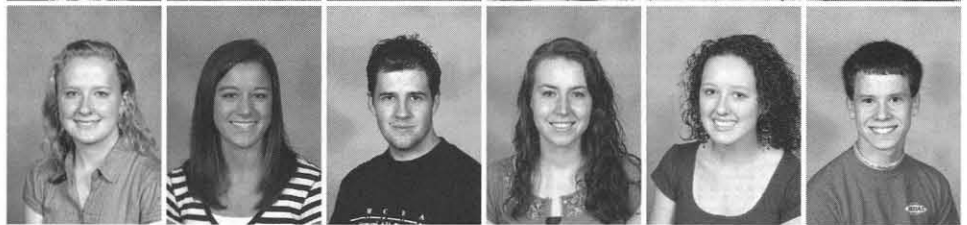
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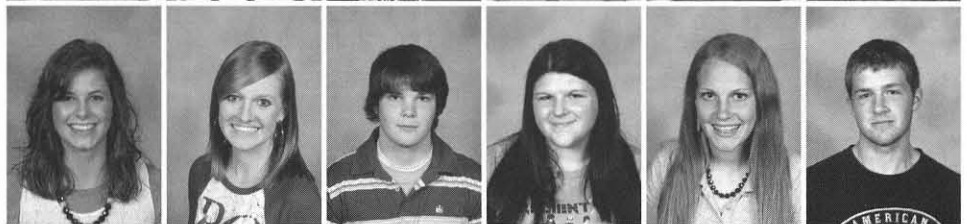
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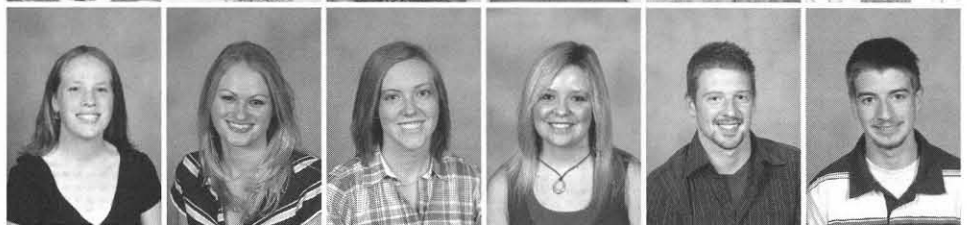
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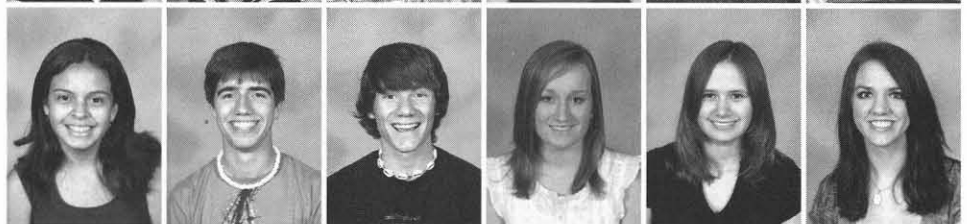
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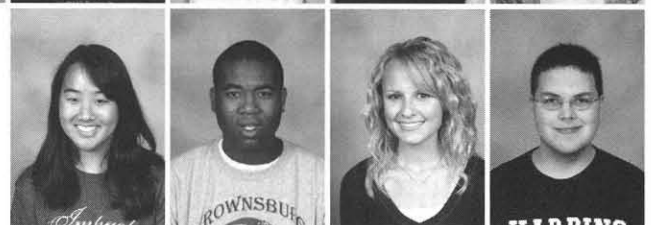
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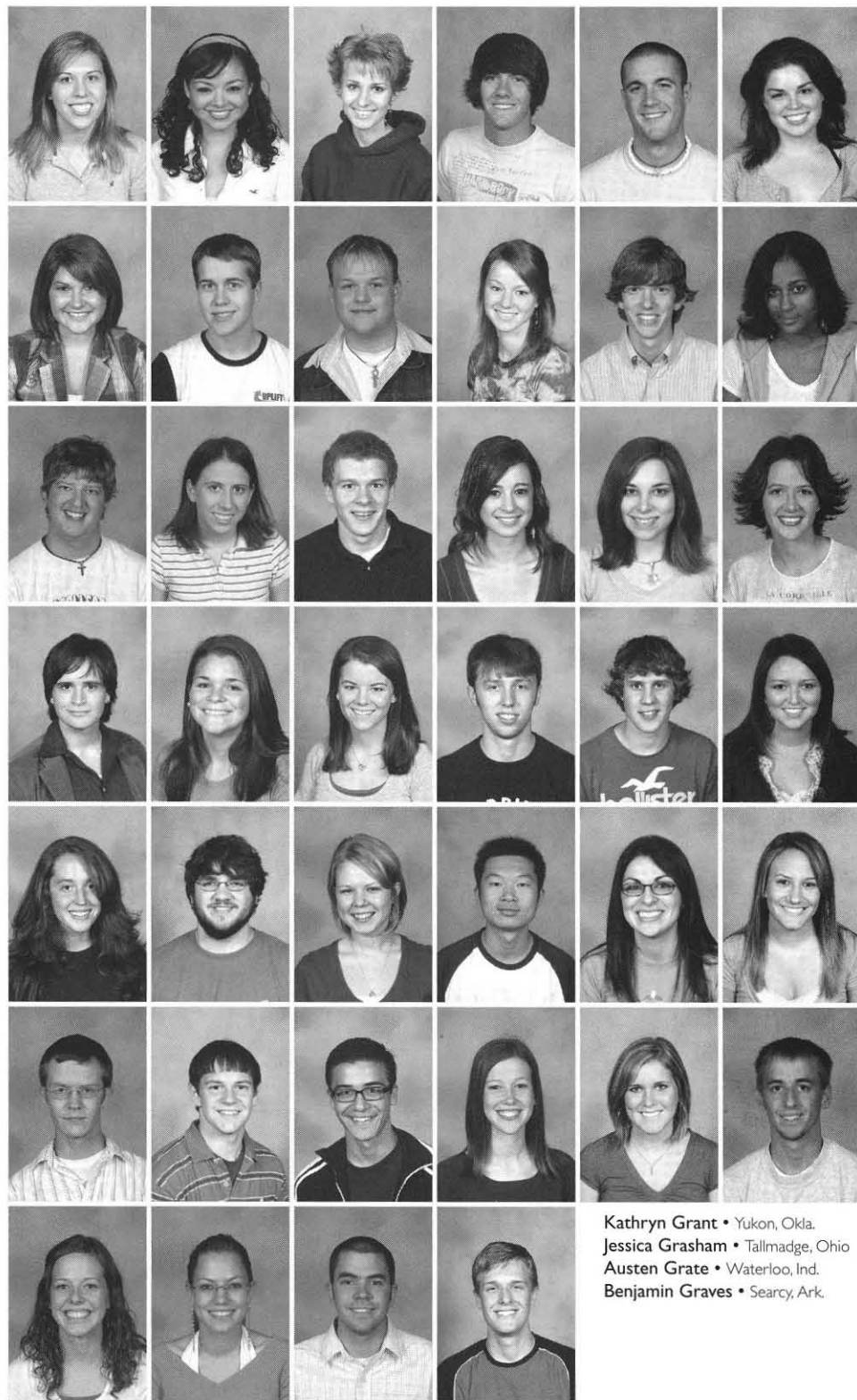


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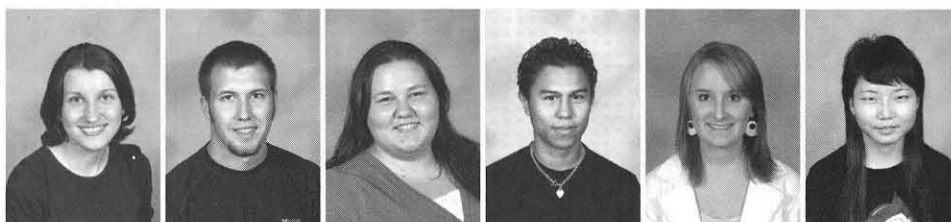
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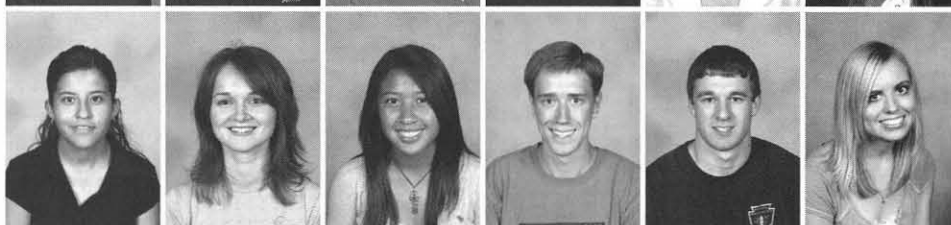
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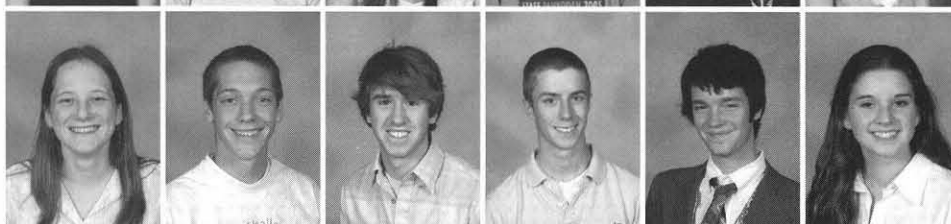
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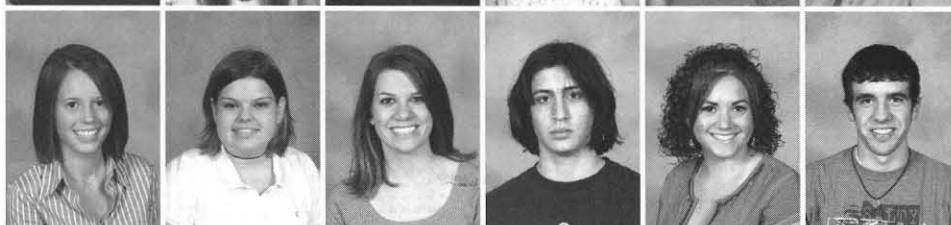
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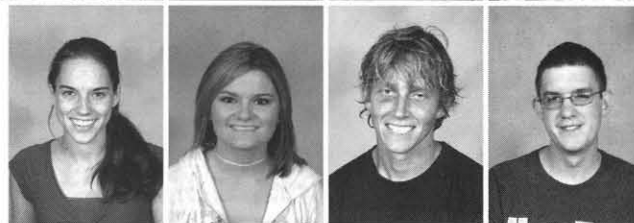
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new senior position

Sears Hall dorm mom receives workload relief

Bearing almost 300 female students and a family of four, Sears Hall was the largest female residence hall on campus. In the spring of 2006, the former Residence Life Coordinator of Sears Hall Cory Ireland suggested the creation of a new Resident Assistant position to lighten the load of such a task. Thus began senior early elementary education major Jenny Goings' occupation as Senior Resident Assistant.

Because there was still an R.A. assigned to each wing, Goings said she was not required to take on the responsibilities a resident assistant normally had. She was more of an assistant to Tanya Davis, Resident Life Coordinator for Sears Hall.

"[I] report all maintenance requests, cover curfew two nights a week, assist with health and safety and all kinds of random paperwork/office type stuff I am assigned," Goings said.

More than the technicals though, Goings said the relationships made throughout her three-year-career as an R.A. were the most meaningful to her. The difference she found this year was not being responsible for the freshman girls as she had been before.

"It's more like being there for the R.A.s," Goings said.

Davis said Goings really relieved her workload by taking on the technical aspects of the job.

Goings' advice for future Senior R.A.s pertained to stressing over more than what the position called for. She said being up front about the position and knowing what to do from the beginning was the best thing anyone could do.

"You are still a student so have fun," Goings said. "Don't become the go-between among the R.A.s and R.L.C."

According to a Stephens Hall R.A. junior Mylah Watkins, who had been on Goings hall her freshman year, said Goings had so much of an influence on her residents that many of them, including herself, became R.A.s.

One such resident, Tori Porter, said Goings influenced her experience at Harding in a positive way.

"I transferred to Harding in the spring semester of 2005, and as my R.A., she helped to make my transition smooth," Porter said. "Her kind-heartedness inspired me to become an R.A. so that I could help others who were also struggling with their transitions."

Davis said she noticed Goings' dedication not only to her job, but also to her peers as a positive contributor to their everyday lives.

"She is just so nurturing," Davis said. "That's how I know she is going to be a great teacher someday."

•Natalie Lollis

After the resident assistant meeting in Sears Hall on Sept. 12, senior Jenny Goings talks with some of the R.A.s, sophomores Katie Parker and Beth Strate and senior Brittney Davidson. "Whenever I need anything, I can open my bathroom door and there is Jenny to assist me in my R.A. needs," Davidson, who was Goings' suitemate, said. •Amber Bazargani



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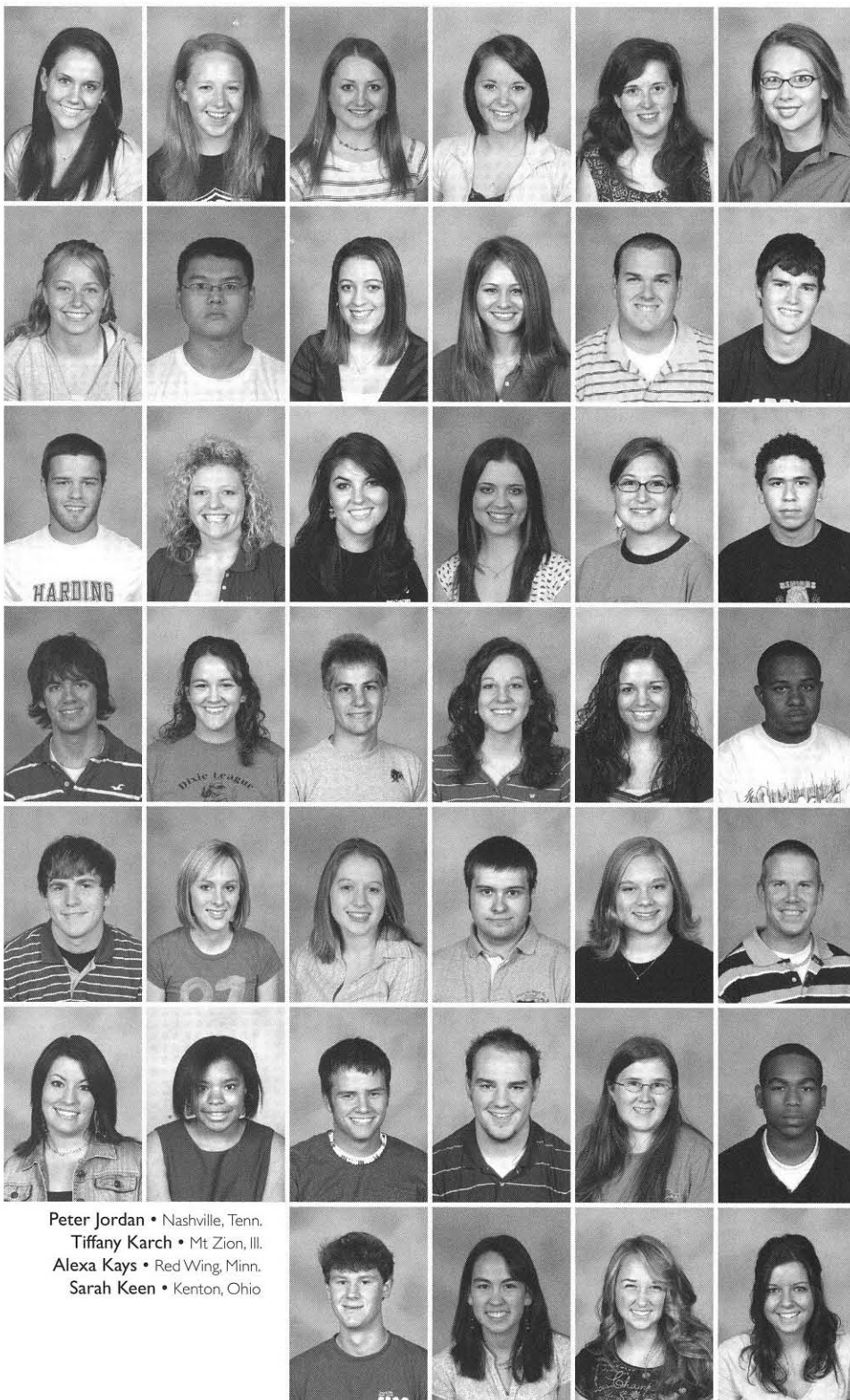
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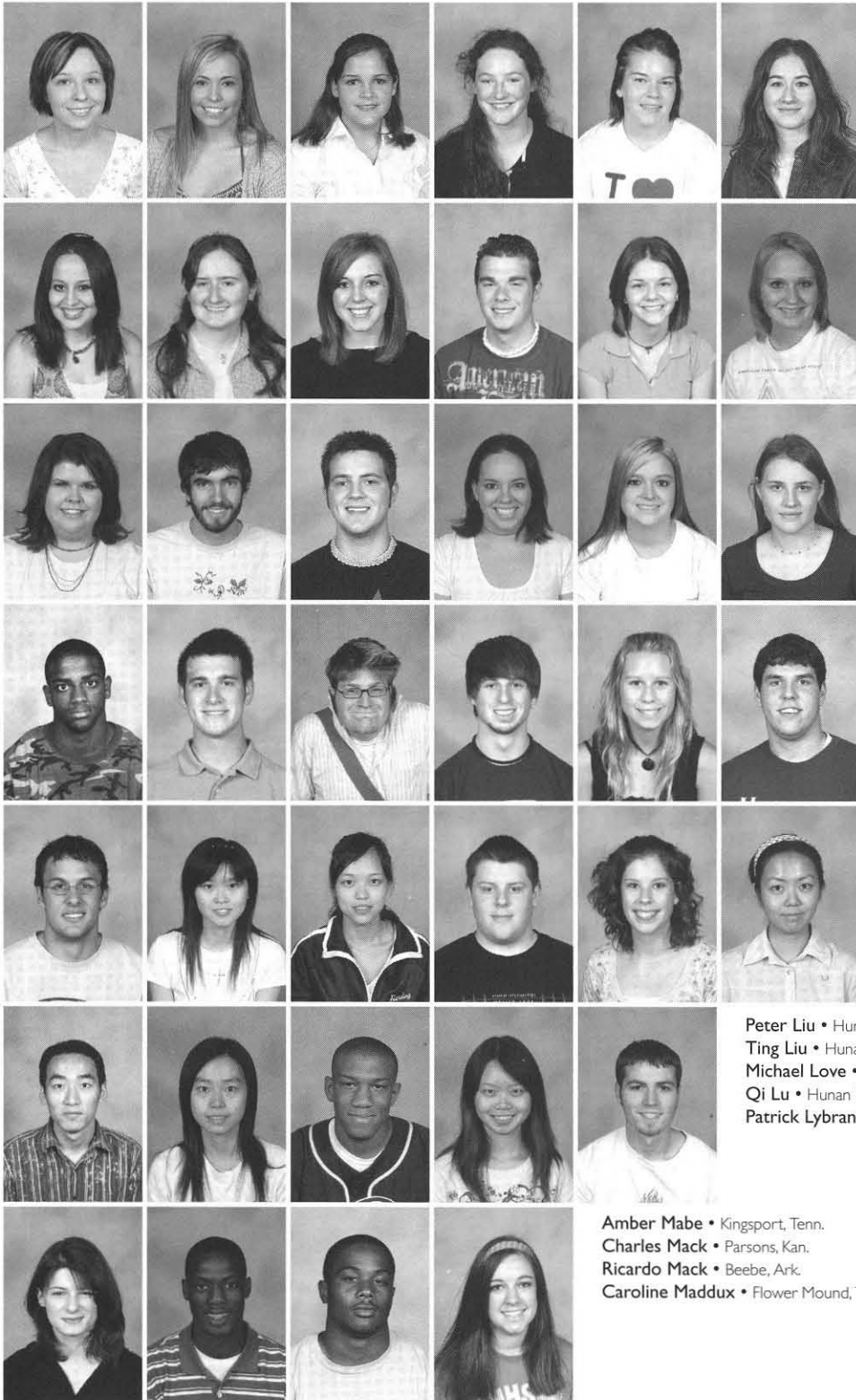
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Working the late-night shift Dec. 1, senior Daniel Witcher locks the classroom doors of the Pryor-England Science Center. "Working the graveyard shift is enjoyable because you get to watch Harding close down and open back up in the morning," Witcher said.
•Chelsea Roberson



hard day's night

Students schedule work hours around the clock

After curfew came, the majority of students went to bed or stayed up doing homework. However, some students were getting ready to go to work.

Jonathan Striclyn was one such student. Striclyn, a sophomore missions major from Indiana, worked a 40-hour week at the Maytag factory in Industrial Park while also maintaining status as a full-time student. StaffMark, a local agency that helped people find jobs, aided Striclyn in finding this position at Maytag in July of 2006.

"I was just looking for a job to make some money," Striclyn said.

At work, Striclyn said he worked on an assembly line, which put together Maytag dryers.

"There are 10 different assembly stations, and we rotate from station to station every hour," Striclyn said. "They do this so that we don't get too bored doing the same thing for 10 hours straight."

In addition to the difficulty of finding time to sleep, Striclyn said he faced other struggles.

"It is really difficult to find time to sleep, study and have a social life," Striclyn said. "At work, my feet really start to hurt a lot."

After sleeping for just a few hours before

heading into classes during the week, Striclyn said he was fortunate to have a break in the afternoon, which he utilized to catch up on homework as well as social events.

Far from wanting a long-term job at Maytag's factory, Striclyn said he aspired to one day travel to Mozambique in order to spread the gospel. Furthermore, Striclyn said he had already begun to put together a team to go.

Driven to mission work, Striclyn said he found numerous opportunities to witness to the people he worked with while continuing to grow closer to God.

"I have already set up a couple different Bible studies with people," Striclyn said. "And I constantly learn more to have dependence on God because I definitely can't do it on my own."

Brad McAllister was another student who went to work as most others were finishing their late night Pizza Pro treats and winding down for the evening. McAllister, a junior criminal justice major, found a position as a Harding Public Safety officer.

Being a shift supervisor, McAllister worked from midnight – 8 a.m., Monday through Friday.

"Some of our routine duties are to lock down

the buildings, make sure the dorms are secure and help the Department of Parking Services finish for the evening," McAllister said. "But each night is a little different."

McAllister, who worked with public safety for three years and worked the midnight shift for two of those years, said the biggest struggle he faced was getting enough sleep.

"You have to decide what gets cut from your life," McAllister said. "I get about three hours of sleep on Monday and there is no chance of me having a social life during the week."

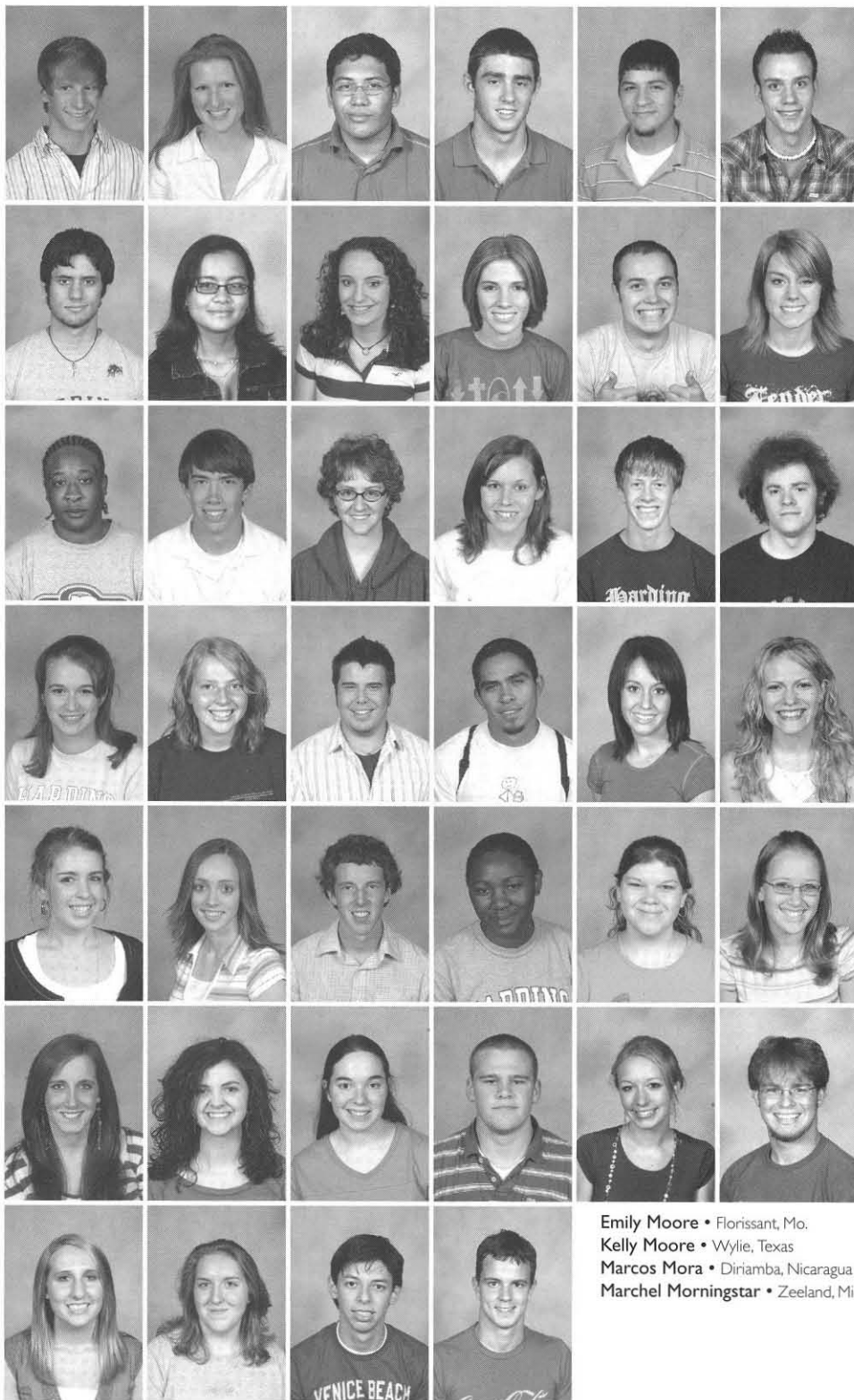
Taking classes at Harding as well as Arkansas State University-Beebe, McAllister said he still had a couple of years left at Harding before he graduated to pursue a career in the FBI.

"I will probably be working as a police officer somewhere after I graduate," McAllister said.

Even though the midnight shift was tough at first and the public safety department usually did not put students on overnights, McAllister said he loved his job.

"I work with the same guys every night, which is really great," McAllister said. "I love the midnights."

•Jordan Dyniewski



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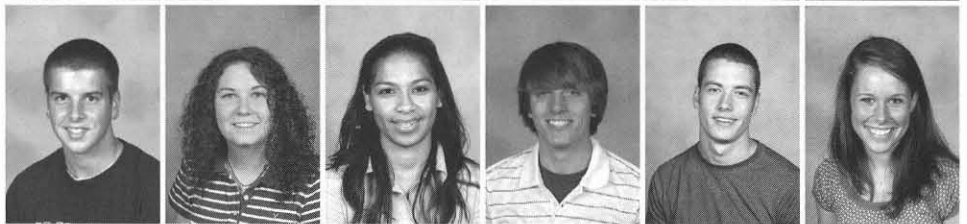
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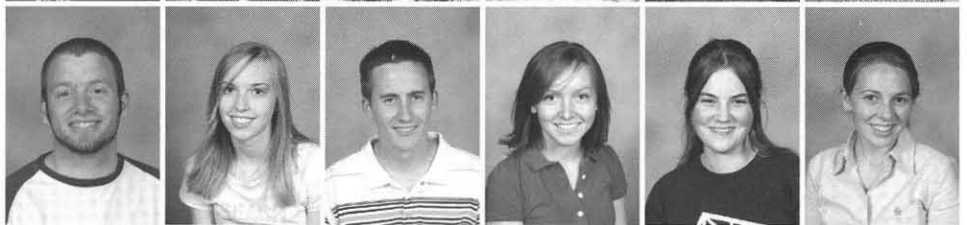
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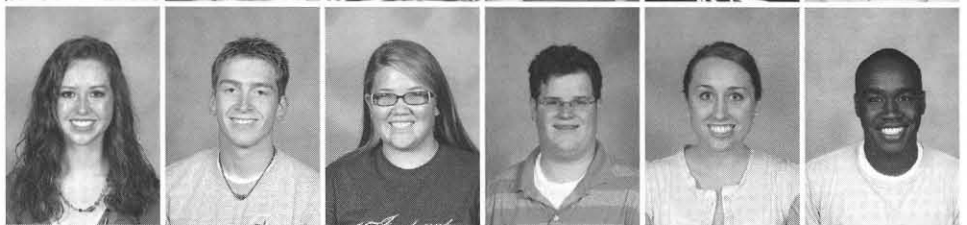
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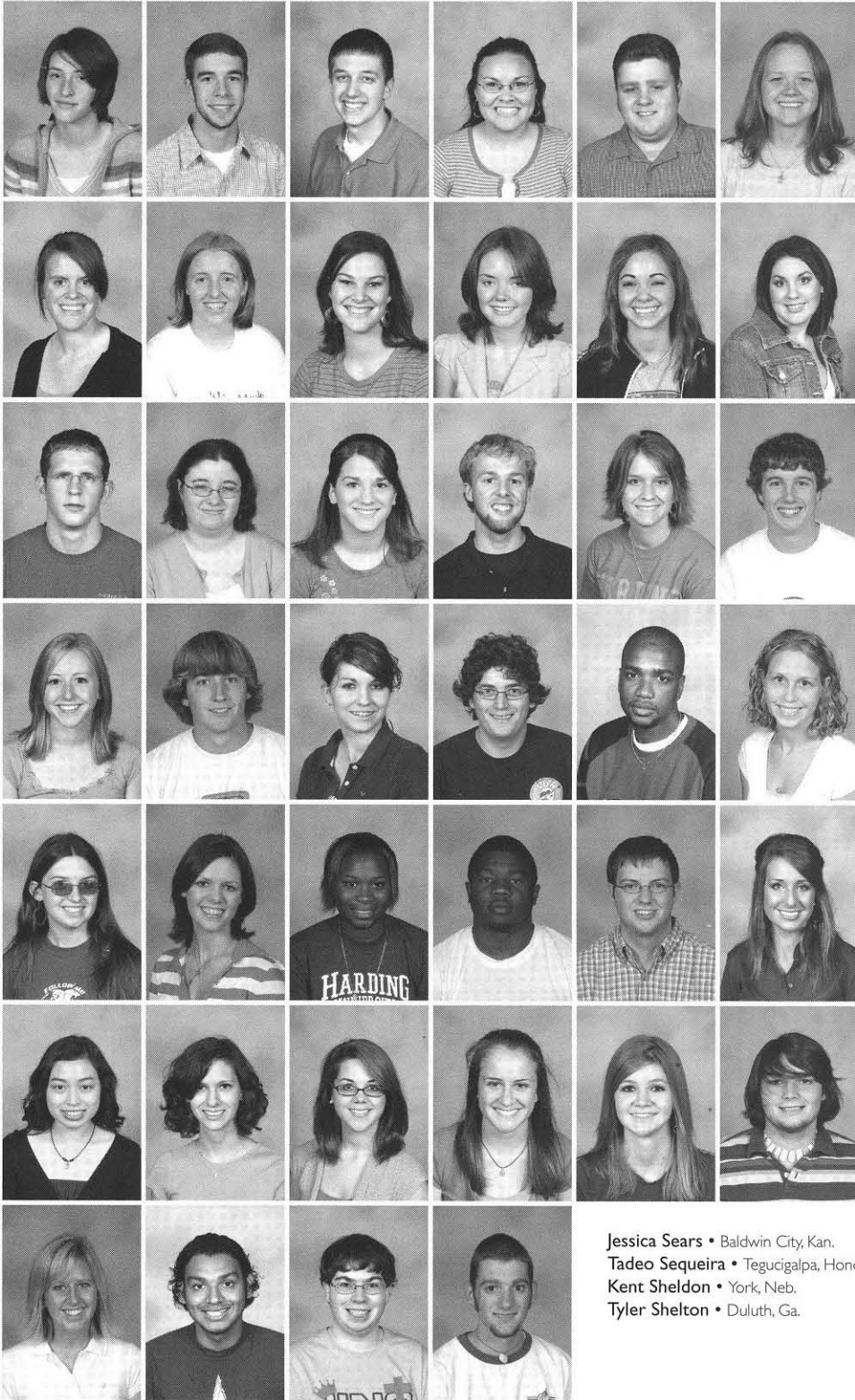


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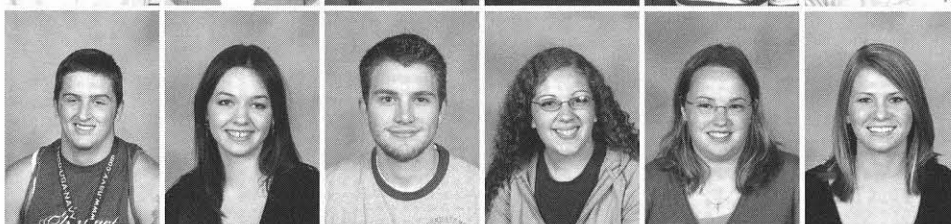
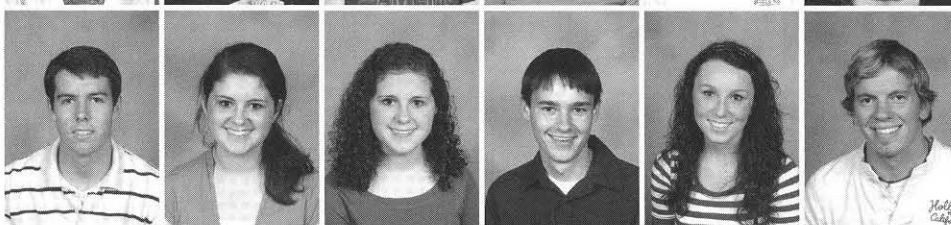
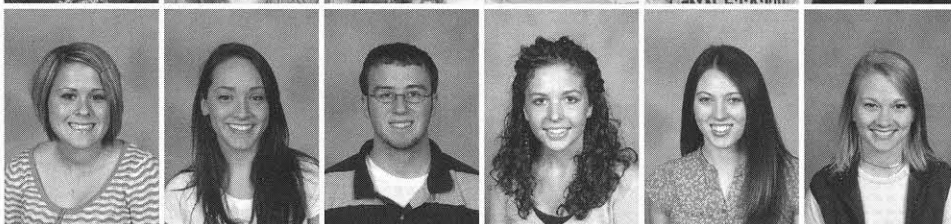
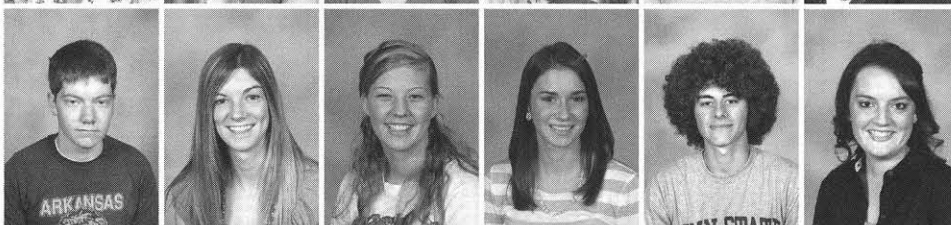
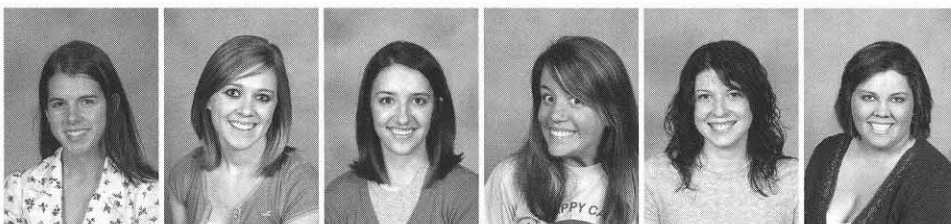
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strolling for the cure

Community, students raise cancer awareness

The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation had held the Race for the Cure for 20 years, but this fall, the foundation began its first ever Strolling for the Cure on campus because of the work of Liz Howell, director of alumni and parent relations.

Howell said the idea for Strolling for the Cure came while she was on a trip to Princeton University with President David Burks when she saw young families walking across campus with strollers.

Howell said she presented the strolling idea to Burks hoping to provide a fall outing for friends and families. He agreed, which was the official beginning of the event.

The next event that sparked the idea was when Howell took a group of alumni on a cruise.

"One of the people had lost a daughter-in-law to breast cancer, and on the cruise, they had On Deck for the Cure, and I just kind of put those two events together," Howell said. "I thought we could do Strolling for the Cure, and people could come with their small children and they could enjoy the stroll for cancer instead of doing a run or a race."

Howell then contacted Sherry McBryde, executive director of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Arkansas Affiliate, who agreed to hold the stroll after getting authorization from the national foundation.

On Oct. 28 the stroll took place with the trail starting at College Church of Christ, crossing Race Street, then moving through the Harding College arch then coming through the Harding University arch and back

to the College Church, Howell said.

The stroll was open to college students and alumni as well as the Searcy community.

"We had one of our oldest alumnus [there]," Howell said. "She came down and they pushed her in her wheelchair so she could stroll."

The Bisons basketball team also volunteered their time to stroll as a team along with their head coach Jeff Morgan.

"Something we try to do every year is do some service type stuff, and we knew [the stroll] was coming up with Homecoming weekend," Morgan said. "We just wanted to come out and show our support and have a chance to participate."

Many people could not be in the stroll itself, but the event organizers found a way to let everyone interested be involved.

"We had alumni from all over the world send in names of people who are currently battling breast cancer, people who survived breast cancer and people who were lost to breast cancer," Howell said. "So we made a circle around the survivors who were there, and then we read the names of the ones who we knew were battling and the survivors and the ones we'd lost, and [professor of business] Randy McLeod led the prayer."

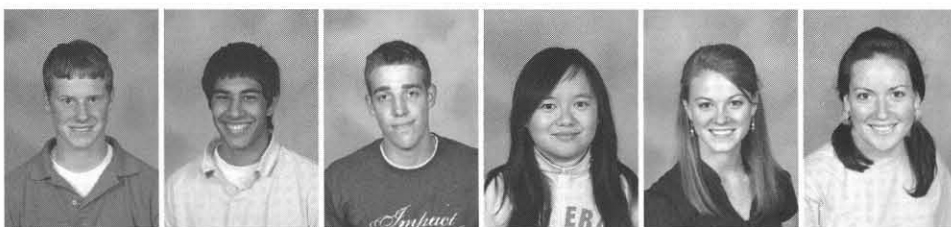
At the end of the event, about 150 people participated in the stroll and more than \$2,500 was raised. The event was also featured in USA Weekend's "Make A Difference Day" campaign and the university was to receive a certificate from the publication for its participation.

•Lauren Mitchell

Registering for Strolling for the Cure on Oct. 28, a community member and cancer survivor prepare to walk. Through the actions of Liz Howell, director of alumni and parent relations, Harding was approved by the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation to host the first-ever event. •Amber Bazargani



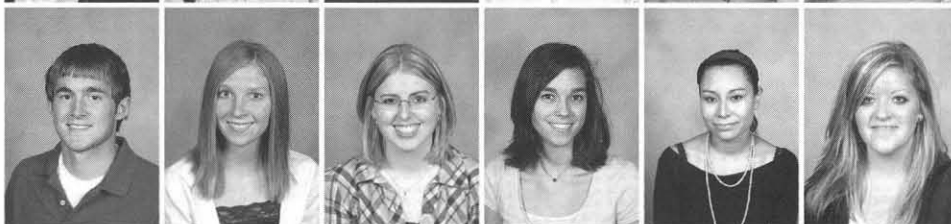
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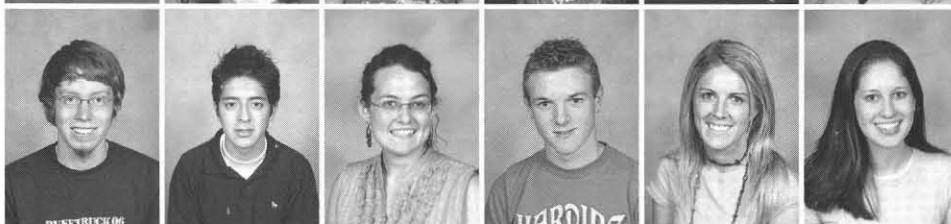
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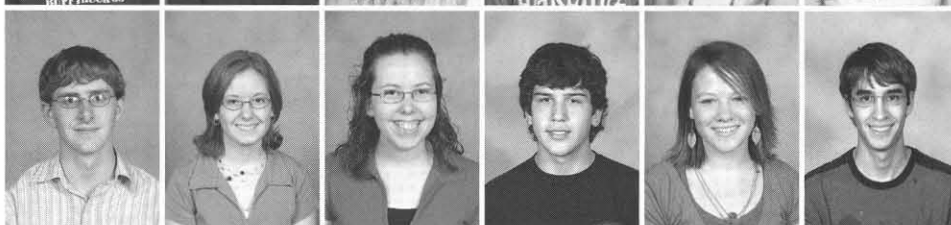
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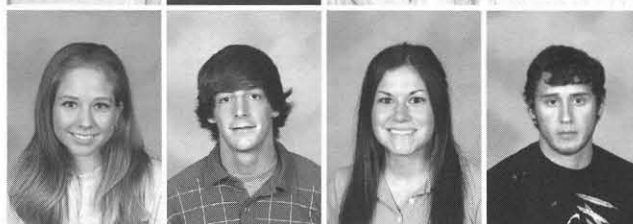
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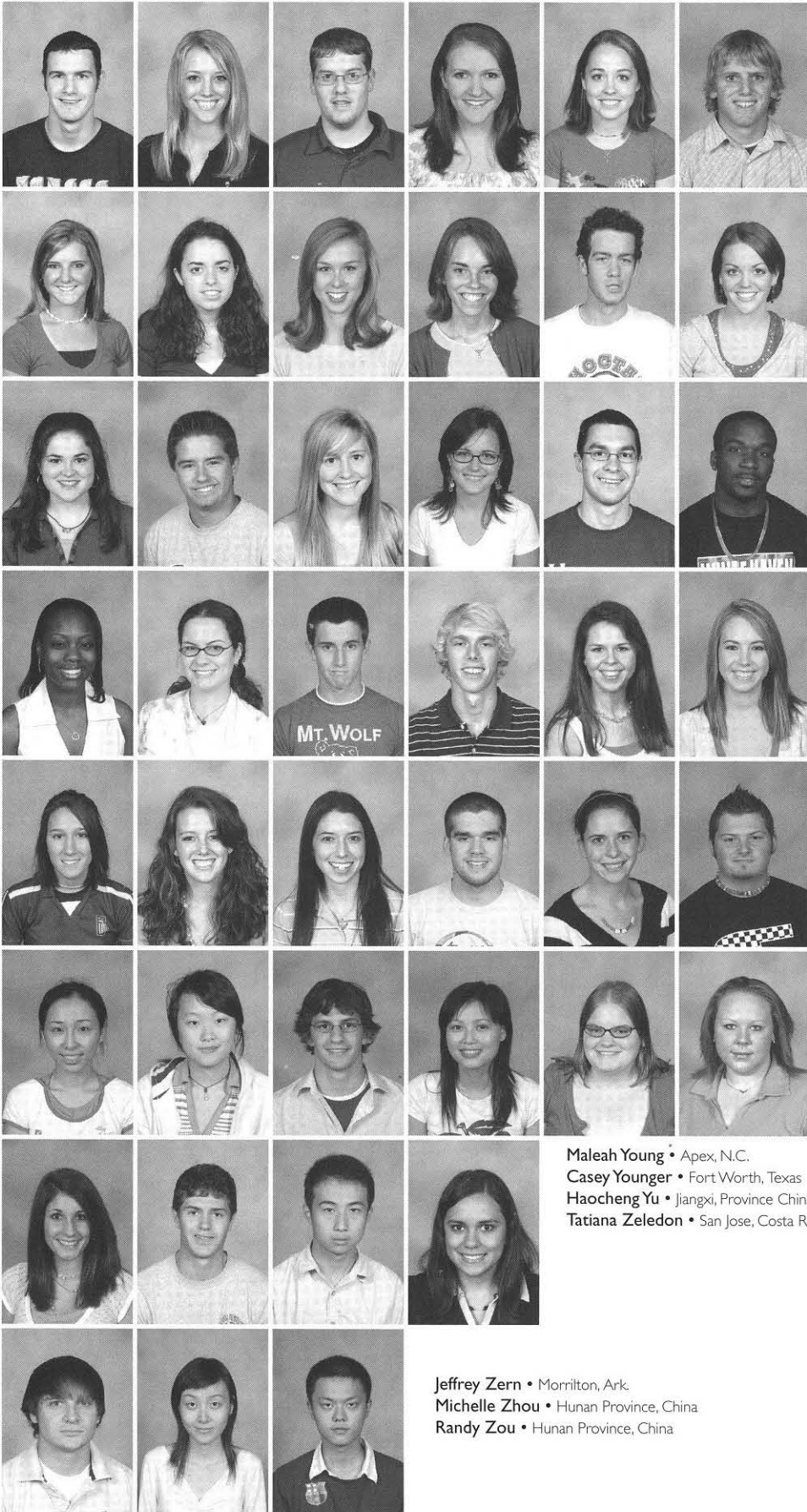


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furthering education

Graduate transfers for discipline of heart and mind

Striving for a unique atmosphere, the campus consisted of a blend of new, eager-minded freshmen, graduate students who could not get enough school and transfer students who were missing something at another place.

Graduate student J.J. Hendrix decided while he was attending Henderson State University in Arkadelphia, Ark., that he wanted something more than he was being offered. Having graduated with a Bachelor of Science in the area of physical education in December 2005, Hendrix began looking for a Christian university to continue his education.

"I had always wanted to attend a Christian university," Hendrix said. "I had been offered a track scholarship to go to Oklahoma Christian, but turned it down."

In 2006, Hendrix found his place in the Masters of Art and Teaching program doing graduate work. Eager to be fully immersed in the daily activities of a Christian campus, Hendrix said he wasted no time getting involved because on Henderson's campus he had been associated with several clubs during his four and a half years of undergraduate work.

"I knew upon arrival that I wanted to get involved," Hendrix said. "Dr. Cliff Ganus [professor of music and director of choral activities] gave me a call and let me try out, and I made the Harding Chorus. Dr. Ganus is an amazing choral director. He exemplifies what a Christian teacher should be like."

Outside of the classroom, Hendrix became very interested in spring break

campaigns. He said it was through this that he first met 2006 graduate Jacob Edwards, the leader of the campaign to Mandeville, La.

"Jacob and our whole group let me see how Christians can go into a community without thumping our Bibles and show God's abundant love," Hendrix said.

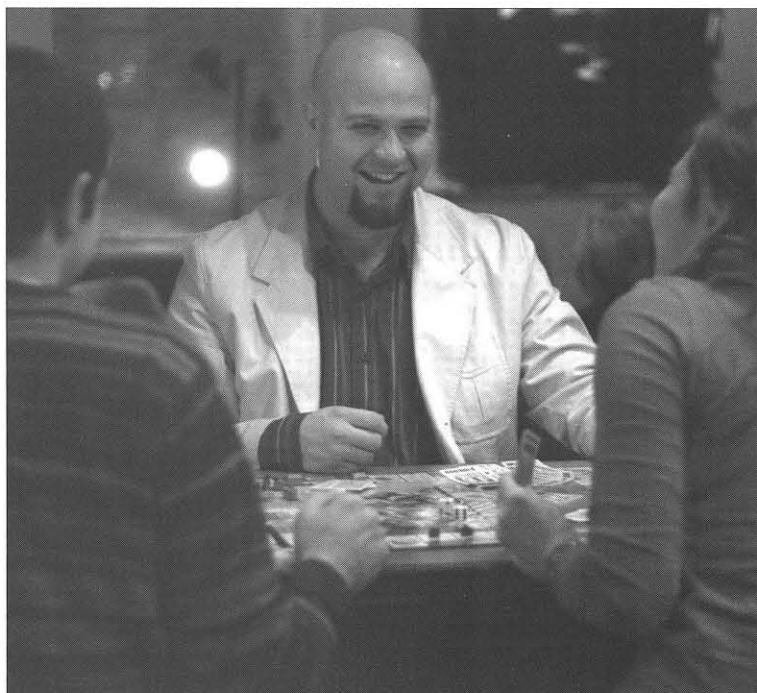
Hendrix said studies in the MAT program were extensive and in-depth, primarily on the topics of curriculum mapping, assessments, technologies, law and student-centered instruction. Although the MAT program was fast paced, he said the learning experience was amazing because of his teachers.

"They all taught in public schools, at different levels, and brought a lot of knowledge to class each time we met," Hendrix said. "I felt like I was sitting under the learning tree each time I attended class."

After completing his graduate education, Hendrix said he was not exactly sure what his next move would be. He said there was a strong possibility that he might stay on campus and pursue another master's degree. However, he also said he was eager to begin teaching. Hendrix said he hoped to inspire students the way his teachers inspired him. Nonetheless, he wanted to stay connected to the student body, whether through the friends he made while at Harding or his own eager-minded students.

"I feel that I will be very prepared for the modern world of education due to my coming to Harding," Hendrix said.

•Jordan Dyniewski

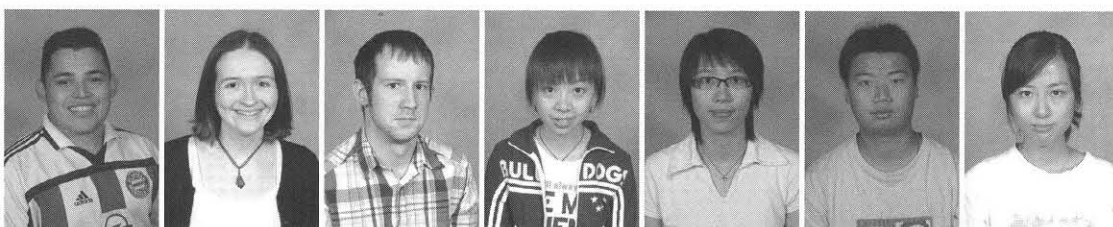


Playing Monopoly, graduate student J. J. Hendrix enjoys the company of his friends Jan. 17 at Midnight Oil Coffeehouse. Hendrix said forming such strong friendships led him toward a greater appreciation for the Harding community.

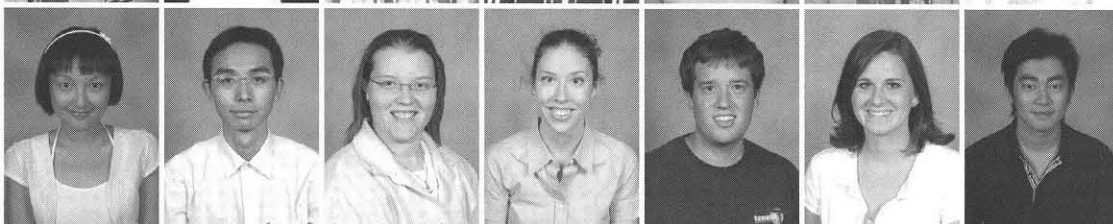
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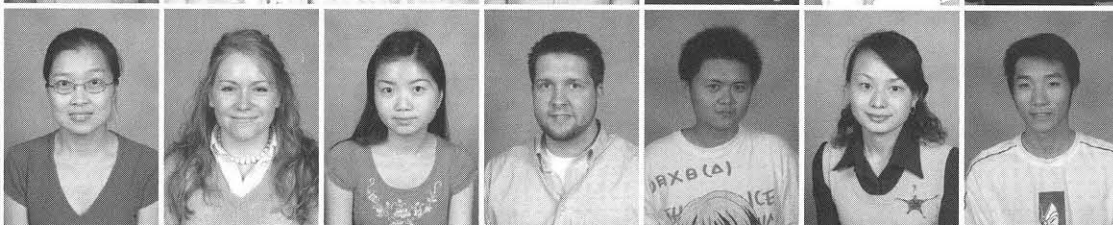
Preparing for Winter Tour on Dec. 8, graduate student J. J. Hendrix rehearses with the Chorus. Hendrix began singing with the Chorus in the spring of 2006 when he entered the graduate program. •Chelsea Roberson



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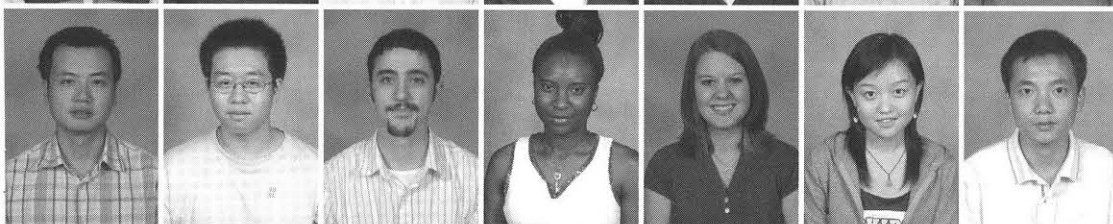
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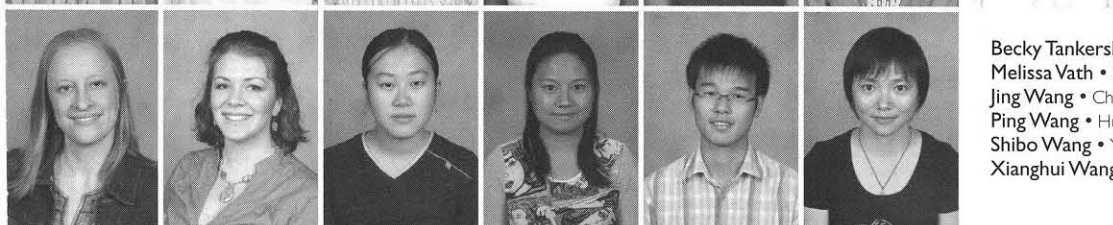
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Senior Jeremy Painter and Laurie Mitchell, Painter's high school drama teacher, smile for the cameras Sept. 8 following a show choir performance at Mars Hill Bible School in Florence, Ala. "[This picture] really sums up the experience and friendship [between Laurie and I]," Painter said. •Courtesy of Jeremy Painter



Time Off

Senior takes semester off, teaches at alma mater

When senior Jeremy Painter registered for classes during the spring of 2006, he did not know the adventure that awaited him in the fall — the opportunity to help his high school drama teacher and best friend, make a hundred new friends and still graduate May, 12, 2007.

Painter, a theater major and missions minor, was preparing to take classes for two more semesters. However, when he found out the woman who had inspired him to be involved with drama had been diagnosed with ovarian cancer, he could not help but feel like he needed to stay home in Florence, Ala., and take over the high school drama department while she went to treatments.

"[Laurie Mitchell] was my drama teacher in high school, [she] got me involved in the arts; we're best friends," Painter said. "She's like a second mother to me."

Painter, who graduated from the Mars Hill Bible School in May 2002, had always been involved with the drama programs and was asked by school officials to take over for Mitchell during her leave.

"I had plans," Painter said. "I was just going to be a part-time student in the fall and a part-time student in the spring. I'm a missions minor, and I had to have Living World Religions to graduate. [That class] was the only thing holding me back from staying at home."

It was while he was making contacts between Harding and Mars Hill that Painter received the news that changed everything.

"I had called Cindee Stockstill; she produces the musical and Spring Sing," Painter said. "I told her that I wasn't going to be able to be there for Homecoming, and while she was on the phone, she let me talk to Dan, her husband."

Painter spoke with Daniel Stockstill, associate professor and assistant dean of Bible, and learned Living World Religions would be offered in the spring, for the first time ever.

"I had looked at taking an independent study, I looked at taking Living World Religions through a small Christian university in my hometown," Painter said. "But when Dan told me that, I was just excited and thought: This was meant to be. I felt like God had really kicked down a door to allow me to stay at home."

At Mars Hill, Painter taught speech and drama to the high school students and directed show choir and the annual senior play.

"It was a blessing," Painter said. "I gained a hundred new friends."

Painter also took off the spring semester of his junior year to work at Disney World in Orlando, Fla. There, he performed as a character in parades and shows. He said he was grateful for the experiences these semesters off allowed him.

After graduation, Painter planned to go to China to teach English. Eventually he said he saw himself ending up in a teaching position, but in the meantime, Painter had many more things he wished to experience before settling down.

"I eventually think I'll find myself in the classroom," Painter said. "I have a lot of ambitions, a lot of things that I want to do. I want to be a voice of a Disney character; I would eventually like to work on Sesame Street believe it or not. Just do weird and bizarre stuff, travel the world. Do stuff while I am young and single, and then when I'm married, I might teach — settle down and teach."

•Rosa Colon

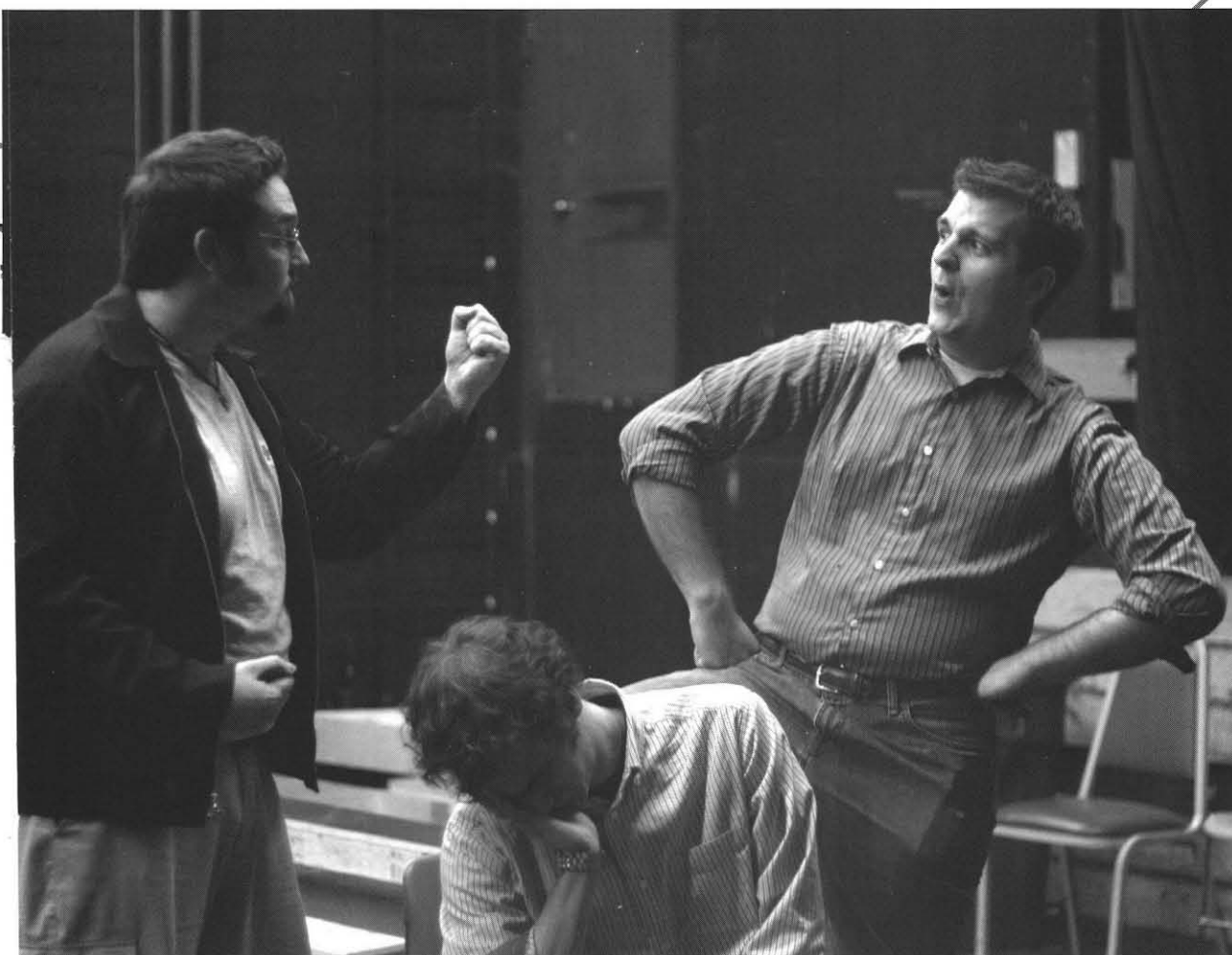


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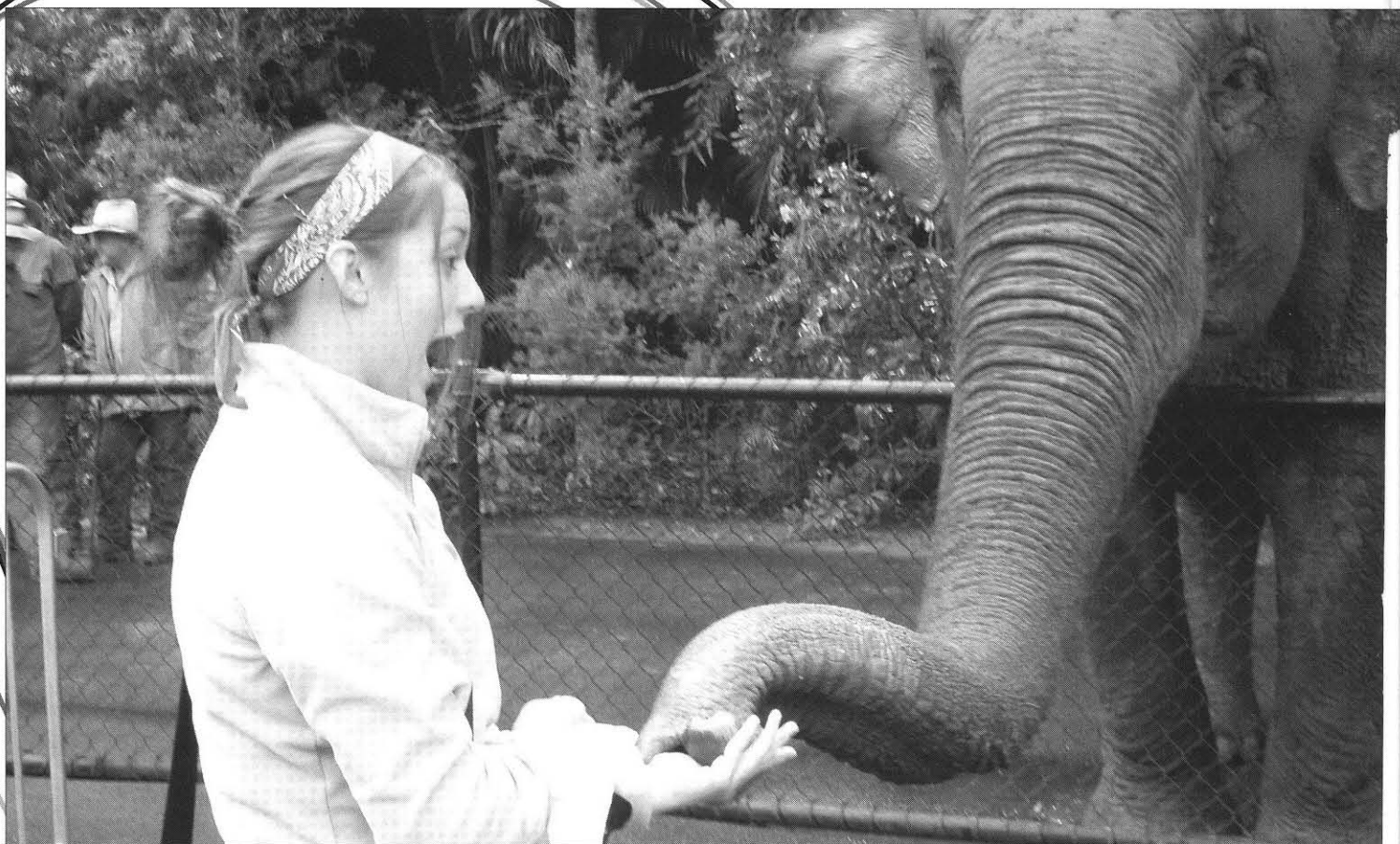
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Acting out a scene from "The Tavern," the Youth Forum show that plays opposite of Spring Sing, seniors Caleb Lowery, Jordan Dyniewski and Jeremy Painter rehearse for the first time Feb. 6 in the Administration Auditorium. The previous spring, Painter starred in and helped produce and write "C.P.R.: The Musical" that played opposite Spring Sing 2006. •Chelsea Roberson

A memorial to Steve Irwin was erected at the Australia Zoo in memory of the crocodile hunter just weeks after his death when students visited the zoo Sept. 15. Students learned of Irwin's death during their first weekend in Australia while visiting the Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary in Brisbane, Australia. •Courtesy of Anna Justus

Visiting the Australia Zoo, sophomore Anna Justus feeds carrots to one of the three elephants owned by the zoo Sept. 15. Zoo officials told students that Irwin was quite adamant that any food fed to the animals was to such a high quality that even Irwin would eat it. •Courtesy of Anna Justus



Crocodile Hunter

HUA visits Australia Zoo and memorial to Irwin

Students participating in the Harding University in Australia program found themselves only hours away from a tragedy that made news around the world. The word of Steve Irwin's untimely death affected millions across the globe, including the students Down Under.

The students first heard of Irwin's death at the Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary in Brisbane.

"At first I thought it was a joke," junior Abby Stutzman said. "Since we were going to the Australia Zoo in a couple of weeks, I found it a little too ironic that Steve Irwin had died while I was in Australia. It was not until I asked one of the workers at Lone Pine about it before this nightmare became a reality. I thought Irwin was invincible."

Since Irwin and the worker had a common interest, they had known each other well. The worker said he and his co-workers admired Irwin for the work he was doing to protect the wildlife.

As the students boarded the bus back to Brisbane, the bus driver also spoke of Irwin's death. He informed the group that the Crocodile Hunter had been killed by a stingray in Batt Reef, a part of the Great Barrier Reef.

When the students arrived at their apartments, most of them rushed to turn on the news. Almost every television station was broadcasting news of Irwin's death.

"The Australia media kept me informed," sophomore Chesley Dickson said. "Due to the time difference, we were the first to know the latest information about Steve Irwin."

The group visited Irwin's Australia Zoo just weeks after his death. When they arrived, they saw the walls covered with flowers, poems and posters made by fans.

"I saw so many different countries' flags; it was quite remarkable," junior Patrick Owens said. "Just to see the amazing outpouring of love and sympathy poured out through the thousands of flowers and all the different flags that people would leave to represent their country's mourning is definitely something I will never forget."

The gift shop inside the zoo was filled with Steve Irwin memorabilia, everything from stuffed animals to board games.

"Entering the gift shop was a surreal experience," sophomore Anna Justus said. "Everything had a picture of Steve or his name or his family plastered on the front of it. I picked up a few items as a remembrance of my cultural experience."

Justus said because the students were not able to attend the memorial service for Irwin, many of them bought T-shirts and other memorabilia to wear that day.

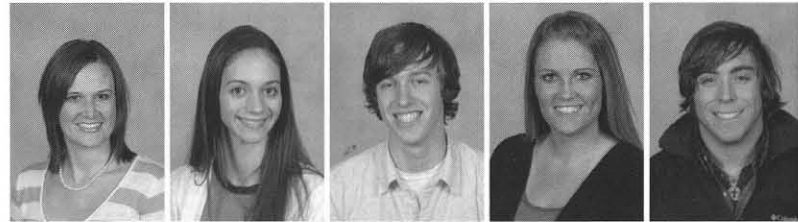
•Kara Threm

Junior Jacqueline Boen pets a kangaroo
Sept. 15 at the Australia Zoo in Queensland, Australia. The Australia Zoo was originally owned by Bob and Lyn Irwin, Steve's parents, when Steve took over ownership in 1991 and made the zoo well known thanks to his series "The Crocodile Hunter." •Courtesy of Julie Adams



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Vanessa Borsheim • Hayden, Idaho. HULA.
Taylor Box • Fairfax, Va. HULA.



Enrique Brooks • Lexington, S.C. HUG.
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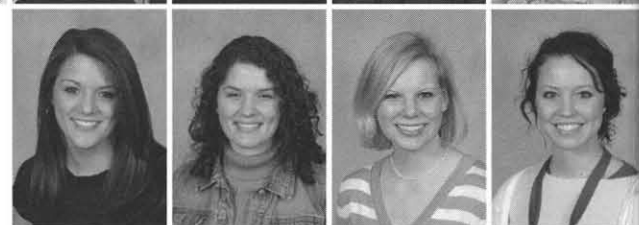
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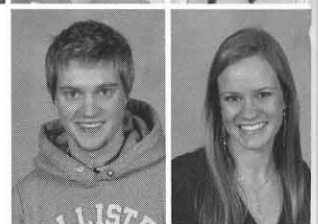
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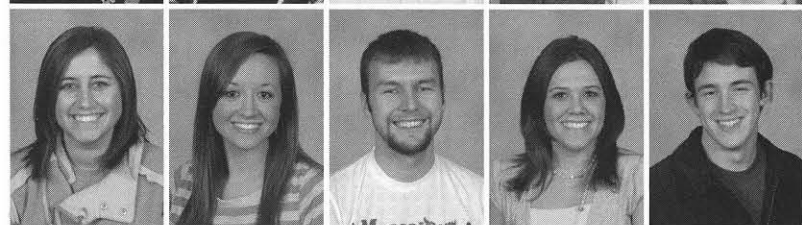




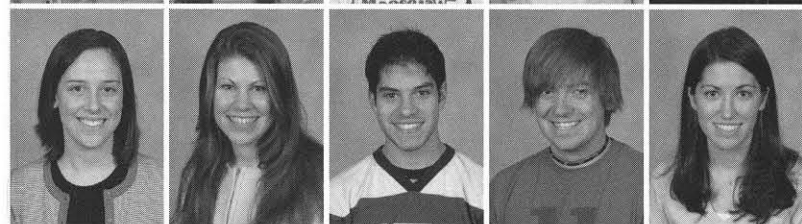
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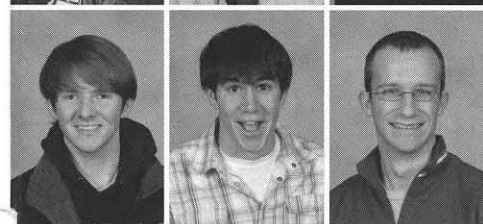
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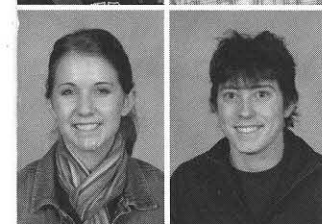
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