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When entering the college life, hundreds of factors can influence students. From friends to environment, people are affected by their surroundings, positively and negatively. **More than 50 organizations exist to mold their members into free thinkers**, to aid them in professional networking or simply to allow them to **form common bonds that will turn into lasting friendships**. These organizations strive to produce the positive example and environment that sets Harding apart from so many other universities. **When I think of Harding, I envision a photo mosaic.** From a distance, it appears to be one image, but when looked at more closely, it actually consists of hundreds of individual pictures pieced together to form the final image.

**Lauren Mitchell & Jes Ellis —
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[Andrew Murray]

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Chatting after his presentation, Thom Wolfe, Graphic Design Day featured speaker of VSA Partners in Chicago, discusses his points with Assistant Professor of Art Stacey Schoen on Oct. 13. "The design day was a great opportunity to learn from graphic design professionals and to connect with fellow graphic design students," senior Lauren Tish said. [Jonathan Lindsay]



[american society of interior designers]



Row 1: S. Geraci, N. Glover, A. Walker. **Row 2:** M. Stewart, J. Russell, S. Craft, A. Cox [sponsor]. **Row 3:** S. Leonard, S. Guglielmo, A. Green. **Row 4:** T. Sparks, K. Coss.



blueprint

Graphic design day comes to HU

Feedback was a key element to aid the growth of students studying almost any major. Whether from their peers, professors or professionals, students felt that hearing the opinions of others gave them valuable information and insight into their future careers. The graphic design department recognized the need for this important element and provided an outlet for its students to grow as designers.

The American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) was a national association and the country's largest professional graphic design organization. The graphic design department hosted an on-campus seminar, Middle of Nowhere Day, for student graphic design groups along with AIGA on October 13, on the Harding campus. According to Professor of Art Daniel Adams, the purpose of Middle of Nowhere Day was to bring together graphic design students from across the region for a design competition. The student officers of Red Brick Studios, Harding's graphic design club, organized the event.

"The club helped out a lot," senior graphic design major Anna Parks, secretary and treasurer of Red Brick Studios, said. "There was a lot of planning, and our sponsors, [Assistant Professor of Art] Stacey Schoen and Daniel Adams, did a lot, too."

Senior Lauren Tish, a graphic design major and the president of Red Brick Studios, said the club wanted this event to help students connect with each other and build relationships with students from other schools. There were over fifty participants from the different universities.

The students were privileged to hear from professionals who had made names for themselves in the design world. The two speakers invited were Trace Hallowell, who was the creative director and founder of Tactical Magic design company in Memphis, and Thom Wolfe, who was the associate partner of VSA Partners in Chicago. There was also a discussion panel of recent graduates who spoke to the students about using their majors in careers.

Adams said that the guest speakers also talked about future careers like dual role designer, freelance design, full-time designer for churches and packaging and presentation design for large discount retailers.

"It was definitely inspirational," Parks said. "It was great to hear how to get your foot in the door and to hear about how they had just graduated and had good jobs."

There was also a design game where the different schools were put into groups and given a bag of random art supplies. The goal was to create an advertisement using the supplies given. Harding's group won this competition.

"Overall, the AIGA Middle of Nowhere Day was a complete success because we got to share ideas with other graphic designers from other schools, and this was only possible thanks to the event," Tish said.

[Laura Navarro and Jennifer Harris]

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Row 1: K. Phillips, S. Sanderson, A. Grate. **Row 2:** B. Austin [sponsor], L. Richardson.

[red brick studios]



Row 1: C. Kraus, L. Tish, A. Parks, A. Cline, T. Winslow. **Row 2:** N. Fatula, E. Juarez, D. Adams [sponsor], S. Gray, U. Corona, K. Williams, A. Sagrado, S. Schoen [sponsor], J. Morris.

formation

Rugged sport gains popularity

The Harding University rugby team was formed when a group of students were inspired while watching a YouTube video. Sophomore Adam Parker from Fort Wayne, Ind., played rugby in high school and thought it would be fun to start up a team at Harding.

"I told the guys I thought it would be cool if we got a team started down here at Harding," Parker said. "The next day I was printing flyers asking if anyone was interested in forming a team with me."

More than 50 people showed up for the informational meeting he held.

"We got practices organized, contacted some other coaches and teams and started learning how to play the game," Parker said.

However, upon entering into the fall of 2007, there were only five returning players which caused the team to go through a major roster change. Even Parker, who founded the team, was unable to return to it due to time commitments, but he passed down his duties to senior Tristan Grant and freshman Adam Johnson.

Grant was able to use his rugby background to help the newly founded team.

"I used to play rugby for my high school back in Australia," Grant said. "Everyone would play rugby at school during lunch time. It's one of the most popular sports in Australia."

Grant's leadership abilities were noticed by his predecessor.

"Tristan has done an amazing job with the team, [from] organizing a match with the Little Rock Men's team and a couple other games with other teams, one being Arkansas State," Parker said.

In addition to the Little Rock men's Team and Arkansas State, the team played against John Brown University and the St. Louis Bombers.

Not only did the team enjoy playing the game, they also enjoyed being with their fellow team members.

"One of the highlights of being on the team is the team spirit and just being with your mates," Grant said. "It's also a lot of fun hitting people and getting hit. It's a rough game, but it's a lot of fun."

[Katie White]

[apocalypse ultimate frisbee]



Row 1: N. Smeal, G. Allen, J. Lindsay, B. Bridges, P. Jordan, Z. Cone, J. Gehric. **Row 2:** C. Briski, T. Hill, A. Cochran, T. Conn, B. Stone, J. Bullock, K. Burr, T. Samuel, D. White, J. Gwinn, L. Ganus.

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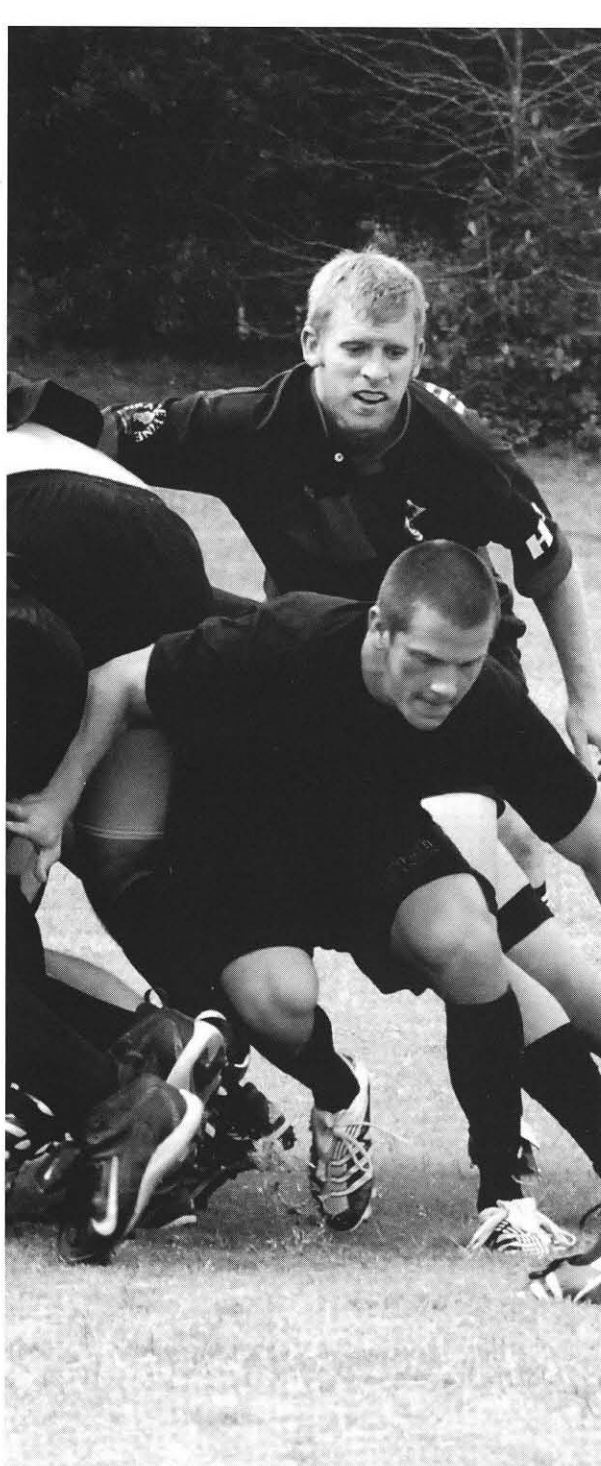
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Row 1: Dr. R. Lambeth [sponsor], H. Hutson, A. Tucker, B. Bailey, L. Stark, R. Harlow [sponsor]. **Row 2:** M. Tipton, M. Pruitt, J. Carver, M. Riley. **Row 3:** K. Fester, L. Tankersley, C. Bailey, J. Meadows, M. Lankford, J. DeRamus.



[women's ultimate frisbee]



Forming a scrum, rugby team members test their strength on Oct. 6 during a game against the Little Rock men's Team. "There is nothing more satisfying than getting hit a couple of times and realizing you don't break like a twig," junior Matt McCormick said.
[Courtesy of Andrew Murray]



Row 1: E. Roberts, R. Blake, N. Fitzpatrick, C. Picker. **Row 2:** C. Curl, K. McNichols, K. Anderson, L. Whittington.



Row 1: K. Mitchell, L. Weeks, B. Chapman, N. Oakes. **Row 2:** H. Light, J. Carroll, J. Ritchie. **Row 3:** L. Lowery, L. Ashley, A. Jones, A. Winters.

Freshman Cameron Briski throws the disc to sophomore Thomas Hill during a tournament hosted by Harding on Dec. 2. The tournament hosted seven teams including both an A and B team representing Harding. (Jonathan Lindsay)

Releasing the disc, sophomore Kelli McNichols and the women's Ultimate Frisbee team compete against JBU Dec. 2. The club, Abattoir, started their first college season in Spring 2007. (Jonathan Lindsay)

Following a practice for Midnight Madness, the Harding Cheerleaders gather to pray on Oct. 14. "We pray together at the end of every practice for specific concerns of the squad, but mostly about our safety throughout cheerleading and how much hard work the girls put in," senior Blaze Chapman said. (Jonathan Lindsay)



[rugby]



Row 1: R. Msiska [sponsor]. **Row 2:** L. Hill, J. Hunter, J. Sandoval, K. Lance, A. Johnson, T. Grant, A. Blackerby, ***. **Row 3:** B. Kittinger, B. Grant, J. Murray, K. Petrich, J. Carver, S. Ogburn, R. Jimenez, M. Green, M. Hill. **Row 4:** R. McCready [sponsor], A. Swann, J. Moury, M. McCormick, H. Wingfield, K. Johnson.



[lacrosse]

[paintball]



Row 1: J. Holder, B. Riley, J. Jaros, B. Cormier, T. Marrs, N. Wossner. **Row 2:** J. Dolan, B. Ishmale, S. Broom, C. Mitchen, A. Boyd, C. Hamilton, J. Dunlop. **Row 3:** J. Heiney, G. Wadsworth, S. Smith, M. Sleigle, R. Boyd, *****. **Row 4:** M. Bates, T. Dorris, D. Miller.



Row 1: P. Sherrod, T. Booth, D. Johnson, D. Martin, D. Arthur. **Row 2:** D. Enman, G. Sierra, J. Dickerson, R. Gray.

worship

Retreat offers spiritual relief

Students at Harding were always looking for a way to deepen their spiritual growth and share God's love with one another. Whether in chapel, Bible class or community churches, there was always a place for them to grow. The student led group ONE also strove to be a way for students to grow by organizing a school-wide retreat on November 10-11.

"Planning took from the end of the spring semester all the way up to the retreat date in the middle of the fall semester," ONE's vice president junior Luke Shaffer. "We met once a week with about 8 or 9 students and occasionally Dr. Monte Cox."

The planning group wanted to make the retreat a little different than it has been in the past, so they made it an overnight retreat at Camp Wyldwood located just outside of Searcy.

The group decided on the theme of "Worship of our Father" based on the book of Revelation and the universal aspects of worship presented there.

"We chose this topic because we wanted to really bring people before the throne of God in a way that they may have never experienced before and show them a God that is deserving of all the worship we have," Shaffer said.

To help do this, a panel of students was asked to tell of their experiences explaining how God was working in their lives.

"It was really cool," freshman Laura Cooper said. "Just seeing God's power working so strongly in the lives of others was incredible."

Cooper said she learned a lot about her own personal worship to God and how that could influence other people. She also enjoyed all the personal prayer time that was set aside.

The fellowship was a major part of the weekend.

"There was a huge sense of community because we all prayed together in small groups," freshman Jordan Harris said.

Throughout the weekend activities, four different men were asked to come and take part in the experience. Jon Bristow and Phil Emery from Portland, Oregon, along with a few others from Harding, led worship for the weekend. Travis Eades, from the Southeast Church of Christ in Jonesboro, Arkansas, and Wes Woodell from Harding were brought in as speakers.

"I attended the retreat because it provided an opportunity to escape from the pressures of school and to refocus on my relationship with God," senior Rachel Gould said. "The retreat was a very challenging and refreshing time and it encouraged all of us who attended to live out our faith daily through our worship of God."

The whole weekend taught the students that attended the importance of worship and giving the glory to God that He deserved. Shaffer, along with the many others who helped plan, organize and attend the retreat, were pleased with overall turnout.

"It was a lot of work to put in," Shaffer explained, "but I felt like all that work paled in comparison to what I know God did through that retreat."

[Hannah Beall]



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Row 1: A. Thrasher, K. Ledford, Q. Baker, P. Elchers, M. Arnold. **Row 2:** R. Scott, L. Branch, A. Mosby, J. Hawk, R. Kellis, M. Watson. **Row 3:** K. Gormany, C. Knipple, B. Fulop, K. Meadows. **Row 4:** K. Neller, J. Wrye, A. Frazier, C. Yoakum, D. Pyeatt. **Row 5:** P. McGraw, G. LaFave, T. Randolph, B. VanZant, S. Smith. **Row 6:** Dr. Dale Manor.



Row 1: J. Benskin, N. Martz, A. Graves, K. Meadows, P. Elliott. **Row 2:** K. Caruthers, R. Scott, M. Clark, J. Palmer. **Row 3:** M. Cox, P. McGraw, B. Graves, J. Granberg, L. Shaffer, J. Medsker, L. Walle.



Sitting down for a snack, seniors Rachel Gould and Jennifer Bentley and sophomore Anna Shaffer discuss the events of the ONE-sponsored All School Retreat at Camp Wyld Wood Retreat Center on Nov. 10. The retreat was designed to encourage students to look at the ways they worshipped God on an everyday basis. [Courtesy of Rob Scott]



Discussing important tactics and strategies, SIFE members, seniors Stewart Riggs, Elisa Garcia, junior Chris Jordan and senior Jena Landis, gather around freshman Jessica Sears in preparation for the regional competition on March 23, 2007. The SIFE team took the regional championship and advanced to Nationals in May where they placed in the top 20. [Courtesy of Katrina Johns]

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[international business society]



Row 1: J. Kosgei, E. Garcia, K. Stevens, N. Oliver, C. Collins, J. Cote, Dr. R. Cronk. [sponsor]. **Row 2:** L. Liverpool, J. Flores, A. Namanya, B. Riley, A. Morrison, K. Cummings, R. Curtis. **Row 3:** J. Stewart, J. Mahan, K. Hines. **Row 4:** J. Ferguson, T. Cutshall, J. Stone [sponsor], A. Manuel, S. Cogdell, J. Cavitt.

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Row 1: L. Ramirez, K. Mayorga, P. Oropin, G. Ramirez, L. Gutierrez, L. Leonenko, M. Aguilar. **Row 2:** D. Alvarado, Y. Chen, Y. She, A. Lopez, M. de la Torre, M. Drazkowska, J. Hightower. **Row 3:** G. Lin, T. Yuan, F. Morales, G. Gonzalez, C. Cuadra, G. Velasquez, J. Hernandez. **Row 4:** F. Chen, B. Robertson [sponsor], L. Rodriguez, M. Mora, E. Estrada, C. Cardona, A. Coello, B. Jaen. **Row 5:** Z. Chen, X. Ling, N. Prieto, L. Velasquez, M. Gallagher, E. Illescas.



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SIFE reaches out to community

Harding's students often felt the need to apply their specific field of study in a way to aid the community. For the business department, that need created the group known as Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE).

SIFE was a non-profit organization with a vision "to create economic opportunity and understanding that empowers people to achieve and succeed," according to their 2006-07 annual report. For the past 30 years, a team of students met for the planning and execution of projects that allowed them to encourage their five criterion: market economics, success skills, entrepreneurship, financial literacy and business ethics.

"We do projects educating people on those principles," junior Chris Jordan said. "We're very diverse because we all have different backgrounds; we have different dreams and ambitions and come with the will to help people."

Senior Elisa Garcia was elected co-captain in 2007, as was senior Stewart Riggs. They had the responsibility of organizing meetings, keeping the team on schedule, approving projects and serving as a medium between the team and their sponsor, Director of the Economics Department, Dr. Don Diffine.

The group had been judged as one of the top 20 teams nationwide by successful business professionals at national competitions. At the end of every year, the team prepared a script and annual report that they presented to a board of managers, CEOs and CFOs of

top companies around the nation.

Before the competition, the script with every one of their timed words was rehearsed until all of the members knew their parts to perfection.

The team expanded their efforts to the Searcy community by helping small businesses compete in the market and teaching children and adults about real-life business.

Last year, the team was involved in 16 new projects and 15 legacy projects — those that had been at work for a long time. These legacy projects were one factor that made Harding's SIFE team stand out, according to Garcia. Most other universities had a greater number of members in their team, but Harding's group of 10 students were able to keep many projects active for long periods of time, while creating new small projects throughout the year.

The hard work did not stop there. In 2007, the team started a project in Togo, Africa. SIFE's mission was to teach more members in the community how wells were built and helped them start their own business without doing all the work for them.

"I've seen what SIFE can do for others," Garcia said. "Through SIFE, you are helping people's wishes come true."

This group of students at Harding had spent its time working diligently to serve the community by educating people on thriving business strategies and being a part of an organization whose mission expanded worldwide.

[Karl Figueroa]

[society of human resource management]



Row 1: F. Cruz, I. Chambers, L. Walker. Row 2: K. Meiners, G. Oliver [sponsor], Y. Jia.

opportunity

Wal-Mart welcomes business students

The International Business Society, or IBS, was a student organization created to bring together both business and international students and to provide them with important networking opportunities, as well as to prepare them for the real business world.

One activity that members looked forward to most was the annual IBS trip to Wal-Mart Headquarters, located in Bentonville, Ark. For the past four years, students enjoyed the opportunity to visit with the CEO of Wal-Mart, as well as important executives.

The trip was usually kicked off with a dinner. The next morning, they attended a meeting and, following the meeting, students were able to hold a question and answer session with some of the Wal-Mart executives.

Junior marketing and international business major and IBS President Diego Alvarado considered the trip to be a valuable learning experience.

"We were able to meet with the CEO and have a group of executives answer our questions," Alvarado said. "We are actually one of the few, if not the only group, allowed to attend their Saturday meetings since the Walton family has such a close link to Harding."

Guadalupe Ramirez, a junior international business and finance major and IBS vice president, also appreciated the unique possibility to attend the Saturday meetings.

"There we have the opportunity to hear about their performance in that week, what they did wrong and what was a good idea," Ramirez said. "They also discuss their plans for the coming weeks."

In the summer of 2007, four IBS members were fortunate enough to gain internships with Wal-Mart throughout Central America, including Mexico, El Salvador, Nicaragua and Honduras.

Alvarado found the visit to Wal-Mart to be very beneficial, both personally and professionally.

"Through the trip, we met some of the recruitment officers and important executives who are always looking out for new students ready to graduate and interested in working for Wal-Mart back home," Alvarado said. "Personally, I'm looking forward to obtaining an internship position for this summer and then obtaining a work opportunity when I graduate."

At the Wal-Mart meeting, the students had the opportunity to make a small presentation about IBS, Harding's Walton scholars and the members' experiences working for Wal-Mart.

As a business major, Ramirez was thankful for the valuable experience.

"Having the opportunity to gain insight into one of the world's most successful businesses is a privilege," Ramirez said. "The fact that these people take time out of their busy schedule to talk to us is an amazing opportunity. We are looking forward to having more people working for Wal-Mart, both permanent jobs and internships."

Alvarado also reflected on the value of being an IBS member.

"I've become part of a social network with people from all over the world," Alvarado said. "I've visited different companies and met with successful businessmen and women who have shared their experiences. Overall, I have had a lot of fun while earning important business experience."

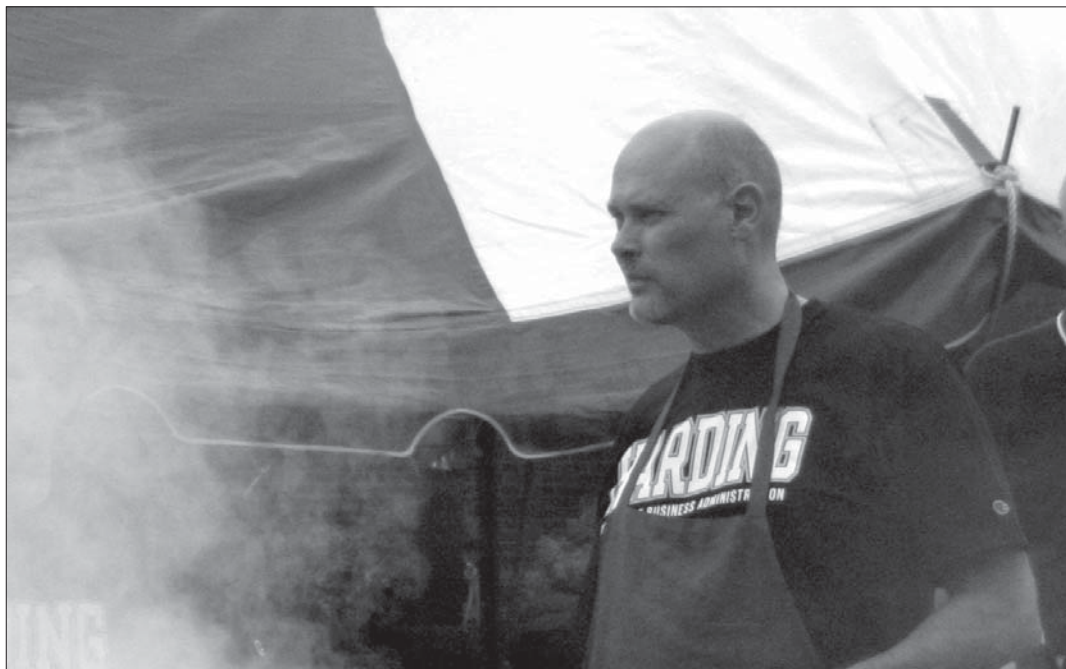
[Danielle Kanipe]



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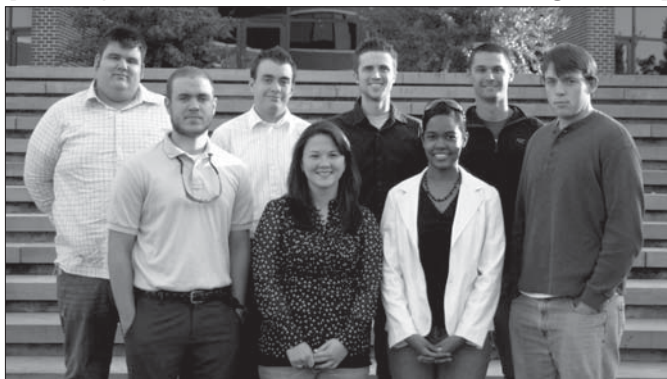


Row 1: S. Featherstone, C. Dunnagan, J. Sears, E. Garcia, J. Landis.
Row 2: K. Johns, C. Jordan, S. Riggs, R. Moody, D. McCullough.
Row 3: A. Burnett, P. Erwin, N. Horton.



Manning the grill, Professor Mark Davis, associate dean of business, prepares burgers for the annual COBA cookout Aug. 30. Under the College of Business Administration, over ten organizations formed as a means of furthering the real-world, business career experience of the students who participated. [Jonathan Lindsay]

[society of the advancement of management]



Row 1: L. Leamons, K. Boatman, J. Berry, C. Coubrough **Row 2:** R. Caveza, R. Davenport, K. Norton, T. Stafford.

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Row 1: C. Antunez, B. Pagoada, D. Carranza, L. Velasquez. **Row 2:** D. Alvarado, L. Wilkinson, E. Kilian, G. Gonzalez, G. Ramirez. **Row 3:** Dr. B. Burks [sponsor], J. Przeczewski, C. Burieson, T. Box.



Reviewing the alphabet, freshman Nancy Fitzpatrick along with a visitor to Harding fingerspells the letter "e" on Oct. 18. Dactology club members learned the basics of Sign Language during the meeting. [Jonathan Lindsay]



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Row 1: T. Jones. **Row 2:** L. Faust, S. Holschbach, **Row 3:** L. Giles, A. Reely, A. Pruitt, J. Watson. **Row 4:** T. Durham, B. Higgins. S. Boone Gray, J. Beauchamp [sponsor].



Row 1: K. Moore, N. Fitzpatrick, M. Philbeck, L. Thompson [sponsor]. **Row 2:** F. Bell (sponsor), A. Cunningham, M. Heasley, B. Dickerson.

origins

Campus Players remains oldest organization

The Campus Players was the oldest organization on Harding's campus, tracing its origin back to the fall of 1925. Since then, the Campus Players underwent some changes but still held the same standards of service.

According to the 1926 Petit Jean, the Campus Players was known as the "Expression Class."

According to the yearbook, its first production was entitled "A Pageant of the History of Arkansas" and was held in the old Matthews Auditorium.

Since then, the Campus Players had put on many performances. According to Professor of Communication Dr. Morris Ellis, the Campus Players had put on around 800 plays.

The members of the Campus Players saw it as a great way to meet their fellow theater majors and get to know each other better.

"It's good for new people to join and help plug them into the theater department," senior Sarah Shipp said. "It's a great way to get news about the different projects."

Sophomore member Kenny Dowling saw the group as a great way to blend the older members of the theater department with the newer ones.

"It's really cool to meet new freshmen," Dowling said. "This helps older kids get to know younger ones."

As the group grew, it experienced some changes.

"The organization has changed several times as the personalities of the students and student leaders have changed and also when needs have changed," Professor of Communication and sponsor of the Theater department Robin Miller said.

The Campus Players served several functions over the years, including public relations, social outlets,

assisting the theater program, putting on productions and bringing in other performing artists.

However, in some ways, the organization remained the same.

"The Campus Players originally started out as a service organization, providing both entertainment and performance opportunities, as well as fund raiser events," Miller said. "Right now, it's a service organization, helping support the plays that are going on."

Both faculty and staff participated in putting on productions which included working with the sets, lighting, directing, sound and budget.

There was a training program where theater majors actually produced their own productions.

"Campus Players helps out a lot with them," Miller said. "Those are big projects."

When helping with the student-led productions, the Campus Players helped with the financial side of the performance.

"Campus Players serves as the producers for the student director shows," Miller said. "The productions are expected to pay for themselves — except you have to pay your bills before the production begins. Campus Players helps with that."

The members of Campus Players were pretty busy.

"This year, we are doing 15 shows," Miller said, which, according to him, was a pretty average number. "We don't drop much lower than that. I've seen us push 20. We were panting that year when we finished."

Throughout the years, the Campus Players stayed true to its mission of service by assisting the Theater department and others in the community.

[Jennifer Miller]

[kvhu staff]



Row 1: A. Floyd, L. Reese, A. McCall, J. Porter. **Row 2:** D. Arthur, Dr. D. Hoggatt [sponsor], L. Reynolds, K. Dismuke.

[petit jean]



Row 1: C. Quinn, J. Harris, L. Mitchell, K. Ulliman. **Row 2:** J. Ellis, A. Smith, J. Dockery. **Row 3:** K. Kelley, H. Browning, H. Herbert. **Row 4:** J. Lindsay, H. Ware, L. Roberts, H. Beall. **Row 5:** J. D. Beauchamp [sponsor], C. Hamilton, C. Rainbolt.

Listening intently, senior Noah Beck learns about the different types of cameras in photography class on Oct. 11. The communication department opted to close the darkroom, and they completely switched to digital photography.
[Jonathan Lindsay]

As an anchor for Live at 5, junior Adam Brewer reads the teleprompter to report the latest news for TV-16. "This year we have all new anchors except for weather, and they're learning a lot," senior Director Marissa Shepard said. "It's challenging, but it's rewarding at the end of the show for it all to come together and be a big success."
[Chris Hamilton]



[radio-television news directors association]

[tv 16]



Row 1: A. Floyd, J. White, L. Reese. **Row 2:** A. Brewer, K. Dismuke, Dr. D. Hoggatt [sponsor].



Row 1: S. Goodale, L. Reese, K. Dismuke, A. McCall, D. Mitchell, J. Porter. **Row 2:** A. Brewer, A. Floyd, J. White, Dr. D. Hoggatt [sponsor], L. Reynolds, J. Qualls, R. Gray. **Row 3:** D. Arthur, B. Ritchie [sponsor].

connect

PR majors attend PRSA meeting

Networking was the name of the game. When getting started in a business, the more contacts one knew, the better. A handful of public relations students were given an opportunity to make some of these contacts at the monthly meeting of the Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) on Friday, October 19.

Professor of Communication Dr. Jack Shock and Director of News Service and Public Relations April Fatula were both members of the PRSA, and the students in Fatula's class had expressed an interest in attending one of the organization's meetings that was focusing on entry level work.

The students traveled to Little Rock and sat in on the meeting and a panel discussion, which lasted a couple of hours.

The attendees were allowed to ask the professionals questions relating to their prospective fields of work. They also received a chance to intermingle with these professionals.

"The students got more access than what I imagined," Fatula said. "There was only one other student there, so our students got a lot of attention."

In the field of public relations, one major focus was the professionals one knew. With the more people that one knew, there was an increased opportunity for future job possibilities. By attending the meeting, the students were able to pick up business cards of professionals from the state of Arkansas.

Junior Sarah Cummings said the meeting was great because she was able to meet people who were doing what she eventually hoped to do.

"I was able to meet people that are doing agency work, corporate and non-profit work," Cummings said. "I got to talk to key people, make contacts with a lot of people that are big players here."

After graduation, Cummings planned to start with agency work which involved a lot of writing. After a few years, she wanted to settle down and work at the corporate level.

Although the conference was held in Arkansas, the professional experience it provided gave the students experience that could be used anywhere.

"Even if you don't want to stay in Arkansas for work, it was good to get to know what is really going on," Cummings said. "It was not just teaching in the classroom. I learned what is going on the real world."

The public relations students that attended were not only able to learn more from professionals about the fields, but these professionals were an encouragement to the students.

"The members were encouraging the students to send in their résumés," Fatula said. "They really wanted to help the students."

Because of this event, the students would have a head start on their competition because of their inside look on what the job entailed, and they had already made contacts in the field.

[Michelle Greer]

[speech and hearing association]



Row 1: K. Threm, B. McLain [sponsor], K. Stokes, E. Starnes. **Row 2:** S. Ward, E. Riggs, A. Dougan, L. Burrow. **Row 3:** D. Moran, S. Agee. **Row 4:** N. Maritz, K. Dingus, A. Smith, M. Lenon. **Row 5:** J. Cagle, B. Graves, C. Horton, A. Roberts. **Row 6:** M. Hayes, P. Jewell, R. Gould, M. Confalone. **Row 7:** R. Weaver [sponsor], S. Shock [sponsor], C. Wammack.

imitations

Love for children encourages performers

Awakening the imagination of young children was the goal of the Pied Pipers. Props, sound equipment, outrageous costumes and sets were absent from every Pied Piper's performance, their brightly colored jumpsuits being their only prop and costume. The Pied Pipers were an energetic, fun and loving group of students who were looking to brighten the lives of children.

For the Piper's, rehearsals started at the beginning of the fall semester. They also attended the Piper Retreat during the first weekend back at school. The adventure really began as practices got underway and the tours started.

For some, their place in the Pied Pipers was a welcomed surprise.

"I came on a trip with my youth group to see Harding for the first time during Spring Sing of 2004 and happened to go to the Piper show because my youth minister was a [former] Piper," junior Keith Fisher said. "The following year I tried out for Pied Pipers and somehow was accepted into the group. I wasn't sure at first if trying out for the Pied Pipers was a smart idea because I had no acting experience and was nothing but an ex-jock."

However, Fisher, along with the other Pipers, all had one very important commonality: they cared for children.

"The only thing that fit me in Pipers at first was that I loved children," Fisher said.

Being apart of Pied Pipers was a blessing to everyone that was in contact with them. However, for the Pipers, there was not another experience that could compare to the joy that it brought to their lives during each performance.

"The thing I enjoy most about Pipers is the fact that it is absolutely the most rewarding thing I've ever done in my life," freshman Kaylee Hollingsworth said. "It is amazing what kind of an impact we each have on the children we perform for. Pipers brings us into contact with so many children that we would, I'm sure, never meet throughout our daily lives. We don't just get a chance to meet the children; we get to play with them throughout our entire show. And I love the hugs!"

Not only did the Pipers bring joy to the children and bless their lives immensely, but they also were a blessing to one another. They were a family in their own way.

"The Pipers are some of my best friends now, and I'm honored to be a part of their group," junior Brian Bullard said. "My favorite part about being a Piper is that I have an excuse to act like a little kid. I'm married, in college and I have a job, so sometimes it is hard to have time to be immature and laugh and play. When I am doing Pipers, my worries disappear."

The Pipers went on tour at the beginning of October and traveled throughout the year to different destinations. In 2007, the Pipers blessed the lives of children in the local area, as well as in Tennessee, Oklahoma and Texas. Although the time spent traveling and putting on shows was tiresome, the group felt that it was worth every moment.

"Pied Pipers has given me several unforgettable memories such as when a child tells me that I am his hero," Fisher said.

Combined with the imagination of the Pipers and the interaction of the children, the Pipers made fairy tale stories from Mother Goose to Shel Silverstein come to life as well as an experience both the Pipers and children would never forget.

[Marissa Shepard]



[campus players]



Row 1: S. Fish, M. Scharff, R. Filbeck, K. B. Dolinger. **Row 2:** M. West, A. Gay, S. Shipp.

[pied pipers]



Row 1: K. Hollingsworth, K. Fisher, M. West, B. Bullard, M. Perring, T. Perring, J. Pittard, A. Williams, A. Frye.



[theatron]



Row 1: H. Dell, J. Buce, J. Bentley, R. Geddie. **Row 2:** A. Weaver, A. Sawyer, B. Miller, R. Carter. **Row 3:** B. Ellis, B. Carter.

Senior Andy Frye talks with children from the Antioch Church of Christ during a 10 minute meet and greet before their show in Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 7. "I joined Pipers my junior year of college because I wanted to share joy and laughter with kids," senior Jodi Pittard said. "Pipers has given me many blessings, including connecting with children and giving me a family here at Harding." [Courtesy of Jodi Pittard]

advocate

Students serve parents of disabled children

Harding students were searching for ways to reach out and help the Searcy community. The Student's Chapter for Exceptional Children (SCEC) chose to give parents a way to have an evening on the town while their children had fun on Harding's campus. The SCEC hosted a Parents' Night Out once a month for the parents of children with exceptionalities, such as a physical or mental disability, and their siblings.

Primarily, the SCEC was made up of education majors but was not exclusive to just those students. The president of SCEC, senior Pamela Jewell, was a communication science and disorders major.

"The SCEC is always open to people of all majors," senior Kelli Holloman, a member of SCEC, said.

Holloman, an education major with a focus on special education, had been a member of the SCEC for the past two years and became involved as a way to learn more about children with special needs.

"The Council for Exceptional Children is a national organization seeking to advocate for students with special needs and create better, more informed educators," Holloman said.

The SCEC hosted many events, the main one being Parent's Night Out (PNO) which was held once a month at Downtown Church of Christ from 6 – 10 p.m. on Friday nights.

"PNO is designed as childcare, provided by the SCEC members and other Harding students, and is intended for children with disabilities ages birth to 21 and their siblings," Jewell said. "The idea is to give their parents a chance to go Christmas shopping, have a "date night", go grocery shopping, etc."

The SCEC members had several activities planned for the children during the evening.

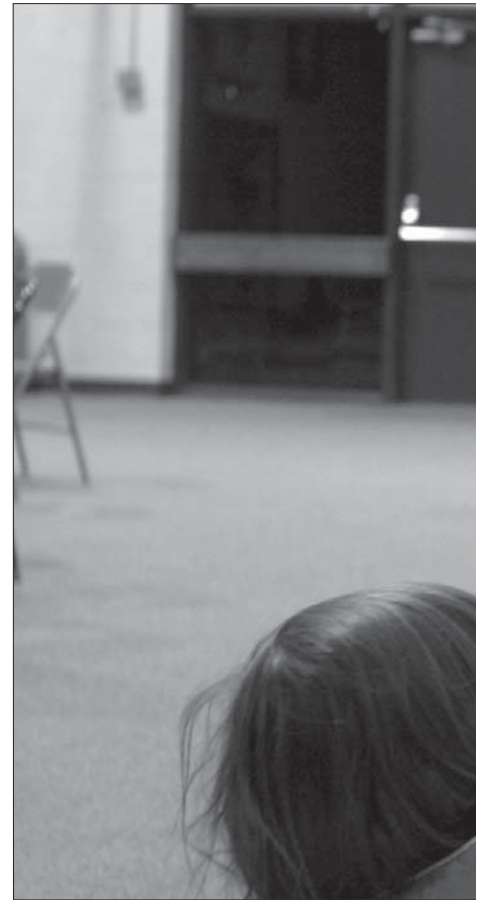
"At PNO we will have a book center where the children can sit and look at different picture books," senior Leah Woods said. "We will also have someone there to read to the children if they would like. There is also a coloring/painting center and sometimes we put in a movie that the kids will enjoy. We also try and have a craft that coordinates with our theme for the month."

The popularity of the event made the organization increase its frequency.

"PNO started as an event that occurred once a semester," Woods said. "Last year we changed how we were running things and went to offering the service once a month. We found that parents need a chance to relax more than twice a year."

The SCEC, through service and care, gave parents as well as their children a unique way to have an exciting night.

[Leigh Hutchinson]



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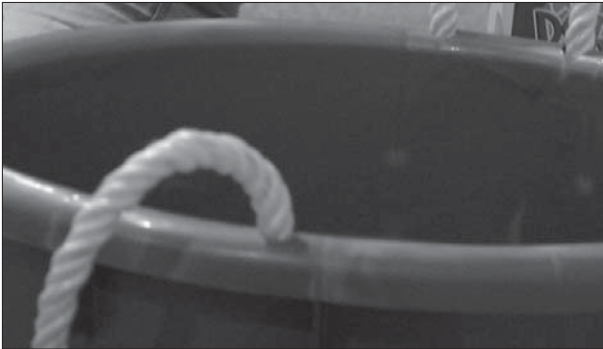
[chapter for exceptional children]



Row 1: Dr. Watson [sponsor], R. Milholland, L. Woods, D. Rubin, A. Bazargani. **Row 2:** H. Wilson, T. Smith, M. Morris, C. Canterbury, A. Justus, R. Morse, A. Gentle, B. Davis. **Row 3:** C. McGee, Dr. D. Lee, E. Long, J. Riley, J. Bankston, A. Quattlebaum, A. Barker, P. Morse, A. Durant, K. Estep, K. Teffertiller.

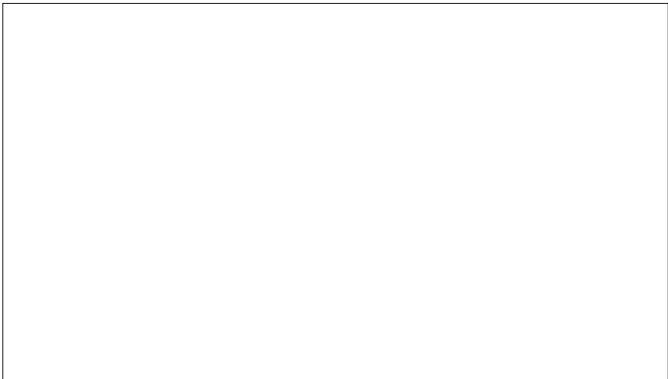


Row 1: M. Stanley, P. Jewell, L. Woods, D. Frank.



Playing with children at Downtown Church of Christ on Jan. 25, senior Pamela Jewell participates in Parent's Night Out, a service which provided childcare for children who are disabled and their siblings. "We are there for the kids, and all they ask from us is to play with them--whether that means painting, shooting hoops, playing hide-n-seek, reading a story or just running around in circles--all they want is a friend," Jewell said. [Chris Hamilton]

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Serving a helping of a homemade dessert, Associate Professor of Foreign Language Dr. Joli Love, freshman Derek Samples, and sophomores John Cannaday and Ben Adams taste entries of a bake contest Nov. 12. Money was donated by each member in attendance and then was given to a charity chosen by the winner of the contest.
[Courtesy of Kristi Waitte]



[french club]



Row 1: Dr. J. Love [sponsor], S. Overcash. **Row 2:** A. Borchers, T. Grant, A. Rich, S. Paquet, S. Roy, A. Aebi, Y. Xiang Bo. **Row 3:** B. Ritchie, E. Moore, J. Cannaday, A. Shaffer, K. Meadows, M. Gallagher, M. Smelser, Dr. R. McCready [sponsor]. **Row 4:** D. Nicholas, A. Anderson, J. Thies .



pâtisseries

French club holds first bakery and dessert contest

Clubs often gathered together to take part in a variety of activities. Club members could eat, enjoy some form of entertainment or help someone in need. The French Club covered all of their bases by doing all three in one evening. On November 12, students of the French club gathered at Associate Professor of Foreign Languages Dr. Joli Love's house for a bakery and desserts contest.

2007 was the first year for the French club to hold a dessert contest, and Love seemed very pleased with the turnout.

"It was a lot of fun," Love said as she explained the purpose of the activity.

Before the festivities began, each participant made a monetary donation and the winner of the whole competition would win all of the money and donate it to any charity of his or her choice. Ten or 11 club members prepared the dessert to enter into the competition ranging from varieties of chocolate delights to biscotti and even creative homemade lollipops.

"There were some American desserts and some French, but it was all still really good," freshman Lisa Dove said.

Once the students prepared their desserts, a panel of judges then voted on the best dessert that was made. This panel consisted of sophomore John Cannaday, junior Kacy Meadows and Love's husband and daughter. The judges tasted each of the delicious entrées and decided on the best.

Cannaday said he enjoyed the experience and would like to do it again.

"It was good to experience the French culture through good food and many good friends," Cannaday said.

The winner was sophomore Anna Borchers, treasurer of the French club, who made monkey bread.

After the tasting and the boasting settled down, the attendees watched the movie "Ratatouille," still staying to the French cuisine setting. Rich with French culture and cooking fun, it was the perfect movie to show and discuss. Love challenged the students' minds even further by stopping the movie at different intervals, asking questions where French culture presented itself. If correctly answered, the winning student would receive French memorabilia, such as Eiffel Tower pencil sharpeners.

The successful event ended in full stomachs and a greater appreciation for French culture. Any attendee would say, "C'était magnifique," or translated, "it was magnificent!"

[Hannah Beall and Alex Cantrell]

[gather for one]



Row 1: M. Rucker, K. Meadows, J. Striclyn, J. Striclyn, P. Elliot, J. Strasser. **Row 2:** J. Petty, R. Gould, K. Caruthers, K. Threm, E. Crooks, E. Daw, J. Benskin, D. Bergsma, N. Martz, J. Palmer. **Row 3:** D. Meeks, M. Lynn, S. Fish, J. Smith, M. Clark, T. Trull, L. Greek, B. Tankersley, C. Mandan, E. Roberson, B. Cannon, J. Allen. **Row 4:** R. Scott, J. McRay, C. Meeks, J. Cannaday, M. Landon, M. Berryman, O. Tankersley, J. Granberg, G. Tankersley, L. Schaffer.

[italian club]



Row 1: Dr. J. Love [sponsor], A. Carr, R. West, Dr. S. Daggett [sponsor], B. Garner. **Row 2:** S. Keller, L. Walle, A. Johnson, J. Shackelford, E. Woodroof.

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poetics

Club learns art of rhythmical composition

Many of the clubs found on Harding's campus came about when a group of students wished to join together and share their interests. Poetry lovers were not excluded from these groups, and, thanks to them, Souvenirs was born. Souvenirs became an official organization at Harding four years ago with a focus on the reading and memorization of classical poetry.

According to Souvenirs President, senior Nathan Shank, the club unofficially began seven years ago when a group of friends decided they were jealous of the Shakespeare class getting to memorize poems.

Souvenirs, which was founded by former students Tim Nance and Andrea Zahler, started meeting at Thanks-a-Latte, a former Searcy coffee shop.

According to Shank, Souvenirs had several annual activities which consisted of a Halloween party, a Christmas party, an end-of-school-year party, a CD of poetry and public readings of epic poetry.

The club met on Thursdays in the Honors House, having about eight to 15 participants each Thursday. The club also had 3 sponsors: Assistant Professor of English Dr. Michael Claxton, Instructor of English Nick Boone and Professor of Psychology Dr. Ken Cameron.

Shank described the meetings as enjoyable and full of laughter.

"Sometimes we have poetry shutdowns, where two people memorize a poem and then recite lines back to each other in a duel," Shank said.

Although a club where dueling was involved could have seemed slightly intimidating, Souvenirs was a very open and inviting place.

"Souvenirs is a great organization for people who want to relax and read poetry," sophomore Jessica Roper said.

The club's uniqueness made it a great asset to the campus.

"We are the only poetry club at Harding, therefore, we fill a special niche in the life of the campus," senior Katie Cozzens said.

According to Shank, Souvenirs was important because it gave poetry lovers, and those who wished to develop a deeper appreciation of poetry, a chance to explore this unique form of literature.

"Souvenirs is definitely not a place for most people, but the ones that do come find a niche where they can flourish," Shank said.

[Laura Navarro]



[scribblers]



Row 1: J. Benskin, S. Bullard, K. Cozzens. **Row 2:** Dr. T. Engel [sponsor], J. Cox, N. Shank, L. Jones.

[sigma tau delta]



Row 1: C. Guglielmon, J. Benskin, K. Cavender. **Row 2:** N. Wagner, T. Goyne, E. Stutzman. **Row 3:** T. Knight, M. Prescott, N. Shank. **Row 4:** Dr. M. Claxton [sponsor], J. McRay, C. McKeever.



[souvenirs]



Row 1: L. Jones, Dr. M. Claxton [sponsor]. **Row 2:** K. Lemley, A. Bedford, J. Roper, J. Benskin, M. Eddy, N. Shank.

Sword in hand, junior Abby Bedford knights senior Nathan Shank during the Souvenirs Halloween party on Oct. 27. "There's something binding about poetry when you read it aloud in groups," Souvenirs President, senior Nathan Shank, said. "Hearing words ripple off a page and knowing that the person who's reading has found some meaning in them . . . it's the best group I've joined since I've been at Harding." [Courtesy of Nathan Shank]

Speaking to the class, Phi Alpha Theta featured speaker Alice Jewell discusses Renaissance literature on Oct. 18. Jewell received her Ph.D. at the University of Arkansas in Comparative Literature and taught English and Latin at Harding. [Courtesy of Sharon Yarbrough]

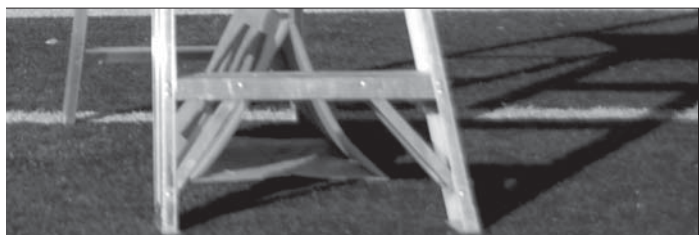


[jazz band]

Marching on the field, the Thundering Herd performs its homecoming halftime show for the football game against Arkansas Tech on Nov. 3. The drum major, junior Jennica Leath, kept the band on beat throughout the performance. [Craig Rainbolt]



Row 1: B. Gatlin, K. Perkins, J. Leath, L. Kirkham, J. Ward. **Row 2:** A. Withrow, B. Braswell, A. Gresham, J. Tesh, N. Dean, R. Locke, T. Morse, C. Carrell. **Row 3:** A. Mowrer, J. Wilhite, B. Stafford, D. Hunt, D. Lee, N. McCoy, Matt Parks.



[thundering herd]



Row 1: V. Mowrer, V. Chittam, J. Clem, A. Denton, H. Pruitt, A. Calcote, M. Lockewood, M. Delafave, H. Payne. **Row 2:** J. Leath, A. Withrow, N. Smelser, C. Growns, J. Ward, K. Lillis, C. McLean, A. Lawson. **Row 3:** L. Kirkham, R. Bartlett, J. Tapang, J. Carbonneau, S. Yamell. **Row 4:** G. Manley, D. Hunt, R. Locke, J. Tesch, N. Dean, B. Stafford. **Row 5:** C. Lewis, C. Hancock, K. Perkins, S. Vantine, G. Cox, J. Ruhl, E. Bradley, B. Jones, H. Long. **Row 6:** B. Braswell, W. Hammes, A. Mowrer, A. Gresham, J. Dean. **Row 7:** J. Wilhite, J. Tubb, H. Iizumi.

melody

Harding's jazz band spices things up

Harding students traveled all over sharing their talents and inspiring younger students to pursue their dreams into their college years. The Harding University Jazz Band was no exception as they journeyed to aid their younger counterparts by encouraging them through their music.

The Jazz Band traveled to Birmingham, Alabama, from November 29 – December 2 to give Discovery Middle School band students the chance to work with college musicians. The band played for and helped students, allowing the middle schoolers to form relationships with the Harding students by spending time with them while enjoying their passion.

"We played one show the night we got there," sophomore saxophone player Daniel Lee said. "It was one of the best shows we played that semester. I didn't expect it because we had been in a car all day."

Not only did the middle school students get a chance to hear what a university jazz band sounded like, but they were also able to learn from the members about playing jazz pieces and how they could further their music careers, whether as a hobby or as a major once they came into the university level. The Jazz Band played in a clinic style, offering help to the aspiring young musicians.

"We stayed at school all day Friday, played with and gave tips to the hundreds of band students that came through," senior saxophone player Ryan Locke said. "We even stayed until after school doing clinics until dinner time."

The time spent in practice with the Jazz Band was greatly appreciated by the middle schoolers, who also opened their houses for the college visitors to spend the night while on the trip.

"We stayed at the houses of the band students and got to hang out a little bit with them," Locke said. "It was really fun, and the people were really hospitable."

The band also received some insight into the world of a middle school band director when they engaged in a question and answer session that dove deep into the world of teaching music.

"It was a really interesting insight that showed the good, bad and ugly to what we could be doing in the future," Locke said.

The Jazz Band helped to show the middle school students of Birmingham, Alabama, that their love of music could easily translate into exciting times in the years to come. Not only did the Jazz Band give inspiration, but they received it in the form of the eager learning of the younger band members.

(Jennifer Harris)

[string quartet]



Row 1: J. Robertson **Row 2:** A. Koay, S. Rampey, A. Royse, W. Hammes.

memories

Branson hosts Good News Singers

The Good News Singers' trip to Silver Dollar City proved to be a huge success and a very special weekend for everyone involved. Silver Dollar City, located in Branson, Miss., hosted church of Christ Day and the Good News Singers were there to perform and have some fun as a group.

"We had a blast in Silver Dollar City!" senior Betsy Carr said. "We spent about half the day hanging out in the park, riding rides, visiting the shops and watching others perform. The other half of the day was spent setting up and then performing our two sets."

Many felt it was easy to feel at home at Silver Dollar City since it was full of Christians and others associated with Harding.

"There were people of all ages there and a lot of people from Harding and places near Searcy," senior Laura Blount said. "It was a neat thing to be in a Christian atmosphere the whole day."

Church of Christ Day offered a unique outdoor opportunity for various Christian groups to come together and spend the day in worship.

"Worshiping with 3,000 people on Sunday morning outside was really hot," senior Cody Smith said. "It was a great experience, though."

The family atmosphere was prevalent throughout the day.

"It's a day where people can bring their kids, grandkids and grandparents and enjoy time together, riding rides and seeing shows," Blount said. "There was an enormous church service on Sunday morning, and it was a neat experience to see Christians all together praising God."

It was undeniable that the trip offered great publicity for Harding, especially since many of the churches in attendance were Harding alumni and had kids, grandkids, siblings and friends at Harding. Dr. David Burks even prayed in the Sunday morning church service.

"When people see us walking around the park in our Harding attire, they often approach us to find out who we are and why we're there," Carr said. "They love to talk about the school."

Junior Chase Akins enjoyed being part of a group that ministered to others through singing.

"I enjoyed the trip very much," Akins said. "It was an uplifting event for myself and other people. I had a lot of older people come up to me and tell me how much they appreciated our singing. It always makes me feel better when they encourage us to keep up the good work."

One special memory came from the group's decision to take an old time photo, a tradition for the Good News Singers, where everyone dressed up in period clothes. While waiting to select their costumes and take the picture, a few of the ladies working in the store requested the group sing for them.

"For about 20 minutes we just sang old gospel songs for those women, and they loved it!" Carr said. "It was such an encouragement to feel like we were not only encouraging the church of Christ groups but also the staff in the park."

The ladies were extremely moved by the songs.

"One of the ladies loved our songs so much she cried and hugged on some of us," Blount said. "People all over were telling us that they were blessed."

Carr also felt the trip offered great bonding time for the group.

"We have time to talk about our lives and things we don't normally have time for in our practices," Carr said.

Ultimately, the Good News Singers trip to Silver Dollar City was focused on praising God.

"I love having an outlet to give this gift back to God," Carr said.

Overall, the trip succeeded because it gave the group and opportunity to give to people.

"The trip was a benefit to me by giving me a chance to bless people's lives. I wouldn't have traded that for anything else on a weekend," said Blount.

The trip also brought increased bonds within the group.

"It was our first trip together as a group other than our regular concerts," Smith said. "We meshed well and hung out which was fun."

[Daniell Kanipe]



[belles and beaux]



Row 1: K. Izard, E. Miller, S. Cheatham, R. Slagle. Row 2: L. Moore, J. Daggett, I. Peters, B. Ragsdale, C. Cantrell. Row 3: C. Hicks [sponsor], M. Wright, P. Goats, B. Burcham.



Singing at Silver Dollar City, the members of Good News Singers perform for church of Christ Day on Oct. 13. "The trip was amazing," junior Chase Akins said. "Out of all the times we've sung, it was the most uplifting for me. A lot of older couples came up to us and said how much they appreciate our ministry and what we do." [Courtesy of Chuck Hicks]

[good news singers]



Row 1: B. Yarbrough, M. Martin, B. Carr, R. DeRamus. **Row 2:** L. Blount, M. Johnson, C. Akins, C. Hicks [sponsor]. **Row 3:** M. Rozell, C. Smith, T. Wisely.

Harmony

Harding's music organization strikes a new chord

One of the many activities for students to engage in on Harding's campus was its music organizations. There were several different groups for those musically inclined students to participate in including the Harding University Chorus.

2007 was an interesting year for the Harding Chorus, as it brought about several changes for the group, one being a change in members.

Although memberships changed within groups at the beginning of every semester, the Chorus graduated a majority of its senior class members the previous spring of 2007, leaving a large gap to fill for the fall. More than half of the group's members were new following their induction into the Chorus in the fall.

"There have been a few challenges with a new group like this," senior music major State Young said. "But it's exciting because the majority of the group this year are freshman, so they're the future. They will be in chorus for four more years and carry on the tradition."

Though a change in membership might have brought about a different sound, junior David Walton said that there were some characteristics of the group that remained constant.

"The entire voice of Chorus changes," Walton said. "But the personality of the group will always be the same. Relationships will always remain strong."

Relationships were something that Professor of Music and Director

of Choral Activities Dr. Cliff Ganus placed a strong emphasis on. The relationships made within the group were some that would last many through their entire college careers.

According to Walton, the last 15 minutes of every Monday meeting were set aside for a devotional. Other activities were planned to help enhance relationships within the group. Some of these activities included getting-to-know-you games during the first month of practices when the newer members had just been inducted. The Chorus also hosted a cookout for its members to help the older and younger members bond as a unit.

The group also spent much of the year preparing for their summer trip to China. The opportunity to perform abroad presented the group with a variety of challenges and required them to cross both cultural and language barriers when performing. Many of the concerts the Chorus performed were used as practices for their overseas trip.

"We are learning songs in several languages," senior member Brett Keller said. "We are also trying to learn more secular songs, because when on tour in China, we have to be a University chorus and not a Christian chorus."

Although the Chorus was relatively new in membership, the group as a whole came together through their practices, rehearsals and concerts to produce a great sound.

[Tyler Neese]

[belle canto]



Row 1: N. Johnson, A. Lance, G. Aguilera, J. Grantham, E. Hermann, K. McEuen, C. Dodson. **Row 2:** D. Stephens, K. Inness, H. Skinner, E. Justus, C. Parent, S. Palmer. **Row 3:** K. Jackson, J. Gibbs, B. Howell, M. Calderon, P. Eichers, S. Park, K. Zahnd.

[concert choir]



Row 1: D. Bergsma, A. Franklin, S. Crowder, K. Carlton, J. Carlton, J. Gibson, L. Faust, M. Mahan, C. Boyd. **Row 2:** K. Smith, B. Smith, K. Sherrod, S. Yarnell, K. Collins, A. Spoto, E. Kilian, S. Shipp, M. Jacques. **Row 3:** R. Gardner, K. Hollingsworth, M. Sallee, E. Bradley, B. Howell, B. Marberry, R. Thannisch, L. Bradley, A. Makool. **Row 4:** J. Berrens, L. Hackney, A. Valamides, M. Yates, A. Ellis, P. Thomas, A. Haynes, S. Tucker, K. Caruthers. **Row 5:** M. Finch, A. Abele, K. Perscille, T. Morgan, A. Young, K. Carnagie, R. Gould, S. Vinzant, B. Green. **Row 6:** J. Petty, L. Collins, D. Crocker, A. Miller, R. Keese, A. Lee, L. Towles, V. Stewart. **Row 7:** J. Rampey, W. Skelton, B. Welborn, J. Smith, K. Dolinger, C. Ikeorha, C. Akins, B. Kehl, L. Shaffer. **Row 8:** R. Hare, P. Elliott, J. Edwards, J. Lee, J. Pounders, B. Roberson, K. Finn, B. Miller. **Row 9:** J. Watson, N. Dorris, N. Michael, A. Ward, P. Snell, G. Sheumaker, A. McLoy. **Row 10:** R. Hill, M. Olds, K. Miller, M. Merrick.



[chorus]

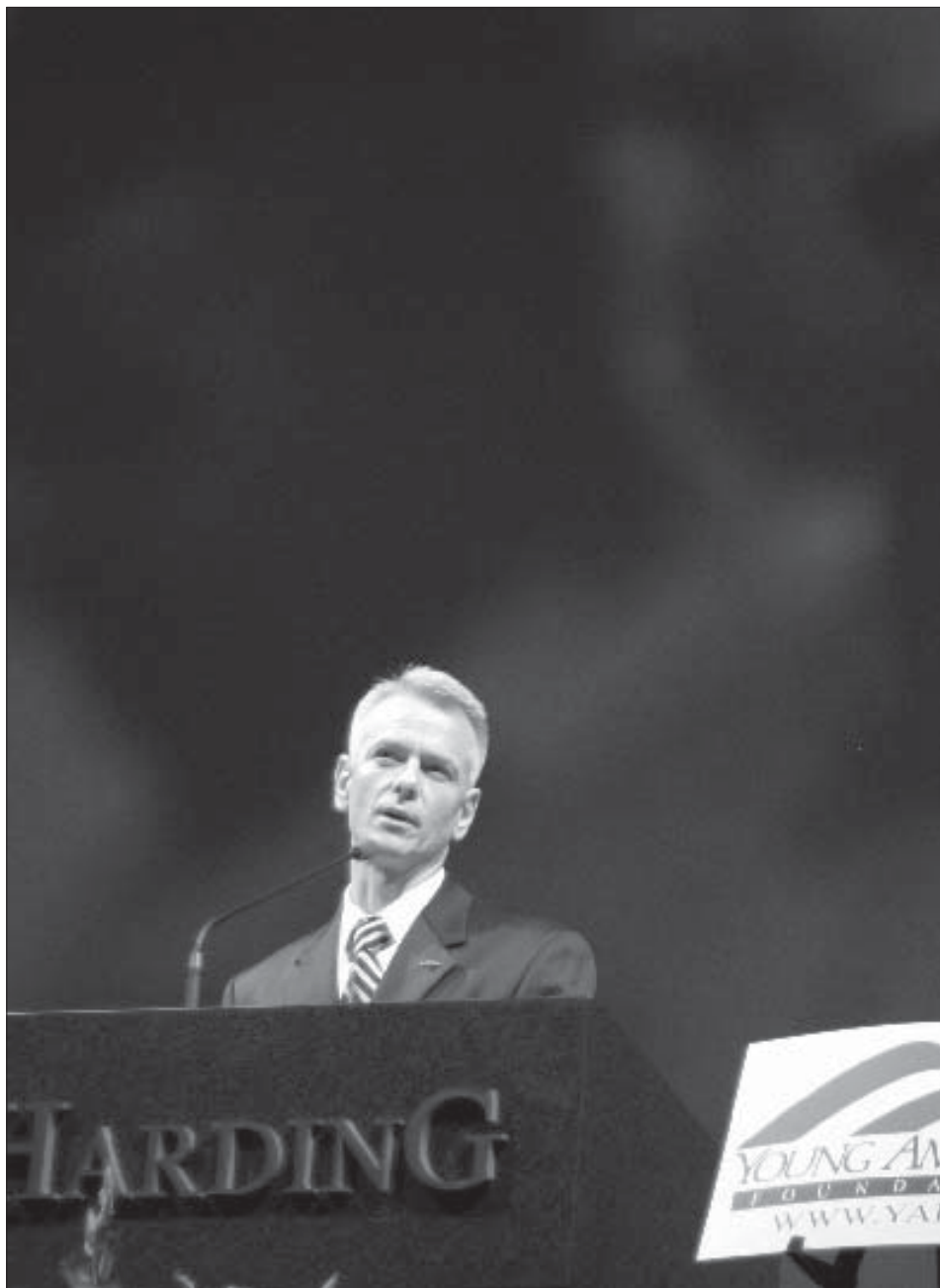


Serving others for Harding's Bisons for Christ service day, the Good News Singers put on a concert for the elderly at the Lightle Senior Center on Sept. 19. Students from social clubs, campus organizations and classes went out into the Searcy community to minister to the White County citizens through various types of service. [Chris Hamilton]

Performing a concert for Lectureships, Chamber Singers members sophomore Alex Ritchie and juniors Mel Lenon and David Walton sing in harmony for the audience on Oct. 2. Other vocal groups like Belles and Beaux and Good News Singers performed for Lectureship as well. [Jonathan Lindsay]

Row 1: H. J. Witt, A. Bradley, J. Hall, M. Lynn, K. Staley, A. Jenkins, B. Afnip, J. Shackelford, J. Cook, J. Barnett, B. Keller. **Row 2:** S. Eads, H. Watkins, L. McLain, N. Wilkinson, J. Queen, P. Edmison, A. Ritchie, J. Roosevelt, S. Smith, E. Harrell. **Row 3:** D. Walton, E. Brewster, M. Parks, J. Merrill, S. Sterry, J. Dollins, M. Hammons, B. Light, C. Gowns, G. Marcellini, S. Cox. **Row 4:** R. Gould, A. O'Steen, C. Frazier, A. Cochran, B. Abell, J. Cox, J. Merrill, J. Tapley, T. Jones, S. Barker. **Row 5:** S. Young, M. Smith, L. Whitten, A. Lytle, E. Burchfield, C. Kraus, M. Lenon, T. Lybrand, K. Baker. **Row 6:** D. Dority, T. Perring, L. O'Neill, C. Fleming, B. Jones, B. Gatlin, J. Fedor, D. Lee, L. Pippins, T. Kaye.

Sharing his inspiring story, Lt. Col. Steve Russell addresses Harding students and the Searcy community in the Benson Auditorium on Sept. 11. Russell served in the military for 21 years, and his unit aided in the capture of Saddam Hussein. [Jonathan Lindsay]



[criminal justice association]

[american studies distinguished students]



Row 1: Dr. B. Houston [sponsor], T. Taylor, M. Revis, R. Blake, A. Johnston, D. Kirwa. **Row 2:** S. Whorton, H. Ockay. **Row 3:** K. Yancey, K. Carlson, K. Carlton, T. Porter, K. Fonville. **Row 4:** J. Wells, B. Brenon, B. Geery, B. Riley. **Row 5:** D. Scheid, A. Parker, C. Tyler, A. Grate.

226 [organizations]



Row 1: L. Ramirez, L. Wilkenson, G. Marcellieni, P. Varney, J. Cutshall, A. Rich, T. Hendrixson, S. Stratton, E. Elander. **Row 2:** K. Mitchell, J. Breuer, M. Inloes, L. Schallert, P. Covert, B. Griffen, L. Walle, J. Medsker. **Row 3:** L. Crowder, K. Larkin, J. Stanley, C. Bakke, G. Strickland, P. Sherrod, A. Ellis, C. Griffen, E. Giboney. **Row 4:** T. Trull, R. Kellis, R. Gardner, D. Kiser, M. Eddy.

vigilance

Criminal justice club patrols with police

The Harding Criminal Justice Association [HCJA] was a group of criminal justice majors who wanted to study more in their field. Each year the group held events such as cookouts, Christmas parties and paintball excursions. Sophomore Adam Parker, HCJA's president, said in 2007 he was looking to do something different with the club so he "got down to business."

Parker, after logging in around 100 hours of ride-alongs with different policemen, was determined to set up some type of program where members of the HCJA could do the same.

"I thought that it would be a great experience for the members of the club, seeing as the majority of them wanted to do law enforcement as a career," Parker said. "I started making some calls to the Little Rock Police Department (LRPD), talked to some chiefs of police, captains and sergeants and eventually worked something out with the LRPD."

The ride-alongs in Little Rock took place over three different weekends, and six HCJA members were involved. They were paired up with an officer of the police department and rode along with them for sometimes up to six hours.

"I personally got involved with a stolen car case in the projects," Parker said. "A couple of very large males with gold teeth got placed under arrest for being in possession of a stolen vehicle, among other things."

Parker said that the ride-alongs reaffirmed his desire to join the force.

"Being in the projects, seeing the countless sad, lost faces of children playing with cardboard boxes in the street, cut me to the heart," Parker said. "It's for people like that, that I want to be a cop, to better their lives in any way possible."

Senior Criminal Justice major Keenan Carlton took part in a ride-along a few months ago, and his officer was on patrol down in the River Market of Downtown Little Rock. Carlton and his officer had the third shift which was from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. One night, the two found themselves in a situation they would not soon forget. They went to a house where a call was made about a man who was drunk and running around naked. Later, the officer and Carlton went onto the River Market where a drive-by-shooting took place. Carlton had to sit in the patrol car with the suspected shooter in the back.

"All he did was sit back there and mouth off the whole time, I was kind of uncomfortable because I was left alone with him, but it turned out OK," Carlton said.

They also traveled downtown by the River Market. There were 150 or so homeless people living there, and Carlton said they all knew the police by name. Carlton and his officer were just down there to make sure everything was in order and that nobody was stealing or causing fights. They then spotted a group of people who were known as "cop watch." This was a group of people who videotaped policemen on duty, hoping to catch them doing something wrong.

Carlton said he enjoyed his time with the LRPD and after graduation was hoping to move to the Nashville area and become a policeman.

HCJA took a lot of experience and knowledge of their field of study through their time with the LRPD. It gave them a glimpse into their future and helped them take advantage of the opportunities that Harding offered.

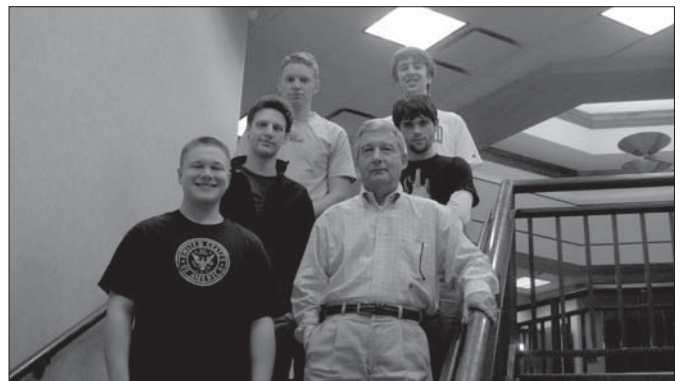
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Seniors Rebekah Pevia and Heather Johnston, members of the social work club, work a bake sale Jan. 23 benefiting the White County Children's Safety Center which planned to open in the Spring of 2008. "The house will be used to provide a safe place for children to give their testimony about any abuse they have suffered," senior Jennie Wilkinson said. [Jonathan Lindsay]

[social work club officers]



Row 1: J. Arbuckle, R. Henson, K. Goings, J. Koger

potential

Students encouraged to “Share Their Voice”

The Student Association (SA) made a point every year to remind students that they, too, were members of the student body. The committee encouraged participation from all students and told them to be vocal about their opinions. SA President senior Charlie Walker encapsulated this idea by encouraging students to share their voice. Walker said the goal of the school year was to bring out Harding’s full potential.

“If 12 apostles and untrained men made a difference, then I believe 6,000 students at Harding can change the world,” Walker said.

One of Walker’s first projects allowed students to feel loved and encouraged. The National Day of Encouragement on Sept. 12 helped students motivate one another to feel encouraged in their daily activities through balloons, notes and baked goods.

When school began in the fall, Walker worked towards motivating students to become part of the student leadership council. Walker said Harding had so many prominent leaders and wanted them to “share their voice.”

“We have people from more than 49 different states and countries,” Walker said. “If everybody came together, I knew we would make Harding shine at its full potential.”

Walker said he also wanted Harding students to get involved with the Student Association in reaching out to the international students. This outreach program was created to help international students adapt to the United States.

Senior Tiffany Smith was the director of the International Student Project and said that more students than they anticipated participated. According to Walker, most of the students that participated were Spanish majors. They teamed up with international students who needed any kind of help adapting to their new culture.

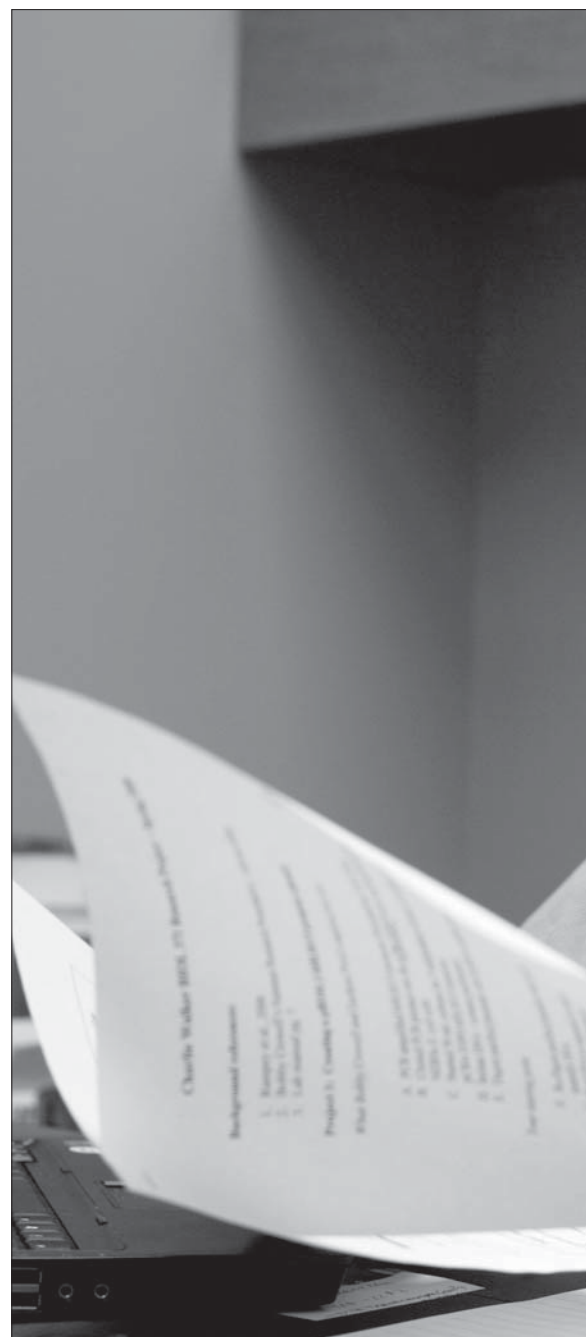
Walker said the SA also worked with the IT department, making voting for Student Association offices available on Pipeline for the Spring of 2008.

Another project planned was to have a representative from each dorm in the student government. Walker said the main purpose of this was to “encourage the community aspect” of Harding. Walker also said an athletic and spiritual director from each dorm was to be elected in order to represent their dorm at the student government, which, according to Walker, was an effective way for all of the students to “Share Their Voice” with the SA.

“The Student Association worked hard this year on promoting students to share with us any ideas that would work for making a better Harding,” Walker said.

Walker said he wanted every student to leave campus feeling and knowing they had a voice that was crucial to Harding.

[Laura Navarro]



[class officers]



Row 1: M. Hunter, A. Moore, M. Arnold, T. Smith, A. Justus, M. Scott, C. Walker. **Row 2:** A. Hanson, J. Colrin, M. Walker, A. English, B. Harris, A. Moss. **Row 3:** D. Kiser, M. Reese, C. Copeland, G. Webb, D. Platt, S. Ramsey. **Row 4:** D. Martin, A. Dean, J. Cook, J. Hawk, K. Gormony, D. Martin, L. Reese, M. White.

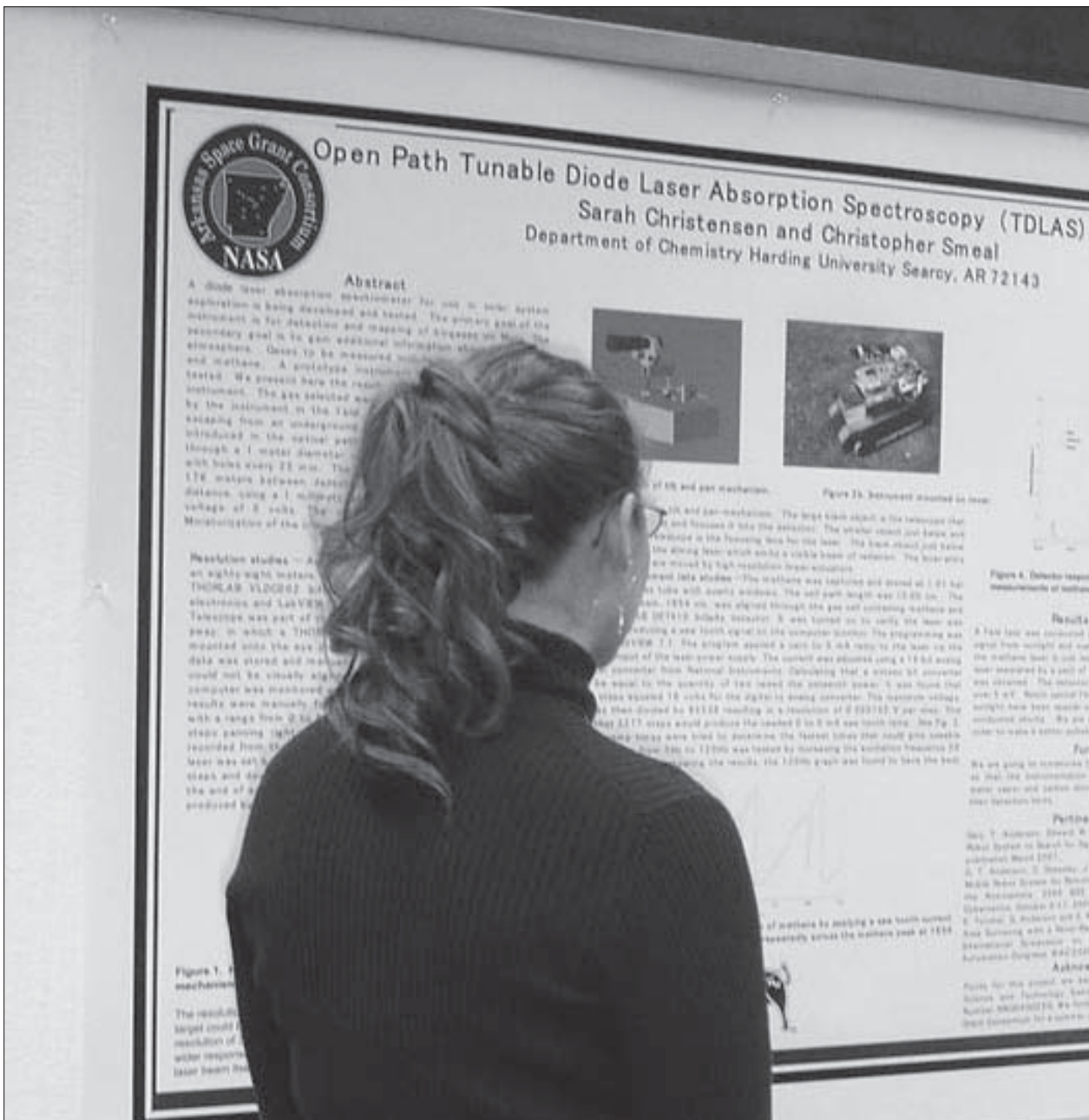


Student Association president senior Charlie Walker works in his office Jan. 21. Walker inspired students to be active in the student body and strive to reach their full potential. [Chris Hamilton]

[student association]



Row 1: T. Smith, M. Reese. **Row 2:** D. Flatt, C. Walker, M. White, B. Harris.



[gedanken]

Discussing her poster, senior Sarah Christensen, president of Gedanken, reviews facts with Dr. Frank Millet, a professor at Fayetteville, at a conference in Fayetteville. Senior Brett Keller won second place for his poster in the Physics Department at the conference. [Courtesy of Ed Wilson, Professor of Chemistry]



Row 1: Dr. K. Schramm [sponsor], S. Christensen, C. Harris, M. Walker, E. Gilbert, K. Freeman, Dr. E. Wilson [sponsor], E. Henning. **Row 2:** M. Bush, N. Hewes, A. Hardman, D. Word, J. Jackson, P. Bobrowski, G. Lyons. **Row 3:** Dr. D. Cole [sponsor], S. Shelton, R. Oppenheimer, Dr. B. Hollandsworth [sponsor], D. Roach.



[family and consumer sciences association]



Row 1: B. Griffen, J. Cupp, A. Owens, A. Fletcher. **Row 2:** R. Teague [sponsor], A. Justus, K. Shields, J. Scott, H. Hampton, S. Crockett [sponsor].

global

FCS club gives back to Nicaraguans

The saying goes “Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime.” This was the plan the Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) club had when they began gathering sewing supplies to send in kits to families in Nicaragua.

The FCS club, the Harding chapter of the Arkansas Association of Family and Consumer Science (AAFCS), began this project after club member and historian junior Anna Justus learned she was going on a spring break campaign to Nicaragua in March of 2008. The campaigners decided the best gift they could give was a skill that the people of Nicaragua could use forever. That was when the idea emerged to put together sewing kits to distribute to a special skills school in the area they planned to visit during the week.

“We are collecting supplies that are not available to the students there such as fabric, notions and sewing supplies,” AAFCS President senior Jentri Cupp said. The process of collecting sewing supplies for the kits began in the fall semester in November and continued on into the spring until the departure for the campaign in March. Donations for the kits began pouring in from not only students but also from church congregations and families of students who were involved. Once the kits were completed, the team planned to pack and deliver them to the children in Nicaragua, and, if there were too many supplies to be carried, they planned to ship the rest.

Once the kits would be delivered, the students attending the skills school would be able to learn how to use the supplies so they could make their own clothes for their families or sell in local markets. “The children can earn money with these skills, and it will give them a future,” junior Brenna Griffen, member of the AAFCS club, said.

This project proved to be rewarding for both the children of Nicaragua and for the students in the AAFCS club.

“The best experience was knowing that we are helping children and providing them with a way to learn a very valuable skill,” Griffen said.

Cupp said she felt that not only would the kits be beneficial in a monetary sense but also would be a good ministry to the people of Nicaragua.

“The best thing about this is getting to provide for the education of a developing country and fulfilling the needs of the students who will be influenced by Christian missionaries,” Cupp said. “This is a simple way to serve their needs and show Christ’s love.”

The AAFCS members also served in other ways during the year including sending Christmas cards to recovering soldiers and Valentine’s Day cards to the elderly in the community and also to working with His House, a local charitable organization in Searcy.

[Katie Ulliman]

Outreach

Nursing students care for those in Africa

The nursing school's summer mission trip to Tanzania, Africa, was a life-changing event for all who were involved. The group, led by Assistant Professor of Nursing Janice Bingham, consisted of six female students, four of whom were nursing majors.

Senior Cara McCormick, a nursing major and health missions minor, found the trip to be an incredible learning experience.

"We went to the hospital everyday in time for chapel, and then we went to the different wards to help the nurses," McCormick said. "My favorite [ward] was labor and delivery because we got to deliver babies by ourselves sometimes."

The group was able to be a part of many procedures that most nursing students in the United States seldom had the chance to experience.

In spite of her lack of medical training, senior Bridget Anderson, a biology major, was able to use her biology knowledge while in the field.

"I was allowed to spend a good amount of my time working in the hospital laboratory, which was a little more consistent with my interests in science and public health," Anderson said.

Senior Lori Wise, a nursing major, went on the trip to Tanzania because of her love for missions.

"The opportunity just came up, and I decided I would put my faith in God and go serve overseas," Wise said.

For many in the group, Tanzania made a huge impact on how they viewed nursing.

"Nursing is not just a science but [it's also] an art," Wise said. "I really could not talk with the patients, but actions say a lot. Even though the patients couldn't understand what I was saying, they could get that I wanted to pray for them, and they were so appreciative of my time and prayers."

Anderson recalled her first few days at the mission and the impact it had on her faith.

"This trip put a face on missions for me," Anderson said. "It's not about the numbers; it's about the people."

Their trip to Tanzania really opened up the group's eyes to the stark contrast of medical care available in Africa compared to the U.S.

"It hurt me to think that the majority of the world only has access to the type of health care we were able to participate in during our time in Africa, while here in the U.S. we have almost an unlimited amount of resources," Wise said. "I watched a baby die all alone because he was born prematurely, and they did not have the equipment to help sustain his life. We are so incredibly blessed."

McCormick believed the trip had a huge impact on her spiritual life.

"One day a woman was trying to sell her baby in the courtyard, and we used a translator to help us share Christ's love with her and her baby," McCormick said. "We went to the market and picked out clothes and food for her and sent her home with a care package of new things. We also gave her a Swahili Bible and had one of the preachers at the mission talk to her about her situation."

Through their trip to Tanzania, the students broadened their minds and their outlook on caring for their patients.

[Danielle Kanipe]



[dietetics club]



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Working with the medical team, December 2007 graduate Katelyn Kirby assists in applying a dressing to the burned ear of an African infant June 15, 2007 in Tanzania, Africa. Nursing students had the opportunity to serve in clinics, schools and churches during the five week missions trip. [Courtesy of Lori Wise]

[student nurses association officers]



Row 1: R. Hopkins, M. Williams, S. Moon, T. Bailey, K. Smith, M. Dossey, T. Graham, A. Dixon, S. Smith, A. Coors.

Diversity

Community projects continue in El Salvador

One organization that many Central American students had been involved in for more than 10 years was the Jesus Project, made by the numerous international students who traveled from all corners of the globe to study in Searcy. The organization focused on giving something back to the community in El Salvador.

"We take one school at a time, and we develop the entire community through that school," Jesus Project president junior Diego Alvarado said. "We actually train the people to have a sustainable community by themselves."

Alvarado said the original founders of the group were from El Salvador and wanted to find a way to give back to their home countries. Each year the organization provided students in the community with school supplies, uniforms and seminars to work with the parents of students.

Throughout the year, students working with the Jesus Project on campus raised funds to finance a week-long trip to El Salvador in August.

"We do car washes [and] have activities at churches," activities director junior Lucy Velasquez said. "We work at Pizza Pro and plan soccer tournaments."

More than 30 students from varying fields of study came together to contribute their skills to advancing the work in El Salvador.

During their yearly trip to in August, around 20 students worked with the community in El Icaal. Alvarado said that some of the work done while in the community ranged from taking a community census

to escorting all of the students to the movies.

Even though the Jesus Projects main objective was to benefit students in El Salvador, Alvarado and Velasquez felt that they had both grown a great deal since they started working with the organization. Alvarado and Velasquez joined the Jesus Project as freshmen and valued the experiences they had over the past two years.

"When they introduced us to the idea of giving something back, I served happily, but it wasn't until the summer when I visited the community that I was able to have a closer experience with the people," Velasquez said. "I can see what I'm working for, and I believe in the project."

The key to the project's success had always been the involvement of the student body, and Alvarado felt that had been the greatest benefit from his work on the project.

"The whole purpose and the whole vision of the project has been to develop Christian leaders, and I can see how that has helped me become a better leader," Alvarado said. "We hang out together as friends, and we do so much together while working on the project, so we have grown really close to the people we are working with and helping."

The group hoped to continue recruiting students to volunteer their time and skills. In order to expand their efforts to other communities in other countries, additional help would be required. Alvarado hoped that the Jesus Project could reach out to non-Spanish speaking students and allow them to be more involved.

[Jared Abelson]



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[educating for life]



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Circle K members junior Lina Ramirez, sophomore Nick Dean and freshman Julie Ellis discuss future service project ideas during their meeting Feb. 17. Circle K met on Sunday mornings for breakfast to discuss their club plans. [Jonathan Lindsay]

[jesus project]



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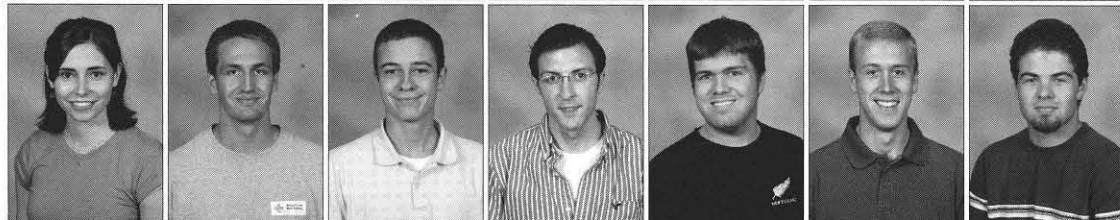


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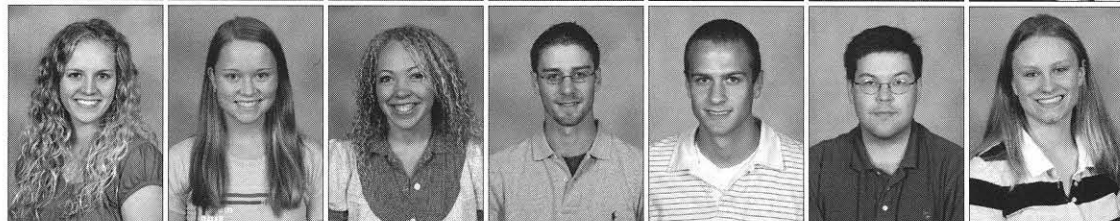
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Who's Who

Senior uses overseas experiences as motivation

Every year, Harding faculty nominated students for the Who's Who Among America's College Students award. This nomination was based on GPA, classroom performance and extracurricular activities.

Senior Amanda Royse, from Upper Arlington, Ohio, was one of the 70 selected to receive the honor.

Royse, a biochemistry and molecular biology major, knew that she wanted a career in medicine since her senior year in high school.

"I went on a medical mission trip with my father and saw the impact that the people working in health care can have," Royse said. "I've always been interested in science and how the body works, but my perspective changed when I saw how it could change lives. When I started at Harding, I decided to pursue medicine."

But Royse's time at Harding was not only focused on her schooling; she still found time to pursue other interests. Royse was a part of Harding's orchestra and string quartet for four years and played in two of Harding's homecoming musicals. She was also a lab assistant for two chemistry classes, a member of women's social club Pi Theta Phi and a violin teacher at the Searcy Community School of Music.

In the summer of 2006, Royse was able to go to Harding University in Florence for three months, which she said was one of the best experiences of her life.

The following summer, Royse participated in a medical evangelism

training program through Health Talents International, an organization working in Guatemala.

"The evangelism training involved a six-week stay in Guatemala, including language school, living with local families and working over 100 hours in medical and dental clinics," Royse said.

During her travels, Royse found motivation to continue in her dreams to become a doctor.

"I think that being able to cross language and cultural barriers as a physician will be essential to serving my patients' health needs effectively and sharing the message of Christ," Royse said. "My travels have raised my awareness to medical needs, both domestic and international. I want to commit my career as a doctor to serving those needs."

Through all of her activities, Royse still managed to maintain an above-average GPA. After graduating in May 2008, Royse planned to start medical school in the fall. Although she did not expect it to be easy, she knew that, throughout her time at Harding, she was being prepared for future challenges.

"I believe that my time here at Harding has prepared me academically for medical school, but, more importantly, I believe that it has showed me how to incorporate faith into all aspects of my life," Royse said. "I expect that medical school will be very challenging, and I hope that through it all I will be able to maintain a focus on serving people in a way that honors Christ."

[Hannah Ware]



Senior biochemistry and molecular biology major Amanda Royse isolates DNA in the Biology Resource Lab in the Pryor-England Science Building Feb. 12. Royse was one of 70 nominees to receive the Who's Who Among America's College students award. [Jonathan Lindsay]

Alpha Chi

PR student uses life experiences as guide to academics

For many college students, multitasking was a fine art. Few found the right balance of work, school and social life. However, senior print journalism major Molly Morris, who was recently inducted to the Alpha Chi National Honor Society, displayed her ability to multitask and do it well.

The Alpha Chi National Honor Society limited membership to the highest 10 percent of the junior and senior classes and required the student to have a minimum of a 3.75 grade point average (GPA) on at least 104 credit hours for seniors and a 3.85 GPA on at least 80 credit hours for juniors.

Morris, originally from Anaheim, California, grew up in Indianapolis, Indiana. Her father worked for a defense company called Raytheon which prompted her and her family to move to Riyadh, Saudi Arabia in 1993. The Morris family lived there for six years.

Morris added Searcy, Arkansas, to her long list of residences when she arrived on Harding's campus as a freshman in 2004. Since then, Morris held several job positions on campus and demonstrated her ability to maintain balance between her academics and jobs. In the fall of 2005, she began as a computer lab attendant and was later promoted to lab supervisor.

During her sophomore year, Director of Public Relations April Fatula visited Morris's print news writing class to speak on opportunities for those within that major.

"I thought she was fantastic, and her job sounded great," Morris said.

"Plus, she had dreams of someday becoming a travel writer, which is my dream job."

Soon after Fatula's visit, Morris met with her again and found herself with an internship with the public relations office.

"I didn't even know what a great opportunity she was offering me, even though I was pretty thrilled about it," Morris said.

Once she had completed her internship, Morris remained in the public relations office to work for four semesters.

"Working in the public relations office has been a defining part of my Harding experience and really a defining part of my life for the past few years," Morris said.

Morris's post-graduation plans brought her back to Saudi Arabia. She enjoyed her time there so much that she found a job as a teacher's assistant in an American International school in Jeddah which was on the coast of the Red Sea.

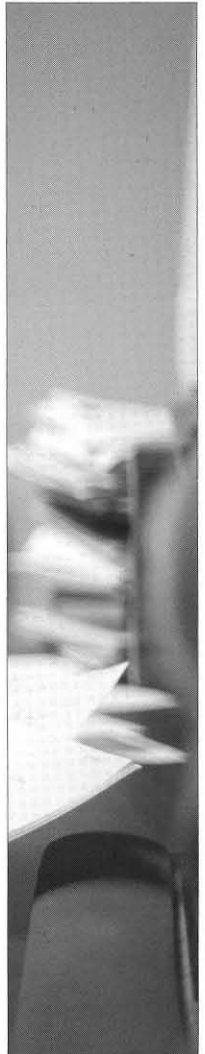
"I hope it will be as great as the one I went to when we lived in Riyadh," Morris said.

She planned to work in Jeddah for one year while also trying her hand as a freelance journalist.

"I love traveling, writing and working with kids," Morris said, "so I am incredibly excited about this opportunity and what it may lead to."

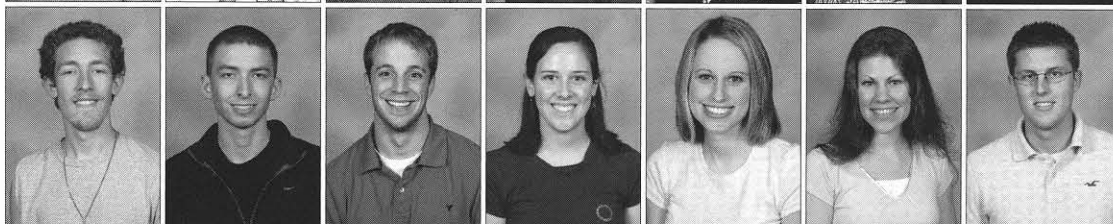
[Hannah Beall and Jennifer Harris]

Alpha Chi inductee, senior Molly Morris works diligently in Harding's public relations office on Feb. 19. Morris was inducted into Alpha Chi with the rest of the nominees Feb. 10. [Jonathan Lindsay]





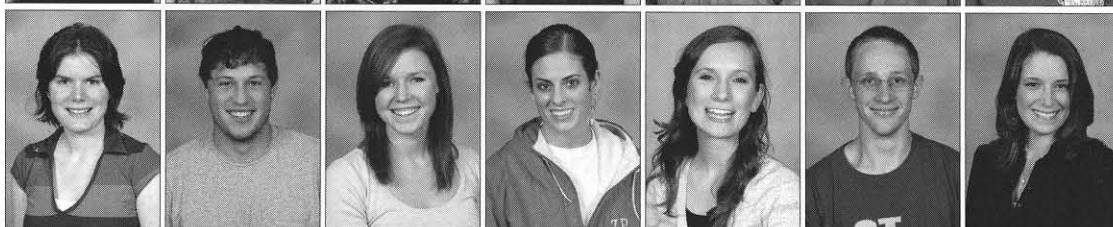
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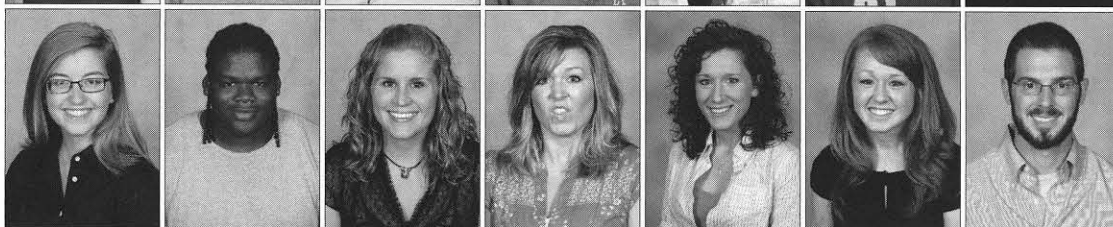
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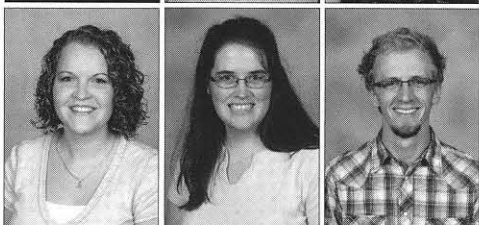
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