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## Williams Memorial Chapel Painting

The Alumni Association recently commissioned noted Missouri artist, Charles Summey, to create an oil painting of the Williams Memorial Chapel. Mr. Summey is recognized as a leading western and landscape artist, and is well known for his paintings of mountain scenes, wildlife, trains, and early Americana. His original oils and limited edition prints can be found in corporate and private collections throughout the United States.

Describing his work as a "labor of love," Mr. Summey's beautiful illustration of the chapel is set in a winter evening scene with the moon in the background and stained glass windows aglow. Limited edition prints are available for \$100. The artist will hand number and sign each unframed print. (For an additional \$20, he will add an original extra marking to your print that will make it unique from other prints.)

The 500 unframed limited edition prints will be available in July. Image size will be approximately 16" X 24". To reserve your print, please complete the information on page 8. All net proceeds will be applied to the Alumni Chapel Restoration Fund.



*Charles Summey's painting depicts the Williams Memorial Chapel aglow with warm light on a snowy winter evening.*



*Missouri Artist Charles Summey*

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## Presidents' Messages

Dear Alumnus,

Another successful academic year has come to a close at Point Lookout. Thinking back on my graduation, I can't remember who spoke or a significant thing that was said. Yet, I remember the sense of accomplishment and satisfaction that I felt, along with the anticipation of starting my teaching career. The academic program has steadily improved through the years, and our graduates are leaving with solid degrees and some with national honors.

Summer work is in full force with many projects on the slate. After finally receiving the steel, the Keeter Center construction is moving along at a pace we intend to maintain. By late summer or early



Larry Cockrum

fall, the logs will be arriving to enclose the building.

The groundbreaking for the Leonard B. Gittinger Campus Ministries Center and the Edith Gittinger Music Center took place in May. These new structures, to be built around the Thompson and Jordan Buildings, are designed to retain the character of the present buildings as well as define the main campus quadrangle.

The Chapel Restoration project is progressing steadily. Work on the new roof has been completed. Currently, the outside stone is being cleaned and restored while the old heating and air conditioning system has been demolished, and a new system is being installed. New outside lights and

sidewalks will be completed this summer.

As you will learn from a feature in this issue, Charles Summey, a nationally known artist, has created a painting of Williams Memorial Chapel. The Alumni Association is selling limited-edition, signed prints of the painting. The chapel holds a special place in all our hearts, and I trust you will want to get your print ordered without delay. The prints will make wonderful gifts, and all monies received will be allotted to the Chapel Restoration Fund.

If your summer travels bring you to the Branson area, please feel free to visit the campus and see all the progress firsthand. Remember—you are always welcome.

Sincerely,

Larry Cockrum

Alumni Association President

**Please let us hear from you! You can email your class notes or address update to the Alumni Office at [youngblo@cofo.edu](mailto:youngblo@cofo.edu) or [alumni@cofo.edu](mailto:alumni@cofo.edu). Information for articles and class notes must be submitted to the Alumni Office by August 1 to appear in the fall issue.**

**We reserve the right to edit any information submitted for publication. We appreciate the inclusion of photos with articles and class notes submitted for publication. Every effort is made to use them; however, space sometimes prohibits their use.**

Dear Alumnus,

I am sure I speak on behalf of the student body when I say we are happy for the summer break! What a semester it has been, and next semester promises to be just as productive. As the new Student Body President, I am excited about the upcoming semester and the privilege of working with Student Senate and the student body over the next year. The Senate has done a commendable job serving the students, and I look forward to continuing its mission of selfless service to the student body.

To tell you a little about myself, I am a senior from Chilhowee, Missouri, majoring in Mass Communications. I am also a ROTC cadet, and upon graduation next May will be commissioned into the U.S. Army as a 2nd Lieutenant. This summer I will attend the National Advanced Leadership Camp at Ft. Lewis,



Jennifer Howerton

Washington, and Airborne School at Ft. Benning, Georgia. I am very excited about my upcoming career in the Army!

The first major activity for Student Senate this fall semester will be Welcome Week. Welcome Week is an event to begin the semester for the entire student body. Activities will include a campus wide movie night, an evening at the skating rink, and will conclude with the "back to college" dance. Following Welcome Week, Student Senate will work hard to prepare for another successful Homecoming! This year's theme, "Mission...Past, Present, Possible!," reflects the dreams of this institution and what is going on now and will be going on in the future to fulfill those dreams. I know Student Senate is looking forward to making this year's Homecoming memorable. We will look forward to seeing you then!

God Bless,

Jennifer Howerton

Student Body President

Dear Alumnus,

Another commencement has come and gone at College of the Ozarks, and this year 285 students walked away with diplomas. There were lots of smiles, a few tears and many, many warm hearts.

Graduation was especially meaningful to me, because my youngest daughter, Sara June, also received her bachelor's degree this year. Sara June chose to go to Carson-Newman College in Tennessee, and her commencement ceremony was exactly one day before C of O's. I made it to both, but it kept me running, to say the least.

We were especially privileged to

have Mike Duncan as commencement speaker and the Reverend Bob Docherty to give the baccalaureate address this year.

Both of these men are outstanding servants of church and state alike, and our graduates and their families were fortunate to hear these fine men speak.

Summer at College of the Ozarks is always a happy time, and this year is no exception. We have several building projects underway, the campus is full of



*Jerry C. Davis*

beautiful flowers and our summer sports camps, Elderhostels, and Camp Lookout keep the cafeteria filled with smiling faces of all ages.

If your summer plans bring you to Branson, please stop by your alma mater and see what's happening. You don't have to wait until

Homecoming to visit. We'd love to see you anytime.

Sincerely,  
Jerry C. Davis, President



## Fall Major Convocation

**Former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu** will be speaking at the fall major convocation, emphasizing public service and leadership, on Thursday, October 3, 2002.

There will be a limited number of complimentary tickets available to alumni on a first-call, first-serve basis. To obtain tickets, please call Helen Youngblood, Alumni Director, at 417-334-6411 x 2203.

Dear Alumnus,

The flowers have bloomed and the sun is blazing; summer is finally here. I'm Kelley Burch, majoring in Social Work with a minor in Speech Communication from Cornish, New Hampshire. That's right, the east coast.

Many people have asked me how I first heard about Hard Work U. and you may be wondering yourself. I heard about this wonderful institution through friends who attended the school. Since coming to the College, I feel blessed to have discovered such a special treasure hidden in the Ozarks.

Our theme this past year for SAA was "Looking to the Future". As we review the accomplishments



*Kelley Burch*

that we have achieved throughout this school year, I can say with confidence that we are doing our part as a student organization to perpetuate the traditions that help to make college life a wonderful experience starting with the newcomer activities and ending with the Senior Reception.

SAA likes to think of ourselves as "unofficial cheerleaders" of C of O, and we certainly try to live up to the title through encouraging the Bobcats and Ladycats with our Secret Encouragers program, and promoting attendance of the students at games. Speaking of cheering, once again Phonathon was a huge success! We always enjoy hearing your special stories as well as receiving your thoughtful donations.

The opportunity to connect with you as alumni of our school is priceless. Thank you again for continuing to support your alma mater and the current students.

From community service projects to hosting the senior reception, SAA has been busy all year. If you did not attend Homecoming 2001, you missed out. Don't miss this year—start planning to attend on November 2 now!

It is a privilege to be serving as the 2002-03 Student Alumni Association President. I am looking forward to the many opportunities that I will have. Thank you again for your support and commitment to us as students.

May you have a blessed summer,  
Kelley A. Burch  
SAA President

# Advancement Notes

## Giving Something Back...

To all of this year's graduates, I want to congratulate you on your accomplishments and earning your college education. I'm pleased to welcome you to our association as alumni of College of the Ozarks. Take pleasure in knowing that there are many others who share the same sense of pride in having earned their college education.



Rodney Arnold '91

It is true that we all earned our way through College of the Ozarks, or for past graduates, The School of the Ozarks. Earning our way through was part of the deal and was promoted as such. However, we all should realize that our fifteen to twenty hours per week of work truly didn't pay the faculty salaries, nor the utility bills. The hours we worked indeed contributed to keeping our alma mater in operation, but the sales from the fruitcakes, the Friendship House, the airport, and even the milk sales from the dairy didn't come close to making ends meet. Eight percent of the College's annual income comes from these campus industries. It has

been the generosity of many others, including alumni, that has allowed this unique educational opportunity to continue. This generosity has allowed us to proclaim that we earned our college education.

During my time raising money for the College, I have enjoyed meeting donors who have contributed to the College and thanking those who played a part in sending me through college. I've discussed with many of them the various giving opportunities at the College. However, one thing I've noticed over the years is that most want to give where their support directly aids a student in earning his or her education. Benefactors of our alma mater truly realize how unique this educational opportunity is for youth from the Ozarks, and with this issue's article, I hope you realize it as well.

We all have fond memories of our time here at Point Lookout and take pride in knowing that it was with our own effort that we earned our way through school. The educational experience at College of the Ozarks is unique, and I hope that you realize that the hours worked on campus covered a part of the cost of your education; the remainder was made up through the generosity of others who wanted you to

have the pride in knowing you earned it. Please know that by giving something back to our alma mater you can give some other deserving student the same sense of accomplishment you have.



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## Fulbright Scholar

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will earn her a European Master's degree in Public Health. She says that the program is relatively new there, and all of her classes will be in English. Compton will also be taking culture and language classes, along with her nutrition and wellness studies. She will be leaving in July for Finland.

When asked what did she hope her acceptance of this scholarship would bring, Shelly said, "I hope that other people will more readily apply. I'm sure that there are others who are quite capable to receive this grant, and I hope that my acceptance will inspire them."

## 2002 Graduate Receives Fulbright Scholarship

By Vanessa Miles

College of the Ozarks has its first Fulbright Scholar. Shelly Compton, granddaughter of James and Mary Taylor from Republic, has been selected to receive a Fulbright grant for the academic year 2002-2003 to Kupio, Finland. This prestigious scholarship was established in 1946, at the end of World War II. For more than 50 years, the Fulbright committee has endeavored to promote a "mutual understanding between people of the United States and other countries, through the exchange of persons, knowledge, and skills."

It covers the student's travel expenses to the country, and provides them with a moderate monthly allowance for housing and board. The scholarship is for one academic year.

The United States Department of State funds the majority of the grant, with the host country often contributing financial assistance, as well as tuition waivers, university housing, and other benefits. Competitors for this grant must go through three stages of selection in order to be determined a grantee. First, there is a National Screening Committee (NSC), which reviews all the applications and makes recommendations. Next, those applications are sent to the abroad agencies of the particular country. Finally, the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board, which consists of 12 judges appointed by the President of the United States, makes the final selection. More than 50 countries now participate in this program.

Compton, who is currently employed at Commerce Bank in Springfield, has had time to consider her future career choice carefully. After graduating from high school in Harrisonville, Missouri, in 1994, she took a few years off to be a personal trainer. Always interested in nutrition and wellness programs, Shelly went with her grandmother to visit a dietitian after her grandmother had a heart attack. At that time, Shelly became more committed to pursuing a career in that area.

Ms. Compton finished her education in December of 2001 at College of the Ozarks with a Bachelor of Science degree in Dietetics. Many credit her with the beginnings of the College's first Dietetics Club. Besides her nutrition class work at the College, Shelly has previously participated in an eight-week internship for her degree in Finland at a sister school of C of O called Savonia Polytechnic. There she worked in a Finnish restaurant while completing a major paper on Finnish culture, tourism and its government.



Shelly Compton

It was during this project and other visits that she found she was well suited to the environment and the people. Jerry Shackette, a college professor who has traveled to Holland and Finland with Shelly, said, "She is an exceptional student and is very well prepared for the rigors of graduate study... She has demonstrated the adaptability needed for her proposed extended period of study."

Compton's college professors and the administrative staff at the College have been excited and supportive in this process of her application for the Fulbright scholarship. Now that she has been selected as a grantee, everyone has joined in the excitement and celebration. Ms. Compton is the first student from the College to have received this incredible honor. Jerry C. Davis, College President, said, "This is a tremendous reflection on Shelly, as well as the academic program of the College."

Also, many of Shelly's mentors from the College have sent in letters of recommendation and completed various evaluation forms that praise her determination, integrity, and ability to pursue such an intense study. Courtney Furman, Chairman of the Campus Evaluation Committee for Shelly's application, said, "She's an outstanding representative of our country and work college. Independent yet gracious, bright and resourceful...She will model the kind of sensitivity that we Americans need to evidence during these troubling times as we interact with other countries."

Suzanne Martin, former chair of the Division of Human and Social Sciences and one of Shelly's close mentors, wrote of her, "She is a very deserving woman; she worked hard during her undergraduate years to become a scholar, a liberally-educated person, and yet she took the time to make contributions to the college and city communities...She is adventurous, inquisitive, hard-working, interested in the goodness and wellness of all, and always portrays the Christian way of life."

Compton said she has undertaken this further project in order to address the growing concern of health issues that Americans face. It is her hope that the generally healthier lifestyle the Finnish pursue will provide her with knowledge and insight to bring back to her own country. On her exchange, she will be studying at the Department of Public Health and General Practice of the University of Kuopio. Ms. Compton will be enrolled in a two-year program that

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## AWARDS PROGRAM College of the Ozarks Alumni Association

The purpose of our awards program is to recognize outstanding achievements of alumni, faculty and friends and to encourage interest in College of the Ozarks. The awards program for the Alumni Association is to broaden the scope of the Alumni Association's program to include faculty, friends, and students, in addition to Alumni.


### Categories and Eligibility:

1. **Meritorious Alumni Award for Distinguished Achievements**—College of the Ozarks Alumni
2. **Distinguished Community Service Award**—College of the Ozarks Alumni
3. **Distinguished Young Alumni Award**—any College of the Ozarks alumnus who has graduated less than twenty years ago and is not older than forty-five
4. **Award for Distinguished Service to College of the Ozarks**—faculty, staff, and administration, friends or any other worthy individual

### Guidelines:

1. The nominee must be living at the time of notification of the Award selection and be present, if possible, at Homecoming to accept the award.
2. Nominees must show current and continued interest in College of the Ozarks.
3. Nominees must complete an official nomination form listing dates and achievements.

Selection of awardees is determined by the Honors and Awards Committee, appointed by the President of the Association every two years. The Honors and Awards report of selections is approved by the Alumni Council before awards are published. Nominees' files are kept active for two years following nomination.

<h3>NOMINATION FORM</h3>		<p><b>Nominate your candidate for the 2003 Distinguished Alumni Awards</b>  <b>Deadline: March 1, 2003</b></p> 
Nominee _____		
Address _____		
City _____	State _____	Zip _____
Category _____		
Service and qualification for this award (use additional paper if needed) _____		
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Submitted by _____		<p><b>Return this form by the deadline date to:</b>          Alumni Office          Attention: Honor and Awards Chairman          College of the Ozarks          P.O. Box 17          Point Lookout, MO 65726</p>
Address _____		
City _____	State _____	

## Spring Rain Gives Bloom to Two New Buildings



Mrs. Gittinger, Dr. Gittinger, and President Davis break ground for the new ministries and music centers given by the Gittingers.

Despite threatening rain, College of the Ozarks was pleased to break ground on May 15, 2002, for the re-designing and restoration of two buildings on the C of O campus, one for music and the other devoted to campus ministries. These buildings will be made possible through the generosity of Dr. Leonard Gittinger and his wife, Edith.

One of the new buildings will be the Leonard B. Gittinger Campus Ministries Center, which will be

built around the present Thompson Building. The building will contain offices, a missions development center, a circular prayer chapel, and a student center.

The second building will be the Edith Gittinger Music Center. The current Jordan Music Building is 8,000 sq. feet, and the proposed building will cover 20,000 sq. ft. There will also be a recital hall and well-insulated classrooms.

Faculty, staff, students, and administrators are all thrilled with the Gittinger's gift. "This will help the department be able to reach the level of sophistication it is striving for," said Jeff Brummel, junior music major and Chapel Organist from Springfield, Oregon. "It will greatly motivate students to work harder, because we will now have up-to-date equipment and facilities."

The Edith Gittinger Music Center and the Leonard B. Gittinger Campus Ministries Center were de-



Dr. and Mrs. Gittinger pose with the architect's rendering of the buildings.

signed to retain the character of the present Jordan and Thompson Buildings, with construction around the original entryways. The architectural firm, Butler, Rosenbury, and Partners of Springfield, took pedestrian traffic into consideration as well as circulation. The new buildings are also designed to attempt to tie together the main campus quadrangle.



# Past Present

# MISSION: POSSIBLE!

## HOMECOMING

NOVEMBER 2, 2002

# Professors Honored for Professional Excellence



**Dr. Eric Bolger**, Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religion, was honored May 12, 2002, with the Dr. Mildred Letton Wittick Professional Achievement Award. Dr. Bolger came to C of O in 1992 as Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Religion. He served as the chair of the general education committee from 1994-1999. During

this time, the committee developed and implemented a revised general education program for the college. From 1999 to January of 2001, Dr. Bolger served as the self-study coordinator, a position that involved the oversight of a two-year process of self-evaluation by the College for the purpose of accreditation and the writing of a required self-study report for the North Central Association. For the past year and a half, he has been the chair of the Strategic Planning Committee. This group of C of O faculty and staff is charged with helping the College develop a long-term strategic plan.

Dr. Bolger has also recently completed a second doctoral degree. His dissertation titled "Journey Into Intercession" was approved in April, and he will graduate in June with the Doctor of Worship Studies degree from the Institute for Worship Studies, Florida Campus. He has served for six and a half years as the worship leader of Harvest Evangelical Free Church in Branson, where he also performs a variety of pastoral duties including occasional preaching. He also serves on the board of the Silver Dollar City Foundation, the non-profit arm of the Silver Dollar City corporation. The foundation is committed to helping the families of Stone and Taney counties by providing grant monies to helping organizations, and through a variety of locally-developed programs.

When asked to make a statement about the award he received, he stated, "I am extremely honored to be selected for the award, and I thank the College for giving me the opportunities it has to grow professionally and to provide leadership."

**Dr. Dana M. (Chism) McMahon**, Director of Teacher Education, was honored May 12, 2002, with the Eugene Charles Wittick Teaching Excellence Award. Dr. McMahon came to College of the Ozarks in 1992 as an Assistant Professor of Education. During her time at C of O, Dr. McMahon has taught a variety of education



classes and was named Director of Education in 1998. As Director of Teacher Education, Dr. McMahon is responsible for many duties, a few of which include chairing the Teacher Education Committee, placement of students for field and clinical experiences, Certification Officer, reviewing existing programs for DESE approval, and the writing of new programs for DESE approval (her Early Childhood program was recently approved).

In 1968, Dr. McMahon received her B.S. in elementary education with an emphasis in English and Language Arts. Later, in 1973, she earned an M.S. in Reading Specialist K-12, and obtained an Ed.D. in 1995 in Higher Education: Curriculum and Instruction. Dr. McMahon has taught mostly in Missouri, but has also taught also in four other states, and two years in Atsugi, Japan. When asked to make a statement about receiving the award she stated, "I was totally surprised! It was a great honor to be recognized as someone who has excelled in the teaching profession."

## Williams Memorial Chapel Limited Edition Prints Order Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Print \$100  Shipping \$10  Special artist's marking \$20

Total amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## W. B. Baker: Actor, Educator, Author

Information provided by Kimberlea Rauzi, Publicist;  
Arranged by Jennifer Moore-Tanner '02

W. B. "Buck" Baker '78 is a highly accomplished alumnus. After graduating from The School of the Ozarks with honors, he attended the University of Hawaii on Oahu where he was a graduate assistant. As a distinguished Rotary Foundation International Graduate Fellow, Buck relocated to Great Britain, where he received his postgraduate diploma in theatre studies from the University of Wales in Cardiff. He then continued his education at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art in London. Returning to the United States, Dr. Baker served as a professor and later director of theatre at Avila College in Kansas City for fourteen years. While at Avila, Dr. Baker was twice honored as professor of the year and earned a research doctorate in theatre.

Over the years, Buck has made a name for himself in theatre, television, and publications. He has directed, produced, and performed on stages in England, France, and Wales and has appeared in films and mini-series of major American television networks and film production companies.



Baker

Dr. Baker is the author of *Celtic Mythological Influences on American Theatre*, a graduate level reference volume; *The Director's Handbook*, a university textbook; and various other periodical contributions. His most recent works include a collection of poetry, *A Solitary Frost*, and a novel, *The Orphans of Carmarthen*. Xlibris/Random House's review of *A Solitary Frost* states: "With masterful ease, each succeeding composition sweeps the reader into an exhilaration of ascending and descending emotional environments..." Dr. Daniel Larson, Vice President for Academic Affairs at St. Charles County Community College, states, "Throughout this slender yet profound volume of verse, (Baker) presents shimmering vignettes of heroic and mundane motifs, transmogrified by the lyrical language of bard and poet."

The Alumni Office and Alumni Association are proud to recognize Dr. Baker and his impressive professional accomplishments, since departing Hard Work U.

### Williams Memorial Chapel Restoration Alumni Four-Year Campaign

**Our goal is \$2,000,000!**

To reach this goal we need the following...

• 25 Chapel Sponsors at \$10,000 (\$208.33/month) in four years	\$250,000
• 50 Chapel Founders at \$5,000 (\$104.16/month) in four years	250,000
• 700 Chapel Patron/Benefactors at \$1,000 in four years (\$20.83/month)	700,000
• 2,000 Chapel Forsythe Fellows at \$100 each year (\$8.33/month)	800,000

This is possible with your help—what can you give? We need your commitment and pledge to make this, our greatest ever, campaign successful! All gifts may be given online at [cofo.edu](http://cofo.edu) (Go to Gift Programs on the Alumni Association webpage.)

### Yes, I will help! This is my pledge:

- Chapel Forsythe Fellow – \$100 per year
- Chapel Benefactor \$1,000 within the next 4 years
- Chapel Founder \$5,000 within the next 4 years
- Chapel Patron – \$250 per year
- Chapel Sponsor \$10,000 within the next 4 years
- Enclosed is my first gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_ towards my pledge.
- Please send me a reminder each year of my pledge.
- I want to give my gift monthly—enclosed is my first month's gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

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Memory  Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Please notify \_\_\_\_\_

## *Senior Reception 2002*

Graduating seniors were honored at the fifth annual Senior Reception on May 9, 2002, by the Student Alumni Association and the Alumni Association. Several alumni, administration, faculty, and staff members were on hand to congratulate the graduates in attendance.



## 2002-2003 Alumni Scholarship Recipients



Laura Hart, Jr.  
Lebanon, MO  
Pre-Med



Rebekah Fuentes, Jr.  
Austin, TX  
Fam. & Consumer Sci.



Kelley Burch, Sr.  
Cornish, NH  
Social Work



Emiley Sipes, Jr.  
Billings, MO  
Theatre



Stephanie Wheeler, Jr.  
Kennett, MO  
Accounting



Mindy Pentecost, Sr.  
Springfield, MO  
Fam. & Consumer Sci.



Amanda Robbins, Jr.  
Edgar Springs, MO  
Phys. Ed./Secondary Ed.



Nicholas Rice, Sr.  
Grandin, MO  
Business Administration



Andrea George, Jr.  
Oregon, MO  
Mass Communications



Ashley Reaves, Jr.  
Willow Springs, MO  
Fam. & Consumer Sci.



Becky Brueggen, Jr.  
Bowling Green, MO  
Elementary Education



Jenny Mitchum, Sr.  
Ozark, MO  
Elementary Education



Travis Hart, Sr.  
Lebanon, MO  
Marketing



Cheryl Goding, Jr.  
Dadeville, MO  
Agriculture



Audrey Owens, Jr.  
Willow Springs, MO  
Elementary Education



Tiffany Nalley, Sr.  
Chadwick, MO  
Physical Education



Amy Evans, Jr.  
Stoutland, MO  
Pre-Medicine

## *Plateaus of Giving*

### **FORSYTHE FELLOWS SOCIETY**

A gift of \$100, or the accumulation of \$100 within a year, qualifies one as a Forsythe Fellow Society member.

### **PATRON SOCIETY**

A gift of \$250, or the accumulation of \$250 in one year, qualifies one as a Patron Society member. A one-time plaque will be presented at the annual meeting of the Alumni Association the year the gift is given.

### **BENEFACTOR SOCIETY**

A gift of \$1,000 or the accumulation of \$1,000 given in four years, qualifies one as a member of the Benefactor Society. A one-time plaque will be presented at the annual meeting of the Alumni Association the year the gift is given or completed.

### **FOUNDER SOCIETY**

A gift of \$5,000 or the accumulation of \$5,000 given in four years, qualifies one as a member of the Founder Society. A one-time plaque will be presented at the annual meeting of the Alumni Association the year the gift is given or completed.

### **SPONSOR SOCIETY**

A gift of \$10,000 or above, or the accumulation of \$10,000 given in four years, qualifies one as a member of the Sponsor Society. A one-time plaque will be presented at the annual meeting of the Alumni Association the year the gift is given or completed.

## **College of the Ozarks Alumni Association**

Alumni Funds as of March 31, 2002

### **Alumni Chapel Restoration Fund**

Balance 1/1/02	\$206,511.91
Interest & Contributions 1/1/02 to 3/31/02	<u>20,145.08</u>
Alumni Contribution Balance 3/31/02	226,656.99
C of O Matching Gift (50% of donations as of 3/31/02)	113,328.49
Expenses 1/1/02 to 3/31/02	<u>(41,941.31)</u>
Fund Balance 3/31/02	\$298,044.17

### **Alumni Friendship House Renovation**

Balance 1/1/02	\$551,236.95
Interest & Contributions 1/1/02 to 3/31/02	1,329.68
Expenses 3/31/02	<u>(0.00)</u>
Total Fund 3/31/02	\$552,566.63

### **The Alumni Endowment Maintenance Fund**

Balance 1/1/02	\$927,436.16
Interest & Contributions 1/1/02 to 3/31/02	<u>6,955.77</u>
Total Fund 3/31/02	\$934,391.93

### **Alumni Scholarship Fund**

Balance 1/1/02	\$317,961.22
Interest & Contributions 1/1/02 to 3/31/02	<u>14,885.41</u>
Total Fund 3/31/02	\$317,961.22

### **J. Hugh & Martha Wise Alumni Scholarship Fund**

Total Fund 3/31/02	\$69,010.95
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### **Winfrey Alumni Scholarship Fund**

Total Fund 3/31/02	38,146.15
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### **Curtis Memorial Alumni Scholarship Fund**

Total Fund 3/31/02	\$5,282.26
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### **Don Schofield Alumni Scholarship Fund**

Total Fund 3/31/02	\$103,009.22
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### **Ridinger Brothers Alumni Scholarship Fund**

Total Fund 3/31/02	\$10,380.10
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### **Virginia Gillespie Lucas Scholarship Fund**

Total Fund 3/31/02	\$50,000.00
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(All undesignated alumni gifts received are credited to the Chapel Restoration Fund.)

## Class Notes

### 40's

**Doris (Smith) Hester '49** has moved to California. She sends thanks to all of her classmates for their prayers and concern during her husband's illness. Doris hopes to see everyone from the class of 1949 for their 55th reunion in 2004. Doris can now be reached at 24133 Albers St, Woodland Hills, CA 91367 or (818) 703-8025.

### 50's

**Nola (Marsh) Stewart '54** is now a semi-retired CNA, working with an agency caring for mostly Alzheimer's patients. She would love to hear from her former classmates. She can be reached at 5631 Tidewater Dr. Apt 4-M, Norfolk, VA 23509; 757-855-4234.

### 60's

**Patsy J. (Murphy) Shepherd '60** can be reached at 169 Shelton Lane, Hardin, KY 42048, (270) 354-6426 or patsyJ@apex.net.

**Rose M. (Murphy) Smith '60** can be reached at 367 Spice Lane, Benton, KY 4202, roses@apex.net, or (270) 354-9654.

**Betty Jean (Hollon) Reinwald '62** and her husband Lyndon live at 11562 SW Dallas Drive North, Lake Suzy, FL 34269-8994, (941) 613-3827, or breinwald@comcast.net.

**Crystal (Siebel) Buchanan '65 HS** live at 108 Tansy Lane, Knoxville, TN 37918; email c\_buchanan@msn.com.

### 70's

**Ruth Ann (Forward) Smith '71** and her husband Lynn have a new address: 20787 L Drive South, Homer, MI 49245, (517) 568-4091, or rasmith@dmci.net.

**Billie L. Hensley '72** and his wife Lillian have moved to 11074 Golden Pond, El Paso, TX 79934, (915) 822-2718, or bhensley@elp.rr.com.

**Warren Eugene Hart '73** has been promoted to GS-11 in the United States Civil Service and returned to

Cheyenne, Wyoming, from Great Falls, Montana, in March of 2001. He is working as a Policy Procurement Analyst in the F. E. Warren AFB Contracting Squadron. Warren and his wife Mary live at 405 East 6th Street, Cheyenne, WY 82007; 307-775-9443; hartshome3@attbi.com

**Tjan Joeng Lie '73** lives in Indonesia. His address is Kompleks Perumahan S. T. S. Block B, No: 53, Sunter Agung Jakarata-Utara, Indonesia 14350.

**Debbie Hargis '74** has a new address at 545 North Somerset Terrace, Apt 11, Olathe, KS 66062; (816) 547-5339; debbiehargis@excite.com.

**Jack and Susan (Green) Jones '75** adopted a 15-year-old daughter, Amanda Marie, on December 21, 2002. They can be contacted at 8920 N. Browns Station Dr., Columbia, MO 65202 or 573-474-0806.

**Joyce Ann (Bell) Bealer '77** has lived in the UAE for the past two and a half years with her husband Andrew and family. They returned to the states in April for a six-month stay and would love to hear from former classmates. Joyce and Andrew can be contacted at PO Box 1756, Branson, MO 65615; joyceb82@yahoo.com.

**James F. Hill '77** recently retired from the U. S. Army after 20 years. In January, Jim started a new position as an associate faculty member at Barton County Community College (located on the Fort Riley Campus) where he teaches U. S. Military History, American History, and Western Civilization courses. He is also adjunct faculty at Upper Iowa University (also located at Fort Riley) where he teaches Human Resources courses. His wife Colleen will celebrate 22 years as a faculty member of the Animal Science Department at Kansas State University. Jim and Colleen can be reached at 3808 Boston Circle, Manhattan, KS 66503; hilljc@oz-online.net; or hillj@barton.cc.ks.us.

**Laura (Reichard) Bledsoe '79** can be reached at 948 Austin Ct., Weatherford, TX 76086; 817-594-2008; lebledsoe@yahoo.com.

**Kent Maberry '79** is the Music Director at First Baptist Church in Ashland, Missouri, and Postmaster at Russelville, Missouri. Kent, his wife Lori, and two sons reside at 1030 Branch Road, Holt's Summit, MO 65043.

**Ron Rich '79** was promoted to captain of the Community Involvement Unit with the Junction City, Kansas, Police Department. He has been with the department since March 1980. Ron can be reached at wrich@nqks.com or (785) 762-5912.

### 80's

**Larry Schmitt '84** was inducted into the Bobcat Hall of Fame on February 9, 2002. He was a four-year letterman in baseball and basketball from 1979 to 1983. In baseball, he had a .372 career batting average and was named All-Conference his last three years and All-District his senior year. He batted .414 in 1981 and .421 in 1982. The baseball team had a 118-52 record in his four years. In basketball, Larry's career numbers included 437 points, 167 rebounds, and 94 assists. Since graduating, Larry has been very active in the Branson community and has been very influential in gaining sponsorships for the NAIA Men's Basketball National Tournament.



**Beth (Dedmon) Barker '80** and her husband Keith live in Kirbyville, Missouri. They can be contacted at 198 Orlando Road, Kirbyville, MO 65679; Bb7157@aol.com.

**Robert "Radar" Welsh '81** is living in Warrensburg, Missouri, and is the Administrator of the DWI and Breath Alcohol Instrument Training Program at Central Missouri State University. After finishing his Master's Degree, he became a staff member of the Missouri Safety Center and has remained there for the past 14 years. Robert

welcomes contacts from old friends and can be reached at PO Box 791, Warrensburg, MO 64093-0791; (660) 422-4277; bacbob@earthlink.net; or welsh@cmsu1.cmsu.edu.

**Samuel '85** and Robin Strickland have a son born 10/21/97. They can be reached at PO Box 174, Alburg, VT; 802-796-4030; or samandrobin.global.net.

**Nora Rea '86** is living in Harrison, Arkansas, once again after a brief move to New Jersey. She would love to hear from classmates or staff at geresg@hotmail.com.

**Sandy (Reavis) Williams '86** and her husband Steve have two children, Emaline (8) and Neil (5). Sandy works part-time as a graphic artist at T-Shirt Techniques in Harrison, Arkansas. She would love to hear from old friends that she has lost contact with over the years. She can be contacted at swilliam75@yahoo.com; 13214 HWY 43 S, Harrison, AR 72601; (870) 420-3330.

**Victor '88 and Jill (Hostkoetter) '87 Landers** would love to hear from SofO friends. Victor is the director of the Christian Counseling Center Inc., and an adjunct college professor. Jill is a full-time home-schooling mom and has a herd of Nigerian Dwarf Dairy goats. They can be reached at: 5431 Hwy O, Marthasville, MO 63357, (636) 433-5106, or email: cccland@yhti.net, website: www.jvj-farm.homestead.com

**Sue Lawrence '88** can be reached at 340 Viking St NE, Palm Bay, FL 32907 or slawrence@cfl.rr.com.

**Cynthia "Cinthy" Fanning '89** has been with GE Appliance Division since 1990, holding various positions. She is now a Master Black Belt for Sales and a Commercial Quality Leader. In this management role since 2000 Cinthy is responsible for the GE Customer Six Sigma Quality program for National Accounts and Field Sales. She graduated from the University of Kentucky in 1991 with a Master's Degree in Clothing and Textile Science. Cinthy was the guest speaker for a Career Convocation in January at the College of the Ozarks. Cynthia.Fanning@appl.ge.com.

## 90's

**Daniel and Diana (Blomberg) Camp '90** reports that a group of S of O/C of O alumni from the Pacific Northwest gathered for an afternoon last fall. A great time was had and plans are underway for another gathering this summer. If you are an S of O/C of O alumnus and are interested in getting together for an afternoon of food and fun, please contact Daniel and Diana at 28831 34th Ave S, Auburn, WA 98001, (253) 941-7276; or dcampx4@msn.com.

**Michael D. Postlewait '90** and his wife Kelly both teach in the Lebanon school district. Mike works with Jr. High special education, and Kelly teaches fifth grade at Boswell. Mike and Kelly enjoy spending time with their two sons and live at: 2648 Ozark Drive, Lebanon, MO 65536; mpostlewait@lebanon.k12.mo.us.

**Tonya Kay Reed '90** and her husband Joseph have three children. They own and operate a large farming operation. Tonya is a stay-at-home mom, but is also a designer in a local floral shop twice a week. She would love to hear from friends at: 33266 300 St., Breckenridge, MO 64625. 660-644-5505 or jreed@greenhills.net.

**Robert Rogers '90** is now with Great Western Dining, as the Food Service Director at Cowley College in Arkansas City, KS. He lives at 603 E 15th Ave, Winfield, KS 67156; (620)-229-8902; rogers1967@yahoo.com.

**Dr. Kenton Beard '91** was named General Manager of The Hunte Corporation headquartered in Goodman, Missouri, in April 2002. Dr. Beard is the first veterinarian to hold a senior executive position at a major pet industry distribution corporation. Kenton joined The Hunte Corporation in 1999 as a staff veterinarian and was promoted to Chief of Veterinary Staff in 2001. After Graduating CofO,



he earned a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Degree at the University of Missouri College of Veterinary Medicine. He resides with his wife and two daughters in Neosho, Missouri.

**Sheila Jeffery X'91** can be reached at 3659 S Luster Ave, Apt #6, Springfield, MO 65804; (417) 883-9675; sjeffery@pphae.com.

**Stephen and Marielle (Boekema) Hay '92** can be reached at Horseweg 69, Sneek, Friesland 8604 CK; +31 (0) 515-425429; shay@euronet.nl.

**Ester Bron '93** was an exchange student during the '92-'93 school year. She would love to hear from everyone. She can be contacted at Salentein NO 56, 8226 RV Lelystad, Netherlands.

**Dawn (Spann) Sims '93** is a stay-at-home mom of two, Kaylee (6) and Casey (2). Her husband Chris works for the Taney County Sheriff's Department as a 911 Dispatcher. They would enjoy hearing from friends. They can be reached at 1177 State Hwy FF, Taneyville, Missouri 65759; bigmamalvskids@yahoo.com.

**Perry E. Butcher '94** and his wife, Janice have four children, Jennis, Jodi, Jazmine, and Perry Douglas. Perry recently closed an 8-year-old graphic design and printing business to do project management for developments in NW Arkansas. He would love to hear from old friends. He can be reached at 16537 Ivy Lane, Rogers, AR 72756; 501-925-4270.

**Diana L. Coutts '94** is in the Jefferson City, MO, area working for the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline. She would love to hear from old classmates. She lives at 810 Wildwood Dr. Apt 18, Jefferson City, MO 65109. She can also be contacted at 573-638-3471 or by e-mail at Gringacoutts@yahoo.com.

**Richard McCoy '95** is in his 6th year of teaching at Laquey Middle School near Fort Lonard Wood. He also is very involved with his church by teaching Sunday school for the adult class. He resides at 800 E Jefferson #4, Richland, MO 65556; 573-765-4606; savedrichard@hotmail.com.

**Sean Alexander '96** and his wife Erica can be reached at 126 Waters

Edge Lane, Hendersonville, TN 37075; 615-498-9663; MrAlxndr@aol.com.

**Jeffery D. Mingus '96** lives at 521 West Park, Seymour, MO 65746; 417-935-4716; jeffmingus@hotmail.com.

**Steve Sheppard '96** is in his final year of seminary at Regent University. Contact him at 5936 Jake Sears Circle, Virginia Beach, VA 23464; 757-523-8987; stevshe@regent.edu.

**James Wynn '97** was inducted into the Bobcat Hall of Fame on February 9, 2002. He was a four-year letterman in basketball and graduated in 1996 as C of O's all-time leading rebounder with 898 career rebounds, the number two all-time leading scorer with 1834 career points, and the number four all-time assist leader with 359. He was First Team All-Conference as a junior and senior and also earned Honorable Mention All-American honors his senior year. He also helped lead the Cats to two NAIA National tournament appearances.



**Kevin and Heather (Walton) Cramer '97** thoroughly enjoy their two children, Caleb (2) and Teagan (5 months). Kevin is almost in his 5th year with Tellabs, currently employed as Technical Support for Sales. Heather is a stay-at-home mom.

**Francis Kelley '97** and his wife Jennifer enjoy spending time with their beautiful daughter, Emma Leigh (2). Francis works as a professional disc jockey. He has also started a company called, TEK Cleaning Company, which provides professional office cleaning. He is looking forward to hearing from his old classmates and friends. They live at 111 Herndon St, Nixa, MO 65714; 417-724-8643; e-mail at Kixchickens@aol.com.

**Mark '97 and Anna (Kelly) Schonkowski '97** have a beautiful little girl, Lexie (3) and also expect a son, Alexander, May 27 (maybe sooner!). Mark is now a sales manager at a dealership. They would love to hear

from classmates. They live at 9657 Wildflower Ct, Belleville, MI 48111; 734-325-2306.

**Andrew Reitz '97** is currently a Captain at Continental Express Airlines in Houston, TX, as well as a new stockbroker in the Houston area. He can be reached at 23922 Red Sky Dr., Spring, TX 77373; 281-350-5786; ERJDriver@bad-andy.net.

**Tara Yandell '97** is currently an emergency room nurse in sunny San Diego, CA. She can be reached at 6522 Ambrosia, San Diego, CA 92124; 619-917-0650.

**Jeret Smith '98** is currently residing in Salem, IL. He is employed by Country Insurance and Financial Services. He and his wife, Lynn, have two children ages 7 and 2. He lives at 6441 Bailey Rd, Salem, IL 62881; 618-548-3289; jeretlynn@onemain.com.

**Tommy McMillian '99** has just been named the new head Women's Basketball and Volleyball Coach at Central Baptist College in Conway, AR. He would like to hear from old classmates and friends. He lives at 860 Salem Rd #6011, Conway, AR 72034; 501-327-5932; tmcmillian@cbc.edu.

## 00's

**Rachel Monteil '00** loves teaching 3rd grade in Green Forest, AR. She is working on getting her Masters in Education and her ESL certification. She can be reached at 2104 Cypress #8, Harrison, AR 72601; 870-741-7080; rachelmonteil@yahoo.com.

**Scott and Charlotte (Emery) Smith '00** miss being at C of O but both really enjoy their jobs. Scott is currently employed as a regional sales manager (aviation) for GARMIN, which is a leader in the GPS (Global Positioning System) industry. Charlotte is working for Arthur Andersen as a staff auditor, but will shortly be transferring to the tax department. Their address is: 15840 S Bradley Drive, Olathe, KS 66062; 913-780-2580; charlotte.t.smith@us.ander-sen.com or scott.smith@garmin.com.

**Christina Rose Brown '01** has moved back to California. She now teaches

third, fourth, and fifth grades at Lakeport Christian Center Schools. She would love to hear from old friends and classmates at: 622 Martin St. #4, Lakeport, CA 95453; 707-262-1544; c\_rose\_b@hotmail.com.

**Tricia Coatney '02** is living in St. Louis, currently working at Edward Jones, and is gearing up for graduate school. She will be taking classes at St. Louis University in the fall, and will be working towards getting her Master's Degree in Counseling with an emphasis in Marriage and Family Therapy. She can be reached at 399-N Autumn Creek Dr., Manchester, MO 63088; onehappygirl1980@aol.com.

## Marriages

**Beverly (Higgs) '96** and Elbert Porter Jr. were married on February 16, 2002, and would love to hear from friends. They can be contacted at: 201 E. Cleveland, Malden, MO 63863, or (573) 276-3124.

**Marcella (Davenport) '96** and Chris Swatosh were married on July 8, 2000. They are also proud to announce the birth of their first child, Reagan Gean, on July 10, 2001. Marcella would love to hear from old classmates. Their address is: Rt. 6 Box 6108, Ava, MO 65608, 417-683-5173; email cella1g@yahoo.com.

**April (Helms) '01 and Mike Mulnik '00** were married at Williams Memorial Chapel on June 30, 2001. They now live near St. Louis where Mike works at Midcoast Aviation in Cahokia, Illinois. April is a full-time substitute teacher at an elementary school. They reside at 1617D Baronet Dr., Manchester, MO 63021, 636-825-6640; email aprilmulnik@msn.com.

**Amy (Seidel) '01** married **Jason Frazier '00**. They can be reached at 1333 N Marion Ave, Springfield, MO 65802; 417-831-3704; amynoelfrazier@hotmail.com.

**Serena (Stephens) '01 and Josh Murphy '01** were married on August 4, 2001. After Josh finished his last semester, they moved to Columbia, where he has taken a position with Travelodge as a guest services manager, training to be a general manager.

er. Serena has taken a position with Daybreak, a dual-diagnosis center, where she is working as a counselor's assistant. Josh and Serena can be contacted at 2306 Whitegate Dr. Apt #3H, Columbia, MO 65202 or (573) 474-8723.

## Births

**Vicky L. (Wallace) '85** and Bo O'Neil announce the birth of their son, Hunter Bo, on August 24, 2001. He was welcomed home by his big sister, Linsey Blair (8). The O'Neils can be contacted at 20315 Stagecoach Rd, Waynesville, MO 65583, or email: bohawk@hotmail.com.

**Jill (Hostkoetter) '87 and Victor W. Landers '88** announce the arrival of Victor Elijah Landers, born on October 30, 2001. He was welcomed by his brothers Jacob and Samuel. They can be reached at: 5431 Hwy O, Marthasville, MO 63357, (636)433-5106, or email: cccland@yhti.net

**Gary '92 and Trixie (Counts) '91 Braden** announce the birth of their second daughter, Madison Leigh. Born on February 1, 2002, she is the sister of Abigail Renee Braden. The Bradens can be reached at 13183 Lawrence 1125, Mt. Vernon, MO 65712, or email: Braden145@cs.com

**Charles '92 and Pamela Wood** announce the arrival of their third boy, Zachary Taylor, born on March 11, 2002. The Wood family can be reached at 2833 Holt Woods Rd, Galeana, MO 65656, or at (417) 357-8302.

**Melinda (Allen) '93 and Rick Rathbun** announce the birth of their daughter, Julia May on October 18, 2001. They have recently moved to a new home at #3 Magnolia Drive, Salem, MO 65560, and would love to hear from friends. Email them at melric2002@yahoo.com.

**Dale '94 and Cindy (White) '94 Hemann** with their children Lindsay and Emily announce the new addition to their family. Whitney Faith Hemann

was born April 4, 2002, weighing 8 lbs. and 6 oz., 20 inches.

**Chris '95 and Kim Hammen** announce the birth of their baby boy, Chet Allen, born on October 12, 2001. He was welcomed home by his brothers Clay (8), Cole (6), Cale (5), Cade (4), and Chad (1). The Hammen family can be reached at 1067 Swinging Bridge Rd, Crane, MO 65633, or at (417) 723-5394.

**Cory '95 and Billie '96 (Phillips) Martin** announce the birth of their twin sons, Ian Anthony and Trevor Wyatt. They were born on January 20, 2002, and were welcomed home by their brother, Derek (2). Cory and Billie have a new address, and can be contacted at 1503 E. 12th, Winfield, KS 67156, or email: cbmartin@hit.net

**Erica (Evans) '96** and Chad Gilmore announce the birth of their first child Gage Allen, born June 12, 2001. They may be reached at 575 S. Ellsworth, Marshall, MO 65340.

**Michelle (Nothnagel) '96** and Christopher Fischer announce the birth of their daughter, Alexis Arizona, on February 8, 2002. She was welcomed by big brother Caleb (2). They can be reached at 5404 Scherr Dr, Jefferson City, MO 65109.

**Todd '96 and Sheila (Whittaker) '96 Sigler** announce the birth of their daughter Haley Brooke, born in May 2000. They would love to hear from classmates. Todd is a Cessna Air Safety Investigator and Sheila is a stay-at-home mom. They can be reached at: 5731 Denise St, Wichita, KS 67220, (316) 744-3048, or email: sigler7@earthlink.net

**Cody '97 and Kelly (Allen) '97 Manning** announce the birth of their son Quinn Manning, born on February 21, 2001. They would like to hear from classmates. They can be reached at 303 Clay St., Albany, MO 64402, or at (660) 726-5876.

**Eric '98 and Carrie (Barnhouse) Wright '97** announce the birth of their daughter Emma Alyssa, born March 27, 2001. They live at 18804 W. 160th Ter, Olathe, KS 66062, or email: redewright@yahoo.com

**Mike '97 and Jessie (Jones) '00 Anderson** announce the birth of their son Matthew James on October 1, 2001. They live on a poultry and beef farm near Fayetteville, AR. and can be reached at 10835 Illinois Chapel Rd, Prairie Grove, AR 72753, or at (479) 846-4560.

**David '97 and Miranda (Windle) '99 Paladino** announce the birth of their son Ethan David Paladino. Ethan was born on December 21, 2001. The Paladino family lives at 917 W. Birch, Nixa, MO 65714, or email: dpaladino@aol.com or mpaladino@aol.com

**Mike '98 and Glenna (Neal) Miller '00** had twin daughters, Hanna and Taylor Miller on July 11, 2001. Mike is currently with Division of Family Services in Branson. Glenna is currently with College of the Ozarks as a work supervisor. They can be reached at 109 Tolberthill Rd, Spokane, MO 65754, or at (417) 443-0309.

## Deaths

**Wilma Ellison Pinkley '30**, April 14, 2002

**Alice Lewallen Epps '31**, April 23, 2002

**Audrey Johnson Howard '33**, May, 2002

**Betty Simkins Dobson '36**, April 14, 2002

**Margaret Grindstaff Preis '36**, February 22, 2002

**Beatrice Johnson Martin '37**, February 12, 2002

**Lucille Peters '39**, February 9, 2002

**Amos Collins '45**, October 27, 2001

**Robert Alan Neff '51**, February 9, 2002

**Donna McFarlen '86**, March 4, 2002

Email your class notes or address update to the Alumni Office at [youngblo@cofo.edu](mailto:youngblo@cofo.edu) or [alumni@cofo.edu](mailto:alumni@cofo.edu). Articles and class notes must be submitted by August 1 to appear in the fall issue. We reserve the right to edit information submitted for publication. We appreciate the inclusion of photos with articles and class notes; however, space sometimes prohibits their use.

## Tribute Giving

### In Memory of:

Vernie Bartlett from Marjorie (Kiddoo) Bartlett  
 Barbara Baxley from Anonymous  
 Ralph Blevins, Jr. from Marjourie (Hubert) Parish  
 Mr. and Mrs. James F. Chalmers from Anonymous  
 Dr. M Graham Clark from Myrna (Eggensperger) Roof  
 Helen Cobb from Jack Cobb  
 Virgil Cordes from J. Hugh and Martha Wise  
 Ann Coxsey from Jack and Jackie (Jackson) Reeves  
 Dan Davis from Jeff and Tamara (Shockey) Schneider  
 Olen DePew from Eugene and Helen (DePew) Youngblood  
 Betty Jane (Simkins) Dobson from J. Hugh and Martha Wise  
 Carol (Tilley) Esmay from Burke Tilley  
 Sandra J. Forrester from Shirley (Johnson) Wilkie  
 Ida Francois from J. Hugh and Martha Wise  
 Betty (Metz) Galloway from Marshall Galloway  
 Rayetta Gibson from Bettye (Mock) Bracewell  
 Lyta Davis Good from June (Keener) Moore  
 Dr. R. M. Good from Etta (Brown) Henbest  
 Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Hays from Elaine (Hays) Cleland  
 Marlan D. Hester from Doris (Smith) Hester  
 Emma Holthaus from J. Hugh and Martha Wise  
 Bonnie Jones from Clint Gee  
 Joel Jordan from J. Hugh and Martha Wise  
 Joy Keener from June (Keener) Moore  
 Mr. and Mrs. Vincent E. Mahood from Patricia (Manhood) Smith  
 Audra Marchbank from Jack and Jackie (Jackson) Reeves  
 Leonard and Cozette McElroy from Deanna (McElroy) Felts  
 Robert Alan Neff from Ernest and Reba (Morris) Allred  
 Dr. Alice Nightingale from Roger and Connie (Stanley) Sanders

Garland Owens from Doris (Sitzes) Hughey  
 Harold Payne from Linda (Payne) Tremain  
 Jean (Sitzes) Pretto from Doris (Sitzes) Hughey  
 Roger W. Raper from Wanda (Orr) McCann  
 Dorothy (Ross) Reeves from Doris (Sitzes) Hughey  
 Russell Reeves from Jack and Jackie (Jackson) Reeves  
 John W. Rosenberger from Virginia Rosenberger  
 Mona Shipman from Mark and Joetta (Rowlison) Glidewell  
 Arthur Shopp from William Shopp  
 Bryan K. Silvey from Michael Murphy, Eugene and Helen (DePew) Youngblood  
 Delphia "Dillie" Simkins from Ray Simkins  
 Hugh Daniel Smith from Helen (Jones) Christian  
 Modene (Jones) Smith from Helen (Jones) Christian  
 Marie Tilley from Burke Tilley  
 Miss Nan Wilson from Doris (Sitzes) Hughey  
 John E. Womack from Susan Williams

### In Honor of:

Loraine Garner from Misha Hammond  
 Dr. John Goodwin from Clint Gee  
 Lowell and Marge Hanschu from Dan and Beth (Shell) Hanschu  
 Marva Lee Klotz from Jeff and Tamara (Shockey) Schneider  
 Evertt L. Nordin from Mabel Bentley  
 James and Geneva Owen from Jeff and Tamara (Shockey) Schneider  
 Jack and Jackie Reeves' Parents from Jack and Jackie (Jackson) Reeves  
 Eula Mae (Shelton) Shipman from Paul Shipman  
 John and Gwen Shell from Dan and Beth (Shell) Hanschu  
 Mr. and Mrs. J. Hugh Wise from Misha Hammond  
 Frank Young from Louise Murphy

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## Chapter News

### Springfield Area Alumni Chapter

Submitted by Sheila Henson, Secretary

The Springfield Area Alumni Chapter held their semi-annual meeting on Monday, February 25, 2002, at the Heritage Cafeteria. June Meyer gave the treasurer's report, and the minutes from the last meeting were passed. The chapter recognized the presence of Stephen Miller '01 who is now working for the Navy recruitment office in Springfield. J D Nave, J. Hugh Wise, Gussie Redfearn, and Richard Miller all gave reports from the Alumni and Executive Council meetings, as well as items of interest from the campus. The Chapter announced that it has committed to a \$1,000 contribution, within 4 years, to the Chapel Restoration Fund. They also announced that the next meeting will be at 5:00 pm on August 24, 2002. Eleanor and Bill Howell have invited the entire chapter to their home for a potluck dinner and meeting. All are welcome to attend and asked to bring a covered dish.

### Texas Alumni Chapter Forms

Will you join?

College of the Ozarks is represented in every major city in Texas making the alliance of C of O alumni enormous. More than 300 former College of the Ozarks students living and working in Texas represent several major industries and a diverse field of vocations. A network this size will benefit current and former students as well as faculty and staff.

The importance of networking is tremendous to current students. For example, a lawyer may have an internship opportunity for a student while a software engineer may be looking to hire a recent graduate.

Conversely, faculty and staff can utilize the chapter for valuable educational materials, real life examples of success, and as a resource for graduates and those searching for internships.

For those living in Texas, please consider joining the College of the Ozarks Texas Alumni Chapter even



*The James Family*

if you are unable to attend the meetings. Each C of O/ S of O graduate is a precious resource to current students, former students, and faculty!

Joseph ('99) and Suzanne (Midgette) James ('98) are hosting the first meeting at their home near Denton. Dinner will begin at 6 pm on Friday, August 9 immediately followed by the chapter meeting. Officers will be nominated and elected at the meeting.

If you are a current student or alum and would like to become a member of the Texas Chapter or if you need directions to the August meeting, please contact Joseph or Suzanne James at (940) 365-1328 or [suzanneintexas@hotmail.com](mailto:suzanneintexas@hotmail.com).

## Forsythe Fellows Honored

**Right:** Over 100 alumni were present for the fifth annual Forsythe Fellows Luncheon on May 2, 2002, in Youngman Agricultural Center.



**Left:** Former association president, J. Hugh Wise '36, introduced his friend, Charles Summey, to the alumni.

**EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

<b>President</b>	Larry Cockrum '73	P.O. Box 231	Point Lookout, MO	65726-0567
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**Nominating Committee**

Ruth (Cheek) Raley '51 . . . . . '03
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