

COLLEGE of the OZARKS[®]

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Howell W. Keeter Gymnasium Point Lookout, Missouri May 11, 2024 • 10:00 a.m.



CHRIS BOYETT RETIRED PEPSICO EXECUTIVE

Chris Boyett is a 1986 graduate of College of the Ozarks and spent over three decades in the consumable packaged goods industry, retiring from PepsiCo and the corporate world in May 2022. Chris spent 24 years with PepsiCo in a variety of executive roles, including leading PepsiCo's DSD Beverage business at Walmart for nine years and PepsiCo's total Beverage business at Costco for three years. Prior to that, Chris held a variety of marketing and sales leadership roles within PepsiCo. Chris was awarded the Walmart Team Legacy Award in 2014, the PepsiCo Chairman's Award in 2015, and the True North Award in 2018. He is also a former Ring of Honor winner and a Rules of the Road Role model winner. He was widely recognized as a teacher, coach, and developer of talent at PepsiCo and in the Rogers, AR office. Prior to PepsiCo, Chris spent five years in Brand Management with Hershey Foods and three years with Kraft and Del Monte. After graduating from C of O, Chris began his career at Baird, Kurtz, and Dobson in Springfield, Missouri, before earning

his MBA at Texas Christian University's Neeley School of Business.

Chris and Shelly (Henderson) Boyett have been married for 36 years and currently live in Cave Springs, Arkansas. They cherish their three children, two daughters-in-law, and four grandchildren. Chris has been active in the local Northwest Arkansas and Southwest Missouri communities since retiring. He volunteers two half days weekly at Feed the 479 in Springdale, a Cross Church ministry. He is adjunct teaching a class this spring in C of O's Business department, after having co-taught two Big Questions classes at C of O in 2023. Previously, Chris served on the board of NWA Arkansas Athlete's Outreach and is currently a board member of Tulsa Hills Youth Ranch in Sapulpa, Oklahoma. Chris teaches the 5th-6th grade boys on Sunday at Cross Church Fayetteville, in addition to leading a small group of young married adults on Sunday evenings. His latest challenge is coaching six-year-old-little league baseball this spring!

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEENTH COMMENCEMENT

Prelude	Dr. Clara Christian Associate Professor of Music
* Academic Procession	Ozark Highlanders Pipe Band
* Presentation of Colors	C of O Military Science Department Color Guard
* The National Anthem	Members of the College of the Ozarks Chorale
* Posting of Colors	Military Science Department Color Guard
* Invocation	Olivia Janssen Summa Cum Laude, Thrive Pathway
Welcome	Dr. Brad Johnson President of the College
Special Music: "Cornerstone" by Shawn Kirchner	College of the Ozarks Chorale Dr. Nathan Cornelius, Conductor <i>Adjunct Professor of Music</i> Accompanied by Mrs. Cheryl Busch
Presentation of Speaker	President Johnson
Commencement Address: "Get Ready for the Time of Your Life"	Chris Boyett Retired PepsiCo Executive
Awards Presentation Eugene Charles Wittick Award Dr. Mildred Letton Wittick Award	Dr. Eric W. Bolger Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College
United States Army Commissioning Ceremony	BG James Schreffler Associate Professor of Military Science
Commissionee: 2LT Esther G. Schieffer, Signal Corps	Military Science Department Cadre
Honors Recognition: Ozarks Fellowship Servant Leadership Award	President Johnson
Presentation of Candidates for Baccalaureate Degrees	Dean Bolger
Conferring of Degrees Bachelor of Science in Nursing Bachelor of Science Bachelor of Arts	President Johnson
* Prayer and Benediction	Andrew Harrison Summa Cum Laude, Thrive Pathway
* Recessional and Postlude	Ozark Highlanders Pipe Band

* The audience will please stand as able

— Presenting the — College of the Ozarks Graduating Class of 2024

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Elizabeth Sophia Boldman * Nursing Branson, MO

Nicole Marie Carrubba Nursing Hollister, MO

Riley Marie Chaffee Nursing Webb City, MO

Annie Mae Cohron Nursing Farmington, MO

Susanna Grace Davis Nursing O'Fallon, MO

Lindsey Danielle Deckard Nursing Marshfield, MO

Rafe Clarence Dillard ^ Nursing Yellville, AR

Eliana Beth Gnuse ***^ Nursing Omaha, NE

(a) graduating in absentia

Graduating with honors:

- *** Summa Cum Laude
- ** Magna Cum Laude
- * Cum Laude
- ^ Thrive Pathway

Emma Grace Henry Nursing Nixa, MO

Elizabeth Rose Hoffman ** Nursing Monett, MO

Jacob Ryan Holt ^ Nursing Plato, MO

Brooke Estelle Roberts * Nursing Blue Eye, MO

Quinn Marie Roberts Nursing Eureka, MO

Fiona Victoria Schlabach Nursing Selah, WA

Emily Grace Staal * Nursing Central City, IA

Autumn Kathleen Walters Nursing DeSoto, MO

Emily Kaye Wright Nursing Ozark, MO

The THRIVE Pathway is a leadership honors program that helps College of the Ozarks students grow in leadership, character, and service. It consists of four core requirement programs and various other explore opportunities that encourage students to invest in the five-fold mission of the College as they grow in leadership, character, and service.

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Chance Taylor Pinkerton Biblical Studies Linn, MO

Michaela Atira Plumb *** English Hermann, MO

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MISSION

To provide the advantages of a Christian education for the youth of both sexes, especially those found worthy, but who are without sufficient means to procure such training.

VISION

The vision of College of the Ozarks is to develop citizens of Christlike character who are well-educated, hardworking, and patriotic.

This theme is carried out in the daily lives of students as they develop their work ethic through the College's Work Education Program. Students work 560 hours each year toward their cost of education, and the remainder is provided by generous supporters from all across America.

PILLARS

Academic: To provide a sound education, based in the liberal arts.

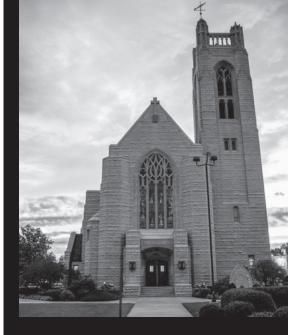
- **Vocational:** To promote a strong work ethic, encouraging the development of good character and values.
- **Christian:** To foster the Christian faith through the integration of faith with learning, living, and service.
- **Patriotic:** To encourage an understanding of American heritage, civic responsibilities, love of country, and willingness to defend it.
- **Cultural:** To cultivate an appreciation of fine arts, an understanding of the world, and adherence to high personal standards.

CORE VALUES

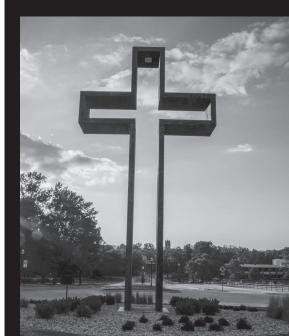
I. Steward Faithfully. God calls us to faithfully steward his gifts; therefore, we will faithfully steward the College's mission, vision, goals, and resources (people, finances, time).

II. Create Community. God calls us to grow up together into Christ; therefore, we will cultivate a community that fosters personal growth and thriving by valuing, respecting, and lovingly speaking and receiving the truth from one another.

III. Pursue Good. God calls us to be salt and light; therefore, we will influence others for good, both inside and outside the College, through selfless service, the pursuit of excellence, and living with Christlike character and integrity.



We welcome parents and friends to College of the Ozarks for today's graduation and hope you will enjoy our beautiful campus during your visit. We invite you to visit the Clint McDade Orchid Collection, The Keeter Center, Lest We Forget 9/11 Memorial, the scenic view from Point Lookout overlooking Lake Taneycomo, Patriots Park, the Scripture Garden, and "The Empty CrossTM".



LEGENDARY LEADERSHIP

Throughout its history, the College has benefited from the goodwill and generosity of many persons; however, a few individuals, in particular, have made especially significant contributions. Thanks largely to the vision of five men, C of O has progressed from its simple beginnings in 1906 to become a respected and forwardlooking institution of higher learning that has not forgotten, and will never forget, its original mission.

These men—the Reverend James F. Forsythe, Mr. L. W. Hyer, Dr. Robert M. Good, Dr. M. Graham Clark, and Dr. Jerry C. Davis—have brought C of O to where it is today. We salute them warmly at these commencement ceremonies. Their names will always be linked with the success of this institution.

The Reverend James F. Forsythe (top left) was a young missionary who founded The School of the Ozarks.

Mr. L. W. Hyer (top right) established the Hyer Trust, which continues to benefit the College.

Dr. Robert M. Good (middle left) was the longtime President who prepared The School for greater opportunities as a college.

Dr. M. Graham Clark (middle right) As President, Dr. Clark was instrumental in establishing the College program. He later served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Jerry C. Davis (bottom) As President, Dr. Davis established the K-12 School of the Ozarks Laboratory School and the College's Nursing and Engineering programs. He currently holds the title of President Emeritus.

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The academic costume worn at American college exercises today goes back in its essential features to the middle ages. The oldest universities of northern Europe, such as Paris and Oxford, grew out of church schools, and both faculty and students were regarded in the middle ages as a part of the clergy. Hence, they wore clerical garb largely borrowed from the monastic dress of their day—not merely on special occasions, but as their regular costume.

The head covering of the academic costume developed out of the skullcap worn by the clergy in cold weather to protect their tonsured heads. In the universities, this skullcap acquired a point on top, which gradually evolved into a tassel. The bonnet with tassel is still worn by degree-holders of the European universities. In this country, it has been generally replaced by the familiar mortarboard, which still retains the medieval tassel.

The hood (the medieval caputium) was originally a covering worn over the head in bad weather, and otherwise draped onto the shoulders, like the monk's cowl. At first, it was worn by faculty and students alike; however, in the early sixteenth century, it was restricted to graduates, and thus came to be the mark of a degree holder. Today, each college has its distinctively colored hood-lining, by which its graduates may be recognized in academic processions.

The gown worn today is the medieval robe and seems to have been borrowed from the habit of the Benedictine monks. In the middle ages, undergraduates, bachelors, and masters











could be distinguished by the simplicity or elaborateness of their gowns—the master's gowns were often furred—and this survives today in the ornamentation found on the doctoral gowns.

The wide velvet borders extending down the front of the doctoral gown, the velvet bars on the sleeves, and the borders of most hoods are colored according to the scholarly field of the wearer. The most usual of these follow:

WHITE Arts and Letters
DRAB Business Administration
COPPER Economics
ORANGE Engineering
BROWN
PURPLELaw
LEMON Library Science
APRICOTNursing
PINK Music
LIGHT BLUE Education
BLUE Philosophy
SAGE GREEN Physical Education
GOLD Science
SCARLET Theology