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Magazine for Alumni and Friends of Henderson State University



Henderson State University's 15th President Dr. Charles Welch



Letter from the President



Alumni and Friends,

There are amazing things happening on the Henderson campus, and I welcome every opportunity to share the good news with you. Our faculty, staff and students have been actively participating in planning and implementing changes that will make Henderson more progressive and efficient in the future. I am committed to building an even stronger university with an environment of inclusiveness and collaboration.

Enhancing our image and increasing enrollment are top priorities. We are developing and renewing partnerships with our community, public schools, community colleges, other universities and the businesses that employ our graduates. This improved connectivity will boost Henderson's enrollment and positively impact the citizens in our region.

We are celebrating the completion of two fantastic new additions to our beautiful campus, the Nursing Building and the Charles D. Dunn Student Recreation Center. We have also embarked on the creation of a new campus master plan which will assist in the wise use of our resources as we look to the future.

We are also strategically planning effective ways to enhance our image in order to more effectively communicate what an exciting and vibrant university we have. Please be looking for a new and improved website in the near future!

It is an exciting experience for me to meet alumni, former faculty, staff and friends of the university. Mandy, Wheatley, Emma and I feel blessed to be a part of the Henderson family, and we look forward to celebrating the exciting future of our university with each of you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Charles Welch

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President Welch and family are Reddie

Henderson State University's 15th president and family move into the traditional President's home, Newberry House, and begin to share in the school's rich history and traditions

Dr. Charles Welch was named as Henderson's 15th president on February 25, 2008. Succeeding Dr. Charles Dunn, Henderson's longest serving president at 22 years, the selection of Dr. Welch capped a month long process. The opening solicited 57 applications from around the country that were then narrowed down to just twelve semifinalists who met with the search committee in Little Rock in January. The three finalists for the position visited campus in February, and Dr. Welch was introduced as the next President to the Henderson Community shortly thereafter.

Welch was the chancellor at University of Arkansas Community College at Hope since 2005. He served as the chief executive officer of the college and acted as the lead professional advisor to the president. Welch was vice chancellor for academic affairs at Arkansas State University-Beebe from 2003-2005, and he served as dean of University Studies at

Pulaski Technical College in North Little Rock from 2000-2003.

Welch's career in higher education began in 1997 when he served as an adjunct instructor of political science at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock until 2003. He was a doctoral student/graduate assistant at UALR from 1999-2000. He also served as an adjunct instructor of political science at Hendrix College in 2000.

Welch graduated from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, in 1995 with a bachelor's degree in political science. He earned his master's in political management from George Washington University in Washington, D.C.,

in 1997. Welch received his doctor of education in higher education administration in 2003 from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. In 2005, he attended the Harvard Seminar for First-Year Presidents at Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass.

In 1995, Welch served as a White House intern for the Office



Tossing the pigskin — Dr. Charles Welch gives it his all during the rapid fire football toss, a part of the Coleman Dairy Battle of the Rayine.



Fellowship with friends — Dr. Welch enjoys visiting with alumni during a visit to the Four States Reddies Luncheon. Pictured above are Stan Parris ('71), Welch and Marty Filogamo ('54).

to share the secret of HSU

of Cabinet Affairs. He also served as an intern for U.S. Sen. David Pryor that same year, and then became intern coordinator for then-U.S. Rep. Blanche Lincoln. Welch re-joined Pryor's staff as a legislative assistant, before he became assistant to the Arkansas state treasurer. Welch served as the director of field operations for the Democratic Party of Arkansas from 1998-1999.

Welch is active in numerous higher education activities. He was president of the Arkansas Association of Two-Year Colleges in 2007, and serves as a consultant-evaluator for Peer Review Corps of the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

In 2005, Arkansas Business selected Welch to 40 Under 40, which profiled 40 "intriguing business and political leaders under age 40." He has been active in the communities where he has worked, serving on a variety of boards and committees.

Welch and his wife, Mandy, have two children, Wheatley Grace and Emma Caroline.

According to Welch, Henderson is uniquely positioned to be a catalyst in changing the future of our local communities, region and the entire state. Henderson should no longer be considered the "best kept secret in the state." Promoting the university and its resources as well as it rich history is a priority for Welch. Partnerships with local communities, public schools, community colleges, other universities, and business and industry sectors is a priority for Dr. Welch.



Alma Mater Henderson — Dr. Charles and Mrs. Mandy Welch attend the annual Pine Tree Assembly.

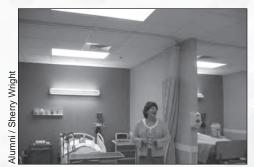


Getting to know Henderson's history — The Welch family meet members of the class of 1938 as they celebrate 70 years since graduating Henderson State Teachers College. Pictured above are (I-r) Mrs. Mandy Welch, Francille Riggins Seymour, Mary Jo Wilson McCorkle, Thomas Watt Bonds and Dr. Charles Welch.



Welcome to Newberry House — Dr. Don Roberts ('58, '64, '69) and Dr. Welch visit during the President's Open House, Homecoming 2008.

Building the Future of HSU, One Brick at a Time



Nursing Department Building Simulation Laboratory



Charles D. Dunn Recreation Center
Basketball/Volleyball Court

New buildings continue to spring up across Henderson's campus as the university continues to grow and meet the demands of its student body. Over the past year, two major buildings were added to offer both academic and recreational activities and numerous smaller projects were completed around campus.

This spring, the Department of Nursing moved into a new building constructed on Henderson Street, next to the Horton House. Formerly housed in Foster Hall, the department now enjoys an 11,773 squarefoot building with classrooms, computer lab, seminar room, nursing skills lab, offices and conference rooms. There is also a simulation laboratory that allows faculty members to observe students while practicing on a lifelike mannequin that exhibits pulses and respirations. An additional labor/delivery/ postpartum room is also included in the new building. A hospital like setting with four semi-private patient areas, a nurse's station, medication room, and laundry room allow for more hands on training for future nurses. Finally, the new building also has a student lounge for breaks between classes.

As part of an ongoing effort on Henderson's campus, the Nursing Building was constructed to be environmentally friendly. Interior lights meet low-energy requirements and exterior lights meet guidelines for reducing night light pollution. Additionally, all rooms are equipped with sensors that automatically turn off the lights when a room is unoccupied.

The building was designed by Stuck Associate Architects, and Seale Construction Company was the general contractor. The building was dedicated on March 13, 2009, by United States Representative Mike Ross.

Another major construction project on campus was the completion of the Charles D. Dunn Recreation Center. Located on Huddleston Street where Turrentine and Garrett Halls formerly stood, the center was

built in response to a proposal from the Student Government Association. The center is funded by a \$125 per semester student fee. The new center includes three basketball courts, an elevated, indoor walking track, a state-of-the-art weight room, a cardiovascular room, multi-purpose room, an activities area, climbing wall, intramural sports and various other wellness opportunities.

Alumni may apply for membership by presenting proof of degree completion and a driver's license or other government issued ID to the front desk of the Student Recreation Center. Alumni may apply for membership at anytime; however, the full amount for the term, or full prorated amount (depending on when you sign up), must be paid in full at the time of joining. When membership is processed, attaining an I.D. is mandatory and is free the first time. Each replacement will cost \$10 per ID card.

For alumni spouses to join, the requirements are the same with a few added details: alumni must accompany spouse when applying for spouse membership. The spouse must present a driver's license or other government issued ID indicating that both live at the same address.

Several other projects were also completed on campus. A parking lot was constructed on 12th Street across from Smith Hall and the lot behind Smith was also refurbished and expanded. Caddo Cafeteria is enjoying some remodeling this summer and new study rooms were constructed on the second floor of Huie Library.

Finally, the basketball court in the John Duke Wells Center was named in honor of Reddie great Don Dyer. Coach Dyer led the Reddie Basketball Team for 15 seasons, compiling a record of 316 wins. He also led the 1975-76 team to the National Championship game.

Coach Dyer was honored before the Hall of Honor football game in October.

Additional Funding Needed for New, Proposed Athletic Facilities

Clyde Berry Baseball Field, Bettye Wallace Tennis Center and Delores Brumfield White Softball Field still have not reached their goals or funding potential and are still in need of your continued support.

If you have not already donated to one of these ongoing projects please consider doing so. Whatever you choose to give, please be as generous as you can. Your tax-deductible gift will help make the dreams and aspirations of future

generations of Reddies a reality. Thank you for your kind consideration and support of Henderson State University.

Clyde Berry graduated from Henderson in 1953 with a B.S.E. in physical education. He taught and coached from 1963 to 1987. Coach Berry resides in Queen City, Texas, with his wife Jennie Sue.

Bettye Wallace graduated from Henderson in 1950 with a B.S.E. in mathematics. She taught and coached from 1963 to 1987. Coach Wallace resides in Arkadelphia.

Delores "Dee" Brumfield White was an instructor and professor at Henderson from 1963-94. She also served as swimming coach from 1963-82. Coach White resides in Arkadelphia.

For more information about giving to Henderson State University, please call the Office of Development toll free at 877-733-2586 or (870) 230-5401.

McMath Birthday Salute honors Arkansas, Henderson legend



To Sid McMath — Mrs. Betty Dortch McMath (left), widow of the late Sid McMath, and her friend Joan Baldridge raise their glasses during a toast. Betty painted the portrait of the former governor that is now exhibited in the foyer of the Governor's Mansion.

The Grand Hall of the Arkansas Governor's Mansion was the site of a Birthday Salute to the late Sidney Sanders McMath, the 39th governor of Arkansas, on the occasion of the 96th anniversary of his birth.

The 2008 Birthday Salute was a fundraiser for the Sidney Sanders McMath Institute for Pre-law and Government at Henderson, which sponsors the annual McMath Lecture Series on the HSU campus. The Salute was attended and supported by all five of the McMath children, Sandy, Phillip, Melissa, Patricia and Bruce, and many grandchildren.

The event committee included David Pryor as honorary chairman, Bill Bowen as chairman, and committee members W.H. "Dub" Arnold, John S. Choate, Nate Coulter, Bruce Moore, Ray Thornton, Jr., and Bill Wright.

McMath, who achieved national and international recognition as a great reformer, progressive leader and successful trial attorney, began his college career at Henderson in the fall of 1931 as a freshman from Hot Springs. While at Henderson, McMath was elected president of his freshman class and voted "Most Handsome Man," accomplishments that were later duplicated by another soon-to-be governor of Arkansas, David Pryor of Camden. McMath transferred to the University of Arkansas in his second year, but always retained a particular fondness for Henderson. In fact, in a letter published in the 1951 Star, Governor McMath wrote, "Although I only spent a short time on the (Henderson) campus, I have always had the warmest feeling toward the College, and I am particularly proud of the great work which it has done over the years."

Shortly before his death in 2003, the former governor held a copy of his published memoirs, *Promises Kept* (University of Arkansas Press, 2003).



Sesser fills position of Admin. Secretary for Barkman House



Deborah Sesser

Deborah (Owens) Sesser accepted the position of administrative secretary for the Office of Development and Alumni Services in August. For a brief time she worked part-time as the secretary for the Communications and Theatre Arts Department before making the move across the street to the Barkman House.

Sesser said of her new position, "Working in the Barkman House, I have had the pleasure of being introduced to so many of the names and faces of Henderson which I had previously only been acquainted with through dusty yearbooks, and it is always exciting to hear about the directions that each graduate and former student have taken since leaving our 'school with a heart'."

Sesser spent her childhood in DeValls Bluff and Clarendon, Ark. and later graduated high school from the Arkansas School for Mathematics and Sciences in Hot Springs, Ark. She is a 2008 graduate of Henderson and holds a B.A. in English with a minor in German and is currently enrolled at Henderson earning a M.L.A. in English.

While an undergraduate student at Henderson, Sesser served as an officer of Heart and Key, HSU Rotaract Club, and the Arête Society Honors Council. She was also a member of the Gamma Beta Phi Honors Society, Alpha Chi Honor Society, English Club, and Women's History Organization. Sesser served in various roles, including editor-in-chief, for the Henderson State University Oracle newspaper, FORGE Magazine of the Ellis College of Arts and Sciences, and Arête Honors College Magazine. Sesser was also selected as the student response speaker at the Ellis College of Arts and Sciences May 2008 Commencement.

Deborah met her husband David Sesser (formerly of Natchez, Miss.) while attending Henderson, and the couple married in December of 2006. David holds both a B.A. in history with a minor in anthropology and an M.L.A. in history from Henderson and is currently employed in Huie Library where he works with special collections and in the cataloguing department. Both David and Deborah reside in Arkadelphia, Ark. and are active members of the First Presbyterian Church of Arkadelphia where Deborah also sings in the choir.

Alumni Board ends year, begins service anew

Dear Reddies,

Thank you for your love and support of Henderson. Your patience and understanding with the delayed production of the Reddie Report is greatly appreciated. It seems these tough economic times have affected us all in one way or another. In that regard, the cost of producing the Reddie Report has doubled over the last few years. It is difficult, at best, to continue producing a magazine of this nature when postage and the cost of printing are continually rising. We hope you enjoy this issue as we continue to investigate ways to fund the cost of this publication. Hopefully you will consider joining the alumni association to help defray the cost of the magazine. In an effort to keep the cost of joining to a minimum, we are offering the following at this time, with the hope of adding other promotions as they become available.

When you become a member you will receive:

- ♥ A subscription to the Reddie Report
- ♥ Red E News (email newsletter)
- ♥ A Reddies email address
- ♥ A 10% discount at the Reddie Bookstore (excluding textbooks)
- A discount with Kaplan Test Prep & Admissions Center (check with the alumni office for complete information)

The cost is \$20 (minimum membership, 4 issues of the Reddie Report) or \$200 for a lifetime membership (per household). Please see the Alumni Association Membership Form on Page 20.

We hope to see you on campus soon!

In Reddie Spirit, Sherry Wright, Alumni Coordinator









Award Recipients — (Top) Robin Carroll ('93) of El Dorado and (Above) Judy Ingram Pile ('96) of Cabot received the 2007 Young Alumni Achievement Award from then-President Charles Dunn. The YAA Award recognizes alumni who are outstanding in their professions and communities at an early stage in their careers.

The 2007 H-Award winners were (Left, L-R) Bob Coleman ('55), Josie Selig Smith ('56), Doris Chambers Robey ('50), and April Collie Hoover ('83). The H-Award is presented to people who have given meritorious service to the university.

The 2008 H-Award winners were (Left, L-R) Leonard Gills ('59, '82) of Gurdon, Dr. James Blackmon of Arkadelphia, Charles Hesser of Gillette, and Ronny Patterson of Alexander.

Though not pictured, in 2009, the Alumni Association selected the following students to be awarded scholarships: Mashae Brown (Florence Atchley Powell Scholarship and Ellis and Terry Cokes Scholarship), Alanna Hodnett (Florence Atchley Powell Scholarship), Andrea Kelly (Amy Jean Greene Scholarship), Kristin Lenke (Amy Jean Greene Scholarship), Mandi Haltom (P. W. Turrentine Scholarship), Marsalis Weatherspoon (James W. Workman Scholarship), Ashley Merritt (Paul Chapman Williams Scholarship), Megan Towner (Carl and Virginia Brady Scholarship), LaDonna Lasker (Mazzia-Hesterly-Dunn Scholarship), and Angela Paladino (Charles Dunn Presidential Scholarship).

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Distinguished Alumni



Gordon Beasley was born in Fulton, Arkansas to Tom and Pattie Beasley on June 1, 1933. He graduated with honors from Hope High School in 1951 where he had been involved in numerous student activities. Beasley served as vice president of his class and lettered in football, baseball and basketball. Beasley met his future wife, Betty Guthrie, while they lived in Hope. Beasley entered Henderson State Teachers College on a football scholarship in the fall of 1951.

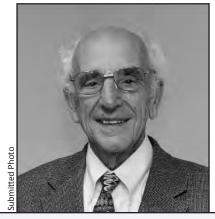
Beasley was very active at Henderson, having been voted Mr. HSTC in 1952, 1953, 1954, and 1955. He was a 4 year letterman in football, baseball, and advanced ROTC. He was captain of the Reddie baseball team his senior year. He is a Phi Lambda Chi. Gordon graduated from Henderson in 1955 with a B.S.E. in physical education. He and Betty married after she graduated from Henderson. Beasley's fondest memories of Henderson are the friendliness of the students, the quality of the faculty, fun weekends on campus, walking to the movie and restaurant every Sunday night and the after hour raids on Caddo Center.

Beasley served two years in the infantry as captain and was a member of the reserves for eight years. He went on to earn his M.A. from Texas A & M and a doctorate from the University of Arkansas. While earning his degrees, he spent six years teaching science and coaching. His entry into higher education began at Henderson in 1963 as assistant dean of men and later as vice president of students. He continued his career as vice president for student affairs at Stephen F. Austin where he also held the rank of professor. After eight years, Beasley accepted the position of vice president of student affairs at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville. In addition to his administrative duties, he taught History of Higher Education as a full professor. In 1982, he became the vice chancellor for student affairs at the University of Mississippi, where he also taught History of Higher Education as a full professor. He remained there until his retirement.

Throughout his long career in education, Beasley has written and published extensively in state and regional publications. He was active in national student activities as president of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators, Region 3. He also served as president in several state student activity related organizations. Gordon has served as a deacon and bible school teacher in his church for many years.

Currently Gordon and Betty Beasley live in Conway. They have 2 daughters and 4 grandchildren, and two of their grandsons are students at Henderson. The couple enjoys attending events in which their grandchildren are involved. Beasley enjoys golf, the piano and watching sports.

Gordon and Betty Beasley often say, "When we come to Henderson we feel like we have been with kinfolks."



Martin Joseph Filogamo was born in Boston, Massachusetts, on April 18, 1927 to Margaret and Peter Filogamo. His mother, a shy, timid 5-year-old, came to Ellis Island in 1905 on a boat from Italy; his father arrived at Boston Harbor.

In 1944, two weeks after graduating from Belmont High, Filogamo enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He dreamed of becoming a professional baseball player and signed his professional contract with the Cleveland Indians to play in Midland, Texas. After three seasons and several injuries, Filogamo accepted a position to manage a semi-pro team in Gurdon, Arkansas. After one year, he reflects that "by some sort of miracle, I enrolled in college at a place called Henderson State Teachers College, and my life was completely changed forever."

While attending Henderson, Filogamo was involved in the Student Senate, the golf team, baseball and Kappa Sigma Kappa. His fondest Henderson memories are enrolling at HSTC during August of 1950, being named Outstanding Academic Freshman and becoming president of the sophomore class. Filogamo met his future bride, Jeanne Saunders, during his junior year at Henderson. He graduated from Henderson in 1954 with a B.A. in economics. Following a short stint in the newspaper business, he signed his first teaching contract in 1959. Filogamo went on to earn his M.A. degree from East Texas State University in 1962. In 1977, he became the headmaster of St. James Day School in Texarkana. Having retired in 1987, he currently teaches 16-28 year olds at a prison in Texarkana.

Filogamo has been the recipient of many accolades for service to education and his community. He received the Texarkana, Arkansas Booster of the Year Award in 1973. A baseball field was named in his honor in 1982. He received the Jack Hardy Education Service Award in 1988. He was the recipient of the Exceptional Accomplishments Award by the Arkansas Community Program in 1985. Filogamo Boulevard in Texarkana was named in his honor in 2006.

Filogamo has served in the Texarkana Baseball Association for over 52 years. He was president and a member of the board of the Texarkana Chamber of Commerce and president of the board and a member of the Miller County Credit Union. Filogamo has served on the Adult Education Advisory Program for the last 21 years and the Wage Education Advisory Program for the last 5 years. He has served as the national deputy commissioner for the Dixie Youth Baseball Association for the last 15 years, as well as the Veterans History Project for the U.S. Senate in 2003.

Marty and Jeanne Filogamo have 2 children and 6 grandchildren. He enjoys golf, traveling, kid's baseball, tailgating at HSU and being involved with the Four States Reddies.

Distinguished Alumni



Ruth Evelyn Percefull McBurney was born on September 1, 1948 to Everett D. and Ruth Percefull and was raised in Carlisle, Arkansas, where she graduated high school.

McBurney earned her B.S. in biology in 1970 from Henderson State University. While she was at Henderson, McBurney was involved in the Young Democrats, Star Staff, Alpha Chi and the Biology Club.

Her fondest memories of Henderson include going to the football games with the marching band during a time when people "dressed" to go to the games. After graduating, McBurney earned her M.S. in Radiation Sciences from the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences in 1973 and became a Certified Health Physicist.

Ruth became the Senior Research Technician at the University of Missouri School of Veterinary Medicine early in her career. She went on to hold positions such as Section Chief, Radioimmunoassay, Clinical Laboratory at Baptist Medical Center in Little Rock and Health Physicist at the Arkansas Department of Health.

While working for the Texas Department of Health, she served as the Administrator of the Division of Licensing, Registration and Standards at the Bureau of Radiation Control, the Director of the Division of Licensing, Registration and Standards and later as the Manager, Radiation Safety, Licensing Branch. Since 2007, McBurney has served as the Executive Director of the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors.

McBurney has held distinguished positions on numerous boards and committees including Chairman of the American Board of Health Physics, National Mammography Quality Assurance Advisory Committee, National Academy of Science Committee on Source Use and Replacement and the Advisory Committee for the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

She has been a consultant on the Categorization of Radiation Sources at the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna, Austria. She was also a delegate for the International Radiation Protection Association in Hiroshima, Japan. McBurney was recently appointed to the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements until 2013. She has served as President of the Health Physics Society and was the keynote speaker at the 2008 International Radiation Protection Association in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

McBurney received the Executive Board Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Field of Radiation Protection in 1987 and the Gerald S. Parker Award of Merit in 1995.

McBurney met her husband Millard while at Henderson. They reside in Austin, Texas. She enjoys gardening, writing song parodies with a radiation theme, reading, fitness and traveling.



Eddie Powell was born in Little Rock, Arkansas, on October 27, 1940, to Paul and Thelma Powell. He was raised in North Little Rock and graduated from North Little Rock High School in 1958.

After high school graduation, Powell enrolled at Henderson, where he earned a B.A. in psychology in 1962. During his time on campus, Powell was a member of Heart and Key, R.O.T.C., Student Government and the Phi Sigma Epsilon Fraternity, now Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity. Upon graduation, Powell served 3 years of active duty as a US Army Officer.

After 35 years of service, Powell retired in 1996 as President of the Jack Powell (Food Brokers) Company. He is the former Mayor of North Little Rock, serving from 1974-1979.

Powell has served on the board of directors for the Youth Home, American Red Cross, the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra and the Arkansas Repertory Theatre.

He was President of the Arkansas Food Brokers Association and is a former Vice-President of the North Little Rock Chamber of Commerce. He is a former member of the North Little Rock City Council and served as a Lay Leader for Lakewood United Methodist Church.

Powell was the Chairman of the Building Task Force which built and equipped the first \$5 million construction phase of the Patrick Henry Hays Senior Citizens Center. Due to the incredible popularity of the center, Powell was called upon again to serve as Chairman of the Building Task Force for a \$5 million expansion project.

Powell currently serves as a member of the North Little Rock Senior Citizens Commission, is Chairman of the Board at the Lakewood Methodist Church and is the incoming Chairman of the Central Arkansas Water Board of Directors.

Powell has been inducted into the North Little Rock Boys Club Hall of Fame and the North Little Rock Senior Citizens Hall of Fame. Powell has become the "favorite son" of North Little Rock's senior population.

Powell's family includes his wife Margaret, two children, three step-children and fifteen grandchildren. His hobbies include snow skiing, music composition, gardening, singing and playing hand bells in the church choir and, of course, taking care of his many grandchildren.

May 2008



Gary Anderson was born on July 24, 1931, to Doris and Chester Anderson. He was raised in Fulton, Arkansas. He later graduated from North Heights High School in Texarkana, Arkansas.

Gary earned his B.S.E. from Henderson State University in 1954. He earned his M.A. in 1958 from East Texas State College and his Ed.D from the University of Arkansas in 1969. While attending Henderson, Anderson was involved in football, baseball, track, the Men's Council and ROTC.

After graduating from Henderson, Anderson played baseball for the El Dorado Oilers of the Cotton States League. The Milwaukee Braves bought his contract at the end of the season. After serving in the Army, he reported to the Braves' farm team in Lawton, Oklahoma, where he met his wife, Martha.

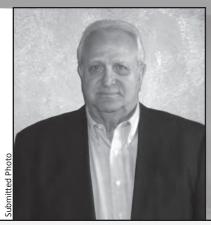
Anderson taught Mathematics at Central Junior High School in Lawton for two years. Gary and Martha Anderson's son, Don, was born while they were living in Oklahoma. Anderson continued his teaching career in Beaumont, Texas, and later became the assistant principal at Beaumont High School.

Gary and Martha Anderson "came home" to Henderson in 1966, and shortly thereafter their daughter Andrea was born. Gary served as dean of men and became an assistant professor of sociology in 1969. Martha was professor and chair of Henderson's Department of Communication Arts and Sciences. Anderson was named vice president for student services and professor of sociology at Henderson in 1971, serving in that capacity until he and Martha retired in 1993. Martha was diagnosed with cancer and passed away shortly after retiring.

Anderson has been an Eagle Scout since 1946. He has been a volunteer with the American Cancer Society, Chairman of the Conifer Girl Scout Association Fund Drive, President of the Arkadelphia Band Boosters and a member of Rotary International. He has served as Secretary for the Arkansas College Personnel Association, President of the Southwestern Association of Student Personnel Administrators, and he also served as a member of the Advisory Committee for the Department of Higher Education Academic Scholarship Program and the Advisory Committee for the Department of Higher Education Recruitment and Retention of Minority Students.

Anderson enjoys training bird dogs, hunting, sports, and his trips to visit his son and daughter and their families.

December 2008



Don Dyer was born on October 18, 1933, to Julia and E.T. Dyer. He was raised in Clarendon, Arkansas, where he graduated high school. Dyer earned his B.S.E. in physical education in 1955 and his M.S.E. in counselor education in 1962 from Henderson State University. He was involved in football, basketball, track and ROTC. Dyer was captain of the football team and was voted best athlete his senior year. He received the All AlC Award his junior and senior years. Dyer received his commission as a second lieutenant after basic training, serving in the Army from 1955-1957. His coaching career began at DeValls Bluff. Coaching at England High School from 1958-1961, his girls' team won state championships two years and were semifinalists one year. He took the Perryville (Mo.) High School team to their first and only state tournament appearance.

In 1963, Dyer came to Henderson as the men's basketball coach. Henderson was the first Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference team to play in the NAIA National Championship game. Under his leadership Henderson enjoyed four trips to the NAIA National Tournament, won eight AIC titles, four District 17 titles and was the NAIA national runner up in 1976, taking third place in 1977. Dyer coached seven All Americans and holds the best AIC record ever for a 10-team league. Dyer was the runner-up for the National Coach of the Year for Small Colleges in 1975-1976. Dyer again enjoyed remarkable success as head coach at UCA from 1979 until he retired in 1993, having coached the likes of Scottie Pippen.

Dyer was inducted into the Arkansas Sports Hall of Fame, as well as the NAIA Hall of Fame in 1992. He was an inaugural inductee into the Henderson Hall of Honor in 1997 and the UCA Sports Hall of Fame in 2004. Dyer is the only coach to take two different schools to the NAIA National Championship games. At the time of his retirement, his career collegiate record of 606-277 tied him with Indiana's Bobby Knight. Dyer is the most winning collegiate men's basketball coach on any level in Arkansas.

Don recalls his time as a student at Henderson as four of the best years of his life. He came with a full athletic scholarship offered to him by Coach Duke Wells. Dyer claims "this was a turning point in my life, for without this scholarship I was not financially able to attend college. Coach Wells was like a father to me because my dad had passed away when I was one year old." Dyer is a former member of the HSU Alumni Board and is involved in numerous community boards in Conway where he lives with his wife Mary. They have one son, Don Paul. Don Paul and his wife Kim live in Little Rock with Don and Mary's "GRAND" children, Jourdon and Brandon.

Don Dyer Court, located in the Duke Wells Center, was dedicated in October 2008.

Richard Hoover Visits Campus to Narrate Photographic Tour



Extreme Research —
Dr. Richard B. Hoover in the Ice Cave of the Schirmacher Oasis during the Tawani 2008 International Schirmacher
Oasis Antarctica Reconaissance Expedition-Feb. 23, 2008. Hoover, whose work has been featured on Discovery Channel, is featured on a new video magazine on the web, Science Nation, for his work on extremophiles: http://www.nsf.gov/news/special_reports/science_nation/extremophile.jsp.

Dr. Richard B. Hoover, astrobiology group leader at the NASA Marshall Space Flight Center/National Space Science and Technology Center, narrated a photographic tour of glaciers and permafrost of Alaska and Siberia, along with the magnificent Crystal Desert of Antarctica during a presentation at Henderson State University on Thursday, May 7, 2009 at 1 p.m. in Reynolds Science Center Room 127 as part of an HSU biology student project.

Hoover's presentation was the last in a series of "extremophile" events for a small group of biology majors who spent the semester working on the topic of microbes in extreme environments.

The images shown during the presentation were from Hoover's expeditions to Southern Patagonia and Patriot Hills, Thiel Mountains and South Pole during the Antarctica 2000 Expedition and from South Africa, the Schirmacher Oasis and Lake Untersee of Queen Maud Land during the 2008 Tawani International Expeditions.

Images of ancient living microorganisms from the Fox Tunnel and the Antarctic Ice Sheet above Lake Vostok and exotic microbial extremophiles collected from ice-bubbles, the Anuchin Glacier and Lake Untersee were shown. Hoover discussed some of the implications of life in ice to the possibility of life on comets, the polar caps of Mars and the icy moons of Jupiter (Europa, Io, Callisto and Ganymede) and Saturn (Enceladus and Titan).

During the past decade, Hoover has led the astrobiology group in the study of microbial extremophiles and biomarkers in ancient rocks and meteorites. He has participated in numerous scientific expeditions. Hoover's research at the space flight center began in 1966 with investigations of Fraunhoffer Diffraction Phenomena, x-ray/EUV telescopes and microscopes, solar physics and x-ray optics.

Hoover, a 1964 graduate of Henderson and Distinguished Alumni, holds 13 patents on film stabilization systems, x-ray telescopes and microscopes, and was the NASA Inventor of the Year in 1992. He has authored/edited 35 books and more than 275 scientific papers in peer-reviewed journals, conference proceedings and encyclopedias on topics as diverse as solar physics, astrophysics, microfossils, x-ray optics and astrobiology.

(Courtesy of HSU Biology Department.)



Arkansas Legislators Visit Henderson — (Above) Rep. Jerry Brown (D-Wynne) asks question of instructor Troy Hogue in an HSU flight simulator.

(Right) On campus for a Public Transportation Committee meeting, state legislators made time to visit the aviation department. Pictured here front row (L-R) Rep. Johnnie Roebuck (D-Arkadelphia), Rep. Buddy Lovell (D-Marked Tree), Rep. J.R. Rogers (D-Walnut Ridge), Rep. Jerry Brown (D-Wynne), Rep. Joan Cash (D-Jonesboro), Rep. Jody Dickinson (D-Newport), Rep. Gregg Reep (D-Warren). Back Row: Sen. Kim Hendren (R-Gravette), Rep. Allen Maxwell (D-Monticello), Rep. Barry Hyde (D-North Little Rock), Rep. Eddie Cheatham (D-Crossett), Rep. Randy Stewart (D-Kirby), Rep. Mike Burris (D-Malvern), former legislator Tommy Dickinson of Newport, Rep. Monty Davenport (D-Yellville), Dr. Chuck Welch.



Brotherhood still strong in Kappa Sigma Kappa



Enthusiasm and brotherhood are the defining characteristics of the annual reunions of the Kappa Sigma Kappa fraternity which was a popular part of the Henderson Greek experience from the late '40s to the early '60s.

Each year, the brothers of KSK host a reunion in conjunction with the HSU Homecoming celebration thanks to the efforts of B.J. ('52) and Josie Selig Smith ('56) of Hot Springs, who handle planning and scheduling for the events.

Many travel long distances to attend the reunions, but even for those who

can't attend each annual reunion the years and miles melt quickly away as the brothers greet each other with old nicknames, raucous laughter and recollections of days gone by.

Don Ruggles ('58) volunteers the benefit of his audio/visual expertise and equipment to share memories on video.

One of the primary interests of the group is the status of the Lieutenant General James H. Merryman Memorial Scholarship Endowment, which was created to honor the memory of the late James H. Merryman ('51), a former president of KSK. Having

retired from the military following a long and distinguished career, LTG Merryman is held in high esteem by his fellow alumni, who created the scholarship to award the top GS3 ROTC cadet at Henderson. The 2008-09 recipient was Jessica Smith, a senior Physics major. Jessica was invited to the KSK reunion banquet, and was greeted with warm applause following her introduction as the Merryman Scholarship recipient. Merryman's widow, Jane, is a regular attendee and supporter.

The 2009 Kappa Sigma Kappa reunion will be held on October 22.

HSU graduate and golfer gives back through Classic

Thanks to the endorsement and handson involvement of professional golfer Ken Duke ('94), the 3rd Annual Ken Duke Charity Classic was the most successful event yet in the series of charity tournaments hosted by the Arkadelphia native.

The two-day event began on Sunday, April 26 with the Pairing Party at the First Tee of Central Arkansas in Little Rock, and culminated the next day with the golf tournament at Maumelle Country Club. The tournament proceeds were split between Camp Aldersgate, First Tee of Central Arkansas, the UAMS Jack Stephens Spine Institute, and the HSU golf program.

The Pairing Party featured a silent and live auction as well as a performance by Country Music Association recording artist Mark Wills, who also served as one of the



Golfer helping others — Ken Duke, a 1994 graduate of Henderson and professional golfer, gives back to countless others through the *Ken Duke Charity Classic* and *A Day with the Duke* golf tournament.

celebrity golfers for the tournament. The evening event was attended by a near

capacity crowd who enjoyed outstanding fare and beverages. The premier auction item, won by Mike and Lisa Hocutt, was a 3-day golf package with Ken in Florida.

In addition to a full field of 180 golfers who played a four-man scramble, the auction and tournament featured many club professionals who participated in match play for a separate purse. Local celebrity golfers joined the foursomes, including Wills and three-time World Long Drive Champion, Sean "The Beast" Fister.

A tremendous supporter of the HSU golf program, Ken will also host the 6th annual *A Day with the Duke* golf tournament at DeGray State Park Golf Course on September 18 and 19.

For information about the tournament, visit www.adaywiththeduke.com.

Heart Club Gala honors top university donors









A Toast To Them All —

Members of the Heart Club toast the approaching new year and the goals achieved in the past one (right). From above, the following members were inducted into a new level of the Heart Club: Charles and Anita Boyce Cabe (President's Guild), Bryan and Betty Palmer (Centurium Club), Henry and Lila Bell (Spirit Society) and Kevin and Jessica Jones Durand (Holly Society).

Photos courtesy of Steve Fellers / PR.

Henderson State University's 2008 Heart Club Gala was held Saturday, December 13, 2008 at 7 p.m., DeGray Lake Resort Lodge. Approximately 100 Heart Club members and Henderson faculty and staff were in attendance. Mary Jo Mann ('62) and William Henshaw even put in an appearance as Mr. and Mrs. Claus.

Billy Tarpley ('81), Director of Development, began the evening by introducing university president Dr. Charles Welch. Welch and Tarpley remarked on the many exciting things happening at Henderson, including raising more than \$1 million in funds during the previous fiscal year.

Thanks to the giving of Henderson Alumni and Friends, just over \$215,000 was applied toward scholarships, departments and other denoted giving areas in the last year, compared to only \$63,000 two years prior.

As of the night of the gala, pledged annual fund contributions had reached \$111,500.00. As a result, new scholarships were created, including the Ann Rye Piano Scholarship, Reggie Comeaux Memorial Scholarship for men's basketball, Raymond and Leona Lawson Endowed Scholarship for special education, Homer and Betty Jones Endowed Scholarship for music, and the Jim and Becky Andrews Scholarship.

Tarpley congratulated donors in reaching several funding goals. Two scholarships/endowments – Tad and Judy Krug Endowed Scholarship for business and the Jimmy and Pat Ross Endowed Scholarship for football and ROTC – reached the level of being fully-funded, and six endowments were significantly increased: Marilyn Humphries Friday Endowment for Family & Consumer Sciences, Nila Embree Turner Memorial Endowment for English, Bryan and Betty Palmer Endowment, Elizabeth Beirne

Caplinger Endowed Scholarship for teacher education, Jo Carol McCorkle Memorial Scholarship Endowment and four endowed scholarships funded by William and Elaine Durand ('74).

In addition, one very generous contribution was made toward a new building for Family and Consumer Sciences by Marilyn Humphries Friday ('51).

Tarpley and Welch recognized new Heart Club Award recipients. For 2008, two couples were inducted into the President's Guild (for giving in excess of \$100,000): Charles and Anita Boyce Cabe and Tad ('62) and Judy Woods Krug. Bryan and Betty ('71) Palmer were inducted into the Centurium Club for reaching a giving level of \$50,000 to \$99,999. For reaching a giving level of \$10,000 to \$49,999, four couples were inducted into the Spirit Society: Henry and Lila Bell, Theodosia Murphy Nolan, Christopher ('92) and Debra ('93, '96) Nutt Wewers, and Raymond ('49) and Leona Lawson ('90). Kevin ('90) and Jessica Jones Durand were also inducted into the Holly Society for bequeathing estate plan gifts of \$10,000 or more.

Tarpley introduced Dr. John Hall, managing director/ treasurer of Henderson Foundation, and the Vice Presidents, President's Cabinet and Development staff in attendance and thanked those who helped to make the 2008 Heart Club Gala a success: Kathy Muse ('69, '76) (decorations), Russ Melton ('78) and Diamond Bear Brewery (beer), Service Liquor (co-host of wine), Henderson Foundation (champagne), and the Ringin' Reddies, a student organization designed to help the Office of Development and Alumni Services raise money for Henderson through the Phonathon and Annual Fund.

The night was concluded as Dr. John Hall led everyone present in a toast.



Celebrating Success



Adam Hughes, a 2007 Henderson graduate with a B.S. in physics, was recently named the NASA International Year of Astronomy Ambassador for Arkansas. Hughes is currently a second-year graduate student in the Center for Space and Planetary Sciences at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, where he is actively involved with his research group, the Arkansas Galaxy Evolution Survey (AGES), under advisor Dr. Julia Kennefick, assistant professor of physics at the U of A. Hughes is also participating in the GK-12 program during the 2009-2010 school year, a fellowship program which allows graduate students to collaborate with local middle school teachers to stimulate inquiry-based learning in the classroom. In August, Hughes will represent Arkansas at the NASA IYA ambassador workshop at the Goddard Space Flight Center in Maryland. For information about becoming involved with IYA 2009, Hughes may be contacted at ad4mhughes@gmail.com.



Lynnette Cox, a 1991 Henderson graduate with a B.F.A. in graphic design, creates both contemporary and representational art. Her work has been featured in private, public and corporate collections nationwide. In 1997, Cox was tasked to complete a background for the National Civil Rights Humanities Awards in Memphis, Tennessee. While in Memphis, she was heavily influenced by the people and surroundings, and began to develop an interest in historical preservation and a southern way of life. Cox currently resides in North Little Rock, Arkansas, where she continues to work as a full-time artist, continuing the 26-year tradition of painting which has afforded her many honors and accolades. Cox is currently planning exhibitions that will appear in the United States and abroad. Her work can be viewed at: www.greatfineart.com.



Kareem Moody, a 1995 Henderson graduate with a B.A. in communications, has enjoyed a diverse career as author, speaker and director of various youth outreach programs. Moody has worked with several after-school programs, including Positive Atmosphere Reaches Kids (P.A.R.K., www.positivekids.org), where he was employed for approximately ten years, finally leaving his position as program director in February of this year. Since then, Moody has served as director of a federally funded program, the Black Male Initiative, to help retain African American male students until graduation. Moody is currently conducting a training series at the University of Central Arkansas titled "Reaching Kids in the Hood." He is also the author (with Anitra Budd) of *Raise Them Up: The Real Deal on Reaching Unreachable Kids* (2006), a book geared toward helping parents better relate to their children.



Miles Hired As Academic Provost



Vernon G. Miles

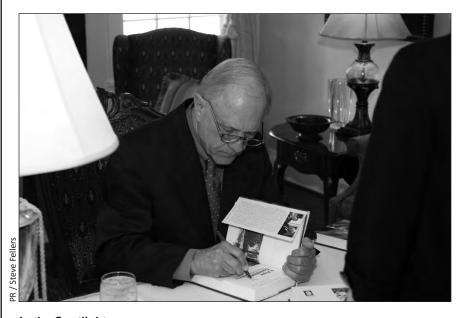
On August 4, 2008, Henderson State University selected Dr. Vernon G. Miles to serve in the new position of Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Miles earned his Ph.D. and M.A. in English at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville. He earned his undergraduate degree from Belhaven College.

He taught and was promoted through the faculty ranks to professor of English at Union College in Kentucky, where he also served as chair of the Department of English, Communication and Foreign Languages and as vice president for academic affairs. He also served as dean of the College at Lynchburg College in Virginia before becoming vice president and dean for academic affairs at Our Lady of Holy Cross College in New Orleans.

Miles assumed his duties on October 1, 2008. The position of Vice President of Academic Affairs was consolidated with the new position of Provost to serve as second in command under the President. Miles serves as an advocate for the faculty and as a strong academic leader to balance Dr. Welch's expertise with the budget and legislative affairs.

(Information Courtesy of Public Relations.)





In the Spotlight —

(Top Left, Top Right) General Jimmy Ross, a 1958 Henderson graduate, recently presented a book of his memoirs to the university to be placed in Huie Library. Major Michael Washington, professor of military science, presented the book for Ross. On hand to accept the autographed copy of *A Devotion to Duty: The Memoirs of General Jimmy Ross* were (I-r) Mr. Robert Yehl, library director; Washington (presenting the book); Henderson President, Dr. Charles Welch and Provost Dr. Vernon Miles. For more information on General Ross, visit http://www.amc.army.mil/amc/ho/amc_cg/ross.html.

(Bottom) Senator David Pryor was on campus last fall to speak to various student groups and classes. Senator Pryor provided time during intermission to autograph copies of his book *A Pryor Commitment: The Autobiography of David Pryor.*

Golden Reddies Celebrating 50 Years —

Class of 1957



Class of 1958



Obituaries —

1930s

Freda Ann Terrell Beckham ('39), 89, of Hot Springs, S. Dak. - November 10, 2008.

L. Carlton Brown, Jr. ('37), 93, of Fairfax Station, Va. - September 9, 2008.

Marion Finley Clampit ('35), 94, of Little Rock - October 23, 2007.

Charles Herman Estes ('34), 95, of Little Rock - February 7, 2008.

Daisy Ruth Dilling Garrett ('34), 95, of Fordyce - November 14, 2007.

Ola Mae Johnson Knight ('34), 94, of Universal City, Tex. - October 10, 2008.

Mary Louise Stephens McGehee ('39), 89, of Savannah, Ga. - May 16, 2008.

William Byrd Morrison ('38), 92, of Camden - October 24, 2008.

Lorene Craft Pierce ('39), 90, of Killeen, Tex. - July 31, 2008.

Marguerite Womack Reuther ('30, '31), 97, of Big Sandy, Tex. - November 23, 2007.

Lora Beth Henry Rogers ('37), 93, of Stillwater, Okla. - March 21, 2008.

Irene Royston Hamby Smith ('38), 90, of Baton Rouge, La. - July 17, 2007.

Jack W. Turner ('39), 92, of Knoxville, Tenn. - October 8, 2007.

1940s

Marion Robertson Baskin ('48), 83, of Malvern - January 20, 2008.

Charles W. Baughman ('45), 84, of Cleveland, Mo. - April 8, 2007.

Gerald David Bowers ('49), 82, of Mulberry - November 24, 2008.

Kathryn Morris Burns ('42), 93, of Ranch Cucamonga, Calif. - August 20, 2008.

Martha Sue Westbrook Calhoun ('49), 81, of Des Arc - April 6, 2008.

Elizabeth Beirne Caplinger ('40), 88, of Hot Springs - November 23, 2007.

James "Jim Tom" Caplinger ('40), 91, of Hot Springs - September 13, 2007.

Paul V. Culbertson ('42), 88, of Paris, Tex. - September 17, 2008.

Perry Daniel Gathright, Jr. ('43), 86, of Little Rock - September 16, 2008.

Helen Drake Garrison ('45), 84, of Fort Smith - May 17, 2008.

Faye Hamilton Gibson ('40, '61), 90, of Benton - December 27, 2008.

Mary Margaret Lewellin Heimbach ('42), 89, of El Dorado - December 30, 2007.

Homer Tom Jones ('49), 84, of Sherwood - October 10, 2007.

Ray A. Long ('49), 84, of De Queen - August 13, 2008.

Clara Young Moreland ('40), 89, of El Dorado - September 7, 2007.

Iris Hope "Totsie" Walters Newton ('41), 87, of Arkadelphia - February 26, 2008.

Jack F. Riggins ('40), 90, of Jonesboro - July 24, 2008.

Virginia Willoughby Scoggins ('48, '67), 80, of Hot Springs - November 23, 2008.

Gaines Thompson ('49, '58), 83, of Gurdon - September 21, 2008.

Martha Elizabeth "Betty" Lowdermilk Young ('46), 84, of Arkadelphia - January 23, 2008.

1950s

Frances Joy Ramsay Ahlvin ('54), 75, of Denton, Tex. - September 10, 2008.

Robert Don Allison ('56), 75, of Forrest City - October 15, 2007.

Joe Edward Arnold ('59), 78, of Little Rock - November 16, 2007.

Jessie McElyea Austin ('54), 94, of Glenwood - November 15, 2007.

Martha McBrian Henbest Barker ('55, '58), 84, of Bartlesville, Okla. - March 23, 2008.

William G. Barnhouse ('56), 73, of Roland - February 17, 2008.

Paul Vincent Becker ('54), 77, of Olmsted Falls, Ohio - July 28, 2008.

Norma Jean Franks Bryant ('53, '72), 77, of Texarkana, Tex. - November 19, 2008.

Peggy McLelland Burley ('52), 75, of Humble, Tex. - April 3, 2008.

Frances Gatling Campbell ('53), 80, of Boling, Tex. - June 27, 2007.

Mary Lillian Lee Chaney ('56), 74, of Little Rock - November 19, 2008.

Joe L. Cheatham ('53), 79, of Little Rock - January 8, 2008.

Joe Thomas Clark ('51), 79, of Arkadelphia - June 2, 2008.

Dorothy Jean Goodman Cone ('58), 71, of Crossett - June 10, 2008.

Vilma Dell Norwood Crain ('50), 78, of Arkadelphia - July 19, 2008.

Gladys June Clinton Crockett ('55), 104, of Tyler, Tex. - September 25, 2008.

Elza Verdell Davis ('53), 79, of Hot Springs - December 23, 2007.

Azalee Tallant Duke ('59, '63), 89, of Arkadelphia - October 4, 2008.

Marla Euvelle Mills Eifling ('58), 70, of Pine Bluff - March 23, 2008.

Ray Lindsay Ferguson ('59), 74, of Dardanelle - March 24, 2008.

Betty Jane Staggs Foster ('51), 97, of Hope - March 28, 2008.

Marcene Noonan Gies ('50), 88, of Long Beach, Calif. - March 10, 2008.

Guy "Bill" Gwin, Jr. ('55), 75, of Pine Bluff - December 13, 2008.

Virginia Gortemiller ('52), 80, of Houston,

Tex. - January 15, 2008.

Lena Belle Rowland Harper ('56), 100, of Hot Springs - November 4, 2007.

Earl Eugene Harvey ('51), 78, of Amity - November 10, 2007.

Ethel Lee Cates Hudson ('56), 86, of Benton - October 27, 2007.

Mary Pickens Hughes ('52), 88, of Dallas, Tex. - June 22, 2007.

Fred Terry Johnson ('55), 75, of San Antonio, Tex. - September 13, 2008.

Bettye Marie Falls Joyce ('50), 78, of St. Charles, Mo. - August 5, 2007.

Irene E Knauff ('51), 86, of Conway, S.C. - July 2, 2007.

G. W. Lookadoo, Jr. ('58), 71, of Memphis, Tenn. - October 11, 2007.

Parker "Pat" Lowrance ('57, '68), 74, of Hot Springs - November 14, 2007.

Thomas Vernon McDonald ('55), 74, of Lewisville - February 15, 2008.

William Frederick Malcolm ('50), 80, of Richardson, Tex. - November 4, 2007.

Hershel Woodrow Nichols ('53), 89, of Bismarck - July 19, 2007.

Mickey O'Quinn ('53), 78, of Arkadelphia - July 6, 2008.

Johnnie H. Orr ('56), 77, of Hot Springs - January 8, 2008.

Janet Bonnette Oxford ('58), 70, of Plano, Tex. - August 13, 2007.

Nelvie B Payne ('51), 94, of Emerson - October 14, 2007.

Hazel Smith Ricker ('58), 97, of Hot Springs - July 15, 2007.

Mildred Hamlett Roberson ('58), 94, of Mena - February 18, 2008.

Ona Lee "Elizabeth" Walker Robinson ('56), 91, of Huntington Beach, Calif. - February 14, 2008.

Elster Thomas Shuffield ('50), 83, of Hot Springs - December 7, 2008.

Jimmy Lee Stiffler ('59), 73, of Gurdon - July 10, 2008.

Lamerce Tucker Thomas ('54, '61), 79, of Malvern - April 15, 2008.

Amy Louise Mackey Thompson ('54), 74, of Arkadelphia - March 5, 2008.

Kenneth Ray Thornton ('54), 76, of Glenwood - August 19, 2007.

Pauline Neeper Treadwell ('58), 88, of Malvern - May 2, 2008.

Ronald Daniel Whisenhunt ('55), 76, of Kirby - November 16, 2008.

John Bernard Wilson ('59, '67), 74, of Hot Springs - August 10, 2008.

Cole Young ('53), 77, of Texarkana - January 6, 2008.

1960s

Don David Argo ('65), 72, of Rockledge,

Fla. - October 19, 2008.

Rebecca Ann Barton ('69, '72), 60, of Lewisville - February 29, 2008.

Chester Keith Bordelon ('65), 71, of Morrow, La. - January 25, 2008.

James Brewer, Jr. ('66), 63, of Texarkana - April 15, 2007.

Richard Whitehurst "Dick" Broach ('64), 69, of Hope - October 4, 2008.

James Havis Chambers ('64), 64, of Pleasanton, Tex. - July 26, 2007.

Earl Dean Crosswhite ('65), 82, of Sheridan - April 5, 2008.

David Reep Curry ('65, '69), 64, of Conway - November 16, 2007.

Walter Ralph Edgin ('65), 65, of Roland - October 12, 2007.

Leonard Richard Ellis ('63), 67, of Hot Springs - December 31, 2007.

James Francis "Jimmy" Ford ('62), 71, of Fayetteville - November 27, 2008.

James Milo Franz ('62), 67, of Blacksburg, Va. - July 4, 2008.

Sandra Flowers Freyaldenhoven ('64), 65, of Little Rock - September 24, 2007.

Helen Faye Faulkner Gestaut ('66), 64, of Chicago, Ill. - July 26, 2008.

Gloria Taylor Gibbins ('68), 60, of Hot Springs - April 13, 2008.

Charles Melton Green ('69), 70, of Haskell - December 4, 2008.

Michael Wayne Grogan ('63), 67, of Arkadelphia - February 4, 2008.

Juanita Gill Hatfield ('68), 86, of Lewisville, Tex. - September 12, 2008.

Annie Clardy Hubbard ('60, '70), 81, of Gurdon - June 5, 2008.

Jimmy Marshall Johnson ('66), 72, of Traskwood - June 1, 2007.

Harold "Butch" LaFountaine ('69), 61, of Port Clinton, Ohio - November 14, 2007.

Peter D. Lane ('69), 61, of Little Rock - July 15, 2007.

Rosalyn Wingfield Lowe ('68), 61, of Gillett - November 1, 2008.

Irene Shanks McCarron ('67), 91, of Conway - October 8, 2008.

Edwina "Sissy" Yeargan McClurkan ('64), 65, of Little Rock - July 29, 2007.

Calvin Dale Neal ('62, '66), 70, of Magnolia - February 27, 2008.

Ruby Mae Lynn Parham ('60), 95, of Fordyce - December 10, 2008.

John L Prothro, Jr. ('65, '79), 64, of Cropwell, Ala. - May 13, 2008.

Jerry Wayne Shinn ('64), 72, of Hatfield - April 9, 2008.

Kathy Washburn Shuman ('65), 65, of Mena - February 15, 2008.

Jack Lewis Spates ('60), 78, of Hope - October 29, 2008.

Joseph Woody Spencer ('68), 62, of Clarendon - May 4, 2008.

Frances Modlin Sturdy ('63), 89, of Little Rock - April 25, 2008.

Roena Ross Timmons ('60), 68, of Columbus, Ga. - July 10, 2007.

Doris Lewallen Wells ('60, '76), 68, of Arkadelphia - September 27, 2007.

1970s

William A. Barber ('70), 61, of Blevins - October 8, 2008.

Jerry Thomas Beggs ('72), 67, of Bryant - February 8, 2008.

John Edward Bobertz ('70), 61, of Mount Pleasant, S.C. - July 3, 2008.

Larry Borecky ('72), 58, of Bossier City, La. - June 1, 2008.

Rebecca Phelps Brown ('70, '80), 59, of Arkadelphia - October 6, 2007.

Van E Brown ('71), 60, of Lono - September 11, 2008.

Gerald William Clark, Jr. ('73), 62, of Helena - October 15, 2008.

Minette Clay ('70), 93, of Glenwood - October 15, 2007.

Earley B. Collins ('75, '76), 54, of Lewisville - April 13, 2008.

Richard F. "Dick" Dewoody ('75), 65, of Hot Springs - August 24, 2008.

Kenneth Wayne Dorathy ('74), 54, of Little Rock - August 11, 2007.

Paula Edwards ('77), 56, of Dardanelle - October 11, 2007.

Ann Cordelia Inman ('78, '83), 49, of Little Rock - November 6, 2008.

Clarice Fowler Lynch ('77), 88, of Arkadelphia - April 3, 2008.

Eleanor Blair Jones McMenis ('77), 85, of Smackover - January 13, 2008.

Roy Carl Mohnkern ('70), 64, of Fort Smith - November 12, 2008.

David Wayne Moore ('76), 55, of Hot Springs - November 19, 2007. James "Steve" Platt ('75), 53, of Vilonia

- July 4, 2007.

Larry Don Perry ('73), 56, of Malvern - March 10, 2008.

Richard Lee Todd ('75), 67, of Malvern - March 19, 2008.

1980s

Darrell Flannery ('80), 84, of Hot Springs - June 30, 2007.

Joe Hagan, Jr. ('88), 51, of Lake City - October 11, 2007.

Lori Renee Goodman Huett ('86), 43, of Aurora, Colo. - September 9, 2007.

Zelberdia Sanders Williams ('85), 81, of Arkadelphia - October 21, 2007.

1990s

Christopher Allen Canale ('91), 39, of Arkadelphia - November 6, 2007.

Marque Dougals ('99), 30, of Little Rock - December 8, 2007.

Stacie Lynn Hays ('92), 40, of Columbia, S.C. - April 3, 2007.

Nona Thomas Jacobs ('90), 53, of Sheridan - November 14, 2007.

Sandra Sue Evans James ('93), 68, of Studio City, Calif. - July 10, 2008.

Carolina Jamison ('90), 42, of Nashville - September 4, 2007.

2000s

Kevin M. Jones ('00, '03), 32, of Hot Springs - September 16, 2008.

Faculty/Staff

Charles W. Leming 64, of Arkadelphia - August 16, 2008.

Harold Thomas "Hal" McAfee 55, of Arkadelphia - November 22, 2008.

Ronald Louis Nunn 79, of Arkadelphia - August 31, 2008.

Joe Thomas Scott 78, of Little Rock - February 9, 2008.

Former Students

Paul Elwood Burnett (attended '89), 53, of Malvern - November 10, 2008.

Roger Wayne Elliott (attended '70 - '72), 55, of Ruston, La. - April 24, 2008.

Roberta Lee Sisk Haygood (attended '54 - 56), 71, of Little Rock - November 23, 2007.

Mary Elizabeth Gaffny Johnston (attended '37 - '39), 87, of El Dorado - July 19, 2008.

Faye Bonner Lansdale (attended '45 - '47), 81, of Sun City, Ariz. - December 20, 2008.

Henry Clayborn McCauley (attended '92), 67, of Arkadelphia - August 5, 2008.

Eugenia McDaniel Pilkinton (attended '40 - '41), 87, of Little Rock - December 17, 2007.

Elvin Dan Sivils (attended '69 - '70), 58, of Ruston, La. - October 5, 2008.

Wilbur H. Sullivan (attended '50-'51), 81, of Malvern - May 16, 2008.

Jerry Kreth Thomasson (attended '52 - '55), 75, of Bismarck - April 29, 2007.

Class Notes —

Velda Haynie Holmes ('57), of Hot Springs, was inducted into Arkansas Distance Learning Association Hall of Fame for Lifetime Achievement in Distance Education.

Joseph Caldwell, ('58 and '65), of Vivian,

Lou., was elected and installed as state commander, called the Grand Chef de Gare.

Nancy Hord ('58), of DeWitt, recently retired from Patillo Center School/ after 35 years of service.

Dr. Billy Hudson ('62), of Brentwood, Tenn., was recently named distinguished alumnus of the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine.

Jay Bradford ('61), of Little Rock, was selected by Governor Mike Beebe to serve as commissioner of the Arkansas Insurance Department.

Dr. Richard Hoover, ('64), of Huntsville, Ala., was honored with the Gold Medal of the Society for his work in X-ray and EUV optics, ranging from microscopes to telescopes.

Dr. Stephen Duke ('66), of University, Miss., received an honorary doctorate degree by the University of the Basque Country in reorganization of his international contributions to plant and agricultural sciences.

Bruce Stacy ('66), of Lafayette, La., was recently selected as a Branch Manager of the Year by UBS Financial Services.

R.D. Saunders ('68), of Hot Springs, recently retired after 40 years of service in education.

Gary Kees ('71), of White Hall, recently retired after 36 years of service in education.

Neich Robinson, Jr. ('71, '74), of Monticello, recently retired after 34 years of service in education.

Gary Segrest ('71), of Hot Springs, recently received the National Federation of State High School Associations Citation by the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association.

Patricia Calloway Daniel, MD, PhD ('72), of Jacksonville, Fla., recently accepted a position as a Pediatric Psychiatrist with Nemours Children's Clinic and Wolson Children's Hospital.

Janie Jones ('72, '80), of Belle Vista, was named Teacher of the Year from Bentonville High School and the Bentonville District Secondary Teacher of the Year.

Eric Armour ('73), of Hector. Recently retired after 33 years of service in education.

Ann Ayres ('73), of Lowell, received National Board Certification for Teachers, was named Teacher of the Year from R. E. Baker Elementary School, and the Bentonville District Teacher of the Year.

Sue Ehrgood ('73,'77,'88), of Arkadelphia, has been chosen as Elementary Counselor of the Year for the Southwest Arkansas Region.

Richard F. Jacobs, MD ('73), of Little Rock, was named chairman of the Department of Pediatrics in the UAMS College of Medicine.

George Sparks, PhD ('73), of Ocean Ridge,

Fla., was recently appointed Founding Dean of the College of Visual and Performing Arts at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Dr. Mary Kaye Sandford ('74), of Langley, Wash., recently published a book entitled *Classical and Contemporary Readings in Physical Anthropology*.

Dr. Brenda Sellers ('75, '87), of Fort Smith, was the recipient of the first Annual Arkansas Association of Arkansas School Personnel Administrator Service Award.

Dr. Linda English ('76, '87), of Prescott, recently had a story published in *The Old Time Chronicle* and *Tales From the South*.

Curtis Turner, Jr. ('76, '88), of Clinton, recently retired after 27.5 years of service in education.

Phyllis Brooks ('77, '78), of Royal, was recently selected as Post-Secondary Counselor of the year by the Southwest Region of the Arkansas School Counselor's Association.

James Manning ('78), of Gilmer, Tex., was recently named Teacher of the Year at Pine Tree Independent School District in Longview, Texas.

Gaynell R. King Jamison ('79), of Monticello, received an Educational Specialist Degree in reading from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

John Aitken ('80), of Collierville, Tenn., was named as superintendent of the Shelby County, Tennessee school district.

Brian Kirksey ('80), of Amity, was recently selected as the Swisher Sweets/Sunbelt Expo Southeastern Farmer of the Year.

Virginia Miller ('80, '81), of Pearcy, was selected to serve as President of the Southwest Region of the Arkansas School Counselors Association.

Terry Lawler ('81), of Hot Springs, recently retired after 33 years of service in education.

Billy Tarpley ('81), of Gurdon, was honored with the Chamber Award of Appreciation from the Gurdon Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Betty C. Marie ('82), of Prairie Grove, recently retired after 43 years of service in education.

Dr. Darrell W. Brann ('84), of Augusta, Ga., has been named Regents Professor by the University System of Georgia Board of Regents.

Philip Foster ('84), of Charlotte, NC, recently returned from a tour in Iraq, where he served as Iraq Logistics Advisor to the Iraqi National Police.

Theresa Harris ('85), of Little Rock, was recently selected as Arkansas Council of Teachers of English Language Arts Middle School Teacher of the Year.

Kim Willige Hayes, ('85), of Texarkana,

Tex., received her Master of Science in Curriculum and Instruction from Texas A&M University-Texarkana.

Devetta Tolbert ('87) of Dallas, Tex., has released her third book in a seven book series. The book is entitled *From a Single Female to a Virtuous Woman*.

Susie P. Marks ('89), of Little Rock, has been designated Senior Vice-President for Programs of the Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce.

Major Gary Mann ('90), of Cambridge, Mass., was selected for the Army Harvard Strategist program and accepted into the 2008-2009 Harvard John F. Kennedy School of Government's Lucius N. Littauer Masters in Public Administration Program.

Lynette Cox ('91), of North Little Rock, was appointed to the North Little Rock Historic District.

David Fausett ('92), of Nashville, Ten., has been named Vice-President of Risk Management for Brentwood, Ten. Based LifePoint Hospitals, Inc.

Chandra Martin ('92), of North Little Rock, has been appointed to the Parks and Recreation Commission by the City of North Little Rock Mayor Patrick Hays.

Cynthia Wolfe Harmon ('94), of Bismarck, recently received a Master of Science in Education Degree in Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment from Walden University.

Kareem Moody ('95), of Little Rock, recently published a book entitled *Raise Them Up:The Real Deal on Reaching Unreachable Kids*.

Donnie Whitten ('95, '00, 05), of Arkadelphia, was named Superintendent of the Arkadelphia School District.

Ben Robertson, PhD ('95), of Troy, Ala., recently had published by Pickering and Chatoo in London, *The Diaries of Elizabeth Inchbald*, a three volume set that he has been editing for three years.

Shaneen Kelleybrew Sloan ('95), of Little Rock, recently became a partner in the Little Rock law firm of Hyden, Miron & Foster, PLLC.

Eric Pease ('96), of Dallas, Tex., was recently appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention, International Mission Board to serve in Central, Eastern, and Southern Africa

Teena Reasoner ('96), of Cape Girardeau, Mo., was hired as the Assistant Director of Fraternities and Sororities at Southeast Missouri State University.

Debbie Baker ('99), of Malvern, was recently selected as Secondary Counselor of the year by the Southwest Region of the Arkansas School Counselor's Association.

Thomas Fernandez ('99), of Arkadelphia,

will be participating in the 2007 Japan Exchange and Teaching Program.

Jody Carter ('00), of Bryant, received a MS degree in Emergency Management from Jacksonville State University in Alabama.

Troy Myers ('00), of Walls, Miss., was hired by Continental Airlines as a first officer on the Boeing 737.

Madilynn Nolen ('00, '05), of Texarkana, recently became a Licensed Professional Counselor Intern for the state of Texas. She is employed by the Texarkana Independent School District.

Aaron Stewart ('00), of Wynne, was appointed to the Information Network of Arkansas Board of Directors by Governor Mike Beebe.

Susan Wesson Myers ('01, '02), of Walls, Miss., just defended her dissertation and earned a PhD in Business Administration with a concentration in Marketing and accepted a tenure-track position at the University of Central Arkansas.

Tene' Green ('01), of Rogers, recently completed the Professional Human Resource certification and the Certified Forensic Interviewer certification.

Stephanie Lafevers ('01), of Hot Springs, was recently selected as Middle/Junior High Counselor of the year by the Southwest Region of the Arkansas School Counselor's Association.

Nicole McGough ('01), of Arkadelphia, was recently selected as the Arkadelphia Public School District Teacher of the Year.

Kathie Buckman, MLS ('02), of Arkadelphia, received the Suzanne Spurrier Academic Librarian Award from the Arkansas Library Association.

Scott Bonge ('03), of Hot Springs, recently made an appearance on "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno" for his invention called the GoateeSaver.

Rozetta Lambert ('03), of Maumelle, was promoted to assistant manager of One Banc Financial Institute.

Nicole Alexis ('04, '05) of Humble, Tex., was promoted to manager of terminal operations at the Englewood Terminal of Union Pacific.

Diana Denning ('04), of Benton, recently joined Arkansas Children's Hospital as donor recognition coordinator/graphic designer.

Leslie Elliott ('04), of Little Rock, recently completed her Master of Science in Nursing (Pediatric Nurse Practitioner) from the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences.

Joshua Bryant ('05), of Rogers, recently graduated from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville Law School.

Joshua D. Dilley ('05), of Donaldson, recently had an article published in the

American Journal of Pathology, entitled, Platelet Dysfunction and a High Bone Mass Phenotype in a Murine Model of the Platelet-Type von Willebrand Disease.

Eric Hartman ('05), of Little Rock, recently had an article published in the American Journal of Pathology, entitled, Platelet Dysfunction and a High Bone Mass Phenotype in a Murine Model of the Platelet-Type von Willebrand Disease.

Kristan Schanzlin ('06), of Camden, is currently employed at Lockheed Martin as a Schedule/Cost Analyst.

J. Adam Hughes ('07), of Smackover, is currently enrolled at the University of Arkansas as a PhD seeking graduate assistant in Space and Planetary Science.

Marie Martin ('07), of Texarkana, Tex., is now employed as the Education Reporter for the *Texarkana Gazette*.

Births —

Shelley Arnold Alvine ('96) and Brett, a daughter, Carley Allison Alvine, June 15, 2006.

Shelly Elizabeth Bean-Boyd ('01), and Matthew Dennis Boyd ('03), a son, Conner Matthew Boyd, October 9, 2008.

Meredith Echols Bell ('95) and Blake, a daughter, Allison Blakely Bell, July 27, 2007.

Kimberly Belt ('99), and Christopher Cockburn, a son, Landon Jake Cockburn, February 4, 2008.

Jaymi Blankenship ('01) and Kara, a daughter, Kiersten Grace Blankenship, April 7, 2009.

Aaron Dale Burke ('07) and Kristina, a son, Nicholas Austin Burke, January 12, 2007.

Justin Ryan Casey ('03) and Latoyia, a son, Joshua Zion Casey, November 24, 2008.

Wesley Dillard ('07) and Heather Lane Dillard ('05), a son, Ethan Kyle Dillard, October 26, 2006.

Tracy Duke ('83) and Jane, twin sons, Lawson J. Duke and Jackson Warren Duke, December 13, 2006.

Robbie Estes ('94) and **Peggy Culling Estes** ('94), a daughter, Meghan Estes, December 31, 2008.

Darrin Gardner ('95) and Stacy McKnight Gardner ('94), a son, Brayden Christopher Hill, September 5, 2007.

Leanne Harrison Hitt ('00) and Todd, a son, Caleb Isaac Hitt, June 9, 2008

Kasie Hamm Johnson ('01) and William Johnson, a daughter, Adalyn Kae Johnson, April 7, 2008.

Andrew J. Kneebone ('04, '05) and Elaine Martin Kneebone ('97), a daughter, Alice Olivia Kneebone, March 4, 2009.

Sarah Raines Lee ('00), and Noah Lee, a

son, Matthew Christian Lee, June 26, 2007.

Jenny Nall Manning ('97) and Aaron, a daughter, Morgan Cole Manning, July 13, 2006.

Julie Garrison Quast ('02, '04) and Jeremy, twins, one son and one daughter, Garrison Lee and Allie Grace, December 28, 2007.

John "Clay" Williams ('01) and Crystal Williams ('01), a son, John Cooper Williams, November 15, 2007.

Koren Young ('94) and Darryl, a son, Trace Omar Young, February 13, 2008.

Yolanda "Yo" Ford Young ('93, '96) and Rev. Steven Young (former student), a son, Steven Divon Young II, December 29, 2006.

Weddings —

Joshua Bryant ('05) and Megan Harris, July 28, 2007.

Morgan Ely ('99) and Laura Shallcross, August 18, 2007.

Amy McKinnon ('99) and Jason Powell, December 1, 2007.

Wade Overturf ('06) and Ashley Crumby, July 14, 2007.

Stacie Lyn Houston Squier ('94) and Charles Elkins, November 3, 2007.

Teyerra Dyann Stapp ('00) and Josh Ross, September 12, 2008.

Christopher Owen ('02) and Christie Michelle Bonner, June 6, 2009.

Anniversaries —

Billy G. Jones ('58) and **Jonelle Ryan Jones** ('58), of Palm Coast, Fla., celebrated 50 years on August 11, 2007.

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Homecoming 2009

Save the date!

HSU vs. Arkansas Tech
Homecoming Football Game
Saturday, October 24, 2009 at 3 p.m.
Carpenter Haygood Stadium

Friday, Oct. 23, 2009

Join fellow Reddies at The Barkman House, located at the corner of McNutt and 10th Street off of Highway 67, for an Open House from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Golf cart campus tours will be available to interested parties.

Saturday, Oct. 24, 2009

On Saturday, the Henderson State University Class of 1959 will become Golden Reddies, celebrating 50 years since commencement. Golden Reddies should expect complete information regarding details of the event at a later date.



1959 Championship Trophy

1959 Championship Reunion

The 1959 AIC Championship Football Team will celebrate its 50th reunion on Friday, October 23, (6:00 pm until?) as part of 2009 Homecoming. All students and faculty from 1956 through 1962 are invited to attend as guests. The Reunion will be at the Caddo Event Center, Caddo Valley, AR, located across the street from the Cracker Barrel, two blocks North on Highway 7.

The Homecoming game against Arkansas Tech begins at 3:00 pm on Saturday, October 24.

Additionally, The Caddo Event Center has been reserved by the 59 championship team for Saturday, October 24, following the game so that all HSU Alumni and former students, including the '69 championship team can join us for a social evening.

For more information contact Jimmy Jones at (870)246-4823 or email jonesj59@wildblue.net or the alumni office at 1-877-733-2586 or alumni@hsu.edu

1969 Championship Reunion

To all those who were a part of the 1969 Championship Football Team, you are invited to join us for a 40 year reunion directly following the Homecoming game on Saturday, October 24 at Reggie and Claudia Speights home, 2654 Country Club Road, Arkadelphia. Food and drinks will be served. For more information contact Reggie Speights at 870-246-1606, rspeights@iocc.com or Sherry Wright at 1-877-733-2586.

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