

Alumni News

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2009 Reunion Years

1929 (80th)	1934 (75th)	1939 (70th)	1944 (65th)
1949 (60th)	1954 (55th)	1959 (50th)	1964 (45th)
1969 (40th)	1974 (35th)	1979 (30th)	1984 (25th)
1989 (20th)	1994 (15th)	1999 (10th)	2004 (5th)

Alumni Meritorious Award Recipients



Dr. David Gifford '73
Distinguished Achievement



Dr. Carl Johnson '60 JC
Distinguished Community Service



Mr. Herbert Keith
*Distinguished Service
to College of the Ozarks*



Dr. Chris Larsen '92
Distinguished Young Alumnus

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Presidents' Messages

Dear Alumnus,

I would like to thank Helen Youngblood for her years of dedication and exceptional service to the Alumni Association. As many of you already know, she retired this summer after almost 20 years of service to the College. The Alumni Association thrived under her leadership and together, alumni accomplished many projects during her tenure as Director. Helen is a shining example of the kind of students who have graduated from College of the Ozarks. She exhibits a great love for everyone and has touched many lives through her kind spirit and generosity. We will miss Helen in the Alumni Office, but I am sure she has left

the Association in good hands with Angela (Ussery) Williamson, a 2000 graduate. If you do not know Angela, please stop by and get to know her.

In Mark, Jesus says the Greatest Commandment is to love the Lord your God with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is to love your neighbor as yourself. I believe we can show our love in many ways, and one way that alumni continue to show their love and generosity is in giving back to the School that gave us all so much. Thanks to your contributions,



more than half of our \$250,000 goal has been achieved for our current project, the Admissions Office Renovation and Addition. With your help, we'll make this another successful project for our alma mater. All gifts, large or small, are certainly appreciated and make an impact on this special project.

Thanks again for your generosity and continued support. I look forward to seeing you at Homecoming on November 7, 2009.

Sincerely,
Roy Johnson
Alumni Association President

Alumni Input on College's Self-Study

The College is currently in the midst of a two-year-long process known as an institutional self-study. This process is required every ten years for the purpose of renewed accreditation with the North Central Association. As part of this process, the College has established a self-study steering committee led by Dr. Eric Bolger from the philosophy and religion department. At Homecoming this fall, members of the steering committee and others involved with the self-study are planning a focus group with Alumni. If you are interested in participating in this group, please contact Eric Bolger at bolger@cofo.edu or 417-690-2253.

Dear Alumnus,

If you were to take a drive down Opportunity Avenue, it is more than likely that you would see the smiling faces of students working hard in landscaping, construction, or any of the other workstations on campus. Those smiles are because each student is partaking in the tradition of a Christ-centered experience and a debt-free education.



As the summer suns are starting to cool on College of the Ozarks, the students are preparing for another fun and exciting fall semester. As we all embark on another year, the Student Senate is preparing for a semester of service and entertainment. This year we plan on providing the students with parties, dances, movie nights,

and coffee houses. Student Senate is also responsible for this year's Homecoming activities such as the coronation, club booths, and parade. Among these events, Student Senate is dedicated to hearing the voice of the students and doing its best to make sure that voice is respected and recognized.

"A Treasured Tradition," the theme for Homecoming 2009, is one that speaks of the great importance that College of the Ozarks has had on our lives. The legacy that our school has led is worthy of being remembered and celebrated now and through the many years to come. We would like to extend a thank you for all your support that allows the tradition of College of the Ozarks to live on.

Blessings,
Richard Forster
Student Body President



Dear Alumnus,

Since the institution's founding, instilling Christian values, promoting the work ethic, and furthering students academically have been priorities. Later, the decision to promote cultural and patriotic growth was made. These five goals: Christian, Vocational, Academic, Cultural, and Patriotic, enrich our students'

values and provide guidance. These goals have become our "treasured traditions."

In November, the 2009 Homecoming festivities will offer a time to cherish such lessons. Perhaps you will have the opportunity to visit with one of our 20 students who escorted ten WWII Veterans back to Normandy for the 65th Anniversary of D-Day. Each will no doubt share with you the valuable lessons learned by spending time with the Veterans who selflessly sacrificed.

After hearing the Veterans reminisce of the battles, C of O student Ashlyn Moore realized the emotional toll the trip back to Europe had on the Veterans. "They all are remembering fallen comrades, literally seeing them in the pictures of their memory. They will all tell you that they, personally, are not the true heroes, but those who were left behind. Each of these men experienced death in a way that you and I can never imagine." This journey deepened Ashlyn's appreciation for more than just the history of D-Day and World War

II. It gave her a new perspective on the men and women who fought oppression valiantly, even while witnessing their friends fall. Such lessons cannot be taught in a classroom. As an alumnus, I am sure you understand the value of these lessons.

In June, fellow alumna and Alumni Affairs Director Helen Youngblood retired after nearly 20 years of dedicated service to the College. Her successor, Angela Ussery Williamson (Class of 2000), has returned to her alma mater.

Angela graduated in 2000 with a Mass Communication degree from C of O; she then worked as an admissions representative for the College. Angela went on to Washington D.C., where she worked for more than four years under the President George W. Bush administration. She served the American public during those years as Deputy White House Liaison in the Office of the Attorney General and as a Correspondence Analyst in the Office of Laura Bush. Angela was also a Senior Press Assistant in the Office of Public Affairs for the U.S. Department of Justice and a former White House intern.

Angela is a capable young lady and very distinguished alumna of the College, as evidenced by the responsible roles she filled in Washington. Angela's communication skills and commitment to the mission of the College are great assets. I encourage you to introduce yourself to her. I know she is eager to become acquainted with more of her fellow alumni.

Sincerely,
Jerry C. Davis, President

VETERANS EVENTS ON HOMECOMING WEEKEND

Patriotism is a treasured tradition at College of the Ozarks. We hope you can attend some of the special Veterans Week activities that will be taking place on campus during Homecoming Weekend!

November 6: Gallery exhibit opens at The Keeter Center. The exhibit will feature photographs from the 65th Anniversary of D-Day trip and WWII artifacts.

November 6: 2 p.m. - 5 p.m., WWII mini-reunion, The Keeter Center; This program will include remarks by President Jerry C. Davis and Mr. Timothy Davis, founder of The Greatest Generations Foundation; screening of documentary of the Normandy trip and remarks by students and Veterans who participated in the trip.

November 7: 2 p.m. - 3 p.m., WWII Trip Documentary Screening, The Keeter Center

November 7 & 8: WWII Reenactment Camp, Lawn in front of the Alumni Center

CONNECT WITH US

To participate, we ask that you give \$1,000 or more each year to the C of O Fund; pray regularly for the College, its students, faculty and staff; promote the mission of the College in your community; and encourage others to support C of O in similar ways.

In return, we commit to engage you in the life of the College. You'll receive current prayer requests and updates from students and President Jerry C. Davis. We'll also provide opportunities for you to meet other Fellows at Connection events on campus and in your area.

DOC GOOD

FELLOWS SOCIETY

The Doc Good Fellows Society is a nationwide network of alumni and friends which fosters the development and support of College of the Ozarks and its students.

Each year, a Fellow commits to the following:

PROVIDE

a minimum of \$1,000 per year to College of the Ozarks.

- Current Alumni Project
- Student Athletic Program
- Alumni Scholarship Fund
- Academic Programs
- Student Benevolence Fund
- C of O Operating Fund

PROMOTE

and encourage the mission of C of O in your community.

- Participate in Doc Good Day at the College
- Host a Connection event in your area
- Encourage others to support C of O

PRAY

for the College, its students, faculty, and staff.

- C of O students, their strength, safety, hearts, and minds
- C of O faculty, staff, and administration
- Give thanks for the faithful and generous stewards who pray and have made provision for the College



DOC GOOD FELLOWS SOCIETY

YES, I am committing to be a Doc Good Fellow. I am willing to **pray, provide,** and **promote** this year. Enclosed is my gift of \$_____ toward _____ Fund.

I pledge \$83.33 per month for the next 12 months. Please count me as part of the Doc Good Society.

Name(s) _____ Class _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail address _____

Plateaus of Giving

College of the Ozarks Alumni Association Alumni Funds as of June 30, 2009

Admissions Renovation and Addition

Balance 1/1/09	\$112,060.58
Interest and contributions	<u>20,474.00</u>
Total Fund 6/30/09	\$132,534.58

Alumni Center Endowed Maintenance Fund

Balance 1/1/09	\$40,381.83
Interest and contributions 1/1/09 to 6/30/09	796.00
Total Fund 6/30/09	<u>\$41,177.83</u>

The Alumni Endowment Maintenance Fund

Balance 1/1/09	\$1,009,541.91
Interest and contributions 1/1/09 to 6/30/09	<u>25,396.29</u>
Total Fund 6/30/09	<u>\$1,034,938.20</u>

Alumni Scholarship Fund

Balance 1/1/09	\$630,217.59
Interest and contributions 1/1/09 to 6/30/09	<u>50,300.24</u>
Total Fund 6/30/09	<u>\$680,517.83</u>

J. Hugh & Martha Wise Alumni Scholarship Fund

Total Fund Balance 6/30/09	<u>\$223,778.77</u>
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Winfrey Alumni Scholarship Fund

Total Fund Balance 6/30/09	<u>\$38,171.15</u>
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Curtis Memorial Alumni Scholarship Fund

Total Fund Balance 6/30/09	<u>\$7,264.53</u>
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Don Schofield Alumni Scholarship Fund

Total Fund Balance 6/30/09	<u>\$101,314.53**</u>
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Ridinger Brothers Alumni Scholarship Fund

Total Fund Balance 6/30/09	<u>\$108,258.08</u>
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Virginia Gillespie Lucas Scholarship Fund

Total Fund Balance 6/30/09	<u>\$802,105.00</u>
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Leo and Violet (Frye) Adams Memorial Scholarship

Total Fund Balance 6/30/09	<u>\$12,600.00</u>
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**\$5,161.88 awarded in scholarships

FORSYTHE FELLOWS SOCIETY

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

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.

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Dr. David Gifford is this year's recipient of the Distinguished Achievement Award. David graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science in Biology from The School of the Ozarks in 1973. He went on to earn his medical degree from the University of Missouri - Columbia in 1977.

Dr. Gifford's honors include being named Young Internist of the Year by the Missouri Society of Internal Medicine and Physician of the Year by North Hills Hospital in Texas. *Ft. Worth Magazine* also named him one of the Top Docs two years in a row.

Dr. Gifford currently serves as the Medical Director at North Richland Hills Endoscopy Center and as a Gastroenterologist for the Digestive Health Associates of Texas. He has held a number of positions throughout his career, including Chief of Medicine and Medical Director of the Gastroenterology Lab at the Audrain Medical Center, where his expertise was sought on several committees. In addition, he held positions at North Hills Hospital where he was the Medical Director of Outpatient/Endoscopy Services and Chairman of the Department of Medicine Performance Improvement Committee.

David finished training in Gastroenterology in 1982 and began practicing in Mexico, Missouri, during a time of significant economic difficulties. During these years, David worked in the economic development efforts for that region. As he became more involved in medical organizations, his efforts focused on improving access to medical care for rural communities throughout the nation. He met with members of Congress and state leaders, including former Missouri Governor Christopher "Kit" Bond, and together they were successful in their efforts to prevent changes that would have threatened the financial stability of rural hospitals. As a result of Dr. Gifford's work on this important issue, he was asked to assist the National Rural Health Care Advisory Group for the American College of Physicians.

David explains that S of O has really helped him in the sense of making conditions better for people and what honest work means. "I learned lessons there about leadership, management, and service to others that prepared me for the challenges faced as

I worked to change the structure of medicine," he says. "I also learned of the values necessary to insist that we do the right things the right way..."

David credits administrators, faculty and staff at the College for making a difference in his life and career. "Many times throughout my career I have reflected on what I learned there, hearing their advice and seeing their examples still guiding and sustaining me with the challenges I was facing. My mentors have served me very well. They set standards I knew I had to hold to if I am to claim the College as part of my heritage and the foundation upon which I built my life."

Recently he attended Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary (SWBTS) where he took graduate courses in Theology and Biblical Studies. Dr. Gifford still continues to practice Gastroenterology full-time but God has led him to a different path, he explains, "[I] spend all my energy and time otherwise in Biblical studies and teaching Bible courses in area churches. While this does not provide the titles and prestige of my earlier efforts, it is of far greater value and significance for what matters."

Developing a deeper understanding of God's word has been a major focus in the lives of David and his wife, Anne, who holds two master's degrees and her doctorate from SWBTS. Together they have been involved with multiple ministries inside and outside the church for many years. David and Anne Gifford reside in Colleyville, Texas, and have four children - Lizette, Thomas, James, and Matthew.



Dr. Carl Johnson is this year's recipient of the Meritorious Award for Distinguished Community Service. Carl received his Associate of Arts degree from The School of the Ozarks in 1960. He went on to earn his Bachelor of Science in Mathematics at Southwest Missouri State University in 1961 and his Masters in Mathematics at the University of Arkansas in 1963. In 1975, Carl earned his Ph.D. in Mathematics Education and Statistics from Kansas State University.



In May 2008, Dr. Johnson retired as a Professor in the College of Education and Human Services at Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia,

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after teaching math education and computer courses for 33 years. He also served as the Chair of the School of Education for eight years working with professors and advising hundreds of students.

Carl explains teaching enabled him “to help people reach for and accomplish their individual goals, thereby realizing more of their full potential.”

At the College of Education and Human Services at Marshall University, Dr. Johnson wrote 18 grants, presented 26 workshops with the help of professional colleagues and his wife, published 24 professional journal articles, and co-authored a textbook (*Computers in the Classroom*), with a colleague. He also developed three courses in the School of Education at Marshall University and was the editor of two professional state journals.

Carl has been active in his community his entire life. He has served as a deacon of his church and taught Sunday school for many years. He also served on different church committees, called Commissions, including the Finance Commission and the Missions and Witness Commission, of which he served as Chairman from 1995-1997. In addition, Carl was a volunteer for the Ronald McDonald House in Huntington, West Virginia, from 1993 until he retired in 2008. He served on the Cabell County Staff Development Council from 1977 until 2008, the Cabell County Citizens Advisory Council from 1993-1996, and the Cabell County Curriculum Council from 1979-1981.

Carl has been honored with several awards including the Distinguished Accomplishment Award by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (1994), the Distinguished Service Award by the West Virginia Council (1993), and the Golden Hammer Award for outstanding work with Habitat for Humanity, of which he has been a member since 1993.

When asked about his greatest accomplishment, Carl says, “I feel that the greatest accomplishment of my personal life and sphere of influence is marrying my lovely wife, Jo Ann, and being the father of our two wonderful daughters, Angela and Laura.” Angela lives and works in Charlotte, North Carolina, and Laura and her husband Tim live in Blowing Rock, North Carolina. Both daughters have served on the mission field: Angela in Ukraine, Bosnia, Mozambique, Norway, and Arctic Russia; and Laura in Slovakia and Kenya. Carl now enjoys his four grandchildren: Ashlyn (8), Kayla (6), Brooklyn (4), and Luke (2). He and Jo Ann are excitedly anticipating the birth of their fifth grandchild in late January or early February of this next year!

Carl learned the value of hard, honest work and its rewards. He believes that The School of the Ozarks taught him the “importance of developing good moral character traits. Those same high ideals and excellent work ethic continued to be nurtured in my life as I matured and grew at S of O,” he said. Carl has used these tools to become successful in giving back to the community. “... I have never forgotten the foundation that was laid by The School of the Ozarks in both my personal and educational life,” Carl says. He and his wife, Jo Ann, reside in Boone, North Carolina.



Mr. Herbert Keith is this year's recipient of the Distinguished Service to College of the Ozarks Award. Herb (as he is known to everyone on campus) received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Arkansas - Fayetteville in 1967 and 1970, respectively. He has served, first as Assistant Professor then, as Associate

Professor of Agriculture and as an Assistant Farm Manager at the College ever since June 1970.

Prior to joining The School of the Ozarks, Mr. Keith taught junior high math and science as a temporary job while he worked on his master's degree; he had never considered teaching as a career until his wife persuaded him to apply at S of O. Herb was the first agronomist hired for the new academic program in agriculture at The School of the Ozarks; when Herb was not teaching, he helped out on the S of O farm. Since the beginning of his career, prominent School figures like Beulah Winfrey, Sherman Henry, Juanita Kirk, Marvin Oetting, and several others mentored him; because of this, Herb explains, “I feel like I'm in my 40th year of on-the-job training.”

Herb believes that working with students is his greatest achievement. For 39 years, he has interacted with college students through teaching classes, working alongside them on the farm, and advising and working with them through the Aggie Club and Baptist Student Union. Herb believes teaching and advising students at College of the Ozarks is what he was born to do. “A few years ago, I began to think...

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'I wonder what my life calling is.' As I looked around, I came to the conclusion that this is it."

In addition to his service at the College, Herb is in his sixth year of serving on the Taney County Extension Council, where he was twice elected to serve as vice-chair. He is also a member of the American Society of Agronomy and the North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture. In addition, Herb has been a deacon at First Baptist Church of Branson since 1976 and served on two pulpit committees. He resides in Point Lookout with his wife, Gayle, a 1963 S of O graduate. They have two children—Michele and Brandon, and six grandchildren.



Dr. Chris Larsen is this year's recipient of the Distinguished Young Alumnus Award. Chris graduated from College of the Ozarks in 1992 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education. He went on to earn his Master's in Secondary Education Administration from Southwest Missouri State University and his Ed.D. in Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis at the University of Missouri.

Currently, Dr. Larsen is the Dean of Work Education at College of the Ozarks. Prior to this role,



he served as the Dean of Students and Assistant Dean of Students for a combined total of 12 years. Before returning to C of O, Chris spent four years as a teacher and coach, a time he says confirmed the fact that he wanted to spend his life working with and developing young people.

Of his time working with students at the College, Dr. Larsen says, "The students have had a profound impact on me and how I try to live my life. I pray I have had the same impact on them." He says that earning enough respect to be hired at the College where he has a significant impact on students is one of his greatest accomplishments. "My sphere of influence consists of my family and my students," he says, "I also hopefully am able to influence the staff at C of O to make the most of their opportunity to bless, influence, and develop our students."

Dr. Larsen says that attending College of the Ozarks dramatically influenced his life. "C of O became home to me as a student. I developed good time management skills and also was influenced by many great people. C of O helped to mold me into the person I am today."

Chris is an active member of the C of O and Point Lookout Tri-Lakes Alumni Associations. He is also a member of Telos Bible Church in Hollister where he volunteers on the set-up crew and with the Children's Ministry.

When asked about his greatest accomplishment, Chris answered "getting my wonderful wife to marry me." He and his wife, Kelly, reside in Point Lookout with their three daughters - Lora, Lindsey, and Olivia.

**The 2009 Meritorious Awards will be presented
at the Alumni Banquet at 6:00 p.m., November 7,
in the Youngman Agricultural Center.**

**These four recipients were chosen based on
commitment to the College, leadership,
service to others, and career achievements.**

**Our distinguished recipients will also be introduced
at the annual Homecoming Breakfast.**

Farewell and Best Wishes...

from Helen Youngblood, Retired Alumni Director

On the first of June in 1968, I arrived at the S of O campus as a scared and shy freshman. After surviving a bout of homesickness, I settled in and met some great longtime friends. The College has been, and continues to be, a very special place to me—representing my once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for a college education. This year's homecoming theme is "A Treasured Tradition." The word treasure, defined as a person or thing highly valued, accurately describes College of the Ozarks, its students, alumni, faculty, and staff. Each of us earned an education by working, which serves as a unique treasure within us, and a highly-valued



gift that gives us a greater appreciation for what we accomplished here.

Being a small part of an institution much greater than its physical complex for nearly 20 years has been my honor. As I step aside as Director of Alumni Affairs, I want to thank each of you for your friendship, cooperation, and support of the Alumni Office during the last 12 years. Health issues have necessitated an early retirement for me, but I will continue to volunteer in whatever capacity that I can to serve our alma mater through the Alumni Association. I am confident that our new Alumni Director Angela Ussery Williamson '00 will pour her heart and soul into her work for the Alumni Association and College of the Ozarks. Please give her and our alma mater your deserved support, as we all owe so much to S of O/C of O for the "treasure" within us.

Make plans now to come back to the Ozarks November 5-8 for Homecoming 2009 weekend. I am positive that you will be glad you made the effort.

May God continue to bless each of you and our great College.

True to Tradition

College of the Ozarks Clarifies Important Goal

By Laura Lane

A subtle, yet crucial, clarification was recently made to one of the College's five mission goals, resulting in a change to the College's seal. Although the adaptation has probably gone largely unnoticed, the update categorically emphasizes what our College has always believed in and makes a quiet, yet bold, statement regarding the principles and firm beliefs upon which this institution was founded.

Of the five mission goals—Spiritual, Cultural, Patriotic, Vocational, and Academic—the word "spiritual" has unfortunately evolved in today's world to cover a broad range of ambiguous ideas not necessarily related to Christianity or God. The Merriam-Webster Online Dictionary defines spirituality *as of, relating to, consisting of, or affecting the spirit; of or relating to sacred matters, ecclesiastical rather than lay or temporal;*

concerned with religious values; related or joined in spirit; of or relating to supernatural beings or phenomena. This abstract statement contains no specific reference to God, but is a generalized view of the possibility that a higher power might exist.

In contrast, Merriam-Webster's definition of a Christian is *one who professes belief in the teachings of Jesus Christ.*

Affirming the intentions of the School's founders, the College of the Ozarks Board of Trustees voted several months ago to update the word "Spiritual" in the five-fold mission to the word "Christian" in order to specifically state that College of the Ozarks firmly believes and stands on Christian values.

We must continue to take a stand for the principles on which we were founded, not only as a nation, but also as an educational institution. It is vital that we also continue to recognize that God alone is the source of our very existence.



We must continue to take a stand for the principles on which we were founded...

Homecoming 2009—A Treasured Tradition

Dear Alumnus,

Preparations are being made for a very special Homecoming for alumni!

The activities get underway on Thursday evening with the queen coronation. Ladycat basketball will be Friday evening's highlight, followed by "Welcome Home Alumni," a social for alumni on the back court after the game to get the weekend started.

Saturday is a day packed with activities, beginning with the Alumni Breakfast at The Keeter Center and ending with the Alumni Banquet at the Youngman Agricultural Center. Tickets for both of these events are limited, so please get your tickets early. See page 14 of this



issue for ticket information, or you may purchase online at www.cofu.edu/alumni/homecoming.

Homecoming is a treasured tradition at College of the Ozarks. It's a time to reconnect with friends and college acquaintances. I want to encourage you to come join us for the festivities again this year.

I hope to see you on campus November 7, 2009.

Sincerely,
Sandy (Roberts) Cooper '78
Homecoming Chair



WEBSITE INFORMATION

Go to www.cofu.edu/alumni. Online, you can:

- Update addresses
- Find general Alumni Association information
- Read *Alumni News*
- Find Homecoming information
- Submit news
- Give online



Homecoming 5K Run/Walk

November 7, 2009 • 7:00 a.m. • Keeter Gymnasium
Sponsored by: C of O Physical Education Major and Minors Club

Come join alumni, faculty, staff, students, and friends in a 5K run/walk on the C of O campus. Prizes awarded to winners in each age group, and a t-shirt will be given to all race participants.

Entry Fee: \$20.00
Age Groups: 50+, 35-50, 20-34, under 20

REGISTRATION	<p>Detach and return to: Coach Don Hoeck, P.O. Box 17 • Point Lookout, MO 65726</p> <p>Make checks payable to College of the Ozarks</p> <p>Name _____ Age group _____ Year Graduated (C of O Alumni) _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>City, State, Zip _____</p> <p>Registration Fee: \$20.00</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Open to Alumni, Faculty, Staff, Friends, and Students</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Deadline: October 30, 2009</p>	REGISTRATION
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Homecoming Re

ALUMNI BANQUET \$20.00

Tickets are available now for the Alumni Banquet on Saturday evening at 6:00 p.m. in the Youngman Agricultural Center. Tickets must be purchased by Friday, November 6. **TICKETS WILL NOT BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.** Look for your reservation/alumni membership form, ballot, and Homecoming schedule in the mail! YOU CAN ALSO PAY MEMBERSHIP DUES, REGISTER, VOTE, AND PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE at www.cofo.edu/alumni.

CHILD CARE AVAILABLE

Child care in our Child Development Center will be available from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. (time of banquet) Saturday, November 7, for infants to 10 years. The cost is \$8 per hour, per child. **Reservations must be made on or before October 30.** You can make reservations through the Child Development Center (Marty Waller) 417-690-3427.

Hey Bobcat Fans!

The Lady Cats will play Livin' the Dream in an exhibition game on Friday night at 7:00 p.m. Don't forget to stick around for "Welcome Home Alumni" on the back courts, where you can catch up with friends over a cup of coffee.



On Saturday after the parade, be sure to catch The Bobcats as they host Bacone College at 3:00 p.m.

'40s 17th Annual No-host Buffet

Start off the weekend by attending the '40s 17th annual no-host buffet at the Good Center at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 6. **Tickets are only \$12 and you can pay at the door.**

Mass Communications Department Open House 11 a.m., November 7

Come to the Jamison Building and see what the Mass Communications Department is up to! The hard work and many improvements made in the past two years make the 2nd floor of Jamison a place you need to see!

HOMECOMING BREAKFAST

Plan to meet your friends at the annual Homecoming Breakfast at 8:00 a.m. at The Keeter Center in the Dobyns Dining Room. Meritorious Award recipients will be recognized. **Tickets are only \$10.00, but must be purchased in advance.** The annual business meeting will follow breakfast in the Royal Oak Forum.



Education Alumni are invited to a reception at McKibben Hall on Saturday, November 7 from 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Reunions and Events

Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) Alumni



College of the Ozarks SIFE team would like to honor our SIFE alumni for their participation and dedication to this club. To help make this homecoming memorable, we would like to offer you a free gift which can be received by logging on to www.cofo.edu/SIFE and completing the requested information. You can pick up your free gift at our SIFE Alumni Drop-in on Saturday from 11:00 a.m. – noon in the Plaster Lobby. Also, please visit our SIFE booth located on the activities field on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

The Beulah I. Winfrey Business Alumni Association will hold its annual meeting in room 211 in the Plaster School of Business at **11:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 7.**

For a place to talk and munch, the **Math-Physics department** is having a reception on Saturday, November 7, in Pfeiffer P226, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Class of 1994 Reunion November 7

Join classmates and friends to visit and catch up on the last 15 years! The Reunion will be in the Ozark Room at the Good Center from 10:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m.

18th Annual Alumni Golf Game Friday, November 6

10:00 a.m.: John Daly's Murder Rock Golf Course, \$65 per person—Golf, Box Lunch, Cart and two Mulligans included.

Contact: Dr. Chris Larsen
417-690-2373

The College of the Ozarks Agriculture Alumni are encouraged to attend the annual agriculture department meeting in room 147 of the Youngman Agricultural Center at **11:00 a.m.**

“A TREASURED TRADITION” COLLEGE OF THE OZARKS HOMECOMING · November 7, 2009

The Alumni Association appreciates your support through your active membership! Please be sure to mark the bottom of your ballot in the appropriate box if you have already paid your 2009-2010 dues or if you are a Lifetime Member. Thank you!

Name _____ Class year _____
 Spouse _____ Class year _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

- Order tickets early!
- Ticket sales end on Friday, November 6, at 5:00 p.m.
- No Banquet tickets will be sold on Saturday or at the door.
- Banquet tickets will be mailed through Friday, October 30. Orders received after that date will be held for pickup.
- All tickets must be presented at the door.

Alumni Association Dues and Homecoming Reservations—2009			
EVENT	QTY	COST	AMOUNT ENCLOSED
Alumni Association Dues		\$10.00 each; \$200 Lifetime	
Homecoming Breakfast The Keeter Center, November 7		\$10.00 each Breakfast Buffet	
Homecoming Banquet Youngman Agricultural Center, November 7		\$20.00 each	

TOTAL ENCLOSED: _____

18th ANNUAL ALUMNI GOLF GAME WILL BE AT 10:00 a.m. Friday, November 6, at Murder Rock Golf Course, Two-person scramble, \$65 per person (includes cart and lunch). TO MAKE GOLF GAME RESERVATIONS, PLEASE CONTACT DR. CHRIS LARSEN AT 417-690-2373.

OFFICIAL VOTING BALLOT

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Choose two for a three-year term, beginning November 8, 2009. (Names are listed alphabetically).

- Voter 1 Voter 2**
- Doyle Childers '72
- Richard Miller '73
- Don Phillips '73
- Joe Bob Watkins '70
- Helen DePew Youngblood '79

ALUMNI COUNCIL

Choose seven council members to serve a three-year term beginning November 8, 2009.

- Voter 1 Voter 2**
- Jerrie Stacy Avery '63 HS
- Jerry Brannan '71
- Dawn Cope '90
- Erin Hayes Dennis '79
- Karla Lamar Eslinger '82
- Gary Hughey '65 HS
- Angie Bressler McDonald '92
- Sherri Ray Pentecost '94
- Diane Andrews Russell '51
- Amy McMillian Schroeder '02
- Robert Smither '82
- Chi-Chi Kleeman Steele '90
- Justin Stephan '05
- Curtis Wells '69
- Josh Williams '00
- Ewanda Shipman Young '63 JC

Signature Voter 1 _____ Class _____

Signature Voter 2 _____ Class _____

Not valid unless properly signed and current dues of \$10 (per person) are paid.

- Dues enclosed
- Lifetime member
- Dues already paid

2009 Homecoming Schedule of Events

"A Treasured Tradition"

Thursday, November 5

- 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Alumni Registration Alumni Center
8:00 p.m. Homecoming Queen Coronation Jones Auditorium

Friday, November 6

- 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Alumni Registration Alumni Center
10:00 a.m. Alumni Golf Game Murder Rock Golf Course
4:00 p.m. Alumni Council Meeting & Dinner Herold Room
The Keeter Center
5:00 p.m. '40s Original 17th Annual no-host buffet Lakeside Room
Pearl Rogers Dining Center
7:00 p.m. Ladycats vs. Livin' the Dream Keeter Gymnasium
After Game Welcome Home Alumni Back Court
Keeter Gymnasium

Saturday, November 7

Morning:

- 7:00 5K Run/Walk Keeter Gymnasium
8:00 Alumni Breakfast Dobyns Dining Room
The Keeter Center
9:00 Alumni Association Annual Meeting Royal Oak Forum
The Keeter Center
9:00 Alumni Registration College Center Student Lounge
and Alumni Center
10:00 Student Activity Booths Open Activity Field
11:15 President's Luncheon honoring 50th year classes Silver Dollar City Parlor
The Keeter Center

Afternoon:

- 1:00 Alumni Memorial Service Williams Memorial Chapel
2:00 C of O Parade
Student Activity Booths Close
3:00 Bobcats vs. Bacone College Keeter Gymnasium
6:00 Alumni Banquet and
Meritorious Awards Youngman Agricultural Center
7:00 Alumni Class Reunion Photos Youngman Agricultural Center
9:30 Queen's Dance Keeter Gymnasium

Sunday, November 8

- 11:00 a.m. Chapel Services Williams Memorial Chapel

50th Year Reunion Classes

SCHOOL OF THE OZARKS...POINT LOOKOUT, MO.-CLASS of 1959

The School of the Ozarks
Junior College - Class of 1959

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Current Alumni Project

Admissions Office Renovation & Addition

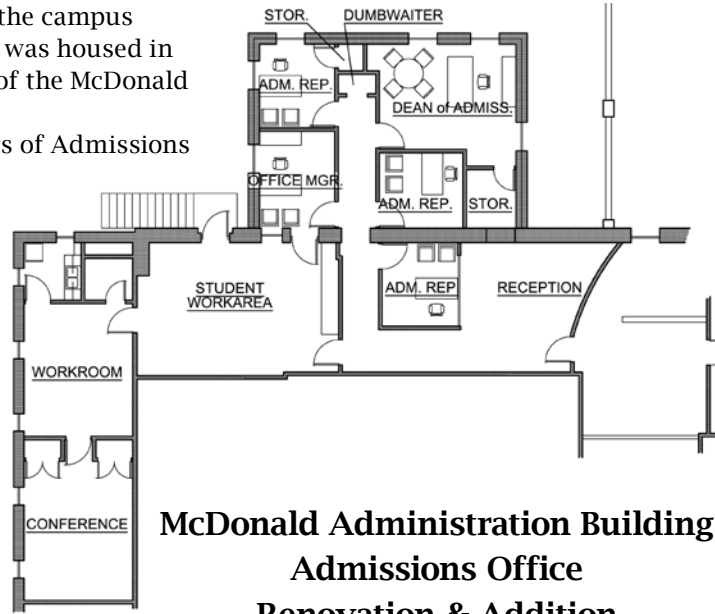
Alumni Goal = \$250,000

The College's Office of Admissions is the heartbeat of campus, bringing in new students to the campus each semester. Until this year, the office was housed in very close quarters on the second floor of the McDonald Administration Building.

In a year's time the staff and students of Admissions will:

- Conduct over 1,000 interviews
- Give over 1,500 tours
- Prepare and mail 10,000 information packets

As alumni of the College, we began our opportunity at C of O starting at the Admissions Office. Without our acceptance, we could not be alumni today. Do you remember getting your acceptance letter to The School and how it changed your life? Honor your acceptance to S of O/ C of O with your gift to the Admissions Office Renovation and Addition Project today.



**McDonald Administration Building
Admissions Office
Renovation & Addition**

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Name(s) _____ Class _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____



Our goal is \$250,000. My gift is: \$ _____

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Class Notes

'50s

Mona (Ramey) Preston '59 married in November 2008. She has three children and five grandchildren. Mona can be reached at 8540 Desert Oak Ct., Mobile, AL 36695; monamail@att.net.

'60s

Dewbart Caudle '60 JC wants to let alumni know that his wife, Barbara, passed away on June 18 after 41 years of marriage. Although she wasn't an alum, Barb formed many friendships with his former classmates and loved the school as if it were her own. Dewbart can be reached at 922 North Lone Pine Ave, Springfield, MO 65802; dewbart@sbcglobal.net.

Don DePriest '60 JC had a book of poetry and short stories entitled *To Write a Mona Lisa* published in December 2008. Don can be reached at 1241 W. Vancouver, Springfield, MO 65803; cladon@mchsi.com.

Jewel (Stowe) Redford '63 retired on April 1 after 22 years as an account consultant. She is active in tennis, volunteer work, and teaching ESL. She always enjoys hearing from classmates. Jewel can be reached 14000 Noel Road #1504, Dallas, TX 75240; jewel0627@hotmail.com.

Kathleen (Griffith) Barnett '65 has been teaching for 42 years and is in her sixth year teaching FACS in Shelbyville, TN. She and her husband, David, moved there from Mansfield, MO. They have two children and five grandchildren. The Barnetts live at 1616 Rocksprings Rd., Christiana, TN 37037; barnettk@bedfordk12tn.net.

Gerald Wheatley '67 and Edna (Gibson) Wheatley '68 live in Springfield, MO, where Jerry continues to be employed by Burrel Mental Health as a Community

Support Worker. Marie retired in 2008. Their youngest son, Corey, graduated from Air Force basic training in May and is currently at Keesler Air Base in Mississippi. Their oldest son, Stacy, graduated from C of O in 2006 and resides in Colorado. They are proud grandparents of Charlie, 5, and Daisy, 2. The Wheatleys can be reached at 2113 South Lexington Ave, Springfield, MO 65807; jrrymrwhtly@yahoo.com.

'70s

J. Mason Emerson '73 would like to hear from everyone he knew when he attended school between 1969-73. His address is 9662 Wedd, Overland Park, KS 66212; masonemerson@yahoo.com.

Vicky Enochs '75 retired from the Lincoln Co. R-IV School District in Winfield, MO, after 30 years of teaching elementary art. Vicky welcomes hearing from S of O classmates at 204 San Jose Ct, O'Fallon, MO 63366; vickyj12@centurytel.net.

Judy Wood '75 retired after 31 years of teaching and is looking for a new hobby or profession. She would love to hear from any classmates! Judy can be reached at 3857 West Roxbury, Springfield, MO 65807; judywood53@yahoo.com.

Phillip T. Newman '76 retired after teaching 31 ½ years, the last 26 being at the Portageville School District in Missouri. Phillip can be reached at 960 St. Francis Ln, New Madrid, MO 63869; philnewman@charter.net.

Randy S. Carter '78 owns an art studio in Lebanon, MO. He is currently working on the restoration of the stained glass in Williams Memorial Chapel. Randy can be reached at Carter Studio, 2050 Highland St, Lebanon, MO 65536; rcstudio@fidnet.com.

'80s

Gary '80 and Terri (Meador) '80 May address update: 7816 E 103rd Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64134; tmay@kc.rr.com and gary.may@mckc.edu.

Stanley '80 and Carol (Mahaffey) '80 Postlewait address update: 121 Ilex St., Chesapeake, VA 23320; edcarolpostlewait@cox.net.

Steven Dean Roe '82 has taken a job with Pocket Wireless as the manager of two stores in Corpus Christi, TX (www.webpocket.com). He and his wife, Margie, would love to hear from old friends at 741 Mathew Dr, Corpus Christi, TX 78418; cctxsam@sbcglobal.net.

Patricia (Rains) Turner '84 and her husband, Tony, are excited to announce they are going to be grandparents for the first and second time! Their daughter, Ashley, and her husband are expecting a girl in September; their son, Toby, (class of '07) and his wife are expecting in January. Patti is the food service director for the Kirbyville School District and was recently named Employee of the Year. She is also an assistant manager at Famous Footwear at the Branson Landing.

Jerry '88 and Carla (Bates) Nichols '88 address update: 582 Foggy River Rd., Hollister, MO 65672; nichols50@classicnet.net.

'90s

Michael '90 and Shonda (Bruce) '90 Arellanes have recently moved, and they would love to hear from friends at: 101 Reiters Ridge, Foristell, MO 63348; arellanes09@centurytel.net.

Kyla (Canfield) Hill '93 address update: 9501 Trefore Ave, St. Louis, MO 63134; kylaroo@yahoo.com.

Michael Smith '93 has recently been promoted to Director of IT, Microbiology Division

for Thermo Fisher Scientific. Michael's previous position was Director of IT, Microbiology, North America. Michael will now be responsible for managing a team of 42 IT professionals supporting worldwide operations throughout North America, Europe, Asia, Australia and New Zealand. Michael will remain in Lenexa, KS. He can be reached at 1173 Bury Street, Tonganoxie, KS 66086; michael.smith@thermofisher.com.

David '95 and Dondi (Taylor) '97 Daughenbaugh are foster parents in Missouri. David recently became a Master Foster Parent. Dondi enjoys being a stay-at-home mom with their six children. The Daughenbaughs can be reached at 141 W DD Hwy, Lamar, MO 64756; mobaptistbuddy@yahoo.com.

Michael Sparks '95 address update: 19 Water Oak Ln., Russellville, AR 72802; sparkst@sccsd.k12.ar.us.

Melissa (Donaldson) Warren '95 would love to hear from old friends at 225 North Old Orchard Dr, Strafford, MO 65757; mslilsassy@yahoo.com.

Bill '96 and Raynetta (Surls) '96 Newton would like to announce Bill's new job as Youth Minister at First Baptist Hot Springs. He and

Raynetta can be reached at 406 Cedarwood, Hot Springs, AR 71901; delightnew@hotmail.com.

Sukhasem Supachai '96 address update: 123/235, Kaset Nawamin Rd, Cholakae-bua, Latphrao Bangkok 10230; Sukhasem.s@hotmail.com.

Frank Otto Scherer III '97 and his family recently moved to Salem, MO, where they are involved with various church ministries. They would appreciate hearing from classmates at 811 E. Center, Salem, MO 65560; clowningcleric@embarqmail.com.

Mark Brannon '98 address update: 4312 Genessee St., Kansas City, MO 64111; mrkbrannon75@yahoo.com.

Jonathan Ansley '99 address update: 2840 Cherry St, Falls Church, VA 22042; j_a_kc_1234@hotmail.com.

Jennifer (White) Henson '99, her husband, Michael, and three-year-old son, Keegan, can be reached at 16680 Harmony Ln., Saint Robert, MO 65584; mjkhenson@embarqmail.com.

Alan N. Miller '99 has worked for Loyd's Electric Supply for ten years. He and his wife, Monica, have two children, Alizah Jordan, 5 and Davland Xander, 3. You can reach

the Millers at 4461 US Hwy 160, Walnut Shade, MO 65771; amiller@loydselectric.com.

'00s

Thomas '00 and Erin (Greening) '03 Tabor have two children, Ethan, 7 and Emma, 4. Tom is deployed in Kuwait right now, while Erin is teaching English at North Arkansas College. The Tabors plan to be at Homecoming and would love to connect with friends at 1100 Shaddox Ln., Harrison, AR 72601; erinltabor@yahoo.com.

Joyce (Bassett) Lake '01 and her husband, Kelby, have two children, Kyland, 5 and Kiah, 2. Joyce is employed at Aurora Schools. The Lakes can be reached at 13154 Lawrence 1220, Mt. Vernon, MO 65712; jlake@hdnet.k12.mo.us.

Mike '02 and Tanya (Riewski) '03 Emerson address update: 301 Middlegate Pl., Reeds Spring, MO 65737; temerson24@aol.com.

Elizabeth Westfall '02 address update: 337 ½ Sylvan St., Chattanooga, TN 37405; westfallliz@yahoo.com.

Derek '03 and Susannah (Taber) '01 Alms address update: HC 4 Box 153, Gainesville, MO 65655; susalms@hotmail.com.

Wilson Receives Educator of the Year Award

The Warrensburg Daily Star Journal

Barry Wilson, assistant professor of graphic arts technology management in the School of Technology at the University of Central Missouri, has been named the seventh recipient of the Print and Graphics Scholarship Foundation (PGSF) Educator of the Year Award.

The award recognizes excellence in educational instruction for graphic communication and printing. Wilson received the award Sept. 14 at the Critical Trends Summit and Breakfast hosted by the Research and Engineering Council of NAPL.

"When an educator can reach students and have



a positive impact, that is a very real statement of accomplishment," said Ted Ringman, vice president of development at PGSF. "Wilson combines his industry experience and strong academic credentials to make learning an exciting challenge for his students."

"Education must have a mutually beneficial relationship with industry in order to provide capable graduates meeting the needs of the graphic communication industry," Wilson said.

Wilson earned a bachelor's degree in graphics arts technology and master's degree in industrial technology from UCM, and currently is completing a doctorate degree in workforce development at the University of Arkansas.

Editor's note: Wilson is a 2000 C of O graduate.

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Jeff '03 and BriAnne (Rigler) '03 Loughary live in Utah where Jeff teaches Junior High French and Spanish, and BriAnne stays home with children Allison, 4 and Benjamin, 2. They would love to hear from friends at 5503 W. 9000 S. Apt. P304, West Jordan, UT 84081; jeffloughary@hotmail.com; briloughary@hotmail.com.

Zachery Leonard '04 address update: 107 B Cypress Cir., Fort Gordon, GA 30905; zachery.leonard@us.army.mil.

Kristin Bilyeu '06 is engaged to be married on May 1, 2010 to William Strait in Branson, MO. Kristin can be reached at 8045 State Hwy. 176, Walnut Shade, MO 65771; krb1215wlnutshde@yahoo.com.

Justin '06 and Sarah (Farris) '06 Sharp are expecting their second child. Justin has completed one year of his master's degree. They can be reached at P.O. Box 366, Point Lookout, MO 65726; sweetjanef@netscape.net.

Michelle (Hale) Taylor '06 is going back to college to obtain a degree in Early Childhood Education

and will complete her master's degree in School Counseling. She can be reached at: 2900 N 22nd St. Apt. J4, Rogers, AR 72756; michelle.l.taylor@live.com.

Stacy R. Wheatley '06 is currently employed with Rite of Passage in Idaho Springs, Colorado, and works part-time during the winter months at Loveland Ski Resort. He can be reached at PO Box 831, Georgetown, CO 80444; wheatola@hotmail.com.

Andrew Ashton '07 address update: 112 Oglewood Ave., Knoxville, TN 37917; amashton9200@gmail.com.

David Crawford '07 address update: 2463 Idlewyld Court, Louisville, KY 40206; cozarkian2006@hotmail.com.

Travis Inman '07 and Sara (Stamps) Inman '08 address update: P.O. Box 93, Saint Clair, MO 63077; tinman428@hotmail.com.

Kelsey L. Robbins '08 address update: 2026 Bird Rd. Apt. 702, Branson, MO 65616; klc.robbins@yahoo.com.

Linetta Easter '09 address update: 6371 S. 107th E Ave. #2, Tulsa, OK 74133; nettaj85@gmail.com.

Jerri (Fowler) Williams '09 address update: HC 7 Box 289, Doniphan, MO 63935; jerriandnick2009@hotmail.com.

Marriages

Ray Schell '62 JC and Reta Kay (Johnson) Schell were united in holy matrimony on July 18, 2009 in a quiet ceremony at College Heights Christian Church in Joplin, MO. The Schells can be reached at 4677 E. 24th, Joplin, MO 64804; ray.schell@att.net.

Billie (Ertel) Snyder '98 married Cooper Snyder in November 2008 and moved to a new home in Columbia. Their address is 1601 Andretti Cir., Columbia, MO 65201; homemademybillie@gmail.com.

Lira E. (Wahler) Drewery '04 married Justin Drewery in May 2008 and has two daughters, Gabriella and Kaitlyn. The Drewerys can be reached at P.O. Box 212, Hurley, MO 65675; aril_02@yahoo.com.

Kate (Corley) Fried '04 married Nick Fried on June 28, 2008. Kate is teaching art at Branson High School, and Nick is currently going into elementary education at OTC. They can be reached at 343 Mt. Branson Dr., Branson, MO 65616; katefried@ymail.com.

Kristi (Thompson) Litton '06 married Everett Litton on June 27, 2009 under the Gateway Arch in St. Louis. Kristi is employed as a first grade teacher for Montgomery County Public Schools in Silver Spring, and Everett is a civil engineer with Black and Veatch. The Littons reside in 20100 Rothbury Ln Unit 3305, Montgomery Village, MD 20886; kristi_litton@yahoo.com.

Ashley (Staiger) Dummit '07 and Cody Dummit married on August 2, 2008. Ashley is employed with DeLaval, Inc. of Kansas City, MO. She can be reached at 2801 N Stock Rd, Sibley, MO 64088; Ashley.dummit@delaval.com.

Births

Keith A. Dockins '81 announces the birth of his grandson, Quincy Aaron, son of Aaron and Karah (Dockins) Stalets on May 6, 2009. Keith lives in St. Louis and can be reached at kadockins@sbcglobal.net.

Debbie (Middleton) Presson '96 and her husband, Jay, have a new blessing in their home! They had their second baby girl, Cora Jade, on November 11, 2008. Big sister, Jaylyn Rae, who is now 5 years old, loves having a little sister to teach new things to. The Pressons can be reached at 1802 Edgewood Drive, Aurora, MO 65605; drpresson@spsmail.org.

Nathan A. Swift '96 and his wife, Misty, would like to announce the birth of their fourth child, Alivia Paige, on May 11, 2009. Alivia has two sisters, Abigail Grace and Ariana Noelle and one brother, Aiden Cole. The Swift family can be reached at 1010 North Church St., Jacksonville, IL 62650; swift.nathan@yahoo.com.

Aaron '97 and Jenny (McNeill) '96 Bush proudly announce the birth of their beautiful daughter, Evangeline Grace, on April 8, 2009.

You can contact the Bush family at 16811 NE 117th St., Kearney, MO 64060; ajbush@sbcglobal.net.

Laura (Neely) Mudd '98 and her husband, Christopher, announce the birth of their second child, Lia, born in England on November 28, 2008. They are currently living in England serving with an international missions organization. The Mudd family lives at 942 MC 7029, Flippin, AR 72634; mudds@galacticomm.org.

Liberty (Long) Sleiter '98 and her husband, Ryan, are blessed to announce the birth of their second child, Denica Carroll, on July 6, 2009. Denica joins her big sister, Campbell RyLee. The Sleiters can be reached at P.O. Box 185, Morris, MN 56267; liblong@yahoo.com.

Rachel (Barnes) Burgette '01 and her husband, Todd, celebrate the birth of twins, Emily Ann and Abigail Christine, on March 23, 2009. They can be reached at 9505 Winter Park Dr, Frisco, TX 75035; rburgette@hotmail.com.

David Beauchamp '03 and his wife, Erin, announce the birth of their son, Joash Levi, on July 8, 2009. He was welcomed home

by big brother, Solomon Michael, born on September 10, 2007. They can be reached at 8212 East 110th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64134.

Melanie (Mann) Cumoletti '06 and her husband, Jeremy, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Israel Michael on June 5, 2009. Their daughter, Ariana Winter, was born on April 14, 2007. Melanie received a new position with Girard Medical Center as Executive Director of the Foundation. They can be reached at 403 W 7th St, Pittsburg, KS 66762; mcumolet@girardmedicalcenter.com

Deaths

Richard Gougeon '49 8/24/09

William "Bill" Hoge '41 6/16/09

Frieda (Wilson) Hornback '47 9/26/2009

James Martin '62 HS 7/10/09

Nathaniel Mitchem '02X 9/11/09

Louise (Minor) Murdock '34 3/26/09

Kathern (Lippe) Seabaugh '52 9/1/09

Betty (Patterson) Wilson '55 9/19/09

BOBCAT BOOSTER CLUB

You can play an important role in C of O athletics by helping us build the program into one that is respected both on and off the court by becoming a member of the Bobcat Booster Club.

Since the Bobcat Booster Club was formed, College of the Ozarks has consistently produced athletic programs recognized among the best in the area. By contributing to the Booster Club, you can help continue that successful tradition. C of O's student-athletes depend on your support to meet the growing demands of competing and winning in the NAIA.

The Bobcat Booster Club is a support group for all College of the Ozarks athletic teams. There

are no officers or meetings. The organization is maintained by the College Athletic Director and Sports Information Director.

The Booster Club has played an active role in enhancing the overall quality of the athletic programs at College of the Ozarks. The Club has allowed the purchase of equipment for sports teams and sponsored social events to encourage interaction between Boosters, players, parents, and coaches. Booster Club funds are also used to support a library of books that are loaned to athletes for general education classes.

For information on joining the Bobcat Booster Club, please contact Candy Sullinger, 417-690-2565.



2009 Necrology List

A memorial service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 7, in Williams Memorial Chapel to pay tribute to alumni who have passed away since last year's Homecoming. We invite you to join friends and family in this remembrance. At press time, death notices have been received in the Alumni Office for the following alumni:

<i>Roberta Barnhart '55</i>	<i>Lucia (Billings) Gideon '56 HS</i>	<i>Benjamin Joseph Mullins '40</i>
<i>Edward L. "Eddie" Beaver '77</i>	<i>'60 JC</i>	<i>Louise (Minor) Murdock '34</i>
<i>Gelene Bull '48</i>	<i>Richard Gougeon '49 HS</i>	<i>Euell "Tompie" Newberry '48</i>
<i>Macie Burkart '37</i>	<i>William "Bill" Hoge '41</i>	<i>Edith Parrish '33</i>
<i>Bert Carter '52</i>	<i>Frieda (Wilson) Hornback '47</i>	<i>Jack Smith Reeves '47</i>
<i>Beverly Clarkson '59 HS</i>	<i>Eleanor (Wilson) Howell '48</i>	<i>James William Scott '71</i>
<i>Skip Cobler '68</i>	<i>Estelle (Hays) Huff '44</i>	<i>Kathern (Lippe) Seabaugh '52</i>
<i>Kathy (Patton) Cooper '95</i>	<i>Delmar Johnson '58 HS</i>	<i>Charlene (Allred) Sims '49</i>
<i>Ava Lynn Cudworth '63 JC</i>	<i>Mark Robert Leibold '86</i>	<i>Archie Edward Stanphill</i>
<i>M. Keith Curtis '41</i>	<i>Ronald Gene Lightle</i>	<i>'62 HS '64 JC</i>
<i>Jody Dautenhahn '86</i>	<i>'58 HS '60 JC</i>	<i>Steven Paul Swan '82x</i>
<i>Harold D. Davis '56 HS '58 JC</i>	<i>Janet (Snow) Lozano '51</i>	<i>Lorrie (Jones) Upson '82</i>
<i>Wynn Ellis '40</i>	<i>Gomer Maitland '58 HS</i>	<i>Lora Bessie Vickers '35</i>
<i>Charles J. Fain '40</i>	<i>James Martin '62 HS</i>	<i>Don Walker '52</i>
<i>Helen (Messick) Fernandez '50</i>	<i>Gayle (Ross) Mault '44</i>	<i>Betty (Patterson) Wilson '55</i>
<i>Prentis Fry '57 HS</i>	<i>Louise (Eoff) McManus '21</i>	<i>Harvey Edward Woodard '37</i>
<i>Steve Gayman '92</i>	<i>Nathaniel Mitchem '02X</i>	

Tribute Giving

In Memory of:

Leo & Violet Adams from B. Fern Brown
Lewis Barnes from Helen L. (Hicks) Stauffer
Anna Belle (DeBoard) Brewer from Mildred (DeBoard) Dutton, Faye (DeBoard) Riley
Bessie (Butler) Caldwell from Emma (Butler) Day
Kay Cameron from Roy & Betty Johnson, Gene & Pat Kenyon, Jeff and Tamara Schneider
Corbin C. Clarkson from Betty (Clarkson) Howell
Goldia Curbow from Emma (Butler) Day
Wayne Day from Emma (Butler) Day
Leon Shorty Farrell from Emma (Butler) Day
Gary M. Hogue from Frank & Mary Ann Hogue
Eleanor (Wilson) Howell from Alpha Delta Kappa/
 Alpha Epsilon Chapter, Mr. & Mrs. Timothy P. Howell,
 Ila (Phillips) Stapleton

Alva Kenyon from Mr. & Mrs. Howard Brown, Gene & Pat Kenyon

Clyde Moore from Evelyn M. Peterson

Shirley Ponder from Gene & Pat Kenyon

Virgie (Hughes) Reed from Betty (Clarkson) Howell

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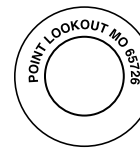
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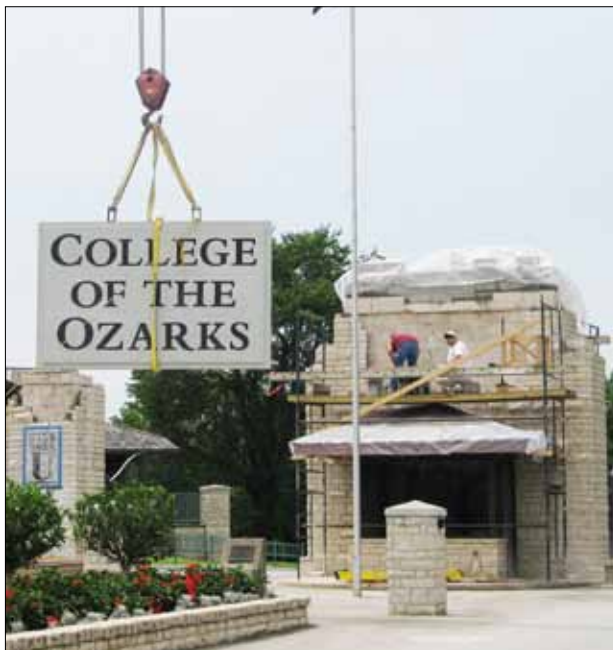
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Update: Campus Gates Get Makeover



By Elizabeth Andrews

Over the past 40 years, thousands of people have passed through the “Gates of Opportunity” at the College of the Ozarks to venture into the campus. The gatehouse, which was built in 1967, has prominently featured “The

School of the Ozarks,” carved into its limestone face.

This summer, the gatehouse received an update and reads “College of the Ozarks.” The School of the Ozarks was officially renamed College of the Ozarks in 1990. As such, the signage changes are appropriate.

The title “The School of the Ozarks” holds many dear memories to alumni, as well as long-time college friends. Although the gateway to the campus will be slightly different, the College still holds fast to the philosophy on which it was founded, hard work.

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What made The School/College of the Ozarks successful will continue so that the visitors coming through the “Gates of Opportunity” witness something spectacular. And the old name plate has certainly not been discarded, but rather will be relocated at Point Lookout where it will remain a permanent part of the campus.

