Presidents’ Messages

Dear friends, family and acquaintances not yet made,

I am truly excited to serve as the Alumni Association President and look forward to seeing a reduction of the latter group of persons mentioned in my salutation!

We have so much to be thankful for as alumni. Our alma mater continues to be recognized within higher education for academic achievement and the development of citizens of Christ-like character. One of the greatest aspects of our heritage is that we can still participate and contribute in so many ways.

The week of April 20-26 provides a wonderful opportunity to help out our beloved College. The Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar Lodge will be held that week at the Top of the Rock/Buffalo Ridge golf courses. This tournament requires a large number of volunteers to make it run smoothly. Many C of O employees and students assist and head up various committees involved in this endeavor but there are several hundred positions that need to be filled by volunteers. C of O is one of the beneficiaries of this tournament and received $500,000 from last year's proceeds. My wife and I were privileged to volunteer last year and thoroughly enjoyed the experience, and we don't even golf! We have already signed up for this year's event and encourage you to do so as well.

Right after the tournament we will gather at C of O for one of the most rewarding activities that we have available to us, Doc Good Day! This is a great time of work and fellowship with fellow alumni from your era as well as just about every decade from the '40s to the present. You will get to interact with many current C of O students as well. A fantastic lunch is provided and a good time will be had by all! Save the date now for May 2.

Please be sure to enjoy the many pictures from Homecoming in this issue. Homecoming is such a joy to participate in, and I encourage you to make every effort to join us again this year on November 7.

My prayer is that God will continue to bless you in your life and that you will seek to honor Him in all that you do.

Sincerely,
Brian Thompson, 1982
Alumni Association President
(Micah 6:8)

Dear Alumnus,

During the last 16 years, the Alumni Scholarship Campaign has raised more than $790,000 for the Alumni Scholarship Fund. The Student Alumni Association (SAA) has worked hard to support this endeavor.

SAA completed our 3rd annual Phonathon last fall. This event allows students to communicate with and invite alumni back to Homecoming, while discussing the opportunity to give to the Alumni Scholarship. This year we raised over $10,000! This would not have been possible without amazingly supportive alumni. With these scholarships, students have been able to take advantage of opportunities that they otherwise would not have been able to do. This spring we are hosting other events such as a Christian worship night, The Gathering, and Awaken with Bacon breakfast stations for students on their way to class. We also work hard to promote the Senior Class Gift, which encourages seniors to think about giving back after graduation. As president of the SAA, I want to tell you how thankful I am for your generous support.

Sincerely,
Ronnie Ray ’16
Student Alumni Association President

ABOUT THE COVER: The Cattleya is part of the College’s Orchid Collection consisting of approximately 7,000 plants. The best time to view the orchids is between October and February. The Greenhouses are open Monday through Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. The primary core of the collection was given to the College by alumnus, Clint McDade, class of 1911.
Dear Alumnus,

Numerous alumni joined current students to “Throwback through Time” at Homecoming 2014. The weekend offered a chance to reminisce and celebrate many aspects that make this institution unique, including the opportunity to work for your education. It was a memorable Homecoming with many highlights, including the inaugural meeting of the newly-established Veterans Alumni Chapter and the Jones Theatre Company’s performance of Railway to Heaven: A True Story of an Ozarks P.O.W. The play is based on the life of PFC Roy Hopper from the Class of 1944, and depicts his story as an S of O High School student who becomes a young soldier in WWII, is captured by the Nazis, and ultimately escapes a P.O.W. camp. The moving portrayal of Mr. Hopper’s life brought the audience to their feet, not only for the excellent performance, but for the life of this man who sacrificed for his country. Even more moving was to have Mr. Hopper with his family and friends in the audience and afterward, for him to join the cast on stage for a photo. If you missed the Homecoming performance of this production, you won’t want to miss an opportunity to see it this fall at The Keeter Center. All performances are free and open to the public. For more information, please call 417-239-1900.

In December, distinguished alumni and guests returned to campus for the groundbreaking of the Missouri Vietnam Veterans Memorial. We are pleased for this monument to be on our campus. It will honor a special generation of veterans who did not receive the welcome home they deserved 50 years ago. The Memorial Dedication is on April 22 at 2:30 p.m. in the Veterans Grove next to the Alumni Center. The timing of this special event coincides with the Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar Lodge. The College was recently named Charity of the Year by the PGA TOUR’S Champions Tour. We are honored to receive this important accolade. The award recognizes our mission to provide a debt-free, quality education while continuing to develop the character of our students. The monetary prize that accompanied the award went toward the Memorial which is being built on campus by our staff and students. We hope you are able to attend the Dedication this spring.

Campus events, ranging from special occasions like the memorial dedication to other traditional events like ballgames, plays, and Homecoming, are a wonderful way to reconnect with your alma mater. Another great way to stay involved is to participate in Doc Good Day. This day named in honor of Dr. R.M. Good is a wonderful opportunity for alumni to gather and give back to the School through service. We hope to see you at Doc Good Day on May 2.

In the midst of all of the excitement and activities on campus, we remain committed to our five-fold mission and vision to develop citizens of Christ-like character who are well-educated, hard-working, and patriotic. We hope you will take an opportunity to reconnect with your alma mater and visit campus this year.

Sincerely,
Jerry C. Davis, President

Alumni General Terrence Dake ’64 JC and Austin Meyer ’14 participated in the Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Missouri Vietnam Veterans Memorial on December 18, 2014. The Dedication Ceremony will take place at 2:30 p.m. on April 22. See page 5 of this issue for more information.
College of the Ozarks named 2014 Champions Tour Charity of the Year

Beneficiary of Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar Lodge

College of the Ozarks has been named the 2014 Champions Tour Charity of the Year, an honor that carries with it a $30,000 award.

The PGA TOUR’s Champions Tour President Greg McLaughlin presented the award to College of the Ozarks president, Dr. Jerry C. Davis, during a press conference on Wednesday, January 14. Johnny Morris, founder and CEO of Bass Pro Shops and owner of Big Cedar Lodge, also addressed those gathered, and College of the Ozarks students were on hand to participate in the award presentation.

“We are honored to receive this important accolade from the Champions Tour,” Davis said. “This award recognizes our ongoing mission to continue developing the character of our students and provide a solid education without the stress of debt.”

Funds from the award will go toward the Missouri Vietnam Veterans Memorial being constructed on campus by staff and students. The Missouri Legislators made this memorial the official Vietnam War Memorial for the state of Missouri, which will be unveiled and dedicated April 22 at 2:30 p.m. during the Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar Lodge.

“College of the Ozarks recognition as our Charity of the Year is well deserved in light of their efforts in providing the fundamental building blocks of the “Hard Work U” experience for students,” McLaughlin said. “Students working a campus job in return for their education is a good example of one of our core values—giving back. The Champions Tour is thrilled to recognize an organization that provides this opportunity to the young people of America.”

Media and members of the community were present for the award presentation, which took place in the U.S. Bank Foyer of The Keeter Center on the college campus.

Why this award?

College of the Ozarks was the main charitable beneficiary of the Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar Lodge last year. More than $1 million was raised through the tournament, which has been distributed between the College of the Ozarks and the National Fish & Wildlife Foundation.

The College contributed more than 250 volunteers —representing alumni, students, staff and faculty — to assist with the Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar Lodge held at Buffalo Ridge and Top of the Rock, June 2-8, 2014.

“It was an honor to participate,” said Chris Larsen, dean of work education at College of the Ozarks and volunteer chairman for the event. “The experience allowed our students to meet golf legends, stretch their abilities and skills, and learn much about hosting an event of this magnitude.”

While in town for the 2014 Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar Lodge, Champions Tour players Fred Funk and Mark Calcavecchia took some time to visit the College of the Ozarks. Funk and Calcavecchia had the opportunity to try some of the school’s many unique work stations including the campus dairy farm where they milked cows, the vegetable garden where they picked broccoli, and the school’s acclaimed farm-to-table public restaurant, Dobyns Dining Room inside The Keeter Center, where Calcavecchia served lunch to guests.

“We are grateful that the College of the Ozarks is being recognized as the Champions Tour Charity of the Year for 2014,” said Bass Pro Shops Johnny Morris. “This honor, in many ways, will let the rest of the world discover what we in the Ozarks know and cherish about College of the Ozarks.”
You are cordially invited to
The Missouri Vietnam Veterans Memorial
Dedication

Wednesday, April 22 at 2:30pm
VETERANS GROVE
COLLEGE OF THE OZARKS

Sincerely,

Jerry C. Davis
President, College of the Ozarks
The Missouri Vietnam Veterans Memorial located at College of the Ozarks was made the official Vietnam War Memorial for the state of Missouri in May 2014.

Adjacent to the memorial is The Vietnam Veterans Walk of Honor, which will be comprised of gift bricks available for $100 each. Bricks can be inscribed in honor of or as a memorial for those who served or gave their lives in The Vietnam War. Gift bricks will be installed during the summer. There are 320 gift bricks available for purchase and will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. Gift brick funds will be used for the landscaping and general maintenance of the memorial.

Gift Brick Order Form

Purchaser’s name(s) _____________________________________________________________

Address _______________________________________________________________________

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State _______ Zip _________ Phone ________________________________________________

Are you a member of The Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 913? □ yes □ no

Please print or type verbiage as it is to appear on the brick. You are limited to three lines with 14 characters per line. The College will make all final edits on bricks.

Return or mail (with $100 payment) to:
College of the Ozarks
Development Office
PO Box 17
Point Lookout, MO 65726

Please make all checks payable to College of the Ozarks and designate to “Vietnam Gift Brick” in the memo.
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College of the Ozarks Alumni Association
Alumni Funds
as of December 31, 2014

Alumni Archives Project
Balance 1/1/14 $312,178.34
Gift from Alumni Endowment Maintenance Fund 45,829.00
Interest and contributions 1/1/14 to 12/31/14 16,849.66
Total Fund 12/31/14 $374,857.00

Alumni Center Endowed Maintenance Fund
Balance 1/1/14 $64,785.55
Interest and contributions 1/1/14 to 12/31/14 3,675.00
Total Fund 12/31/14 $68,460.55

The Alumni Endowment Maintenance Fund
Balance 1/1/14 $1,078,307.79
Gift to Alumni Project (45,829.00)
Interest and contributions 1/1/14 to 12/31/14 63,679.18
Total Fund 12/31/14 $1,096,157.97

Alumni Scholarship Fund
Balance 1/1/14 $967,591.93
Scholarships Awarded for 2014-15 School Year (49,500.00)
Interest and contributions 1/1/14 to 12/31/14 165,992.16
Total Fund 12/31/14 $1,084,084.09

J. Hugh & Martha Wise Alumni Scholarship Fund
Balance 1/1/14 $254,262.94
Scholarships Awarded for 2014-15 School Year (9,750.00)
Interest and contributions 1/1/14 to 12/31/14 14,791.94
Total Fund Balance 12/31/14 $259,304.88

Winfrey Alumni Scholarship Fund
Total Fund Balance 12/31/14 $38,295.11

Curtis Memorial Alumni Scholarship Fund
Total Fund Balance 12/31/14 $7,332.06

Don Schofield Alumni Scholarship Fund
Total Fund Balance 12/31/14 $110,602.79

Ridinger Brothers Alumni Scholarship Fund
Total Fund Balance 12/31/14 $158,990.21

Virginia Gillespie Lucas Scholarship Fund
Total Fund Balance 12/31/14 $1,344,570.14

Leo and Violet (Frye) Adams Memorial Scholarship
Total Fund Balance 12/31/14 $15,500.00

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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.

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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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In Memory of:

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James Loyd Adams from Ms. B. Fern Brown
Leo and Violet (Frye) Adams from Ms. B. Fern Brown
Leroy Adams from Nelson and Joyce Mackey
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Each gift matters – and every donation helps ensure we can continue to fulfill our vision – which is to develop citizens of Christ-like character who are well-educated, hardworking, and patriotic.

Giving Spotlight: Gift Annuity

★ What is a gift annuity? A charitable gift annuity is a contract between you and the College of the Ozarks. In exchange for a gift of cash or property, C of O agrees to make fixed payments to you for the remainder of your life.

★ Receive fixed payments
★ Choose a 1- or 2-life annuity
★ Benefit from tax deduction
★ Leave lasting legacy
★ Impact the lives of students

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Bettye Bracey from Mildred Slack

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Johnna Welch from Andrea Martin
“Doc Good Day”

A Day of “GOOD DEEDS”—May 2, 2015

Alumni will have the opportunity to give back to our alma mater, through work, as the Alumni Association hosts the fifth alumni service day. Originally a biennial event, Doc Good Day became an annual tradition due to the overwhelming response from alumni. In keeping with our Hard Work U. philosophy, alumni will have the opportunity to return to campus and work on “Doc Good Day,” May 2, 2015.

Dr. Good embodied the concept of servant-leadership during his entire tenure, carrying The School through very difficult economic times.

The service day is named in honor of Dr. R. M. Good, the longest-serving president of The School of the Ozarks. Dr. Good embodied the concept of servant-leadership during his entire tenure, carrying The School through very difficult economic times. Many alumni often recall how he continually placed others above himself, sometimes neglecting his own health to get the job at hand done.

The day will consist of a work period, followed by a picnic-style luncheon on campus.

The Alumni Council invites all alumni to participate in this project. However, you must please pre-register for the event to allow for organization of job assignments and meal preparation. Childcare is available, but also requires pre-registration. You may do so by completing the form below and returning to the College of the Ozarks Alumni Office, P.O. Box 17, Point Lookout, MO 65726 or by going online at www.cofo.edu/DocGoodDay. Upon receipt of the registration, you will receive details of the day’s schedule. Registration deadline is April 17, 2015.

Name(s) _________________________________________________________ Class(es) __________
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REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 17, 2015
Homecoming Class Reunions

1964 HS
First row (L to R): Mervin Wallace, Carol (Nave) Girth, Sandra (Guest) Hall, Ronald Zirbel, Larry McEntire, Albert Mensink
Second row (L to R): Margie (Burger) Jordan, Jose Herrera, Paul Goodwin, Liliana Santos

1964 JC
Second Row (L to R): Myrna (Bittick) Burdine, Corene (Thompson) Daniel, Linda (Stanley) Dunham, Judy (Huntley) Wilmoth, Charles Willard
Third Row (L to R): Cathy (Cooper) Williams, Wayne Daniel, Stephen Haskew, Gary Hinegardner, Art Belt
Fourth Row (L to R): Marion Williams, Glen Snow, Lonnie Leatherman, Jack Cobb, Glen Davis, Fred McCarter
Fifth Row (L to R): Lee Cornelison, Sharon (Taylor) Twitty, Elda (Johnson) Jones, Kenneth Hall, Chris Mathes, Steve Presser, Ronald Martin
Sixth Row (L to R): Gary Twitty, Terrence Dake, Deana (Hannaford) Martin, Jerry Harris, Bill Moody, Doyle Childers, Marvin Pitney
Homecoming Photos by Shann Swift '94

If you would like a digital copy of your class photo, please contact the Alumni Office at alumni@cofo.edu
Homecoming Class Reunions

Class of 1974

Class of 1979

Class of 1984

Class of 1989

Class of 1994

Class of 1999

Class of 2004

Class of 2009
Meritorious Award Recipients Honored

Dr. Larry Cooper ’75 received the Meritorious Award for Distinguished Community Service.

Kurt and Jerry McDonald were honored with the award for Distinguished Service to College of the Ozarks.

Mrs. Alechia (Newberry) Meador ’01 was recognized with the Meritorious Award for Distinguished Young Alumnus.

Dr. Alan Stolzer ’82 was honored with the Meritorious Award for Distinguished Achievement.

Chapter Meeting Announcements

Springfield Alumni Chapter
Come and join the Springfield Alumni Chapter for their annual spring meeting on Monday, April 6, at 6:00 p.m. at Incredible Pizza, 2850 S. Campbell Ave., Springfield, MO 65807. Senior Buffet: $5.49, Adult Buffet: $6.50. Guest speaker will be Dr. Jerry C. Davis, President of College of the Ozarks!

Point Lookout/Tri-Lakes Alumni Chapter
Mark your calendars for the 19th annual Point Lookout/Tri-Lakes Chapter Fish Fry and White Elephant Auction on Saturday, May 16, in the College Center Lounge at 4:00 p.m. Chapter members – please watch your mailbox for an invitation with more details later this spring.

Oklahoma City Alumni Chapter
Chapter members – save the date for our meetings this year: April 18, July 18 and October 17. All get-togethers will be at Pioneer Pies, 2201 SW 74th St., Oklahoma City, OK 73159.

Stay informed with what is going on in your Alumni Chapter by visiting www.cofo.edu and clicking on “Upcoming Chapter Events” under the Alumni tab.
The Student Alumni Association (SAA) honored the 50th year reunion classes on their Homecoming float as members of the 1964 High School and Junior College classes joined SAA students for a ride down Opportunity Avenue.

PFC Roy Hopper ’44 poses with the cast of “Railway to Heaven,” a story based on his life experiences in WWII. The play was performed during Homecoming festivities in November and will return to C of O this fall.

2014 Meritorious Award Winners (L-R): Larry Cooper ’75, Alechia Meador ’01, Jerry McDonald, Alan Stolzer ’82, Kurt McDonald.

The newly-established Veterans Alumni Chapter held their inaugural meeting immediately after the Homecoming Parade and elected their Commander, Clark Vernon ’66 HS.

Bryson Franks, a 5th grade student at the S. Truett Cathy Lower School, gives a tour to Sandy Cooper ’78 during Open House.

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Bryson Franks, a 5th grade student at the S. Truett Cathy Lower School, gives a tour to Sandy Cooper ’78 during Open House.
The crowd cheered on the Bobcats as they played Mid-America Christian University.

This year’s Homecoming Coronation included the naming of the first Miss Hard Work U and her Court. Back Row: Krista Crockett (4th Runner-Up); Middle Row: Joan Provider Nanfuka (3rd Runner-Up), Janet Robinson (Miss Congeniality); Front Row: Kelsea Inson (2nd Runner-Up), Hayden Stark (Miss Hard Work U) and Elana Carson (1st Runner-Up).

The S. Truett Cathy Lower School students “Throwback Through Time” to a one-room schoolhouse for their float.

The C of O Cheer Team calls for Bobcat Spirit before the game begins.
C of O Alumna
Takes Career in Optometry to the Mission Field

By Megan Meyers ’16, Alumni Office Student Worker

College of the Ozarks alumnus, Cinnamon (Langford) Bobbitt participated in medical mission trips in 2008 and 2012 through the Pujols Family Foundation due to her work as an optometrist. During her time at C of O, Bobbitt said she observed under an optometrist in Branson, Missouri, sparking her interest in optometry.

Upon her graduation from C of O in 2001, Bobbitt continued her schooling at University of Missouri-Saint Louis to earn her degree in optometry. Later, Bobbitt became an employed optometrist for Clarkson Eyecare. In 2008, she volunteered and was chosen to go on the medical mission trip with the Pujols Family Foundation.

During her time at C of O, Bobbitt was able to go on a mission trip to Peru. That trip was her first time being exposed to mission work.

“The first trip I went on was actually with C of O my senior year,” Bobbitt recalled, “that was the first mission trip I went on and that’s probably even what got me thinking that once I got into optometry, that I wanted to go back and do a medical mission.”

Bobbitt’s trip with C of O ignited her interest in mission work, and she was eventually able to use the gifts God has given her as an optometrist to travel to the Dominican Republic through the Pujols Family Foundation to provide eye care to countless individuals.

Her trip in 2008, Bobbitt said, consisted of only those specializing in eye care; however, her second trip, in 2012, was made up of people from several different specializations including an optometrist, dentists, and pediatricians.

As the only optometrist on the trip, Bobbitt said she assisted approximately 60 to 70 patients daily, and her team worked from roughly eight to five each day. Bobbitt added that she helped several children but also many adults as well.

“With the children, I would measure their prescription and determine if they needed glasses to help them with distance or reading,” Bobbitt said, “and if there were any active eye infections going on at the time we would treat those.”

When she measured the adults for glasses, Bobbitt discovered that mainly those over 40 needed reading glasses. Additionally, they dispensed several pairs of sunglasses because the climate in the Dominican Republic was dirty and windy, causing dry eye in many of the patients. Bobbitt provided eye drops to treat dryness and sunglasses to protect their eyes in the future.

Although her resources were limited, Bobbitt said she tried to see as many patients in one day as she could.

“We knew the numbers were so great and so we just tried to make a difference in as many people as we could each day,” Bobbitt said.

The most challenging part of the trip, Bobbitt recounted, was finishing for the day and still seeing a line of people waiting anxiously for an examination but having to turn them down.

However, Bobbitt said one of her greatest joys on the trip was seeing the expressions on patients’ faces when they put on a pair of glasses for the first time, and they could see.

“We knew that ‘okay, this person is going to go another day with an improved quality of life because they can see to read better, and they can see to function in their environment better,’” Bobbitt said.

Overall, Bobbitt said these trips were life-changing, and she would love to go on another trip in the future.

Bobbitt graduated from College of the Ozarks in 2001 with a Bachelor's degree in Biology. Currently, Bobbitt is an employed optometrist with Clarkson Eyecare and works full-time at her office in Chesterfield, Missouri. She was married in October.
AWARDS PROGRAM
College of the Ozarks Alumni Association

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

Categories and Eligibility:
1. **Meritorious Award for Distinguished Achievement**—College of the Ozarks alumnus
2. **Meritorious Award for Distinguished Community Service**—College of the Ozarks alumnus
3. **Meritorious Award for Distinguished Young Alumnus**—any College of the Ozarks alumnus who has graduated less than 20 years ago and is not older than 45
4. **Award for Distinguished Service to College of the Ozarks**—faculty, staff and administration, friends or any other worthy individual

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

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

NOMINATION FORM

Nominee ____________________________________________________
Address ____________________________________________________
City ___________________________ State _______ Zip___________
Category ____________________________________________________

Service and qualification for this award (use additional paper if needed)

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Submitted by_____________________________________
Address ____________________________________________
City ___________________________ State _______ Zip___________

Return this form by the deadline date to:
Alumni Office
Attention: Honors and Awards Chairman
College of the Ozarks
P.O. Box 17
Point Lookout, MO 65726

Nominations are open for the 2016 Meritorious Awards. You may also nominate your candidate for the 2016 Meritorious Awards online at www.cofo.edu/alumni.

Deadline: February 18, 2016
**Lifetime Members**

Alumni Association Lifetime Memberships are credited to the Alumni Scholarship Endowment Fund that continues to provide scholarships to worthy C of O students each year. Special thanks to these new 2014 Lifetime Members.

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Vida Ashley '63 JC  
Tom Austin '78  
Sam Atwell '64 JC  
Marilyn Bange '78  
Julie (Henson) Bodeen '96  
Kendra Bowyer '12  
Edris Braswell '50  
Meghan Brown '10  
Ronald Brown '66 JC  
Michelle (Yoast) Bruce '01  
Wayne Bruffey '61 HS  
Caylen Cantrell '13  
Joyce Carter '53  
Stephanie (Schaefer) Charpentier '13  
Sylvia (Allen) Childs '62 JC  
Mark Crisel '01  
Nicole Dilg '14  
Staci (Heck) Flores '01  
Larry Franklin '79  
Alisha Gray '14  
Emily Harrelson '07  
Amanda (Havens) Henson '12  
Brandon Henson '11  
Cody Hudson '08  
Kayla (Harrison) Hunter '09  
Paul Hutssell '54 HS  
Melanie (McClamans) King '00  
Brandy Little '01  
Gary May '80  
Terri (Meador) May '80  
Landon McLelland '82  
Robert Meeks '91  
Tamarah (Agdeppa) Miller '00  
Debra (Hayes) Nix '99  
Matthew Nix '98  
Lyle Noblitt '66 JC  
Joyce (Cook) Odom '63 JC  
Larry Odom '63 JC  
Arthur Olson '98  
Joshua Petersen '08  
Gary Picard '96  
Hannah Picard '14  
Kathryn (Rae) Picard '96  
Charles Plummer '77  
Phillip Pritchett '02  
Michelle (Watters) Roark '90  
Jeff Robinson '93  
John Scott '71  
Anthony Sevcik '01  
Brook (Agan) Sevcik '02  
David Sevcik '01  
EmmaLea (Martin) Smith '13  
Michelle (Weaver) Smith '95  
Stacy Smith '97  
Patrick Stevens '74  
Tillie Thomas '73  
Sherri (Wells) VanGrenenhof '80  
Grace Youngberg '76  
Kim Wagner '85  
Christina (Cox) Whitworth '94  
Anna Wiley '72  
Elizabeth (Love) Wilhelm '95  
Carol (Knight) Wilson '61 JC  
Zhao-Ping Yu '85

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**In Memory of Loraine Garner, former Alumni Director**

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Loraine was born on March 8, 1922, in Savoy, Texas, to Martillus and Myrtle Baldwin. After graduating from Savoy High School in 1939, she moved with her parents to Fulton, Illinois, and began her career with Fidelity Life Association.

In 1964 she fell in love with the Ozarks when she married Aubrey O. Pittenger and moved to the home he built on Bull Shoals Lake, Arkansas. They later built a second home and moved to Poverty Point in Hollister, MO.

In the fall of 1968 she was hired as the Alumni Executive Secretary for The College of the Ozarks. After 24 years, she retired in 1992 as the Alumni Director. It was with great honor that she was awarded the Distinguished Meritorious Service Award from the College in 1991.

Aubrey “Pit” Pittenger died in 1978. She married Thomas “Coach” Garner, Sr. in 1988. Loraine loved to socialize and kept active in the community. She served as a Director of the Taney County Red Cross. She was a member of Hills and Lakes Garden Club, P.E.O. IB Chapter of Branson, Friends of the Taneyhills Library, Christian Women’s Club, and the First Presbyterian Church, Branson, MO. She volunteered at Skaggs Health Center.

Loraine’s enjoyment came from spending time with family, taking boat rides on Table Rock Lake, rooting for the Lady Bears basketball team, and traveling.

Loraine is survived by her brother, Tilly Baldwin; nieces, Barbara Lee Smith, Teri Mitchell, Lori Callahan, Kristi Weaver; nephews, Jim Baldwin and Dan Baldwin; and loving caregiver and friend, Lucy Booth.

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The family requests memorials be made to The College of the Ozarks and Hospice Compassus.

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Rescue, Raise, and Rebuild—
an Alumnus on Mission in Africa

By Chris Mitchell ’16, Alumni Office Student Worker

Gary and Marilyn Skinner decided 30 years ago to create Watoto Ministries and the Watoto Church in Kampala to try and bring God, hope and a future to the people. Today, it is an international organization, with individuals and corporations from five countries helping to support their mission to “Rescue, Raise, and Rebuild.”

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Alumni Council member Roscoe Righter ’71 felt called to join a group and go to Kampala for Watoto Ministries. Roscoe and his group traveled to Suubi Village. The village sits on 200 acres of land and contains homes for 1,200 orphans, elementary thru secondary schools, medical facilities, a church, and a baby Watoto, which is for babies under the age of two. The students of Watoto attend school from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. five days a week and have a couple of hours off, an hour of mandatory study time followed by dinner, and then bed time when it becomes dark. After the students complete high school, they have the option of going to college, and if they so choose to, Watoto Ministries will pay for their tuition.

This village now has a goat farm that is home to 60 goats with a goal of housing 80. They use cow milk to nurse baby goats in order to keep most of their goat milk for the village.

While in the village, Righter and his group helped build a medical lab which is dedicated to a retired minister in Springfield, Missouri. He says the people in the village know what hard work is and aren’t afraid to get their hands dirty if it means to save a life, whether it is theirs or not. He recalls an 86-year-old woman who came looking for work at the village and had no shoes, but told them she was strong and could drive nails. This showed Righter and his group that the people there are willing and want to work. A man named Twaha befriended Righter during his mission work. Twaha has been in Suubi village since age 11. He finished his college degree in marketing and graduated in January with the help of Watoto Ministries.

When asked what his overall experience was like on this mission trip, Righter said, “As a person, it changed me going and seeing a third-world country.” Roscoe Righter felt called to go on this mission trip to help make a difference in the lives of the people, but after being there and coming home, he believes he is the one whose life was made different. Seeing what God is doing in the villages changed Righter and reminded him what a blessing it is to live in America. He hopes his story will display the glory of God. He also encourages other C of O/S of O alumni to do missions. Anyone interested in the Watoto Ministries can find more information on their website, www.watoto.com.
**Class Notes**

'40s  
Charles Floyd, M.D. '48 address update: 3304 Newport Place; Fort Smith, AR 72903; w5je@yahoo.com.

'50s  
Ann (Adams) Cleary '54 would love to hear from her classmates. Her new address is on two acres on the edge of town with a little home that’s all on one level. After four kids and 45 years in a big old two-story, downsizing continues apace—mostly books! Somewhere there’s a little paperback by Miss Fain called *I Fall Down,* but it hasn’t surfaced yet. She may be reached at 2068 Southview; Bartlesville, OK 74003; anncleary@aol.com.

Wanda (Troutt) Wright '59 address update: 401 NW 36th St. Terr.; Blue Springs, MO 64015; whwright0316@yahoo.com.

'60s  
Almira (Lund) Salalila '62 JC address update: 6097 Mission Dr.; Lakeland, FL 33812; nsalalila@hotmail.com.

Earl Dunn ’69 address update: 351 County Rd. 587; Piedmont, MO 63957; sgeorgena@yahoo.com.

'70s  
Michael McGath '70 retired from Elemetis Specialties, Inc. on April 1, 2014. His wife, Mary, passed away on October 19. He may be reached at P.O. Box 2026; Helendale, CA 92342; mmcgath@aol.com.

Dr. Jimmie ’70 and Sharon (Ladd) Marler ’71 reside in Hartville, MO. Jimmie taught in public schools for 37 years and at Drury University and SBU for over 20 years. He is retired from teaching at universities and teaches many art and computer classes as an adjunct professor at Cabool and Mountain View. He has his Master's degree in Art from Drury and Master's degree in computers from Teachers College, Columbia University, New York. In 1998, Jimmie received a doctoral degree in computer technology. The couple can be reached at 6068 S. Hwy E.; Hartville, MO 65667; jmarler@drury.edu.

Roseco Righter ’71 retired in 2011, after 39 years and six months working in the Parks & Recreation profession in municipal government. He spends time working on his yard, house, golfing, volunteering, and doing some travel. He may be reached at 1505 NW Westwood Dr.; Blue Springs, MO 64015; vfortel-rrighter@sbcglobal.net.

Steven Dyche ’72 address update: 3523 Pacific St; St. Joseph, MO 64507; sdyche@stjoelive.com.

Kent and Joyce (Scholz) Kerr ’73 address update: 11645 Stage Coach Rd.; Gravette, AR 72736; jokek3r@gmail.com.

Linda Fowler ’74 just retired from 40 years of teaching and coaching in the public schools. She would love to hear from “old” classmates and friends. She may be reached at 1871 N Via Carrizal; Green Valley, AZ 85614; lfowler624@hotmail.com.

Leland Schatzley ’75 address update: 407 S. Veta; Neosho, MO 64850; dadcamper@yahoo.com.

Cinda Smith ’79 finished her Master's degree and is now complete with her doctoral degree, confirmed June 2014. She will walk in graduation in May 2015. She can be reached at 3836 Old Forge Rd.; Virginia Beach, VA 23452; tilecinda@gmail.com.

Brenda (Boien) Daniels ’82 recently received a Master of Science degree in Speech-Language-Pathology and currently works at Covington Court Health and Rehab in Fort Smith, AR. She may be reached at 105 Royal Oak Dr.; Poteau, OK 74953; Brenda_belle_59@yahoo.com.

Joyce (Hagerman) Wood ’83 resides in Branson. Following a 14 year career with Marriott International, Joyce now works remotely from Branson as the Director of National Sales at The Greenbrier, America's Resort in White Sulphur Springs, WV. She is also currently the Finance Chair for Junior Auxiliary of Taney County 2014-2015. She may be reached at 415 Arizona Dr.; Branson, MO 65616; jawood623@hotmail.com.

Brenda (Garkey) Yancey ’84 address update: 1575 CR 56; Mountain Home, AR 72653; dbjkyan@hotmail.com.

Rebecca (Beckham) Ruth ’86 became the newly-elected Missouri State Representative for District 114 and says to stop by and see her at the Capitol in Jefferson City Office 115F.

Robert and Shelly (Hardin) Moseley ’87 are living in Japan on Yokota Air Force Base. They have been there for a year and have two more years for one more tour with the U.S. Coast Guard before retirement. Robert and Shelly have a 27-year-old daughter, an 18-year-old son, and a nearly 9-year-old son. Rob is still working hard and staying fit, and Shelly is finishing up her flying lessons that she started while at C of O. They look...
forward to coming back to the Branson area for retirement. The Moseley family may be reached at PSC 78 Box 1934; APO, AP 96326; mosfam1@gmail.com.

Ed White ’89 address update: 1126 Dillon Circle; Pacific, MO 63069; jewhite74@gmail.com.

John Lumb ’89 recently finished working 20 years for the City of Springfield, 12½ years as a 911 dispatcher and 7½ in the Criminal Investigations Bureau. He may be reached at 711 E. Striper Dr.; Nixa, MO 65714; Jlumb1966@gmail.com.

‘90s

Jason ’93 and Renee (Killelea) Berry ’95 address update: 7420 Cedar Flats Rd. SW; Olympia, WA 98512; berrable2@aol.com.

Tim Robbs ’94 has worked for Taylor Engineering in Farmington, MO, for over 11 years. The civil engineering firm specializes in rural municipal and local development work. Tim and two co-workers recently had the opportunity to purchase the business when the original owner decided to retire. Once he became a part owner of the firm, Tim relocated with his family to Farmington. His wife works at St. Paul Lutheran High School. Their two daughters, ages 12 and 15, enjoy school. Tim’s oldest daughter has C of O on her list of colleges she would like to attend. The Robbs family may be reached at 502 Hawthorn Dr.; Farmington, MO 63640; tim.cara@yahoo.com.

Aaron ’97 and Jenny (McNeill) Bush ’96 address update: 547 E. Jade Park Dr.; Draper, UT 84020; ajbush@sbcglobal.net.

Mark and Anna (Kelly) Schankowski ’97 have lived in Michigan for 14 years. They have two amazingly-caring children, Lexie (15) and Alex (12). They are always busy with family, sports, horses, life, and just enjoying every gift God has blessed them with. They wish they could get back to Missouri more often and hope everyone reading this is finding health and happiness in the new year! The Schankowski family may be reached at 9817 Wheeler St.; Belleville, MI 48111; mschankowski@suburbancollections.org.

Steven James Marler ’98 and his two boys, Jackson (8) and Pilot (7), live in Springfield, MO. Steven has owned a car dealership for over eight years and recently purchased his own lot at 1460 E. St. Louis St. in Springfield. He would like to hear from classmates. He may be reached at www.myalliancemotors.com.

Joel Carey ’99 recently completed his Doctorate of Education Degree at Saint Louis University. His wife, Jenni, is the new curriculum director and lead teacher for the School of the Ozarks Lab School on the C of O campus. Joel is currently the high school principal at Marion C. Early in Morrisville, MO. The Careys and their four children, James, Jenna, Joella and Josten may be reached at 2001 S. 16th Ave.; Ozark, MO 65721; joelcarey76@gmail.com.

’00s

Kerry ’01 and Chrissy (Casper) Martin ’02 address update: 192 Comfort Ln.; Branson, MO 65616; chriissymartin@gmail.com.

Scott Gray ’02 joined the Missouri Department of Social Services as a Management Analysis Specialist. His previous position was the General Manager of Shoe Carnival in Osage Beach, MO. He may be reached at 210 E. 8th St.; Eldon, MO 65026; scottgray3579@gmail.com.

Antonio Hernandez ’02 address update: 995 Skrivanek Dr.; Bryan, TX 77802. antonio.hernandezap@gmail.com.

Lacey (Evans) Mattheis ’02 address update: 4301 Oak Haven Dr.; Nixa, MO 65714; laceyevans22@sbcglobal.net.

Bradley and Susie (Richardson) Dorris ’03 address update: 540 King St.; Mt. Vernon, MO 65712; Bsdorris@yahoo.com.

Aaron Little ’97 is among the “40 Under 40” honored by the Springfield Business Journal in 2015. Little has more than 15 years of experience with BKD and oversees the operations of BKD Health Care Billing Services, a special team that manages the billing and revenue cycle operations for more than 100 home care, hospice and senior living organizations throughout the nation. A CPA and leading national home care and hospice consultant, he routinely performs revenue and accounts receivable recovery services, revenue cycle operations assessments, client training and related services. He also frequently consults with providers and legal counsel on billing and operations compliance matters, including assisting providers with compliance audits required by the Office of Inspector General and program integrity contractors. Aaron also performs financial and operational consulting services for home care and hospice organizations, including operations reviews, productivity assessments, benchmarking, and Medicare and Medicaid cost report preparation. He is currently a CPA, Managing Director at BKD, LLP in Springfield, MO. Aaron graduated from C of O with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration.
Joshua Hetzel '03 address update: 584 N Avilla Heights; Alexander, AR 72002; joshhetzel7@gmail.com.

Paula Senter '03 address update: 3023 S. 9th St.; Deming, NM 88030; the.senter@gmail.com.

Andrea (Mott) Glessner '04 is glad to announce that she has finally completed her PhD from North Dakota State University. Also, just a few months after that, she celebrated another momentous event, that of her wedding to Ryan Glessner. The couple may be reached at 1500 E. Tall Tree Rd., Apt. 44-101; Derby, KS 67037; andrea.l.mott1@gmail.com.

Zachery Leonard '04 address update: 326 Doniphan Dr., Apt. #3; Fort Leavenworth, KS 66027; zachery.leonard@outlook.com.

Amy (Evans) Widmeyer '04 address update: 1052 Banning St. #2; Marshall, MO 65706; amy_evans81@yahoo.com.

Garrett and Laura (Hanschu) Wishall '04 live in Denver, Colorado, with their two sons, Timothy (6) and Alex (4). Garrett manages a Starbucks, and the Wishalls are a part of a church plant called Calvary (Baptist) Littleton. They recently celebrated their 10th anniversary. The Wishall family may be reached at gwishall@gmail.com; laura_wishall@yahoo.com.

Matthew '06 and Crystal (O'Keefe) Kull '07 address update: 2780 Schlager Rd.; Casper, WY 82604; mc-kull@hotmail.com.

David Crawford '07 address update: 18A Grandview Ave; Harrison, AR 72601; davidtaylorcrawford07@gmail.com.

Clinton '09 and Christen (Bell) McInvale '08 address update: 3703 Cottonwood; Melissa, TX 75454-2546; chriss316@yahoo.com.

Congratulations to Ellen Petersen '14 for making it to the Top 48 on American Idol. Ellen was featured on the Kansas City auditions episode where she played her banjo. Her audition included an impromptu performance of the “Beverly Hillbillies” as celebrity judges Keith Urban and Harry Connick, Jr. sang along. “My American Idol journey ended at Final Judgment,” Petersen says. “It was an amazing experience, and I am so thankful I had this opportunity. When they informed me I wasn’t advancing, I was filled with peace and hope because I knew God had something different and better for me. Better may not mean more money or fame, but it does mean a life spent growing closer to Him and glorifying Him with the gifts He has given me. Thank you to everyone for believing in me and encouraging me! It has meant more to me than you will ever know.” Petersen currently works as a breast cancer researcher at the pathology lab at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center. She graduated from CO last May with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry.

'10s

Brenna Gaik '10 address update: 5222 Eastman Rd; Overbrook, OK 73453; bcgaik@noble.org.

Maggie Gordon '10 address update: 25349 Neon Road; Ravenwood, MO 64479; tilliebillie4@yahoo.com.

Jessica Baram '11 address update: 711 S. 3rd St.; Branson, MO 65616; jessica.sun20@live.com.

Daniel Seitz '11 graduated from law school in May 2014 and passed the Missouri Bar Exam in July 2014. Daniel may be reached at 1805 Miller Dr.; Branson, MO 65616; danisei@mail.regent.edu.

Jessica Buzzell '12 address update: 1503C N. Colonial Terr.; Arlington, VA 22209-1438; jessbuzz@gmail.com.

Joseph Johnson '13 address update: 4355 S. National Ave.; Springfield, MO 65810; jjojohnson417@gmail.com.

Emily Meeks '14 just started her first year of teaching as a kindergarten teacher in the Ozark School District. She may be reached at 5513 N. 12th St., Apt. 105; Ozark, MO 65721; emeeks49@yahoo.com.

Marriages

Andrea (George) McCoy '04 married Blair McCoy on August 30, 2014, at First Presbyterian Church in St. Joseph, MO. Blair is an Assistant Vice President for Commerce Bank in Kansas City, and Andrea is the manager of the Remington Nature Center in St. Joseph, MO. The couple may be reached at 110 NW 114th Terrace; Kansas City, MO 64155; andreageorge155@ymail.com.

Kessta (Horton) Bradshaw '09 married Jared Bradshaw and has two step-kids. The couple may be reached at 4398 County Line Rd.; Mountain Grove, MO 65711; kessta_rue@yahoo.com.

Births

Shannon (O'Reilly) Lassen '93 and her husband, David, recently adopted a baby girl from China. The family may be reached at 28238 Everett Knolls; Katy, TX 77494; shannonlassen@hotmail.com.

Cynthia (Davis) Gebert '02 and her husband, James, along with their twin sons, Alexander and Zechariah, welcomed Henry Jacob into the world on May 6, 2014. The Gebert family may be reached at...
Jennifer (Howerton) Morris ’03 and her husband, Aaron, are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, Harper Alexandra. She is an answer to prayers and such a blessing in their lives. The Morris family may be reached at 4100 Ingleside Dr. S.E.; Lacey, WA 98503; jenmorris_06@hotmail.com.

Cassandra (Grimes) Freeland ’05 and her husband, Kelly, are thrilled to announce the birth of their daughter, Lucille Rose, born December 22, 2014. She was 8 lbs. 10 oz. and 20 inches long. The family can be reached at 586 Clever Heights Court; Clever, MO 65631; casey.freeland82@gmail.com.

Ashley (Staiger) Dummit ’06 and her husband, Cody, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Charlotte Marie, born August 26, 2014. Charlotte joins her older brothers, Logan (4) and Easton (2). The Dummit family may be reached at 15964 W County Line Rd; Billings, MO. 65610; ashley.dummit@yahoo.com.

Michelle (Hale) Taylor ’06 and her husband, Devin, are excited to announce the birth of their first son, Braydon Alexander in 2012. The family may be reached at P.O. Box 2623; Bentonville, AR 72712; michelle.l.taylor@live.com.

Jessica (Lewis) Carini ’07 and her husband, Jason, were married on April 2, 2011. They now have two children. Graci (2) was joined by Louis on March 28, 2014. Jessica is a stay-at-home mom, while Jason runs his own lawn and landscape business. The couple may be reached at 8833 E. Timber Cir.; Catoosa, OK 74015; jessijames022@yahoo.com.

Erin (Clemens) Pavlish ’08 and her husband, Ryan, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Henry Ryan Pavlish, on September 6, 2013. The family may be reached at 517 Road U; Waco, NE 68460; Erincc407@gmail.com.

Caleb ’08 and Lydia (Davis) Skaggs ’09 welcomed their daughter, Lucy Jo, to the family on September 8, 2013. The Skaggs family may be reached at 100 Bourn Ave.; Columbia, MO 65203; lydskaggs@gmail.com.

David ’10 and Julianne (Kelley) MacLachlan ’09 are proud to announce the birth of their son Elijah David on August 14, 2014. He weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz. and was 19.5 inches long. The MacLachlan family may be reached at 716 S. Market Ave.; Springfield, MO 65806; jkmac220@gmail.com.

Matthew and Tiffany (Bliger) Spanglers ’09 are happy to announce the birth of their first child, Mattison Grace on June 4, 2014. They praise God for their blessing! The Spangler family may reached at the_spanglers08@hotmail.com.

Lydia (Raver) Bower ’10 and her husband, Shawn, are proud to announce the birth of their first daughter, Jasmine Danielle, born April 10, 2014. She is welcomed by her brother, Seth Dewight (4). The Bower family may be reached at lydiagbower@gmail.com.

Matt ‘11 and Rachael (Jenkins) James ’10 were married March 26, 2011, and welcomed their little boy, Jack, on January 19, 2014. They reside in Branson where Matt works in IT at Arvest Bank. The James family may be reached at rachaelj26@gmail.com.

Remembrances
Floyd Drew, Jr. ’63 JC 2/14/15
Joyce (King) Eutsler ’60 HS 12/11/14
Etta Mae (Brown) Galloway ’53 11/19/14
Judy (Sturgeon) Hays ’61 JC 3/1/15
Maxine (Byrd) Lane ’56 9/22/14
Iva Dean (Conner) May ’47 10/26/13
James “Troy” May ’45 10/5/14
Omalee Clemente Garten ’37 11/25/13
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Bobby Phelps ’61 JC 5/23/13
Lauri (Wade) Prichard ’94 8/20/14
Ila (Phillips) Stapleton ’47 8/1/2014
Dennis Thompson ’43 11/27/2014
Marty Thompson ’77 3/8/15
William “Andy” Walker ’58 HS 1/11/15
Four Standouts Inducted into College of the Ozarks Sports Hall of Fame

College of the Ozarks inducted four individuals into the Sports Hall of Fame during a ceremony held on campus January 31, 2015.

Two of the inductees worked at College of the Ozarks - former cheer coach Marty Waller (27 years) and former men’s basketball coach and current Athletic Director Al Waller (25 years). The other two inductees were Tom Schexnayder, a 4-year letter winner in cross country from 1974-1978; and Kayli Combs, a record breaking women’s basketball player spanning 2006-2009.

College of the Ozarks Hall of Fame inductees for 2015 included Kayli Combs, Lady Cats basketball player, 2006-2009; Tom Schexnayder, 4-year letter winner in cross country, 1974-1978; Marty Waller, cheer coach for 27 years; and Athletic Director Al Waller, 1977 to present.

About Al Waller
Serving for 38 years from 1977-2015, Al Waller led the men’s basketball team to 458 wins, 12 conference championships, and six national tournament appearances. Waller, who has been serving as athletic director for the College for 26 years, worked as co-director of the NAIA Division II Men’s Basketball Tournament for 16 years and cross country coach during the 2014 season. He also served as commissioner of the Midlands Collegiate Athletic Conference for 17 years and was inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame in 2002. In 2004, he was inducted into the NAIA Hall of Fame.

About Marty Waller
Coaching the cheer team with passion for 27 years, Marty Waller developed the team into one of the top small college cheer teams in the nation. She played a significant role in the success of the NAIA Division II Men’s Basketball Tournament for 16 years by serving as a chair for the opening ceremonies and half time entertainment. After serving as Director of the Child Development Center for 21 years, Waller retired from College of the Ozarks in 2014.

About Tom Schexnayder
Tom Schexnayder, who graduated in 1978, served as team captain in both cross country and track during his junior and senior years. He helped lead the Bobcats to seven NAIA District 16 Championships and eight Conference Championships. Schexnayder held three school records at one time and received the distinction of being the only School of the Ozarks athlete to earn All-District 16 honors in track as a sprinter and All-District honors as a runner in cross country.

About Kayli Combs
Kayli Combs, a transfer from Missouri State University, played basketball for the Lady Cats for three consecutive years. In those three years, the Lady Cats won 98 games, were national championship runners-up two times, and in the Final Four all three years. Combs held positions in the top ten in women’s basketball, finishing her career in 2009 with 1,672 points scored, 304 assists, 213 steals and a record-breaking 331 three-point shots made. She was a Third Team All-American in 2007, First Team All-American in 2008 and 2009, and an Academic All-American her junior and senior years. Her number was retired at the end of her career.

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After receiving nominations from alumni, former or present coaches, faculty, staff, administrators, fans, boosters, parents, friends, classmates, etc., an athletic committee selects inductees based on their accomplishments within the sports arena at College of the Ozarks.

For more information about the Induction Ceremony contact Dori Rapinchuk at drapinchuk@cofo.edu or (417) 690-2565.
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- * MCAC Conference Games

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