Presidents’ Messages

Dear Friend,

It was great to see so many friends at Homecoming 2011. I was honored to be an award recipient, and I couldn’t have picked a better group of folks with which to be recognized (David Ray, Justin Stephan, and Tony Williams).

It is an exciting year at the College. The opportunities provided for students never cease to amaze me. Over Christmas break a group of students visited Pearl Harbor while touring the Pacific World War II theatre. The students accompanied a group of WWII Veterans back to the places they and their comrades served over a half a century ago. Twenty-eight student leaders, serving as Character Camp Moms and Pops welcomed 150 new students to campus for Spring 2012 during the week-long orientation program. Williams Memorial Chapel was filled to capacity twice on the first day of the spring semester, as students held a worship service to begin the new term. There is nothing like the sound of the collective voice of students lifting praise to the Creator in that beautiful building. Our alma mater is so very blessed.

The College is also gearing up for its 13th year of hosting the Men’s NAIA Division II National Basketball Championships (March 7-13), and also preparing for the fall opening of the College’s high school, School of the Ozarks. The College has produced hundreds of quality educators throughout its history, and now it is exciting to watch it extend its efforts to positively impact secondary education and students even more directly.

On behalf of the Alumni Association, I truly want to thank those of you who support the Alumni Association, and the College, with your giving. Even the simplest of gifts, such as paying the annual $10 alumni dues, go a long way toward helping reach our goals, which include providing current students with scholarships and the Guest House/Archives renovation project.

I hope your 2012 has been blessed thus far and will continue to be.

Sincerely,

Marci Linson, ’89
President, Alumni Association

On the Cover

The Dendrobium Chao Praya Sweet 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,

During the last 13 years, the Alumni Scholarship Campaign has raised more than $490,000 for the Alumni Scholarship Fund. The Student Alumni Association has been an active part in supporting this enterprise. We have completed five successful mail campaigns and hope this year will be our best yet. As president of the Student Alumni Association (SAA), I would like to extend the gratitude of every student blessed by your generous help. All of the scholarship recipients are part of SAA, and I have enjoyed working so closely with them. Every scholarship that we are able to give helps one more enthusiastic student get closer to reaching future goals. Your participation in the 2012 Scholarship Fund Drive will be met with the appreciation of a deserving College of the Ozarks student. Later this spring, your chance to share your generosity will be waiting in your mailbox. If a letter is not received, please call the Alumni Office at (417) 690-2208.

Sincerely,

Linda Fry ’13
Student Alumni Association President
Dear Alumnus,

Amid all the negative news about higher education (i.e. the student loan crisis, scandals plaguing athletics, cheating), it's comforting to know a college exists that does things right. Principles matter at College of the Ozarks.

In fact, the College's Women's Basketball Team recently received the "All That's Right in Sport Award" from the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics and the Citizenship Through Sports Alliance. This national recognition came as a result of the team's demonstration of outstanding sportsmanship, citizenship, character, ethical conduct, and community service. This type of leadership and character can be found in College of the Ozarks students.

The College intentionally encourages leadership and character in students. This process begins with Character Camp, a week-long freshman orientation program that acclimates incoming freshmen to campus life. During this intensive one-week orientation, students learn about the College's expectations of work ethic, Christ-like character, and academics, and at the end of the week, they are asked to sign an Honor Code. As many students learn, Character Camp really lasts four years at "Hard Work U."

In four years, students develop into citizens of Christ-like character who are well-educated, hardworking, and patriotic. The College's unique program continues to be highlighted nationally. During several debates and speaking opportunities, GOP presidential hopeful Newt Gingrich touted College of the Ozarks as a solution to the nation's student loan debt crisis. During one debate, Gingrich said the College's model "is so different, it will be a culture shock for the students of America to learn we actually expect them to go to class, study, get out quickly, charge as little as possible, and emerge debt free by doing the right things for four years."

In 1995, College of the Ozarks ceased participation in government student loan programs. At that time, the College was chided for deviating from mainstream higher education. Our graduates are glad we did.

Another shining example of the College's departure from mainstream higher education is its commitment to provide a patriotic education to young people. As part of the Patriotic Education Travel program, in December, students escorted Pearl Harbor survivors and Veterans (who fought in the Pacific Theatre) to the 70th anniversary of the infamous attack and then to Okinawa and Hiroshima, Japan. This particular trip garnered national attention by USA Today and the Associated Press.

During its annual fall meeting, the College of the Ozarks Board of Trustees unanimously approved the proposal for a college preparatory lab school (grades 9-12) that will be named School of the Ozarks.

There is much to be cherished at College of the Ozarks as it continues to be a beacon of hope in higher education.

Sincerely,

Jerry C. Davis, President

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Chapter Notices

**Springfield Alumni Chapter Meeting Notice**

The Springfield Chapter will meet at 6:00 p.m. on April 9, 2012 at Incredible Pizza Company, 2850 S Campbell Avenue, Springfield, MO.

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**Save the Date**

Mark your calendars for the 16th annual Point Lookout/Tri-Lakes Chapter fish fry and white elephant auction on Saturday, May 19, in the Youngman Ag Center. Chapter members—please watch your mailbox for an invitation with more details later this spring.
During its fall meeting, the College of the Ozarks Board of Trustees unanimously approved the proposal for a college preparatory lab school (grades 9-12) that will be named School of the Ozarks.

“School of the Ozarks will reflect the College's philosophical views by integrating a biblical worldview, character education, and patriotism into a rigorous academic curriculum; our program will provide area young people an opportunity for a unique, quality Christian education,” said C of O President Jerry C. Davis.

The Board's vote followed a presentation by Dean of Character Education Sue Head on her findings from a feasibility study on opening a college preparatory lab school on campus.

The feasibility study included information gathered from site visits to several model high schools, an online survey the College conducted in September, and a review of the College's existing facilities.

The survey participants represented 330 families and included towns from Branson to Springfield to St. Louis. When asked to identify the aspects they felt were important to their child's education, 93 percent of respondents indicated “academics,” 79 percent indicated a “Christian education,” 80 percent indicated “character education,” and 55 percent indicated “patriotic emphasis and education.”

The feasibility study also included sobering statistics from the Josephson Institute Center for Youth Ethics annual survey of 40,000 high school students on values, as well as College Board (a non-profit organization, based out of New York, that conducts educational research) findings that the average SAT reading and writing scores of the class of 2011 were the lowest ever recorded.

Following a national search which rendered more than 40 applicants, College of the Ozarks named Mr. Brad Dolloff as Headmaster of the new school that is slated to open this fall. He began his position on February 1.

“This is an exciting step toward bringing School of the Ozarks to fruition,” said Dean of Character Education Dr. Sue Head. “With the help of Mr. Dolloff, the College will begin to focus on building curriculum, hiring teachers, and working on classrooms for the School.”

As Headmaster, Mr. Dolloff’s duties will include hiring teachers, implementing a classical, Great Books curriculum, maintaining an environment of high standards, and working with departments across the College to create innovative programming. He will also be responsible for incorporating the goals of the five-fold mission of the College—academic, Christian, vocational, patriotic, and cultural—into the overall program of the School.

Prior to accepting the position as Headmaster, Mr. Dolloff served as the Branson Junior High Assistant Principal and Athletics Director since 2003. His experience in secondary education spans more than three decades and includes administration, coaching, and teaching mathematics. Additionally, he has proven himself to be community-minded through his participation in numerous community service initiatives.

Mr. Dolloff’s educational background includes a Specialist in Education (Educational Administration) certificate from Missouri State University in 2011, an Administrative Certification (M.A. in school leadership program) from Baker University in 2002, Master of Science in education from Southwest Missouri State University in 1993 and a Bachelor of Arts in mathematics teaching from Bethany College in 1986.

Brad is married to Dee Schrock Dolloff (class of 1988); they have two children, Leah and Coby.

“The College is honored to continue taking a leadership role in character education and to have Mr. Brad Dolloff as member of its team,” Dr. Davis said.

In the spring the College will hold a town hall meeting to provide information about enrollment and how interested parents can apply to the school for their children. Also, information about employment opportunities will be posted to the College's website—www.cofo.edu.—as it becomes available.
“Doc Good Day”

A Day of “GOOD DEEDS”—May 5, 2012

Alumni will have the opportunity to give back to our alma mater, through work, as the Alumni Association hosts the third biennial alumni service day. In keeping with our Hard Work U. tradition, alumni will have the opportunity to return to campus and work on “Doc Good Day,” May 5, 2012.

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 13, 2012.

Name(s) _________________________________________________________ Class(es)___________
Address ______________________________________________ T-Shirt Size(s) __________________
City ______________________________________________ State______Zip Code_______________
Phone __________________________________ E-mail____________________________________
Childcare Y  N     If Yes, please list names and ages _________________________________________

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 13, 2012.
To participate, we ask that you give $1,000 or more each year to the CofO 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 CofO in similar ways. 

In return, we commit to engage you in the life of the College. We’ll also provide opportunities for you to meet other Fellows at Connection events on campus and in your area.

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
- Alumni Scholarship Fund
- Student Benevolence Fund
- Student Athletic Program
- Academic Programs
- CofO Operating Fund

**Promote**

- and encourage the mission of CofO in your community.
- Participate in Doc Good Day at the College
- Host a Connection event in your area
- Encourage others to support CofO

**Pray**

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

**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 $___________.

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

☐ I would like to make my gift by ☐ M/C ☐ Visa ☐ Discover ☐ AmEx ☐ EFT*

Acct. # ____________________________ Exp. date ____/____ CVV Code_____

Name(s) ______________________________________________________________ Class_____

Address ______________________________________________________________________

City _____________________________________________________ State_______ Zip_________

E-mail address ______________________________________________________________________
Plateaus of Giving

College of the Ozarks Alumni Association
Alumni Funds as of December 31, 2011

Alumni Archives Project
Balance 11/6/11 $111,505.84
Interest and contributions 11/4/11 to 12/31/11 13,457.00
Total Fund 12/31/11 $124,962.84

Alumni Center Endowed Maintenance Fund
Balance 1/1/11 $47,772.83
Interest and contributions 1/1/11 to 12/31/11 5,820.50
Total Fund 12/31/11 $53,593.33

The Alumni Endowment Maintenance Fund
Balance 1/1/11 $1,035,428.83
Gift to Alumni Archives Project -39,074.00
Interest and contributions 1/1/11 to 12/31/11 52,750.27
Total Fund 12/31/11 $1,049,105.10

Alumni Scholarship Fund
Balance 1/1/11 $746,443.31
Interest and contributions 1/1/01 to 12/31/11 115,980.77
2011-2012 Scholarships Awarded -36,000.00
Total Fund 12/31/11 $826,424.08

J. Hugh & Martha Wise Alumni Scholarship Fund
Balance 1/1/11 $242,223.77
Interest and contributions 1/1/11 to 12/31/11 14,653.00
2011-2012 Scholarships Awarded -11,200.00
Total Fund Balance 12/31/11 $245,676.77

Winfrey Alumni Scholarship Fund
Total Fund Balance 12/31/11 $38,171.15

Curtis Memorial Alumni Scholarship Fund
Total Fund Balance 12/31/11 $6,579.53

Don Schofield Alumni Scholarship Fund
Total Fund Balance 12/31/11 $103,863.20

Ridinger Brothers Alumni Scholarship Fund
Total Fund Balance 12/31/11 $125,231.60

Virginia Gillespie Lucas Scholarship Fund
Total Fund Balance 12/31/11 $1,339,116.96

Leo and Violet (Frye) Adams Memorial Scholarship
Total Fund Balance 12/31/11 $14,100.00

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.

BENEFACCTOR 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.
Homecoming 2011 Class Reunions

Class of 1941 HS
L to R: J.D. Nave, Lester Dudley

Class of 1946 HS
First Row (L to R): June (Turner) Azevedo, Ethel (Hedrick) Hensley
Second Row: June (Sanderson) Meyer

Class of 1951 HS
Second Row (L to R): Guy Stamps, Roger Stanley, Minnie (Stacy) Stottle

Class of 1956 HS
L to R: Bill McEntire, Robert Eden, Fred Boswell, Dewbart Caudle

Class of 1961 HS
First Row (L to R): “Sam” Pauline (Sasse) Wallis, Marjorie (Hubert) Parish, Thelma (Rodgers) Scrivner, Reta (Matlock) Bruffey
Second Row (L to R): Sue (Mottesheard) Miller, Allie (Blair) Jackson, Myrna (Bittick) Burdine, Marian (Mixon) Penrod, Linda Forbes, Mary Lou Gilbert
Third Row (L to R): Donald Remaker, Joe Wallis, Wayne Bruffey, Harry Marvin, John Williams, Dennis Eggensperger, Lonnie Leatherman
Fourth Row (L to R): Arthur Belt, Don Disheroon, John Gass, Marshall Croy
Class of 1961 JC

First Row (L to R): Martha (McKim) Jones, Annette (Atwell) Epps, Loretta (Griffin) Kleve, Janie (Knight) Wilson
Second Row (L to R): Jody (Wood) Wooldridge, Anna (Ward) Breeden, Joyce (Trost) Mackey, Joyce (Baker) Smith, Peggy (Edwards) Williams, Jean (Daggett) Coleman, Alice (Pemberton) Taylor, Sarah (Glapenske) Lichti, Judy (Sturgeon) Hays, Patsy (Woody) Thornton, Clemie (Dunn) Moody, Karon (Breidenstein) Rapp
Third Row (L to R): D. Nelson Mackey, Gayle Riggs, Joe Treat, David Bennett, Bill Tibbets, Jim Ward, Gus Berrier, Burl Geroma Hudson
Fourth Row (L to R): Calvin Hays, Glen Norman, Richard McCrite, Charles Trammell, Gene Lund, Carl Herd, Herb Breeden

Class of 1966 HS

First Row (L to R): Jan (Schimpf) Peck, Janet (Johnson) McCreary; Second Row (L to R): Phil Hershberger, Clark Vernon, Bruce Steele, John Dukewits

Class of 1966 JC

First Row (L to R): Dee (Bradshaw) Houser, Linda (Campbell) Vert; Second Row (L to R): Fred Bugg, Terry Goodrum, Mary Kay (Harnden) Davidson, Jose Herrera, Albert Mensink

Class of 1971

First Row (L to R): Jerry Brannan, Jewell (Gladjo) Farrow, Norma (Lombard) Wortman, Jon Ewbank
Second Row (L to R): Ken Sparks, Ansel Asher, Roscoe Righter, Steve Mcintosh, Darrel Stafford
Third Row (L to R): William Watts, John McGrath, Fe Yyaz Odabasi
Class of 1976
First Row (L to R): Cathy Nations, Beth (Shell) Hanschku, Judy (Mathis) Barnett, Barbara (Stiers) Herrli; Second Row (L to R): Samarn Ladbasri, Thomas Solieri, Katherine (Rodewald) Jones, Terry (Cain) Eaves, Sharon (Knaust) Harris, Frederick Hale, Robert Culp

Class of 1981
First Row (L to R): Mark Arnold, Denise (Griffin) Kusinski, Loretta (Taylor) Cheshire, Robert Welsh; Second Row (L to R): Steve Cookson, James Jemes, Gary Wilson, Don Knaust, Keith Gregory, Jeff Tiller, Steve Eslinger, Alan Elmore

Class of 1991
First Row (L to R): Diana Rosewicz, E. Lee Croney; Second Row (L to R): Gus Anderson, Bryce Cain

Class of 1996
First Row (L to R): Laura (Failla) Smith, Jen Brown; Second Row (L to R): Tracy (Alexander) Mowery, Ray Mowery

Class of 1996
First Row (L to R): Galen Davis, Valerie (Fillingham) Davis, Victoria (Rumbo) Mosier, Randy Mosier; Second Row (L to R): David Lee Miller, Todd Carmean, Denise (Schilling) Schaefer, Sharon (McGowne) Copeland, Anna Klipfel, Alan Fox, Larry Burger; Third Row (L to R): Doug Brisco, David Jump, Tom Ottaviano

Class of 2001
L to R: Shannon (Murphy) Westcott, Kerry Martin
In Memory of:
Marcia (Mizell) Abernathy from Meredith Mizell
Leo C. and Violet Fry Adams from B. Fern Brown
Freeman Allred from Eileen Davis
Homer Allred from Eileen Davis
Dr. Harry Basore from Sharon Bradley; Ruth Raley; Eugene and Helen Youngblood
Carroll D. Bradley from Sharon Bradley
Joe Brinell from Roger Young
Les and Leona Brock from Joyce Brock
Dr. and Mrs. M. Graham Clark from Mary Cobb; William and Margaret (Clark) Miller; Paula Pellham
Skip Cobler from Charlotte Cobler
George and Malyne Collins from Jeff and Tamara Schneider
Gene Combs from Guy Stamps
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dankert from Cindy Kelly
John Davidson from Christodula Efstathiou
Weldon DeBoard from Faye Riley
Olen and Alpha DePew from Eugene and Helen Youngblood
L. D. Dunn from Vicky Fore
Bill Eckhardt from Maree Eckhardt
Vincent Elfrink from Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Bearden; Jack and Becky Brown; Dr. M. Glen Cameron; Charlotte Cobler; Daniel and Carolyn Crisp; Dr. and Mrs. John Goodwin; Gene and Pat Kenyon; Dr. and Mrs. Donald McMahon; Gabe and Lori Miller; Robert Welsh
Blaine Elmer from Kay Elmer

Dr. R. M. Good from Don Moore; Paul Thornton
Richard Graves from Gene and Pat Kenyon
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Griffith from Carolyn (Griffith) Stuart
Jack Griffith from Carolyn (Griffith) Stuart
Ken Griffith from Carolyn (Griffith) Stuart
Ed Huffman from Shirley Huffman
Fayma Martin from Arliss and Linda Stillings
Bill McCaleb from Herb and Gayle Keith
Dr. John Mizell from Roy and Betty Johnson; Meredith Mizell
Howard and Marie Neal from Tom and Susan (Glawnson) Neal
Roy E. Nokes from Gladys Nokes
Everett L. Nordin from Mildred (Murray) Nordin
Theron D. Nordin from Mildred (Murray) Nordin
Dr. Bill Potts from Daniel and Gwendolyn (Rowe) Potts
Jeffery Clark Reynolds from Earl Dunn
Dr. Jimmie Rose from Sharon Bradley; Herb and Gayle Keith; Eugene and Helen Youngblood
Sammy Shrum from Eugene and Helen Youngblood
Paul Slicer from Rick and Elizabeth Hughes; Patricia Slicer
Tom Smith from Mary Cobb
Clint Smithson from College of the Ozarks Agriculture Department; Ryan and Jennifer Winkle
Luenia Stafford from Gene and Pat Kenyon; Jeff and Tamara Schneider
Helen Stamps from Clarissa Kirsch
Helen Todd from Vera Goodall; Timothy & Teresa Huddleston; Roy and Betty Johnson; Gene and Pat Kenyon; Dick & Vicki Neal; Jeff and Tamara Schneider
Chris Waller from Sharon Bradley; Rod and Brenda Romine; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wendell
Russell Wilson from Colleen Bradley; Georgie Miller; Reva Wilson

In Honor of:
Marcia G. Brown from B. Fern Brown
Class of 1956 from Fred Boswell; Robert Eden; William Flippo; Bill McEntire; Clell Sullenger; Bill and Myrtle Van Deventer
Class of 1970 from Steve and Patricia McIntosh
Class of 1971 from Steve and Patricia McIntosh
Keith, Julie, Kase, Kal, and Kole Cooper from Earl Dunn
Pauline Davidson from Christodula Efstathiou
Dr. Jerry C. Davis from Mildred Nordin
SSGT A. M. De La Fuente from Martin Keene
Tom Healey from Sharon Bradley
Marci Linson from Nicole Pierce; Eugene and Helen Youngblood
Lorraine Pittenger from Cindy (Townsend) Brock
Rachael Thomas from R. D. Bradley
Dr. Larry Walther from Sharon Bradley
Helen Youngblood from Ann Blessin
**Lifetime Members 2011**

_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 2011 Lifetime Members._

- Thomas Austin '78
- Elma (Kever) Black '48
- Laura (Reichard) Bledsoe '80
- Bill Bramsch '81
- Susan (Halfacre) Bramsch '83
- Donald Burchfield '83
- Wayne Burd '80
- Stephen Cookson '81
- Timothy Dady '91
- Marian (Webster) Dawson '50
- Steven Dyche '72
- Talitha Ellis '10
- Cathy (Renyer) Enneking '82
- Zachary Erisman '07
- Stanley Erwin '63 JC
- Jocelyn Fisher '09
- Nancy Fry '11
- Stephen Fugitt '84
- Martha (Goetz) Gehrke '94
- Barbara (Fulks) Harris '76
- Jerry Hayes '61 JC
- Glory (Borne) Hoskins '03
- Stephen Hoskins '03
- Leo Journagan '46
- Brad Jump '85
- Miriam (De Los Arango) Jump '84
- Shannon (O'Reilly) Lassen '93
- Kermit Martin '55 HS
- Elizabeth Mattheis '10
- Andrew McNeill '93
- Stacy (Webb) McNeill '94
- Holly (Corey) Menning '01
- Ryan Merkling '99
- Jim Michalski '90
- Margaret (Clark) Miller '59 HS
- Don Moore '59 HS
- Tom Neal '65 JC
- Larry Pace '63 JC
- Paula Pellham '83
- Teresa (Weter) Pennington '78
- William Pennington '78
- Millard Pickering '82
- Martin Pierce '59 JC
- Zalora (Johnson) Price '61 JC
- Vern Richardson '53
- Roscoe Righter '71
- Ryan Sanders '04
- Rebekah Schappel '09
- Kenny Seaman '94
- Susan (Rogers) Seaman '93
- Gary Simpson '73
- Shane Snowden '97
- Bruce Steele '66 HS
- Jason R. Telle '06
- Zachary Thigpen '10
- Rebecca Thomas '72
- Tim Tiller '96
- Charles Turner '59 JC
- James Watkins '69
- Tahita (Norman) Youngblood '76
- Christian (Woelk) Zaal '02
Mr. Roy Hopper ’44, WWII Veteran and former POW, is surprised by a formal recognition of his dedication to the College by Dr. Jerry C. Davis and Lt. General Gary Hughey ’65 HS.

The 1961 HS basketball team and cheerleaders celebrated their 50th reunion at the game on Saturday.

The 1961 JC Basketball team celebrated its 50th reunion at halftime with newly inducted Hall of Fame recipient, Dr. Arvil Burks.

Led by Lt. General Gary Hughey ’65 HS, a group of alumni Veterans march down Opportunity Avenue in the Homecoming Parade.

Homecoming 2011 Highlights

Homecoming Festivities Photos by Ryan Martin ’97
'50s
Francisco Moreno '51 HS would like to say hello to fellow SofO classmates. It has become especially important for him to keep in touch, as he has struggled after being in an auto accident on 8/15/11. Francisco can be reached at: 1228 Silver Prospect Dr.; Las Vegas, NV 89108; morenofrank@msn.com.

Daniel Bruce Hertweck '79 address update: 1760 Barker Cypress Road #627; Houston, TX 77084; hoops1259@yahoo.com.

'L60s
Donald L. DePriest '60 JC and his wife just moved from Springfield to Nixa to be closer to their grandchildren. From 18 miles to 100 yards is a big leap! Life is good. The DePriests can be reached at 409 N. Hillcrest Ave.; Nixa, MO 65714; depriestdon8@gmail.com.

Lena (Hodges) Sexton '63 JC address update: 16761 Monroe Dr.; Phillipsburg, MO 65722; Hardscrapble01@yahoo.com.

Phillip “Skip” Hershberger '66 HS address update: 2006 Telegraph Rd.; St. Louis, MO 63125; twistedbetty@hotmail.com.

Edwin Carlson '69 address update: 4409 Carmel Dr.; Cheyenne, WY 82009; edwinj.carlson@gmail.com.

'70s
Jerry Aday '71 would enjoy hearing from classmates and SofO friends. Jerry can be reached at 121 NE 58th St.; Topeka, KS 66617; jaday1@cox.net.

Lois Jean (Blanton) Paz '71 is a retired physical scientist with the National Weather Service in the Washington, D.C., area. Her main hobby is flower gardening. She can be reached at 20 Tillingham Ln.; Bella Vista, AR 72715; loisjpaz@yahoo.com.

J. Mason Emerson '73 was a school teacher and also in business. He would welcome contact from any and all who knew him at CofO during 1969-1973. J. Mason can be reached at 9662 Wedd; Overland Park, KS 66212; jmasonemerson@yahoo.com.

Daniel Bruce Hertweck '79 address update: 1760 Barker Cypress Road #627; Houston, TX 77084; hoops1259@yahoo.com.

'80s
Lori Helgason '83 received her Master's in Education from Lesley University, Cambridge, MA. She was promoted to Director of Education in August, and she has worked at Vatterott College in Kansas City for 11 years. Lori can be reached at 19212 E. R. D. Mize Rd.; Independence, MO 64057; lorikeyhelgason@hotmail.com.

Janann Sherman '85 is the author of several books, professor and chair of the History department at the University of Memphis, and the editor of Interviews with Betty Friedan. She has recently published a biography of aviation pioneer Phoebe Hargrave Omlie (1902-1975). The biography, entitled Walking on Air: The Aerial Adventures of Phoebe Omlie. Sherman's other books include The Perfect 36: Tennessee Delivers Woman Suffrage and No Place for a Woman: A Life of Senator Margaret Chase Smith.

Andrew E. Schwartz '86 address update: 225 Jubaka Dr.; Fairview Heights, IL 62208; andyman61533@yahoo.com.

Kelly (Shaw) Jones '87 address update: 603 Bridgeview Dr.; Columbia, IL 62236; arkno3@yahoo.com.

Oscar Emiliano Zamora '87 address update: Calle 2, No. 36; Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz 131; culturalsud@yahoo.com.

Ricky Gott '89 published his first children's book, It/I Wish, I Wish, I Wish to Fish, a tribute to his sons Riley and Andrew. Ricky has taught for over 20 years and has written his stories for the last ten years. There are plans for six more books with two stories in each. Find him on the web at https://sites.google.com/site/rickygottbooks. Ricky can be reached at 139 A Binnacle Ct.; Willis, TX 77318; gottricky@yahoo.com.

D. Scott Rich '89 address update: 3428 Burton Rd.; Farmington, MO 63640.

Jerry '89 and Carla (Stanley) Trick '88 reside in West Plains. Carla finished her Master's in Counseling in December 2010 from Missouri State University and now practices Marriage and Family Therapy at Family Counseling Center in West Plains. Jerry is in his 23rd year of teaching Math and serves as Chair of the Math and Science Division at MSU-WP. Their son, Charlie, is a freshman at Culver-Stockton College with baseball and academic scholarships. Their daughter, Lorin, is a junior at West Plains High School. The Tricks can be reached at 2202 Lynn Dr.; West Plains, MO 65775; carlatrick@hotmail.com.

'90s
Randy Littrell '90 is now a certified alcohol and drug counselor for Southeast Missouri Behavioral Health, and he works in the Steelville office. He has worked for them for the last five years and resides in Cherryville, MO. Randy can be reached at P.O. Box 1078; Steelville, MO 65565; rand865@yahoo.com.

Norman '94 and Mary Lou (Stief) Combs '85 address update: 435 Grand Avenue; Branson, MO 65616; combs5361@suddenlink.net.

Christina Creamer-Black '98 address update: P.O. Box 663; Warsaw, MO 65355; cblack@warsawk12.org.

Rev. Brian '97 and Keri (Bishop) Timmons '98 have two wonderful children, Zephaniah, 5, and
Zoeyanne, 3. Brian has his Master's of Divinity Degree and is Senior Pastor for the United Methodist Church. Keri has a Dual Master's Degree in Community Counseling and Marriage and Family Therapy. She works as the Clinical Therapist for the Children's Safety Center in Springdale, AR. They would love to hear from any of their college friends. The Timmons family can be reached at 626 Asboth Dr.; Pea Ridge, AR 72751; keri_timmons7@yahoo.com.

Tracy (Griffin) Matakas '98 currently works as an Instructional Specialist and Math Curriculum Specialist in the Peoria Unified School District in Arizona. She thanks CoFo for preparing her to work with teachers and students in order to improve the educational experience. Tracy can be reached at 17451 West Hadley St.; Goodyear, AZ 85338; tmatakas@peoriaud.k12.az.us.

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’00s

Rebecca (Russell) Hunter ’01 address update: 3481 West Hoke; Springfield, MO 65807; bahntr@yahoo.com.

Jessica (Butler) Pryor ’01 and her husband, Jeff, were blessed to be able to return to the Ozarks to be near family and to both receive job transfers. Please look them up if you are in Little Rock! They would like to hear from friends at 10 Yellowstone Cove; Maumelle, AR 72113; jessipryor@gmail.com.

David Vestal ’01 is now Division Manager for Koss Construction Company where he has worked for ten years. David lives in Nevada, Missouri, with his wife, Heather, and their three children. He can be reached at 14204 E. Norman Rd.; Nevada, MO 64772; dcv@kossconstruction.com.

Rebekah (Richter) Hyden ’03 address update: 561 S. Park Ave.; Springfield, MO 65806; tzxtimpani@gmail.com.

Alice “Becky” (Cox) Cummings ’04 signed a contract to publish her romance novel, The Treasure Hunter's Lady, with an e-publisher called Midnight Magic Press. The novel is scheduled to be released in February 2012. The details are at her website: http://havenovelwilledit.blogspot.com. Alice can be reached at 4720 St. Hwy A; Crane, MO 65633; ar_cummings@yahoo.com.

Alden (MacDonald) Griffus ’04 and husband, Joshua, are now living in Hollister. Alden is working as a kitchen supervisor in The Keeter Center at the College. They are the parents of three boys: Otho, 7, Leslie, 5, and Harlow, 2. The Griffus family can be reached at 135 Tyler Cir.; Hollister, MO 65672; agriffus@cofo.edu.

Christopher E. Powers ’04 address update: P.O. Box 248; Pleasant Hill, MO 64080; Christopher.powers@gsa.gov.

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Births
Carrie (Potter) Lindstrand '98 and her husband, Jason, are excited to announce the arrival of their daughter, Lillian Olivia. She was born on September 16, 2011. She is joined at home by her two 10-year-old brothers, Ethan and Michael. The Lindstrands can be reached at 1422 Pearl St.; Belvidere, IL 61008; carrieweaves@hotmail.com.

Matt and Amber (Toney) Mulnik '99 were blessed with the birth of their third child, a son, Hayden Matthew, on September 10, 2011. He was welcomed by big sisters Kyla, 5, and Leah, 18 months. The Mulnik family can be reached at 460 Joshua Ln; Robins, IA 52328; ambermulnik@hotmail.com; mattmulnik@hotmail.com.

Ronald '00 and Michelle (Ogden) Blevins '99 are back in the Ft. Leonard Wood area after being in Kansas for three years. In May, Michelle had her fourth child, Chelsea. She joins siblings Brandon, 9, Lucas, 5, and Olivia, 3. Ron continues to serve in the U.S. Army. They would like to hear from old friends, and can be reached at 16950 Limestone; Dixon, MO 65459; mblevins3@centurylink.net.

Mandy (Payne) Henry '00 and her husband, Doug, had their second child, Joe Wade, on June 23, 2011. The Henrys can be reached at 2702 Farm Rd. 2260; Washburn, MO 65772; ahenry@cassville.k12.mo.us.

Greg '00 and Lynn (Williams) Stewart '99 are proud to announce the birth of their third child, Cord Alexander, on September 12, 2011. He was welcomed by big brother Levi Gideon, 2, and big sister Ella Rose, 6. The Stewarts can be reached at 2140 CR 5000; Elk City, KS 67344; lellenstewart@hotmail.com.

Seth Williams '04 and wife, Carmen, are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Cara Michelle Williams, born on December 11, 2011. Her big sisters are Skylar, 5, and Ashley, 3. Seth is currently serving in Afghanistan as a Governance Officer with the 1-25 Stryker Combat Team, 5-1 Cavalry. He was recently promoted to 1st Lt. He would love to hear from friends and classmates at: B Troop, 5-1 CAV, 1-25 SBCT; FOB Frontenac; APO AE 09380. The Williams reside at 1458 Beechnut Street Apt. 1; Fort Wainwright, AK 99703; sethcarmen@yahoo.com.

Rene (Pavlish) Taft '08 and her husband, Casey, are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Audrey, born in June 2010. The Tafts can be reached at 3139 N. Hill Rd. #108; Lincoln, NE 68504; rtaft@ips.org.

Deaths
Evelyn (Turner) Akers '60 HS
3/13/09
Geneva (Stewart) Allred '46
2/5/12
Ed Baker '49
10/27/11
Opal (Dixon) Baughman '42
2/2/12
Tommy Bell '48
2/14/11
Ernestine (Brown) Brooks '35
10/2/11
Gene Combs '53
5/15/11
Gladys (Clark) Comstock '33
5/20/11
Wolfgang “Bill” Dietzel '61 JC
1/3/06
Vince Elfrink '82
10/11/11
Mary Vieva (Snow) Gibson '43
2/7/08
Earl Henson '40
12/2/11
Tracy (Sutherland) Jewell '85
12/2/11
Virginia (Hurt) Kenyon '61 HS
1/9/12
Artie (Wyatt) Knox '41
12/21/11
Katherine Kroll '87
12/5/11
Jo Barbara (Brooks) Lyda '46
4/18/11
Gregory Mackey '82
1/30/12
Doris (Hinegardner) Mc Cleary '59 JC
2/8/12
Everett Nordin '45
12/2/11
Lillie (Green) Railey '42
12/14/11
Lidwina Rogers '91
2/2/11
Clinton Smithson '01
10/8/11
Eli Taylor '41
10/27/11
Robert Towe '70
1/6/12
Russell Wilson '53
9/21/11
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Current Alumni Project

Preserving the College’s history is a worthwhile undertaking.

Our current alumni project is the renovation of the Anna Foster Ford guest house. The purpose of this project is to “Preserve History to Preserve History.” Instead of razing the old, beautiful home, the College desires to renovate it for the creation of an archives center.

The need and the benefits:
- The College needs a centralized location to safely and efficiently store its historical archives (photos, historical documents, various artifacts).
- The new archives center is conveniently located next to the Ralph Foster Museum, beneficial to its ongoing operation and upkeep.
- There is also a need to develop a plan for imaging and electronic storage of historical information.

Preserving the College’s history is a worthwhile undertaking. Please join us as we rally around this important, much needed project!
Scholarship Feature

Last year the Alumni Association awarded $36,000 in room & board and cash scholarships to students at the College. All recipients are asked to join the Student Alumni Association as well as complete a survey about how the scholarship has been beneficial to them. We have several generous alumni who make scholarships like these possible and thought you would like to get to know some of our recipients a little better.

Erve Joseph, Sr., Business Administration; Recipient of the Cash Scholarship

The alumni scholarship has benefited me tremendously, in that it has helped me purchase books and pay for other material costs that arise with attending college. I feel I have grown a lot from my time at Cofo. I have immersed myself in leadership opportunities and have been connected with many small groups and BSU. I have grown a lot in my walk with God; that has been the greatest thing the school has done for me. My favorite part of being in the Student Alumni Association is interacting with all the other individuals in the activities we do. I also like the fact that after College of the Ozarks, I'll be able to keep in contact with the school and continue to support the amazing work the school is doing. I certainly would love to continue being involved with College of the Ozarks by spreading the word to others about the wonderful work that Cofo is doing around the world. I also want to be involved by coming back to the events that are held for the alumni. I wish to support the school in whatever way I can because I can’t think of an institution that is doing a better job in preparing young people to be leaders of our generation.

Jenna Dunnam, Sr., Music; Recipient of two-semester Room & Board Scholarship

The Alumni Scholarship allowed me to pursue my ultimate dream: spending a summer in Japan as a mission intern. I knew God had called me to go, but the details were unclear. I had to step out in faith and apply for the scholarship, trusting that He knew what I needed and would provide the perfect plan for me. I was risking having to pay for my next year at school; or even worse, if I didn't get accepted for the scholarship, dropping school my last year because my family would be unable to pay for it. To say that receiving the scholarship was a miracle is an understatement. My faith grew so much when I was able to watch all the pieces fall together after I'd given all control to God. This scholarship was one of the many ways He showed me His sovereignty. I was indeed able to go to Japan, tell countless Japanese about Jesus, and come back with stories to inspire my brothers and sisters in Christ in the states, challenging them to go on mission with God, too!

While the scholarships have come in all different shapes and sizes, I have been extremely wowed by the reality that there are serious people out there committed to contributing to students’ lives like mine. That is a powerful thing! That people love students enough to want them to have opportunities to pursue their dreams and fulfill internships that jumpstart them on their college careers – I’d never realized what a gigantic blessing that actually was! I appreciate donors in a whole new way now, and I’m able to share that with others!

Heather Isringhausen, Sr., Journalism; Recipient of one-semester Room & Board Scholarship

The Alumni Scholarship provided me with the opportunity to take an internship with the National Journalism Center in Washington, D.C. Without the scholarship, I would not have been able to take such an incredible offer. Because I was able to participate in the internship, I've had the opportunity to build a professional portfolio with national news topics. I've also been able to network and develop contacts to help with career planning.

My favorite part of being in the Student Alumni Association has been learning more about the strong relationship the College keeps with those who have graduated. It's fun to see how old friends can stick together and continue to be involved with the school long after their college years, due to the Alumni Association.
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Dr. Arvil Burks was inducted into the Hall of Fame during Homecoming festivities in November. Surrounded by the 1961 JC basketball team during halftime of the Homecoming game, a plaque was presented to Dr. Burks by President Jerry C. Davis and Athletic Director Al Waller.

Burks started at The School of the Ozarks in 1955 as the high school basketball coach. Starting the junior college program, he also served as athletic director and helped start the track and field program. He was also instrumental in getting The School of the Ozarks in the Missouri Junior College Interscholastic Conference. Many of his players went on to play at four-year colleges. In 1958-1959 his team upset Southwest Baptist College, when they were ranked second in the nation.