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ALUMNI VETERANS  
MEMORIAL

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# Presidents' Messages

Dear Friend,

Homecoming@cofoHardWorkU was one we will all remember fondly with pride, #BobcatPride, that is! And, we have so much of which to be proud, beginning with our Meritorious Award recipients. What a pleasure it was to honor Dan Swearingen for his many years of service and dedication to the College of the Ozarks Agriculture Department. And, what a joy to also recognize Karla Eslinger, Jerry McCarter, and Jennifer Morris for their respective achievements and representing our Alma Mater in their personal and professional lives in an honorable way. Our schedule was packed with amazing activities, and the weekend always proves to be a great memory-in-the-making, itself.



The largest entering class ever began classes in August, thanks to the opening of the new men's residence, Barrett Hall. Work is already in progress for a new women's residence, Rose Mann Hall, located behind Ashcroft Hall. And, we are still in our campaign to complete the renovation of the College's old guest house into the College of the

Ozarks Archives Center. The Archives Center will be home to the D. Ruth Raley Special Collections, which will be several collections of College history, organized and preserved, and available for research for generations to come.

And, can you believe the College is gearing up for its 15<sup>th</sup> year of hosting the Men's NAIA Division II National Basketball Championship in March? Also, the School of the Ozarks will soon expand its offerings, as it prepares to open a Kindergarten through 6th grade program this fall. What an exciting time for our Alma Mater!

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 \$10.00 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 that 2014 is a blessed and prosperous year for you and your family!

Sincerely,  
Marci Linson '89  
Alumni Association President



## About the Cover

*The new Alumni Veterans Memorial, dedicated in November, is a prominent reminder of the sacrifice of our alumni veterans.*

Dear Alumnus,

What an incredible time to be a student at College of the Ozarks. Within the past 15 years, the Student Alumni Association (SAA) has contributed to the students' lives and learning and has raised over \$625,000 through the Alumni Scholarship Campaigns. In fact, last fall's Phonathon that SAA put together raised over \$13,000. This fundraiser was successful only through the generosity of you, our Alumni. Several other ways SAA has contributed to the local community this year is through Homecoming activities and shoeboxes that our organization put together for Operation Christmas Child. This spring, we look forward to assisting with NAIA activities and Doc Good Day.



encourages the soon-to-be-alumni to give a gift in honor of a professor, work supervisor, trip, or class that has impacted their life at College of the Ozarks.

As president of the Student Alumni Association, I would like to relay the gratitude of the entire group of scholarship recipients. These individuals have proven themselves to be a valuable part of the College of the Ozarks community and recognize that many of their experiences and opportunities were a direct result of your kindness. This spring, you will have an additional chance to influence a student's life through your giving. Please consider contributing to the alumni scholarship drive. Thank you for your constant support and for allowing us to thrive even more at this College.

Blessings to each of you!

Arayna McElvain '14  
Student Alumni Association President

A new opportunity this year, promoted by SAA, is a Senior Class Gift. This project allows the 2014 Senior Class to recognize God's providence by placing them at College of the Ozarks and to support the C of O community and future students. SAA

Dear Alumnus,

Numerous alumni joined current students to display their Bobcat Pride for the 2013 Homecoming. The events held during the week offered multiple generations a chance to celebrate a common thread, a unique institution that provides the opportunity to work for your education. That opportunity transcends the years and has remained at the core of the College's mission. Workstations may evolve, but the work requirement remains. Under the *Hard Work U* banner, current and former students can meet on common ground.



In October, the College welcomed Mr. Bill O'Reilly, a best-selling author, syndicated columnist, and host of FOX News Channel's "The O'Reilly Factor," to speak at a patriotic convocation. Mr. O'Reilly employed his "no spin" approach to share on leadership, which he said is "lacking in our government." He named numerous types of leadership styles, including his own, which he calls "bombastic leadership." Mr. O'Reilly encouraged students to identify which type of God-given leadership they have and to continue to develop their leadership skills.

He was impressed with the leadership skills that School of the Ozarks (the lab school for grades 9-12) students have demonstrated through its club Pitch in for Patriots™. In September, the students organized a 5K/10K Fun Run in order to raise money to purchase a TrackChair (an all-terrain wheel chair) for a disabled Missouri Veteran, in Mr. O'Reilly's honor. At the convocation, Staff Sergeant Daniel Barnes, left a double-amputee following an explosion he survived while serving in Iraq, made a grand entrance with his new TrackChair. S of O students publicly presented SSG Barnes and Mr. O'Reilly with Pitch in for Patriots™ flags. The following week, Mr. O'Reilly applauded the students for their efforts on his show. "The high school attached to College of the Ozarks raised 15 thousand dollars to get SSG Barnes the TrackChair," Mr. O'Reilly told his audience. "High school kids did this — an amazing story."

Ample stories of leadership have emanated from this institution, including the story of former Assistant Commandant of the United States Marine Corps General Terrence R. Dake, which students brought to stage in the play "Four-Star Country Boy." If you did not have an opportunity to see it performed this fall, you will have several opportunities to see the inspirational play next fall.

Homecoming, convocations, sports games, and plays are all opportunities for alumni to connect with their alma mater, as well as current students. Chapter meetings also provide a way to keep up with your college friends. A Hot Chocolate Social, a new event just for alumni, was held on January 18 and February 1, prior to the men's and women's basketball games. Doc Good Day also offers an occasion to reminisce and reconnect, so please make plans to join us for this year's campus service day, named in honor of former S of O President Dr. R. M. Good.

God bless you and your family in the upcoming year.

Sincerely,  
Jerry C. Davis, President

This particular Homecoming was special due to the dedication of the new Alumni Veterans Memorial. Located in the same place as the former memorial, the new version features plenty of space to fit all names of alumni Veterans who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our nation. The previous memorial omitted two names, Melvin Smith, who attended School of the Ozarks in the 1940s, and Anthony Blair, S of O HS Class of 1962. Rightfully, those names have been added to the new memorial.

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## Fall 2013 Patriotic Convocation

### Mr. Bill O'Reilly Shares on Leadership

By Elizabeth Hughes,  
Director of Public Relations

The “no spin” Bill O'Reilly took the stage at College of the Ozarks on October 10, to “bloviate a bit” to a max capacity crowd in the Keeter Gymnasium. That description, however, did not accurately portray his message which he directed to students at the patriotic-themed convocation.

Students were thrilled to hear in person from the host of FOX's “The O'Reilly Factor.” “Growing up I watched ‘The Factor’ with my dad, so seeing this man who basically taught me about politics, history, and the world stage was surreal,” explained C of O senior Turner Brock.

As expected, Mr. O'Reilly educated the students and audience about what ails the nation. “Leadership is what is lacking in our country today,” he explained. “And that's not a slight to President Obama or former President Bush. What we've lost is mission and purpose.”

He explained the many forms of leadership—quiet leadership, bombastic leadership, servant leadership, etc., but went into depth on his type of leadership. Mr. O'Reilly candidly described his type of leadership as “not backing away from my core beliefs because some idiot is going to criticize me.”

“I am the biggest threat to secular progressives, because when we debate I beat the living daylights out of them, leave them in rubble. If I don't do it, nobody else is going to do it. If it [the attack on traditional, American values] is not challenged, it becomes acceptable,” he said.

Raised in a working class family in Levittown, New York, Mr. O'Reilly beat the odds to become one of the most successful journalists and best-selling



Bill O'Reilly joins Dr. Jerry C. Davis in honoring SSG Daniel Barnes, who received a TrackChair through S of O's Pitch in for Patriots program.

authors in the nation. And he attributes his achievements to God. “I am here for a reason,” Mr. O'Reilly said. “If you want to be a leader find your reason, decide what kind of leader you're meant to be, work hard, believe in yourself, persevere, and be courageous.”

His tips sparked reflection by students. “I feel that I eventually could be a bombastic-type leader that he described,” said Brock. “Anyone can be a leader if they are willing to make the sacrifices.”

During the event at which standing ovations occurred one after another, College of the Ozarks recognized four individuals for leadership, and in Mr. O'Reilly's honor, presented a TrackChair (an all-terrain wheel chair) to a disabled Missouri Veteran.

Mr. O'Reilly actively supports Veterans through several philanthropic efforts, one of which is The Independence Fund, whose mission is to provide the tools, therapies, and guidance to those Veterans severely injured in the line of duty who are otherwise not receiving it. Due to Mr. O'Reilly's efforts and support, numerous Veterans have received a TrackChair.

As part of special recognition, C of O President Jerry C. Davis

gave Mr. Bob Sarver, president of Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 913-Branson, a “Leadership Award” for his and his chapter's tireless efforts to serve their community and fellow Veterans.

The College also honored Missouri's only living Medal of Honor Recipient Colonel Donald Ballard (also a Vietnam Veteran) with a “Great American Award.” The College reserves this special honor for individuals whose lives, careers, and service reflect the highest ideals of American values—those shared by the College. Col. Ballard received the Medal of Honor for diving onto a grenade that was thrown into the middle of a group of his fellow soldiers during battle.

Staff Sergeant Daniel Barnes, the Missouri Veteran who received the TrackChair, wheeled onto the stage in his new machine. O'Reilly was encouraged to learn that School of the Ozarks students had raised the money to purchase the TrackChair as part of its Pitch in for Patriots™ club. “If every high school would do that, you know,” O'Reilly said. “That [taking a leadership role in establishing the club and working to help Veterans] shows me a lot of metal.”

SSG Barnes lost both legs when his unit was ambushed in Baghdad in 2006. In an interview with School of the Ozarks students, he told them that if he could, he would still serve in the Army. For his selfless, servant leadership, the College presented him with a “Great American Award.”

Finally, the College recognized Mr. O'Reilly with a “Great American Award” for his leadership in standing up for traditional American values and not backing down—as Mr. O'Reilly describes it, bombastic leadership.



*E*ach 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.

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## *Giving Spotlight: Bequest*

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- ★ **What is a bequest?** A bequest is a planned gift to College of the Ozarks made at death through your will or trust. A bequest is the simplest type of planned gift to make and one of the easiest to implement.
- ★ **What might I leave to the College?** You may leave personal properties, real estate, securities, insurance policies or retirement plan assets to C of O. Property that passes through a beneficiary designation (such as individual retirement accounts) can be left by designating College of the Ozarks as the beneficiary.
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- ★ **How do I make a bequest?** It's easy! With the help of an advisor, you can include language in your will or trust specifying a gift to be made to friends and family or College of the Ozarks as part of your estate plan.



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# Honoring Heroes

## New Alumni Veterans Memorial Dedicated

By Lauren Meyer,  
Public Relations Student Writer

On the beautiful, fall morning of November 2, a large crowd of C of O alumni, students, and members of the Chapel Choir and Chorale gathered for the dedication of the new Alumni Veterans Memorial. The memorial includes the names of all alumni Veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. Two additional names, Melvin Smith who attended S of O in the 1940s and Anthony Blair, S of O HS class of 1962, were not listed on the original memorial placed in 1983. In order to add the names, a new, larger memorial was built.

"The old memorial had become weathered and didn't have room to place the new names," said Dr. Fred Mullinax, C of O Executive Vice President. "The new memorial will better honor those who served our country." C of O Alumnus/Board of Trustees member General Terrence R. Dake '64 JC, provided the dedication speech. He opened with this statement: "There are three things I would like to tell you about Veterans, one — they are perishable, two — they are all deserving of your gratitude, and three — I believe they are the conscience of this nation."

He then told a story about John



*General Terrence R. Dake '64 JC delivered remarks at the dedication of the new Alumni Veterans Memorial.*

P. Bobo, a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves. In 1967, fighting in Vietnam in the Quang Tri Province, Lt. Bobo and his men were preparing for a night ambush when they were attacked. They were outnumbered and outgunned. Lt. Bobo formed a hasty defense, moving from position to position. As gunfire dropped all around him, he was hit by a mortar, severing his leg at the knee. Without stopping he placed a tourniquet to stop the bleeding and then dug his remaining leg into the ground to further stop the flow. There, he directed his fire at the oncoming enemy. His men called for him to fall back, but he refused and

ordered them to take cover. Inspired, his men assumed a defensible position and were able to hold off the enemy and survived. Lt. Bobo, however, did not. Posthumously, he was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his actions that day. He was 24-years-old when he died serving his country.

"I would have liked to meet John Bobo; he and I have a lot of similarities," explained General Dake. "I, too, was 24 when I fought in Vietnam. I fought in the same province, Quang Tri Province, as John Bobo. I was in the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, and he was in the 3<sup>rd</sup>. We were separated by time. I came home unscathed, and John Bobo gave his life. I wish I could see John Bobo and show him the pictures of my children and grandchildren, because he never had that opportunity. His life was cut short; he will not enjoy what I did."

This sober account put into perspective the heroism and sacrifices made by the men and women whose names on the memorial are indelibly marked.

The Chapel Choir and Chorale, along with trumpet soloist SGM (ret.) Bob Smither, a C of O music instructor, performed a touching rendition of "Mansions of the Lord." The act of dedication was given by C of O President Jerry C. Davis with an audience response. A prayer of dedication and benediction completed the ceremony.

The new Alumni Veterans Memorial is much more than stone and metal. The men honored on the memorial paid the price for freedom with the ultimate sacrifice. The names engraved on the memorial are those of heroes.



*The National Anthem at the Veterans Memorial Dedication was led by singers of the Chapel Choir and Chorale, while the S of O cadets presented colors.*

## Lifetime Members 2013

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 2013 Lifetime Members.

Sherri (Jeffery) Anderson '89	Christine (Arnold) Glaser '90	Paula Pellham '83
Thomas Austin '78	William Glaser '90	Kent Pettit '83
Richard Baker '96	Tamara (Wheeler) Gregory '91	Don Phillips '73
Sara (Vaughn) Baker '98	Jerry Hayes '61 JC	Bill Pointer '64 JC
Bill Barnhart '76	Kendra (Robertson) Heier '00	Ryan Richardson '80
Peggy (Costas) Bock '96	Cynthia (Moseley) Herron '84	Suzanne (Robinson) Ruble '92
Ryan Bock '97	Nathan Hoyt '97	Kelly (Powers) Schmitz '99
David Bruce '01	Jeanette (Kahler) Hurley '87	Rosanna (Born) Schultz '10
Jessica Buzzell '12	Charlene (Adney) Kappelmann '59 JC	Gail (Elmgren) Seyl '75
Cindy (Collins) Canfield '83	Cindy (Dankert) Kelly '79	Patty (Isaacs) Siler '04
Glenn Cargile '93	Nick Kuklenski '82	Redwin Sitindjak '90
Miles Chism '10	Julie (Hanlin) Leach '97	R. B. Skelton '62 JC
Bryan Christenson '03	Amy (Wilhite) Leaming '06	Jeanne (Williams) Smith '94
Kimberly (Smith) Cross '02	Travis Leaming '07	Timothy Sperduto '01
Charles W. Daniel '64 JC	Bill Leonard '63 JC	Alan Stolzer '82
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Angela Duede '90	Chrissy (Casper) Martin '02	Sherry (Graves) Vaughn '94
Kyle Ericson '12	Ben McVicker '11	Marsha (Harris) Wilderdyke '93
Stephanie (Laughlin) Ericson '12	Sue (Mottesheard) Miller '63 JC	Barry Wilson '00
Karla (Lamar) Eslinger '82	Caroline Myers '85	Shelly (Lowe) Wilson '01
William Farwell '03	Jane (Martin) Myers '59 JC	Tiffany Woods '08
Joyelle (Hutchinson) Francke '12	Susan (Glawson) Neal '79	Mandy (Schwarz) Woodward '98
Josh Franks '00	Tom Neal '65 JC	Tressa (Jennings) Zane '93
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## College of the Ozarks Alumni Association Alumni Funds as of December 31, 2013

### Alumni Archives Project

Balance 1/1/13	\$228,164.34
Gift From Endowment Maintenance Fund	\$41, 971.00
Interest and contributions 1/1/13 to 12/31/13	<u>42,043.00</u>
Total Fund 12/31/13	<u>\$312,178.34</u>

### Alumni Center Endowed Maintenance Fund

Balance 1/1/13	\$59,020.83
Interest and contributions 1/1/13 to 12/31/13	<u>5,764.72</u>
Total Fund 12/31/13	<u>\$64,785.55</u>

### The Alumni Endowment Maintenance Fund

Balance 1/1/13	\$1,062,100.72
Gift to Alumni Project	(41,971.00)
Interest and contributions 1/1/13 to 12/31/13	<u>58,178.07</u>
Total Fund 12/31/13	<u>\$1,078,307.79</u>

### Alumni Scholarship Fund

Balance 1/1/13	\$894,902.20
Scholarships Awarded for 2013-14	(49,000.00)
Interest and contributions 1/1/13 to 12/31/13	<u>121,689.73</u>
Total Fund 12/31/13	<u>\$967,591.93</u>

### J. Hugh & Martha Wise Alumni Scholarship Fund

Balance 1/1/13	\$249,548.74
Scholarships Awarded for 2013-14	(8,850.00)
Interest and contributions 1/1/13 to 12/31/13	<u>13,564.20</u>
Total Fund Balance 12/31/13	<u>\$254,262.94</u>

### Winfrey Alumni Scholarship Fund

Total Fund Balance 12/31/13	<u>\$38,295.11</u>
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### Curtis Memorial Alumni Scholarship Fund

Total Fund Balance 12/31/13	<u>\$6,295.11</u>
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### Don Schofield Alumni Scholarship Fund

Total Fund Balance 12/31/13	<u>\$109,558.80</u>
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### Ridinger Brothers Alumni Scholarship Fund

Total Fund Balance 12/31/13	<u>\$148,278.70</u>
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### Virginia Gillespie Lucas Scholarship Fund

Total Fund Balance 12/31/13	<u>\$1,344,570.14</u>
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### Leo and Violet (Frye) Adams Memorial Scholarship

Total Fund Balance 12/31/13	<u>\$15,200.00</u>
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## Alumni Spotlight

### Davidson '90 Wins Public Speaking Competition

By Patrick Esty,  
VP Public Relations,  
World Toasters Club #1917

Congratulations to Monty Ray Davidson, member of the World Toasters Club #1917 and Orlando Advanced Toastmasters Club, who had achieved a difficult journey of success as a winner in the semi-finalist round in the Toastmasters International (TMI) 2013 International Speech World Championship Public Speaking (WCPS) Contest hosted in Cincinnati, Ohio. After a full day of competition and winning the semi-finalist heap, he was one of nine finalists to come on stage the next evening in competition to win the world title for the 2013 year. To get there, he had to first compete at the club level in March, move on to Area 51 (which consists of 6-7 local area Orlando clubs) in April, then compete against all area winners for all of Northern and Central Florida in the District 84 contest in May 2013. His long journey ended in Cincinnati, Ohio, on August 24, 2013, where he survived



Monty Davidson '90 competes at the Toastmasters International Speech World Championship Public Speaking Contest.



Monty Davidson took 1<sup>st</sup> place at the Toastmasters International Semifinals competition.

the elimination rounds in the previous days before the final event.

It all started behind a circular desk in the Cast Service Center at Epcot, Monty Ray Davidson, Cast Service Center specialist, let his eyes wander until something caught his attention. On the communication wall just a few feet from his desk was a flier to join a Toastmasters International interest meeting. The 20-year Cast Member was intrigued because he enjoyed striking up conversations with new people. Therefore, he felt public speaking seemed like it would be a natural fit.

He began attending Toastmasters meetings and eventually speaking at Toastmasters events. This allowed him to be critiqued by other members, improving his technique with each speech.

Monty Ray recently completed a journey through the Toastmasters International World Championship of Public Speaking, which began at the club level as a member of World Toasters, a

Toastmasters club at the Walt Disney World Resort.

Last May, Monty Ray claimed first place in the district tournament, representing District 84, which covers all of Central and Northern Florida. Then in August 2013, he was one of 90 semifinalists to make it to "the big stage" as he called - the grand ballroom in the Duke Energy Convention Center in Cincinnati, Ohio, for the World Championships. When the field was cut to nine finalists, Monty Ray again found himself preparing another speech.

"'Sticks to You' was a speech about the power of words and our ability to use words to hurt people and to heal people. I gave the speech in the form of a story, and it was kind of a playground anecdote that wove the story perfectly," he said.

Though he didn't claim first place in the international championship, Monty Ray proudly represented the Walt Disney World Resort at the most prestigious public speaking competition in the world.

"This event was truly a spectacular experience for me and one I will remember for a long time," he said. "The best part is the impact Toastmasters has had on my career here at [the Walt Disney World Resort]. I've been able to help Cast Members prepare themselves for opportunities in managerial or leadership roles because I can improve their public speaking, which often times is the only thing holding them back."

Monty Ray is using words to heal and build up his fellow Cast Members and friends, one speech at a time. He is a 1990 College of the Ozarks graduate.

## *Homecoming 2013 Reunions—Celebrating 50 Years!*



### *Class of 1963 JC*

**First Row (L to R):** Larry Odom, Joyce (Cook) Odom, Ewanda (Shipman) Young, Jim Young

**Second Row (L to R):** Geneva (Turner) Knecht, Sue (Raines) Rollins, Don Rollins, Phillip Smith, Nelda (Swafford) Smith, Sue (Mottesheard) Miller, Charles "Tom" Miller, Linda Forbes, Jewel (Stowe) Redford

**Third Row (L to R):** Marian (Mixon) Penrod, Evelyn (Feemster) Scavuzzo, Don Tilmon, Judy (Coker) Tilmon, Myra (Hooten) Skiles, Vivian (Minge) Anderson, Ray Anderson, Donna (Redmon) Lawson

**Fourth Row (L to R):** Gayle (Garrison) Keith, Mary-Lou Gilbert, Vera (Harris) Rose, Marjourie (Hubert) Parish, Renee (Tolbert) Knipmeyer, Diane Brown-O'Donnell, Mildred Slack

**Fifth Row (L to R):** Stanley Erwin, Robert Railey, Marshall Croy, Stanley Bishop, Glenn Fipps, Charles Groce

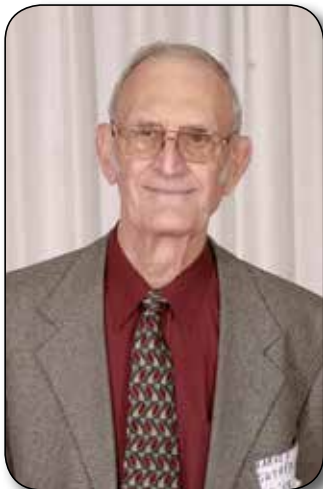


### *Class of 1963 HS*

**First Row (L to R):** Jerrie (Stacy) Avery, Gay Mackey, Brenda (Green) Miller, Andy Miller

**Second Row (L to R):** Julia Cedeno-Fiallos, Diane (Wing) Ammons, Jerri (Pace) Williams, Peggy (Smith) Ward, Shirley (Eyman) Mathes, Judy (Goodwin) Bates, Joyce (Garrison) Duke

**Third Row (L to R):** Kien Su, Wendell Jeffery, Francis Thornton, Victor Pol



**Class of 1958 JC**  
Harvey Sutherland



**Class of 1958 HS**

**First Row (L to R):** Ethna Billings, Nancy (Brockelmeyer) Longhibler, Bertha (Goin) Thompson, Bill Thompson  
**Second Row (L to R):** Shirley (Johnson) Wilkie, Veldonna (Boyle) Webb, June (Wallace) Atkinson, Jackie (Miller) Pendergrass, Sue (Tyndall) Sisco, Edith (Goodwin) Flippo  
**Third Row (L to R):** Andy Walker, Howard Grogan, Luther Hampton, Richard Noland



**Class of 1968**

**First Row (L to R):** Stanley Jordan, Margie (Burger) Jordan, Marilyn (Craig) Jones, Larry Jones  
**Second Row (L to R):** Carolene Thornton, Mary Kay (Harnden) Davidson, Dee (Bradshaw) Houser, Joan (Smith) Thornton, Patricia Rodgers, Anita (Pfennighausen) Beasley  
**Third Row (L to R):** Roy Jones, Terry Goodrum, Robert Cardwell, Dennis Shearrer, M. Fred Bugg

**Class of 1973**

**First Row (L to R):** Richard Miller, Carolyn (Lindt) Miller, Lora (VanWyk) Hoven, James Hoven  
**Second Row (L to R):** Kathy (Moritz) Hutson, Tillie (Ousley) Thomas, Iva Stoker, Betty (Stafford) Watts, Carolyn (Wirth) Hawkins  
**Third Row (L to R):** Ronald Stone, Theodore "Ted" Robertson, David Wheeler, Mason Emerson



*Homecoming Photos by  
Ryan Martin '97*



**Class of 1978**

**First Row (L to R):** James Cooper, Ken Raley  
**Second Row (L to R):** Sandy (Roberts) Cooper, Joyce (Felin) Raley



**Class of 1983**

**(L to R):** Kent Pettit, Cindy (Collins) Canfield, Nathan Schrock



**Class of 1988**

**First Row (L to R):** Dee (Schrock) Dolloff, Darla (Bates) Sullivan, Carla (Bates) Nichols, Marta (Arango) Nangle  
**Second Row (L to R):** Clarissa (Stamps) Kirsch, Jerome Nichols, Lora Falahi



**Class of 1993**

**First Row (L to R):** Kyla (Canfield) Hill, Marsha (Harris) Wilderdyke, Janie (Harris) Fougerousse  
**Second Row (L to R):** Glenn Cargile, Andy McNeill, John Wilson



**Class of 2003**

**(L to R):** Jennifer (Howerton) Morris, Antoinette (VanHooser) Martin, Jenny (Mitchum) Jones



**Class of 2008**

**(L to R):** Charlotte Weddington, Travis Pomfret, Rachel Pomfret

# Homecoming 2013 Highlights



*Dr. Karla (Lamar) Eslinger '82 was honored with the Meritorious Award for Distinguished Achievement.*



*Mrs. Jennifer (Howerton) Morris '03 was recognized with the Meritorious Award for Distinguished Young Alumnus.*



*Mr. Dan Swearengen received the award for Distinguished Service to College of the Ozarks.*



*Mr. Jerry D. McCarter '54 HS '59 JC was this year's recipient of the Meritorious Award for Distinguished Community Service.*



*The College of the Ozarks Chapel Choir and Chorale performed at the dedication of the Alumni Veterans Memorial.*



*Bobcat Cheerleaders kept the parade crowd on their feet!*



*College of the Ozarks Color Guard led the parade procession.*



*The School of the Ozarks Color Guard opened the dedication of the Alumni Veterans Memorial.*



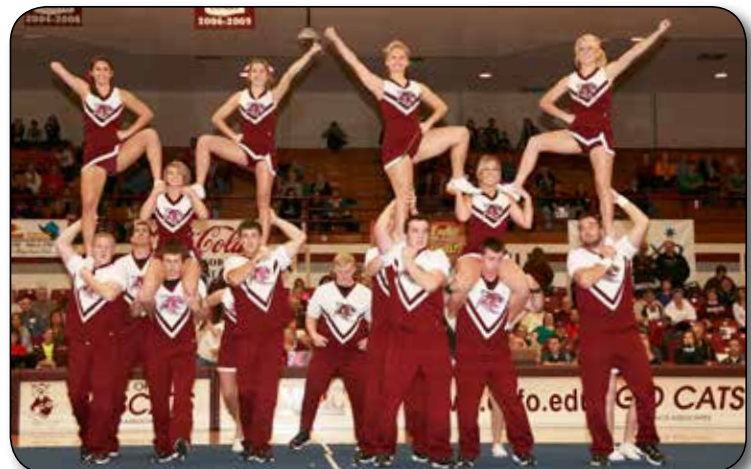
*A special part of the Homecoming parade included a group of Alumni Veterans.*



*The Homecoming parade featured C of O's ROTC program and its members.*



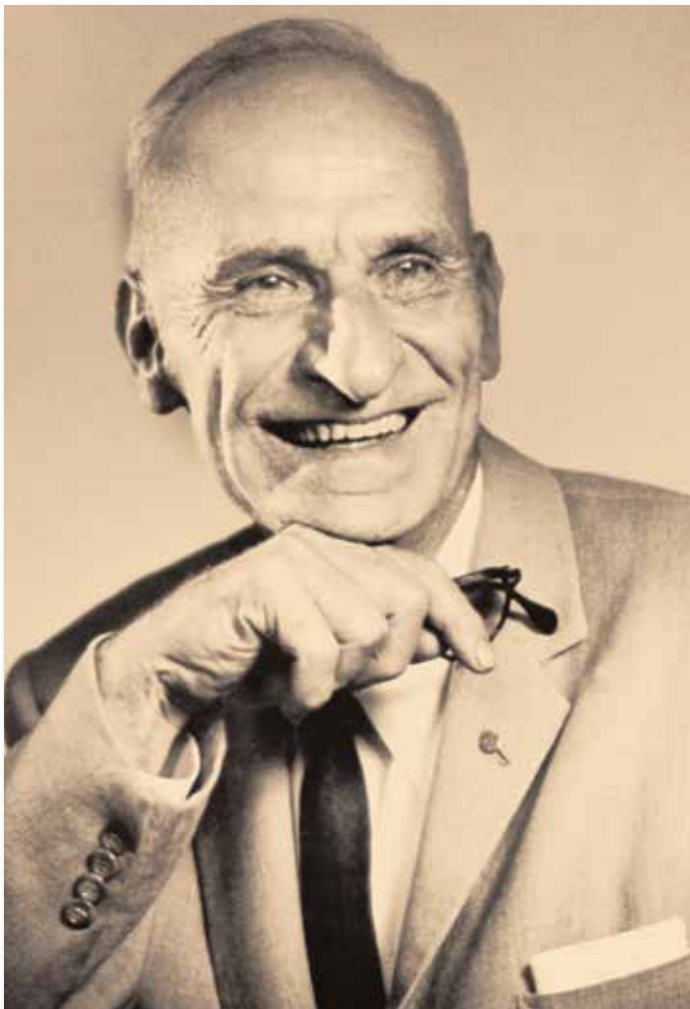
*Fans cheered on the Men's Basketball Team as they took on Southwestern College. Bobcats won the game 97-72.*



*The Bobcat Cheer Team!*

# “Doc Good Day”

## A Day of “GOOD DEEDS”—May 3, 2014



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 3, 2014.

*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.cofu.edu/DocGoodDay](http://www.cofu.edu/DocGoodDay). Upon receipt of the registration, you will receive details of the day’s schedule. **Registration deadline is April 18, 2014.**



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 18, 2014**



## Class Notes

### '50s

**Joan (Martin) Renard '54** address update: 18323 Soledad Canyon Rd.; Canyon Country, CA 91387; xnowbaby@gmail.com.

**L. C. Barner '57** address update: 572 County Rd. 607; Pontiac, MO 65729; lcbarner@outlook.com.

### '60s

**Lyle Noblitt '60 JC** recently won the Carrollton Golf Club Championship for Super Seniors (golfers over 65 years).

**Jerry '60 JC and Deloris (Churchill) Williams '59 JC** address update: 1915 S. Pearl St.; Independence, MO 64055; jerry4072@att.net.

**Ted Fields '66 JC** recently retired from a 38-year banking career in Florida, Georgia, and Missouri, and Jean retired from teaching nursing. They now reside in St. Augustine, FL, and have been

married for 42 years. Their favorite activity is walking hand-in-hand on the beach. The Fields can be reached at 337 Edge of Woods Rd.; St. Augustine, FL 32092; tedreginafields@yahoo.com.

**Floyd Fenix '67** address update: 4421 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St.; Texarkana, AR 71854; fenix@tobehappy.com.

### '70s

**Patsy (Acord) Honsinger '70** address update: 558 State Route 408 W.; Hickory, KY 42051; w4pnh@yahoo.com.

**Gary Wyckoff '73** and his wife are enjoying spending time with their granddaughter and would love to hear from college classmates. The Wyckoffs can be reached at 131 Penny Lane; Cobleskill, NY 12043; gwyckoff@nycap.rr.com.

**Luis Zapata, Ph.D. '74** address update: 1040 South Mount Vernon Ave., Suite G-267; Colton, CA

92324; luiszapataphd@yahoo.com.

**Carolyn (Whitlock) Bergeron '75** address update: 1837 N. 15<sup>th</sup> St.; Omaha, NE 68118-2344; CFBergeron@cox.net.

### '80s

**Nick Kuklenski '82** address update: 2125 Portwood Way; Fort Worth, TX 76179; nikinick625@gmail.com.

**Jeffrey Blue '83** is deploying to the desert with the Army medical Specialist Corp with Combat Support Hospital. This is his 4<sup>th</sup> deployment. He can be reached at paflier56@gmail.com.

**John and Cindy (Collins) Canfield '83** own their own business after Cindy retired from 29 years of teaching art in public schools. Canfield Creations is located inside Branson Mill Craft Village in Branson. She weaves usable art such as baby blankets, rugs, place mats, etc. John works for The Falls



The tradition of Doc Good Day began in 2007 and will take place on May 3 this year. Last year, over 120 alumni and C of O students participated in this day of service projects on campus. We hope you can join us this year!



Register today [www.cofu.edu/DocGoodDay](http://www.cofu.edu/DocGoodDay)

## Class Notes

Village Resort in Branson. The Canfields have three children: SeLeena is a sophomore at Stephens College majoring in film; Nellee is a sophomore at Hollister High School; and Maclee is a sixth grader at Kirbyville Middle School. Cindy would love visits from classmates and friends at her shop while she is demonstrating her work. The Canfield family can be reached at 259 Quincy Rd.; Kirbyville, MO 65679; blcny922cancun@centurytel.net.

**Jerry P. Allen, Jr. '84** address update: 1204 Merrick Dr.; Peachtree, GA 30269; jerry.allen@bainessimmons.com.

**Cathy (Horvath) Johnson '86** is excited to announce that her daughter has been accepted for the Spring 2014 term! Go Bobcats! Cathy can be reached at 1801 Hemlock Ct.; Hollister, CA 95023; KatikaCat@netscape.net.

**Johnny Ray and Janet (Worley) Vernon '87** reside in Marble Hill, MO. Johnny became the Director of Missions for the Cape Girardeau Baptist Association. The Vernons can be reached at RR 1 Box 225; Marble Hill, MO 63764; vernoj@ gmail.com.

**Lora Falahi '88** address update: 1006 N. 42<sup>nd</sup> St.; Nixa, MO 65714; joy\_lori@yahoo.com.

**Ronora Correll '89** address update: 3212 W. Camelot Ct.; Springfield, MO 65807; ronorac@gmail.com.

**Ann Mitchell '89** address update: 2711 S. Scott Ave.; Independence, MO 64052; mitchellan@att.net.

### '90s

**Paul Ewing '91** address update: 39 Lantern Bay Dr. Unit 2; Branson, MO 65616; av8r23@hotmail.com.

**Tommy Joe Vernon, Jr. '92** address update: 18862 N. 40th Place; Phoenix, AZ 85050; tvernon28@hotmail.com.

**Michael D. Smith '94** recently published a mystery novel entitled *The List*. It is available in paperback and on Kindle on Amazon.com. Michael can be reached at takgus@aol.com.

**Tricia (Tice) DeWitt '96** was recently named Dean of Students at Bentonville High School in Arkansas. She can be reached at 6 Henley Ln.; Bella Vista, AR 72714; Ctccdewitt@hotmail.com.

**Warren '96 and Jennifer (Lorenzen) Latham '97**, along with their one-year-old son, Wyatt, have relocated to South Korea. Warren accepted a new position to continue his career with the Department of Defense. They will be in ROK for 2-5 years and would love to hear from old friends through Facebook or Skype. The Lathams can also be reached at warrenlatham@hotmail.com.

**Shane Thompson '98** address update: 962 Lakeshore Dr.; Branson, MO 65616; thomptribe@gmail.com.

### '00s

**Sonja (Melton) Keathley '00** address update: 86 N. Dade 125; Greenfield, MO 65661; sonjakeathley@hotmail.com.

**Lindsay S. Hutton '02** is a first year professor of English at Northwest Arkansas Community College in Rogers, Arkansas. She can be reached at 1375 E. Fairlane St.; Fayetteville, AR 72701; snbrdgrl@msn.com.

**Lisa (Eilenstein) Breedlove '04** address update: 20 Water Oak Lane; Russellville, AR 72802; lisa\_eilenstein@hotmail.com.

**Alice (Cox) Cummings '04** is pleased to announce that her historical romance novel was released from Lyrical Press in January. She writes under the pen name Allison Merritt. Alice can



**Cody Sapp '06** was recently promoted to Senior Associate II. He is a member of BKD

National Health Care Group, providing an array of audit and consulting services to community health center clients. His experience includes serving as an in-charge on health care-related audit, review and compilation engagements. Sapp is a CPA and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from College of the Ozarks in 2006. He also holds an M.B.A. degree from Missouri State University.

be reached at 4720 State Hwy. A; Crane, MO 65633; ar\_cummings@yahoo.com.

**Andrea Mott '04** address update: 1500 E. Tall Tree Rd., Apt. 44-101; Derby, KS 67037; andrea.l.mott1@gmail.com.

**Courtney (Hutton) Bendure '05** address update: 2064 W. Arlington; Springfield, MO 65810; clhwildcat@msn.com.

**Eric Ivey '05** recently accepted a position with International Transmission Company as a Community Relations Representative in the Local Government & Community Affairs Department. He can be reached at 2011 Hi St.; Dodge City, KS 67801; ericivey21@yahoo.com.

**Cassie (Sikes) Shumate '09** address update: 1620 Middle Rd., Apt. 2007; Conway, AR 72032; ironsikes@outlook.com.

## Class Notes

### '10s

**Matthew and Elle (Unruh) Benage '10** address update: 1509 Lowe St.; Columbia, MO 65203; ellebenage@gmail.com.

**Curtis and Annie (Unruh) Gill '10** address update: 359 Alameda Ave.; Astoria, OR 97103; anniegracegill@gmail.com.

**Stephanie A. Wampler '11** address update: 2059 Birchwood Ct.; Lewisville, TX 75067; stephwamp@yahoo.com.

**Shon '11 and Heather (Erwin) Bishop '12** address update: 702 S. Front St.; Exeter, MO 65647; hbishop22@iCloud.com.

**Aaron '11 and Heather (Summers) Richardson '12** are happy to announce that Heather is now working as the administrative assistant at Northland Christian School in Kansas City. She is also in the first semester of her Master of Arts degree in Philosophy at Southern Evangelical Seminary. They can be reached at 7853 NW Roanridge Rd.; Kansas City, MO 64151; heathergrichardson@gmail.com.

**Luke '12 and Hannah (Williams) Harding '13** address update: 1087 Thornrose Way; Wake Forest, NC 27587; hannakarlene@gmail.com

**Kristen Renee Manda '13** address update: 3501 E. Lombard St., Apt. 211; Springfield, MO 65809; kristenrmanda@gmail.com.

### Marriages

**James May '80** married Billee Annette Cannon on May 25, 2013, in Kansas City. Jim works for Suddenlink Communications in Amarillo, Texas, as a Broadband Technician V. The Mays can be reached at 104 Wayside Dr.; Amarillo, TX 79106; westernsguy@yahoo.com.

**Stephanie (Jones) Aschwege '09** married Joshua Aschwege on September 22, 2012. They can be reached at 1502 Greenway Dr.; Galena, MO 65656; jones\_stephanie@rocketmail.com.

**Roxanne (Goffe) Newman '10** recently married Charles Newman, Jr. They can be reached at 1703 W. 117<sup>th</sup> Place, South; Jenks, OK 74037; jam\_roxy@yahoo.com.

## First ROTC Cadet Commissioned at C of O Promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army

**Brian E. Bart '95** was recently promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army, effective July 1, 2013. Lt. Col. Bart was the first ROTC cadet commissioned at College of the Ozarks in 1995, where he was commissioned as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in the U.S. Army. Immediately upon graduating from Hollister High School in 1989, he joined the Army and served a little over two years – stationed in Aschaffenburg, Germany, before deploying to Saudi Arabia in 1990 where he served in Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. After completing his tour in August of 1991, he enrolled at College of the Ozarks that same month.

In 2001, Bart began active duty status in the Army Reserves and served in various assignments including U.S. Army Recruiting, Company Command of the 341<sup>st</sup> Multi-Role Bridge Company, deployment to Iraq in 2006-2007 as Corps Engineer Battle Captain, Engineer Career Management Officer, and as Operations Officer-102<sup>nd</sup> Training Division. He is a graduate of the Joint and Combined Warfighting School-Joint Professional Military Education II, the Joint Engineer Operations Course, and the Advanced Operations Warfighter Course.



Lt. Col. Bart is currently assigned to Fort Leonard Wood, where he works at the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence as a Total Force Integrator in the Concept Organization Doctrine Development Division (CODDD) of the Capabilities Development and Integration Directorate (CDID). His job includes synchronizing combat developments across the domains of doctrine, organization, training, material leader development and education, personnel and facilities (DOTMLPF) for engineer operational capabilities. He also provides impact assessments on issues relating to Army Reserve force structure, organizational designs and new equipment fielding initiatives.

Originally from Hollister, MO, Lt. Col. Bart holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from C of O and a master's degree in Business Administration from Webster University. He is currently enrolled in the Joint Command and Staff Program, with the Canadian Forces Staff College Toronto, Canada. He and his wife, Stacy, reside in Fort Leonard Wood, with their daughter Greyson Ann, age 2.

## Births

**Luke '03 and Amanda (Robbins) Douglas '04** have been blessed with another precious baby! Their son Josiah Jack Douglas was born on September 16, 2013. He joins his big brother, Gideon, age 3. The Douglas family can be reached at 1012 W. 8<sup>th</sup> St.; West Plains, MO 65775; amatrck@hotmail.com.

**Stephen and Glory (Borne) Hoskins '03** are pleased to announce the birth of their fourth child, Zebulun Ray Hoskins, born on September 30. The Hoskins family can be reached at 554 Batten Blvd.; Pensacola, FL 32507; navalav8er@yahoo.com.

**James '05 and Jennifer (Mahoney) Murphy '06** welcomed home their third child, Lalandria Jabel, on May 31, 2013. Lalandria was welcomed home by her older siblings, Zander Christian, 6, and Azaria Marie, 4. The Murphys can be reached at jen65644@yahoo.com.

**Grant and Gwen (Larson) Bird '09** are pleased to announce the birth

of their second child, Reuben, born on November 23, 2013. He is welcomed home by his older sister, Jana. The Grants can be reached at 12272 NW Meadowlark Rd.; Whitewater, KS 67154; grantjbird@hotmail.com

**Laura (Pennington) Pham '10** and her husband Quy welcomed Thomas Evan Pham on October 6, 2013, weighing 2 lbs. 10 oz. and 16 inches long. He was born 11 weeks early and is now home after a 57-day stay in the NICU, weighing 8 lbs. 14 oz., and is a very happy, healthy baby. The Pham family can be reached at 2755 N. Meridian; Wichita, KS 67204; morgana0@swbell.net.

## Deaths

**James "Leroy" Adams '59 HS** 2/2/14

**Russell Allred '43** 10/20/13

**Laura (Lauder) Aquino '73** 10/18/13

**Bonita (Orr) Bailey '44** 01/25/14

**Charity (Baker) Barber '38** 03/01/12

**James Becker '47** 1/22/14

**Norma (Meeks) Boatwright '54 HS** 12/27/13

**Marvin Bridges '47** 2/13/14

**Shelby (Dick) Briggs '58 HS** 12/15/13

**Beulah (Tabor) Brown '40** 10/13/13

**Danny Cardwell '77** 11/27/13

**James Dendy '61 HS** 11/06/13

**Margaretta (Gilbert) Eubanks '42** 08/12

**Kenneth Gardner '62 JC** 02/07/13

**Brenda (Smith) Hesson '63 JC** 09/01/08

**Luke Holland '10** 11/12/13

**Garnett (Robinson) Jones '43** 11/29/13

**Sandra (Hessling) Korman '80** 08/16/13

**Dorothy Anne (Baum) Noyes '84** 10/08/07

**Marenda Lou (James) Ray '63 JC** 12/5/13

**Bill Stevens '72** 01/14/13

**Johnnie Chloe (Owens) Yoakum '59 HS** 1/13/14

## Chapter Meeting Announcements

### Northwest Arkansas Alumni Chapter

Join the Northwest Arkansas Alumni Chapter for a meeting on **Saturday, March 15**, at 5:30 p.m. at Christ's Church, 525 W. 15th St., Fayetteville, AR 72701. This is a potluck-style event, so please bring a finger food to share!

### Springfield Alumni Chapter

Come and join the Springfield Alumni Chapter for their annual spring meeting on **Tuesday, April 8**, at 6:00 p.m. at Incredible Pizza, 2850 S. Campbell Ave., Springfield, MO 65807. Senior Buffet: \$5.99, Other Buffet: \$8.00. Guest speaker will be Mrs. Elizabeth Hughes, Director of Public Relations at College of the Ozarks.

### Point Lookout/Tri-Lakes Alumni Chapter

Mark your calendars for the 18<sup>th</sup> annual Point Lookout/Tri-Lakes Chapter Fish Fry and White Elephant Auction on **Saturday, May 17**, in the Youngman Ag Center 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 19, July 19 and October 18**. 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.cofu.edu](http://www.cofu.edu) and clicking on "Upcoming Chapter Events" under the Alumni tab.*

## College of the Ozarks Inducts Four Individuals into Its Sports Hall of Fame

College of the Ozarks inducted four individuals into its Sports Hall of Fame during a private ceremony held on February 1. Three of the inductees worked at College of the Ozarks—former Women's Basketball Coach George Wilson (16 years), former Sports Information Director Candace Sullinger (26 years) and former Dean of the College Marilyn C. Graves (43 years). The fourth inductee, Janessa (DeMuth) Hughes, graduated from College of the Ozarks in 2008 with Bachelor of Science in pre-physical therapy.



Alumna Janessa Hughes and former Women's Basketball Coach George Wilson

Hughes played basketball for College of the Ozarks from 2004-2008, finishing her career with 1,904 points, 705 rebounds, 434 assists and 421 steals, at which time she held the NAIA record for steals. She was named All-Conference three times, Third-Team All-American her sophomore year and First-Team All-American her junior and senior years. Hughes played in four conference championships in both regular season and tournament play. She also participated in four NAIA Division II Women's Basketball National Championships, including three National Championship games. Additionally, Hughes was named an NAIA Academic All-American her junior and senior years.



Executive V.P. Fred Mullinax (left) and Athletic Director Al Waller honor former Dean of the College Marilyn Graves (left) and former Sports Information Director Candace Sullinger.

Coach George Wilson coached the College of the Ozarks Women's Basketball Team for 16 seasons from 1997-2013. He developed the program into one of the top teams in the country, compiling a 447-89 record during his tenure. Coach Wilson led the Lady Bobcats to 13 conference championships and 15 NAIA Division II National Tournament appearances, including four Runner-up finishes. He coached 17 All-Americans, including 10 First-Team All-Americans and 15 Academic All-Americans. In 2008, Coach Wilson was inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame. In 2013, he earned his 1000<sup>th</sup> career win, was inducted into the NAIA Hall of Fame and was named NAIA Coach of the Year.

Mrs. Candace Sullinger served as the C of O Sports Information Director, Secretary of the Physical Education Department and coordinator of the Bobcat Booster Club from 1987-2013. She also co-directed the NAIA Division II Men's Basketball National Championship for 14 years. During her tenure, Mrs. Sullinger garnered numerous accolades, including MCAC Administrator of the Year (2003-04), the Branson Lakes Area Chamber

of Commerce Ambassador Award (2007) and the NAIA Clarence "Ike" Pearson Award (2009), which is given annually to an outstanding NAIA Sports Information Director.

Dr. Marilyn C. Graves began her career at College of the Ozarks in 1970 as a Physical Education Instructor and soon became a pioneer in the Athletic Department. She coached the Cross Country Team from 1973-76, Tennis from 1975-78 and the Women's Basketball Team from 1979-81. Dr. Graves was instrumental in helping begin the Women's Basketball Program. However, she is most remembered for starting and coaching the Volleyball Team from 1975-93. She was the Director of the NAIA Division II Men's Basketball National Championship for 14 years. Dr. Graves also served as Dean of the College from 2003-12.

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.

# Current Alumni Project



Alumni Association President Dr. Marci Linson assists Ruth Raley in unveiling the collection named in her honor.

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.

In November, a part of the special collections was unveiled and named in honor of a very special alumna. The **D. Ruth Raley Special Collections** will be a vast collection of documents and artifacts that will preserve the institution’s past, present and future for generations to come.

*Preserving the College’s history is a worthwhile undertaking.*

*Thank you for your support  
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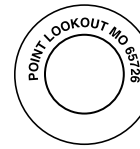
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# C of O BOBCAT BASEBALL 2014

## FEBRUARY

<b>1</b> .....	<b>Williams Baptist College</b> .....	<b>12:00 pm</b>
<b>7</b> .....	<b>@ Ecclesia College</b> .....	<b>1:00 pm</b>
<b>8</b> .....	<b>@ Ecclesia College</b> .....	<b>1:00 pm</b>
<b>14</b> .....	<b>@ Lindenwood-Bellville University</b> .....	<b>4:00 pm</b>
<b>15</b> .....	<b>@ Lindenwood-Bellville University</b> .....	<b>12:00 pm</b>
<b>18</b> .....	<b>Evangel University</b> .....	<b>12:00 pm</b>
<b>22</b> .....	<b>Mt. Mercy College</b> .....	<b>12:00 pm</b>
<b>23</b> .....	<b>Mt. Mercy College</b> .....	<b>2:00 pm</b>
<b>25</b> .....	<b>@ Williams Baptist College</b> .....	<b>12:00 pm</b>
<b>28</b> .....	<b>Graceland University</b> .....	<b>3:00 pm</b>

## MARCH

<b>1</b> .....	<b>Graceland University</b> .....	<b>12:00 pm</b>
<b>6</b> .....	<b>AIB College</b> .....	<b>4:00 pm</b>
<b>7</b> .....	<b>AIB College</b> .....	<b>12:00 pm</b>
<b>14</b> .....	<b>Bellevue University*</b> .....	<b>3:00 pm</b>
<b>15</b> .....	<b>Bellevue University*</b> .....	<b>12:00 pm</b>
<b>18</b> .....	<b>@ Missouri Southern State University</b> .....	<b>12:00 pm<sup>®</sup></b>
<b>21</b> .....	<b>Central Baptist College*</b> .....	<b>3:00 pm</b>
<b>22</b> .....	<b>Central Baptist College*</b> .....	<b>12:00 pm</b>
<b>28</b> .....	<b>@ Central Christian College*</b> .....	<b>3:00 pm</b>
<b>29</b> .....	<b>@ Central Christian College*</b> .....	<b>12:00 pm</b>

## APRIL

<b>4</b> .....	<b>Oklahoma Wesleyan University*</b> .....	<b>3:00 pm</b>
<b>5</b> .....	<b>Oklahoma Wesleyan University*</b> .....	<b>12:00 pm</b>
<b>11</b> .....	<b>@ Waldorf College*</b> .....	<b>3:00 pm</b>
<b>12</b> .....	<b>@ Waldorf College*</b> .....	<b>12:00 pm</b>
<b>15</b> .....	<b>Southeastern Oklahoma State University</b> .....	<b>1:00 pm</b>
<b>25</b> .....	<b>@ York College *</b> .....	<b>3:00 pm</b>
<b>26</b> .....	<b>@ York College*</b> .....	<b>12:00 pm</b>

Note: All games scheduled as doubleheaders except <sup>®</sup>reflects one nine-inning game.

Schedule subject to revision due to weather.

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