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Christian Focus Week has volunteer opportunities for everyone

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Christian Focus Week (CFW) offers ample opportunities for all students on campus to refocus their relationship with Jesus Christ. Because CFW is a huge event, the organizers behind it rely heavily on student volunteers to provide support for the week's different challenges.

"We need help setting up and tearing down different sessions," said Haley Hayes, assistant director of Campus Ministries. "We need people to come out and sell T-shirts, coffee and snacks at

the events."

The different volunteer teams include Hospitality, Late-Night Prayer Breakfast, Breakout Sessions, Event Set-up, Prayer, T-shirt Sales, Coffee House and Public and Social Media.

Students can also help spread word of the event to off-campus people who might want to participate in some of the sessions or functions.

"If anybody wants to use Facebook or Twitter to help publicize, that would be really helpful for us," Hayes said.

She encouraged students to "spam" their Twitter feeds and Facebook timelines with updates of

each day's activities.

There will be multiple events every day of Christian Focus Week, sometimes as many as four or five in a day. Sunday is the only exception with the Phil Wickham concert in Jones Performing Arts Center. The concert starts at 8 p.m. and admission is \$6 if tickets are purchased before Feb. 12.

Aside from various discipleship kickoffs and missions opportunities, Christian Focus Week features a number of guest speakers.

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CROWD MEMBERS support the swim team at the Battle of the Ravine meet against Henderson last Friday in Sturgis Physical Education Center. Both the men's and the women's teams won their meets. The teams' next meet is the NSISC Conference Championship meet in Cleveland, Miss., on Feb. 22.

Seven students selected to attend Sigma Tau Delta conference, present papers

By **SAM CUSHMAN**
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Seven Ouachita students will be going to New Orleans on March 4 for the annual Sigma Tau Delta Convention. Sigma Tau Delta is the International English Honor Society, and its central purpose is to confer distinction upon students of the English language and literature in undergraduate, graduate and professional studies.

"Seventeen people in Arkansas got accepted to go to the conference and seven of them are from OBU," said Jason Curlin, a junior English major and member of Sigma Tau Delta. "This is a conference where about a thousand people will be present."

To have been accepted to go to the convention, Curlin and the others sent up to two submissions, one fiction and one non-fiction. If at least one of their submissions was chosen, they were invited

to attend.

At the convention, the students will read their writing submission in front of a group of other Sigma Tau Delta members, answer questions and talk with the group about their work.

"It's helpful to listen to the forthcoming English majors of America," Curlin said. "These guys are the ones who will be writing books and the newest literary criticisms. It's good just to hear what's out there."

The students also have the opportunity to hear from at least six different published authors, attend workshop sessions and also experience New Orleans.

"An English major going to the Sigma Tau Delta convention parallels a Trekkie going to a Star Trek convention," said Dr. Amy Sonheim professor of English. "You're with people who love what you

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New baseball coach pitches season goals

By **CHELSEA BYERS**
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Jeremy Haworth, a former star baseball player for Ouachita, claimed the head baseball coaching position, replacing previous Head Coach Chris Modellmog who coached three seasons of baseball at Ouachita.

Modellmog resigned to co-own and manage a family sporting goods store in Fort Collins, Colo. Other members of his family invested their time into the university including his wife, Mallory Modellmog, who resigned as director of Career Services.

Haworth has an impressive resume including experience in Division I baseball at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, gaining the 2011 Sun Belt Tournament Championship title. Also listed is a State Championship in 2005 while coaching at Lakeside High School in Hot Springs and a second state title in 2008 at Edmond Santa Fe High School in Edmond, Okla., Haworth's hometown.

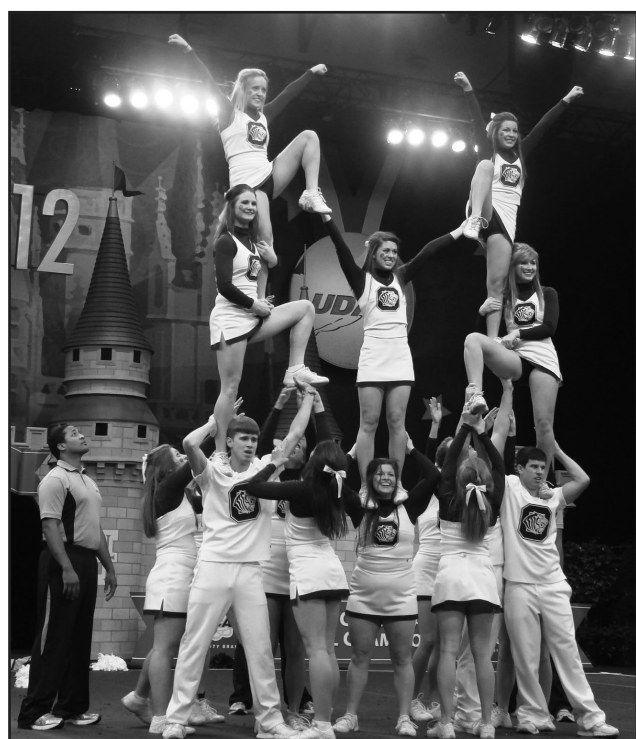
"I am excited to have Jeremy Haworth back at Ouachita. He was an outstanding player for us," said Athletic Director David Sharp in a Ouachita press release. "I am confident his passion for and knowledge of the game of baseball will spread to his teams. I look forward to working with him as he builds our baseball program."

Haworth entered the coaching staff with the goal of Ouachita starting to compete for national



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JEREMY HAWORTH

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OUACHITA CHEERLEADERS form a pyramid during the national championship at Disney World in Orlando, Fla.

Cheerleaders set Ouachita's highest national finish record

By **JOSH FINK**
Sports Information Director

Earning the squad's highest national finish in school history, the Ouachita cheerleading team finished seventh among NCAA Division II schools in the 2012 UCA/UDA College Cheerleading and Dance Team National Championship.

The annual competition was held Jan. 13-15 at Walt Disney World Resort in Orlando, Fla. Ouachita was the only Division II team from Arkansas and one of only two teams from the state, along with the Division I University of Arkansas cheer team. Ouachita also was the only Great American Conference school participating.

Ouachita competed in the semi-final round on Saturday and advanced to the finals on Sunday. The seventh-place finish not only marks the highest finish by a cheer

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Video:

Ouachita cheerleaders discuss seventh-place national win



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