



OUACHITA STUDENT FOUNDATION

A SUMMARY OF OUR YEAR

A letter from our president, student testimonials
and recaps of Tunes and Traks

OUR PRESIDENT

OSF Alumni!

How has it already been 43 years since the beginning of this organization? We are off to a great start this year with so many fun things happening.

The Ouachita Student Foundation has been proudly serving Ouachita students since 1974. There have been many changes in OSF in the past 43 years, but one thing that has remained strong is our motto "Students Helping Students." We recently completed Tiger Tunes 2016, and it always reminds us that we are helping fellow students stay at Ouachita.

Your support of the Ouachita Student Foundation is treasured to say the least, and we are beyond thankful to have awarded over \$100,000 in scholarships this past year. Without your help and mentorship all this would not be possible. We recently hit our 1.2 million dollar mark, and look forward to raising that next 1.2 million.

Thanks so much!
Mari Bednar, President



MIKALA BUTLER



I first heard about Ouachita through my brother. He played football for the Tigers, so I grew up going to all of his games. I grew up to fall in love with the campus and the college. For years, I knew that this is where I wanted to go. I always knew that financially, it would be difficult. I came to terms with having to take out many loans and accepted that I would be in debt for several years after graduation.

This spring, as I was walking to class, I received a phone call from my dad telling me that he had lost his job. He had had major back surgery a year before, so my family was already swimming in medical bills. Two weeks after that phone call, my dad had knee surgery.

I did not know if I would be able to return in the fall to finish my senior year. BUT in the Lord's goodness and providence, I applied for an OSF scholarship and was granted one! God is so good! Thank you, OSF, for continuing to help students like me!

KACIE RICHARDS



As a member of OSF, I am able to see all of the hard work that goes into our motto which is students helping students. Things like late nights of getting things ready for Tiger Tunes, scanning tickets for events, annual phonathon calls, and working the football concession stand have such a huge impact on many students on campus. I am one of those students, and I am so thankful for all of the hard work that this organization does not only for me, but also for my peers. Although I have enjoyed Ouachita there has always been a financial burden. I am very involved on campus and do not have time to have a job during the school year, which means I have been taking out a large sum of loans. Receiving an OSF scholarship has been a huge blessing. This has allowed me to enjoy my time at Ouachita and has eased the financial burden.

HALEY BROWN

As a soon to be high school graduate, I wanted nothing more than to get to Ouachita. But one worry of mine coming in, and that could potentially keep me from attending, was the cost.

Burdened by the overwhelming thought of going into debt – and knowing that burden was on my parents as well – I began to seek out new forms of financial aid.

I had always heard of the OSF scholarship but never imagined I could ever receive one. But the time had come around to apply for the OSF scholarship. I didn't think I would receive any money due to the amount of students who applied, but thankfully the Lord blessed me with a great OSF scholarship! Thanks to OSF I get to continue my Ouachita journey with less stress of debts and more focus on following my dreams, and ultimately growing in my relationship with my savior.



TIGER TRAKS

Dodgeball and tug-of-war were more than just average games during “Arkansas’ Most Exciting College Weekend.” Ouachita Student Foundation hosted Tiger Traks on April 29 and 30 as a major fundraising event for student scholarships.

Tiger Traks drew in students from every part of campus to participate in the games. Ouachita Student Foundation encouraged students to form teams and compete for prizes or just for fun. Over 270 students of different backgrounds and majors participated in the excitement during the weekend of Tiger Traks.

The eight-member Tiger Traks teams each competed during a number of games. Participants competed in games such as volleyball and trike races. Another event, mega relay featured a combination of different challenges that the teams faced in a timed fashion.

Tiger Traks was more than an outlet for students to come together and compete games. As one of OSF’s major fundraisers, Tiger Traks, in conjunction with Tiger Tunes, helped raise over \$100,000 for student scholarships.



TIGER TUNES



The singing and dancing spectacle Tiger Tunes was more than just flashy costumes and catchy pop songs. The Ouachita Student Foundation hosted the 38th annual Tiger Tunes from October 13 through 15, channeling the energy on stage and on campus into money for student scholarships.

The men of Kappa Chi were the first-place winners as they performed Kappa Chi Express. The women of EEE won second place as Toy Soldiers, followed by Campus Ministries Stars in third place and the women of Tri Chi as Tumbleweeds in fourth place.

In addition to the show itself, Ouachita Student Foundation hosted a silent auction, raising the most money in three years.

While Tiger Tunes was an effective way of raising money for student scholarships, the production served as a celebration of community and tradition. The Ouachita Student Foundation used the excitement on campus to make a real difference in the lives of Ouachitonians, which would have a lasting impact even after the curtains closed.