Welcome to the fourth year for our electronic UCA FACS Alumni Newsletter! We are proud to share news of our alumni, students, and dedicated faculty with you each year. Please note the diverse careers our graduates enjoy and the numerous awards our alumni receive. We are so proud of your success and appreciate your dedication to your alma mater. We appreciate all of you who responded to our request for your business cards! What a great way to welcome our new and returning students to the department this fall! If you have not already, send us your business card to the attention of Dr. Pam Bennett (address on page 8).

Thanks to your generosity, several student scholarships are available which enable our current students to continue their education. Please mark your calendars for the 26th Annual Alumni Luncheon on Friday, April 26, 2013. Our alumni are the best!

We Need Your Business Cards!

Mary’s Message

Editor’s Notes

It is our pleasure to bring you our latest electronic alumni newsletter!

We welcome your news and encourage you to contact us throughout the year!

Dr. Nina Roofe coordinates stories from the nutrition area and serves as the newsletter editor.

Dr. Pam Bennett reports news from the general FACS area.

Dr. Renee Ryburn keeps us up to date on FCS education.

Dr. Ann Bryan informs us in the area of interior design. Our goal is to keep you informed, so please continue to share your news with us!

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25th Annual Alumnae Luncheon Award Winners!

Kellie Clements, Keynote Speaker and Young Achiever Award Winner!

Kellie Clements and Dr. Mary Harlan

Distinguished Service Award: Rush and Linda Harding

Rush Harding and Dr. Mary Harlan

Distinguished Alumni

Top: Judy Fisher and Elaine Blair
Bottom: Marcia Atkinson and Elaine Blair

Priscilla Riedel-Cohan and Elaine Blair
2012 Scholarship Winners!

The Adams-Lindsay-Webb Endowed Scholarship recipients are:
(back): Candice Casebier, Alexandria Bridges, Lauryn Impson, Allison Sharp, Cara Erwin;
(front): Kerriann McKee, Caroline Fridell, Rita Li, Elizabeth Mayes.

The Georg Andersen Interior Design Scholarship was presented to Adrienne Meachum. Pictured with Don Bingham.

The Connie Westbrook Scholarship was presented to Daniella Utrera.

Cecily Coffelt-Bullard awarded her Endowed Scholarship to Nancy Magee, Brooklyn Pyburn, and Rachel Casebier.

The Emily Oates Scholarship was awarded to Heather Hall. Pictured with Dora Dinnam.

The Roy C. and Dollie Randleman Holl Endowed Scholarship was awarded to Ashley Reese (not pictured) and Addie Wilson. Pictured with Jennifer Whitehead and Pam Bennett.

The National Wall Covering Endowed Scholarship was presented to Amanda Harden. Pictured with Shelly Bixler.

The Nina Russ Endowed Scholarship was presented to Molly Taylor and David Bynum. Pictured with Senator Stanley Russ.

Mary Ann Hiegal awarded the Mary Ann and Andrew Hiegal Endowed Scholarship to Sarah Stephen, Angela Bradshaw, Shelby Waire, and Blanca Torres.

The Grace Dupree Endowed Scholarship was presented to Amy Finster and Courtney Condren. Pictured with Audrey Henry.

Martha Stone Harding awarded her Endowed Scholarship to Brittnie Williams.
2012 Dietetic Internship Graduates

The UCA dietetic internship class of 2013 hosted a reception honoring the graduating interns on August 10, 2012.

In addition to the honorees, distinguished guests attending the reception included President Tom Courtway, Dean Hadlestad, and Dr. Mary Harlan.

Back row (left to right): Laura Drinkwater, Whitney Fleming, Sarah Money
Middle row (left to right): Lisa Bowman, Haley London, Amy Finster, Carliani Rambo
Front row (left to right): Allison Hill, Christin Bell, Blanca Torres. Debie Head—UCA Dietetic Internship Director

Student Organization Officers

American Society of Interior Designers:
(picture not available)
- President: Adrienne Meachum
- President-Elect: Katie Walker
- Secretary: Melisa Carbajal
- Treasurer: Katie Moses

American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences:
(left to right): Mary Macon, 1st Vice President; Sheneka Bryant, Treasurer; Jessica Chapman, Secretary; Michelyn Gant, Refreshment Chair; Brittnie Williams, President; Jason Riley, 2nd Vice President

Phi Upsilon Omicron: (left to right): President: Rachel Casebier, Vice-President: Candace Casebier, Secretary: Addie Wilson, Treasurer: Allison Sharp, Initiation Chair: David Bynum, Publicity: Ashley Reese, Hospitality: Brittnie Williams

Student Dietetic Association: (left to right): Public Relations: Erica Vandiver; Treasurer: Sarah Stephen, Vice-President, Mallory Moon, President: David Bynum, Secretary: Sarah Hudgens, Refreshment Chair: Anna Junkans
### 2011-2012 Graduates

**Master of Science Degrees**  
Layne Adams  
Christin Bell  
Celeste Bird  
Lisa Bowman  
Lauren Brown  
Melanie Carson  
Arlie Coffman  
Leila Davis  
Amy Finster  
Whitney Fleming  
Deanna Franks  
Victoria Grantham  
Allison Hill  
Haley London  
Gina Mayfield  
Keriann McKee  
Andrea McNeely  
Sherie Mitchner  
Ericka McBride-Jackson  
Sarah Money  
Angela Nix  
Carliani Rambo  
Melissa Rikard  
Sharon Russell  
Elizabeth Skinner  
Mitzi Smith  
Amanda Story  
Blanca Torres  
William Walker  
Johna Ward  
Yolanda Young

**Bachelor of Science in FACS**  
Kristen Abbott  
Ashley Austin  
Ashlin Austin  
Amber Authement  
Evan Blalock  
Kylie Bonds  
Caitlyn Bryant  
Shanita Bynum  
Lydia Cazzell  
Angelia Chastain  
Tansil Dillaha  
Angela Edwards  
Bayley Hepp  
Hannah Garcia  
Glake Geurin-Singleton  
Channing Hall  
Jessica Hancock  
Heather Hoggard  
Kaori Ide  
Christa Jones  
Lloyd Loggins  
Veronica Lopez  
Kelley Martino  
Carolyne Mitchell  
Durrell Nevels  
Cami Newsome  
Chenoa Nowlin  
Kelsey Powell  
Rachel Price  
Stephany Rogers  
Alison Schenebeck  
Autumn Scrivner  
Rachel Spradlin  
Carmil Suggs  
Amanda Tharp  
Ashlea West  
Hailey White  
Robin Williams  
Jessica Wolverton

**Bachelor of Science in Interior Design**  
Kristen Brown  
Heather Daley  
MacKenzie Dardenne  
Stephen Davis  
Lindsey Goodwin  
Bethany Grissom  
Katherine Howe  
Cesarina Johnson  
Stacy Lewis  
Kelly Maulden  
Cortney McMoran  
Lisa Stapleton  
Bailey Vaughn  
Audra Waits

**Bachelor of Science in Nutrition**  
Elizabeth Bovan  
Angela Bradshaw  
Allison Brite  
Ashley Cornett  
Ashley Davis  
Sloan Dunklin  
Heather Estetter  
Robin Gipson  
Jessica Hays  
Jana Hill  
Lauryn Impson  
Kristen Johnson  
Molly Jones  
Hannah Kennedy  
Rita Li  
Allison Kreimeier  
Sara Long  
Amanda Magee  
Blake Metcalf  
Meagan McCarthy  
Frank Newsome III  
Jamie Newton  
Krista Nibert  
Ashley Pearson  
Bill Peterson  
Chelsie Pierce  
Samantha Prior  
Brooklyn Pyburn  
Anna Sartini  
Jessica Savoy  
Angela Scott  
Jenna Siebenmorgen  
Beth Silfies  
Kaila Wilson  
Katie Wright  
Mai Yamamura

**Bachelor of Science in Education**  
Mika Bishop  
Ashley Cathey-Hudson  
Sarah Graham  
Rebekah Lindsey  
Rebel Womack  
Carolyn Mitchell, 72 years young, graduated with honors on August 10, 2012. “Don’t give up on your dreams,” she said. “It was a dream of mine to finish. At 72 years old, I finished it.”

**Bachelor of Arts in Interior Design**  
Melanie Blansett  
Jacquelyn Crowder  
Gozde Gursoy  
Jordan Holman  
Menglin Li  
Lauren Mesker  
Billy Piggee  
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Alumni News

Amber Runsick, MS, RD (MS 2009, BS 2007) is the new Family and Consumer Sciences Agent in Baxter County.

Pamela Pruett (BSE, 1980) recently became the County Extension Agent in Poinsett County. Pamela completed her Master of Arts Degree in Counseling (1991) from Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA and is currently enrolled in Doctorate of Education, Ed.D. with emphasis in Higher Ed. at Union University, Jackson, TN. Pamela received the Distinguished Alumni Award in 2010.

Debra Goldman, RD (BS, 1986) is the owner of the Tastesetter Eatery in Pine Bluff, a 70-seat full-service restaurant specializing in healthy dining and catering.

Heather Estetter (BS, 2012) is the Assistant Coach for Women’s Cross Country at the University of West Georgia.

Lisa Terry (BSE, 1989), is currently working on her MSE at Montana State University where she is employed as the Stillwater County Extension Agent.

Sloane (Dunklin) Holzhauer (BS, 2011) is the new Family and Consumer Science Agent in Poinsett County.

Feather (Braswell) Linn (BSE, 2000) has written two novels: Zu-Re, a young adult novel and Pickle Juice and Football, a contemporary romance.

Rebekah Lindsey (center) received the student teacher of the semester award in the spring from FACS faculty Linda Brown (left). Her mentor teacher was Susan Baker (right) from Greenbrier High School. Rebekah is now pursuing the Master of Science in general Family and Consumer Sciences.
UCA was well represented at the National Conference for the American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences (AAFCS). In attendance at the conference, held in Indianapolis, were (left to right below) Dr. Renee Ryburn, Dr. Mary Ann Campbell, Dr. Mary Harlan, Dr. Pam Bennett, and Dr. Nina Roofe. UCA faculty were selected to serve as presenters in five educational sessions. Dr. Harlan also represented the state of Arkansas as a voting delegate in the senate.

Dr. Mary Harlan (middle) receiving the Leaders award from AAFCS President Sue Buck, CFCS (left) and AAFCS Immediate Past President Susan Shockey, CFCS, CPFFE (right) during the AAFCS 103rd Annual Conference & Expo in Indianapolis, IN.

Dr. Mary Harlan (pictured above) recently received the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS) Leaders Award. This prestigious national award was presented to Mary at the 2012 AAFCS Pacesetter Dinner held in conjunction with the annual conference in Indianapolis, Indiana. The Leaders Award was established to identify and honor family and consumer sciences professionals who have made significant contributions to the field through their involvement with AAFCS. Dr. Harlan was nominated by the Arkansas Affiliate of AAFCS and received the state award in 2011.

Faculty and Staff (right)
Front Row: Pam Bennett, Ann Bryan, Leann Bullington, Mary Harlan, Khandra Faulkner
Second Row: Nina Roofe, Tiffany Snyder, Amanda Money, Mary Ann Campbell
Third Row: K. C. Poole, Toni Wyre, Renee Ryburn, Lea Hyland
Fourth Row: Jennifer Whitehead, Carmen Brown, Elizabeth Skinner, Melissa Shock, Judi Riley, Celia Harkey

Graduate Assistants
Back Row: Bill Peterson, Rebekah Lindsey
Front Row: Caroline Fridell, Haley Chappell, Maria Garcia
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