

## SCA Department Newsletter {10.15.25}

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: Here we are—my favorite time of year. Football season has kicked off, pumpkin spice everything is back on the shelves, and the best part? It's spooky season!! Break out the costumes and synthetic cobwebs because Halloween is right around the corner!

All of this Halloween excitement reminds me of Goffman's "Presentation of Self/Dramaturgy" notion— that life is a stage, and we are all actors performing a role. It's similar to how we present ourselves on social media in comparison to how we are in our day-to-day.

This almost sounds like a Rush song.....

## FIELD TRIP!!

Earlier this month, Dr. Toth's Urban Sociology course took a field trip to downtown Conway to explore places, themes, and instances of public art.



Questions/comments/concerns?

Ideas for the next issue?

Contact Charlie Grant – cgrant2@uca.edu

## SOCIOLOGY CLUB (next mtg: 10.28.25)

In our September meeting, Dr. Janet Wilson came by to talk with attendees about a popular yet controversial topic: The Death Penalty! Related topics discussed were statistics of execution rates in Arkansas, and Dr. Wilson shared her own experiences as a state witness at a double execution in the mid 90's.

Left: Dr. Wilson discussing the witness process.

Right: Club president Connor Atkinson opens the meeting, and introduces Dr. Wilson.



## **GUEST SPEAKER RECAP**

Earlier this month, department chair and professor Dr. Ed Powers stopped by Dr. Rich's Sex Crime, Policy, & Research course to discuss sex-related crimes in Arkansas, as well as how sex offenders are tracked in the state.

Dr. Powers & Dr. Wilson (see SOC club section) have recently finished the second edition of their Arkansas Criminal Justice book, which is set for a December release date.



