



Razorback Club E-News

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2008 Baseball Banquet

Thursday Night, January 31st
Bentonville High School

Featuring Coach Dave Van Horn,
Razorback Head Baseball Coach



Dinner 6:00
Program 7:00

Price:

\$10.00 Adults
\$ 5.00 Students/Children

Annual membership fees of \$10.00 per adult will also be due at the event for those who have not paid their 2008 club fees.

It's almost time for... **baseball at Baum!**

Come join us at the **Bentonville High School (1901 SE J Street) commons area on Thursday evening, January 31st to hear Coach Van Horn discuss the upcoming season - Dinner at 6:00 and Program at 7:00!** The evening will also include a raffle and live auction of various Razorback items, baseball tickets, etc.

Unlike the last several years, the Baseball Hogs will start their season at home the weekend of February 22-24 with Wright State. For those who haven't attended a game at Baum, it's a great experience, whether you sit in reserved seats or you set up your own chairs (along with food and drink) in the expanded Hog Pen picnic area!!!

Did you know... Arkansas became "**the first team in NCAA history**" to average more than 8,000 tickets sold per game (8,069) with a total of 266,270 tickets sold for the 33 home games in 2007.

For more information on tickets and the complete season schedule, check www.hogwired.com.

See You There!!!

Mark Your Calendars:

2008 Football Banquet

**Featuring Razorback Head Football Coach,
Bobby Petrino**

**Monday, April 21st
Bentonville High School**

Instead of holding our football banquet in late summer, Coach Petrino is anxious to meet with more Razorback fans in the Northwest Arkansas/Southwest Missouri area and has requested to meet with our club earlier in the year. Therefore, we will be holding our 2008 Football Banquet the evening of Monday, April 21st at Bentonville High School at 6:00 p.m.

Plan to join us! More information regarding this event will be in future E-News and on our website...

7th Annual Golf Celebrity Scramble

Saturday, May 17th

Course and Time – TBA

2007 – A Very Successful Year!

Not only was Darren McFadden successful in 2007 (*and great to watch as an Arkansas fan!*), but the George Billingsley Razorback Club had a very successful year raising over \$24,000 for Razorback and Lady Razorback athletics.



We held four banquets last year – our Baseball banquet in late January (featuring Coach Van Horn), our Football banquet in July (featuring Coaches Nutt and Lee), our Basketball banquet in August (featuring Coach Pelphrey) and our Lady 'Backs banquet in October (featuring many of the Lady Razorback coaches and administration). In addition, we held our 6th Annual Razorback Celebrity Golf Scramble in June.

In early 2007, the club established our website (www.bbvrazorbackclub.org) and E-News to keep our members better informed. We experienced some “technical” issues keeping the site updated the latter half of 2007, but have resolved the situation. Our website has had close to 2,700 “hits” since it came on-line.

The Ticket Exchange on our website was established mid-2007 and has had a lot of use, with both members and non-members listing Razorback tickets for “sale” or “wanted”. The exchange was very busy during football season, but has slowed down considerably.

2008 – What’s In Store?

Just like the Razorbacks, our Club will be undergoing some exciting changes in 2008...

After two very successful years as our club President, Steve Jacoby is stepping down and handing over the reins to Doyle Groff. Steve has done a great job as our President and we would like to extend our thanks to him and Kay for all of their dedication and hard work. We look forward to them continuing to play integral roles within the club for many years.

Attendance at our club activities continue to grow each year – with Razorback fans attending from all over Northwest Arkansas – Bentonville, Rogers, Bella Vista, Fayetteville, Springdale, Centerton, Eureka Springs, Gravette, Cave Springs, Lowell, Pea Ridge, etc. and a few from Southwest Missouri.

As a result, discussions have been held concerning merging the Bentonville/Bella Vista and Rogers Razorback Clubs. Therefore, many of you are receiving our E-News for the first time. We hope that you'll become active in our club, join us at our 2008 events and assist us in supporting Razorback athletics. And, since our old name the George Billingsley Bentonville/Bella Vista Razorback Club no longer accurately reflects all of our club members, we're considering a name change... more to come.

2008 Club Membership Fees

Annual club membership fees are due at the beginning of each year. There are several ways you can pay your 2008 membership fees:

1. Pay at the Baseball Banquet on January 31st
2. Send a payment of \$10.00 per person to:

George Billingsley
Razorback Club
P.O. Box 412
Bentonville, AR 72712

3. Join and/or contribute to the Razorback Foundation, <http://www.razorbackfoundation.net>, whose fees include your local Razorback Club membership fee. The Foundation requires each member to reselect their local Razorback Club each year at renewal time. Taking this action enables our club to receive credit for your membership and ensures you're listed as "paid" at our 2008 events. Just list our Club on your 2008 renewal form. If you forget to list it, please contact the Foundation at 479-443-9000 and have them add it to your membership information.

Contacts

Any questions concerning the George Billingsley Razorback Club, please contact President Doyle Groff at jsgroff@att.net or (479) 366-1209. Or you can visit our website at www.bbvrazorbackclub.org.

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