



Office of Planned Giving

The 2023 fall semester at the University of Arkansas is officially underway! Students have returned to Fayetteville, and we are pleased to welcome more than 31,000 students to campus and reunite our Razorback family back on the Hill!

Besides the highest number of Arkansans ever admitted in a first-year class, the incoming freshman class consists of approximately 6,400 students with an average high school GPA of 3.81 -- a new enrollment record!

The Office of Planned Giving will keep you updated on all the exciting happenings on campus this fall. Read on to learn about a brand-new semiconductor facility, Big Red's golden anniversary and how you might easily establish your legacy at the University of Arkansas!

Groundbreaking for New Semiconductor Facility

University and industry leaders recently broke ground on a new 18,660-square-foot semiconductor facility. The Multi-User Silicon Carbide Research and Fabrication Facility, or MUSiC, will enable the federal government,

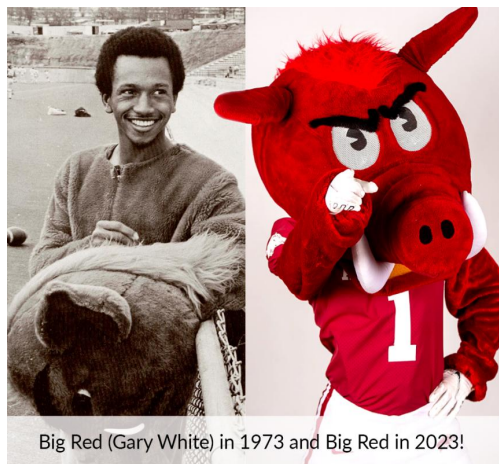
businesses, and other universities to prototype with silicon carbide, a capability currently unavailable in the U.S. The \$36 million chip prototype fabrication facility will be completed in January 2025. Read more [here](#).



Big Red's 50th Anniversary

This October marks the 50th anniversary of the first appearance of Big Red, the University's iconic costumed mascot. The U of A community will celebrate Big Red at home football games this fall!

Big Red debuted on October 20th, 1973, during an Arkansas football game. Tasked with providing halftime excitement in Razorback Stadium, Gary "Sweet Pea" White was the first student to don the Big Red costume. White eventually became known as the "Dancing Razorback" and parlayed his skills and enthusiasm into a scholarship offer from coach Frank Broyles. Despite a disappointing 34-6 home loss to the University of Texas that day, Big Red's debut was a rousing success. Read more about Big Red and search the entire catalog of **Razorback** yearbooks on the University Libraries Digital Collections website available [here](#).



Big Red (Gary White) in 1973 and Big Red in 2023!

Your Priorities. Your Legacy.

This month, we're highlighting two planned giving vehicles to consider in establishing your U of A legacy: a charitable gift annuity (CGA) and a bequest.

Charitable Gift Annuity

If you want to support the University of Arkansas and receive a lifetime income stream, a charitable gift annuity (CGA) can make sense for you. Gift annuities are easy to set up and the payments you receive are backed by the University.

A CGA can be a great giving vehicle if you are at least 65 years of age and want to maintain or increase your cash flow. With a gift annuity, you make an irrevocable gift of cash, securities, or other property to the U of A and in exchange, the University pays you a fixed amount each year for the rest of your life. When your gift annuity ends, any remaining principal passes to the University.

Click [here](#) to learn more about the benefits of a CGA!

Bequest

Another excellent way to support the University of Arkansas' mission to build a better world is by leaving a bequest in your will or living trust. A bequest is a revocable gift, which means it can be changed or modified at any time. You can designate your bequest toward a general or specific purpose so you have the peace of mind knowing that your gift will be used as intended. No other planned gift is as simple to make or as easy to change should you ever need the assets during your lifetime.

[Contact us](#) to learn more about the easiest way to support the University of Arkansas through your estate.

Impact Stories

The College of Engineering recently hosted its inaugural Biggadike Innovation Grant Teaching Assistant Workshop. The two-day workshop attracted 37 participants for invaluable insights, tools, and strategies to ensure teaching assistants are prepared to excel in their roles.

The Biggadike Innovation Grants are made possible by a generous donation

of the late Robert H. Biggadike, a 1958 graduate in mechanical engineering. Mr. Biggadike created an endowment for teaching through a planned gift by leaving his retirement accounts to the College of Engineering. This endowment will fund innovative programs at the U of A in perpetuity!

Click [here](#) to read more about this exciting workshop funded by Mr. Biggadike's generosity.



We invite you to read more about how alumni and friends have established a legacy and strengthened the University of Arkansas through planned giving:

[Clark Family Gives Back to University of Arkansas Libraries](#)

[Kent Gray's \\$250,000 Planned Gift Will Help Students With Financial Need](#)

[Mott Gift Expands International Experience Opportunities for Students](#)

Thank you for your interest in planned giving! Look for our next e-newsletter in November and follow us on [Facebook](#) for timely news, updates, and information about campus events.

For more information on making a gift to support students, faculty, programs, or facilities at the U of A, please contact us via our website. You can also call us at 479-575-7271 or email legacy@uark.edu.

And a quick reminder -- this Saturday, the Razorbacks host Kent State for our first home game in Fayetteville. Go Hogs! Beat the Golden Flashes!

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