## MARVELL, ELAINE GIRLS DREAM BIG



The Dream Team at the University of Arkansas

The Boys Girls Adults Community Development Center is literally dreaming big for its preteen and teenage girls at Marvell and Elaine.

The University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, in partnership with the Marvell-Elaine School District, will be conducting a mentoring camp for 45 girls from the Marvell-Elaine schools during spring break at Mount Sequoyah in Fayetteville near the university.

BGACDC will help train the UA student-mentors and provide information about local community resources available to Marvell and Elaine girls.

The spring-break camp is a girl-empowerment program in which selected University of Arkansas students will mentor girls from the sixth through twelfth grades from Marvell and Elaine. Naturally, the program is called Dream B.I.G. (Believing in Girls).

The camp will address self-esteem, goal setting, teamwork, pursuit of higher education and motivation to overcome challenges and to succeed in school and life. The camp will be March 17-20, but the student mentors will maintain relationships with the girls by visiting with them at Marvell during fall and winter breaks the following year.

To participate in Dream B.I.G. girls must maintain good grades and good behavior and complete a prescribed number of community service hours.

