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By Patrick Quinn
Stop the World... I Want to Get On!

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The voice on the tape was my daughter's. Rachel was reading a book to her first-grade teacher, Mrs. Ebeling, who shared the tape with my husband and me as part of our fall parent-teacher conference. I don't remember the story Rachel read. But I do remember fighting back tears as I heard her march through sentence after sentence. Reading no longer meant snuggling next to me in the four-poster bed that had been her great-granny's, her grandfather's and mine. She could do it all by herself.

When I was learning to read, bedtime stories bound me to a quiet father, a confessed Anglophile who reared me on *A Child's History of England* and *Kipling's Just So Stories* (although in occasional weak moments he chose *The Cat in the Hat*). Reading has always been easier than conversation for Dad. To this day, books are the gifts he likes best.

Determined to pass down the passion, I enrolled Rachel in three book clubs before she was born. My husband gently suggested that perhaps I was being a bit zealous.

In reporting our cover story, I met several people who shared similar obsessions with reading. As teachers of reading, they know the excitement when a child suddenly deciphers letters and sounds and makes sense of words.

They also work with children for whom such breakthroughs are a long time coming. Confounded by what Diane Nielsen calls the code of English print, these children agonize over each letter, struggling to recognize a shape, match it with a sound, blend that sound with others to make a word, and finally conquer a string of words to read a sentence. Each pause along this torturous path grows more nerve-racking for children, their parents and teachers.

But Nielsen, associate professor of curriculum and instruction, and a group of Kansas teachers are changing the ways in which children learn to read. In 1993 Nielsen founded Kansas Accelerated Literacy Learning (KALL), a program whose precise, structured methods may surprise baby-boom parents who plodded through Dick and Jane readers. KALL children, first-graders who have been selected for the program because they are at risk of falling behind as readers, learn to use specific strategies to become independent readers. They no longer look to teachers, classmates or parents to blurt out words they can't decode.

In addition to producing real readers, KALL rejuvenates teachers. Frustrated by other methods, teachers appreciate the program's fast results and long-lasting lessons that will help children continue to build their skills and confidence. And they build their own skills and confidence as they learn from one another. Yearlong training sessions involve rigorous critiques, in which teachers' lessons with children are videotaped, then evaluated in group meetings. Instead of bruising egos, the training and ongoing workshops build camaraderie among teachers; many say they are working harder—and teaching better—than ever before.

They thank Nielsen, a former elementary-school teacher who has devoted her research to literacy education and children's literature. In rapid-fire conversation, she preaches KALL's doctrine with ardor, rubbing her hands together as she stacks fact upon example upon fact upon example. Then she stops, breathes and, with a wink, delivers the good stuff in a whisper.

"I stop to talk to her for five minutes in the hall and I learn something," says one KALL teacher. "I would pay money to listen to Diane read the phone book."

I'd say the same about the late John Bremer, who no doubt would render the Yellow Pages an uproarious, mellifluous monologue—and thunder in rage at anyone who dared not listen. Bremer, Oscar Stauffer Distinguished Professor of Journalism who died a decade ago, became known throughout the nation as a fearsome guardian of the language, and his landmark *Words on Words* published in 1980, still is used by thousands of journalists and other lovers of words who continue to honor his editis. They read dictionary entries all the way to the end, where the all-important etymologies teach lessons in linguistic history. They stubbornly insist that "impact" will never be a verb. They flaunt their knowledge of the difference between "that" and "which" and scorn those who flout the rule.

And they smile when they encounter "freak," "crepuscular" and other Bremer favorites. They trade stories about his feared and revered classroom performances. In our posthumous profile, free-lance writer Patrick Quinn blends recollections of Bremer's former students and colleagues to reveal glimpses of the editing master.

Bremer's own words also help us understand how he came to love the language so fiercely. In the introductions to *Words on Words* and *HTK*, his earlier guide for headline writers, he thanks those who through the years shaped his scholarly ways. First on each book's list is Sister Mary Philomena, his elementary-school teacher in his native Brisbane, Australia. She drilled him in grammar and etymology, the rules he lived and taught each day. Fifty years after her tutelage, Sister Mary Philomena remained a profound influence on her student.

I suspect Bremer would applaud the work of the KALL teachers, whose methods with first-graders, though thankfully gentler than his, emphasize basic rules, the meaning of words and, most important, the ability to think independently—to constantly ask, "Does this make sense?" Each KALL teacher aims to instill habits a child will call on every day for years to come, just as Sister Mary Philomena did for Bremer.

And just as he did for me.
Steamed? Try Tucson

Please tell Dean Jack Finchem that he must come to Tucson. There are no rusty medicine cabinets here!

Well, after reading his bit on pharmacy in the latest alumni magazine [Schoolwork, Issue 3], I took a look, just to make sure. Couldn't find a speck of rust in my cabinet.

As a matter of fact, I can never remember having seen the mirror steamed up after a shower. The moisture that we put into the air from our shower/bath/wash stand is sucked up like a chocolate soda through a straw.

And as for the good ol’ Kansas beef [Jayhawk Walk, Issue 3], sure wish we could get some down here. Steaks here are rather poor, but then you should see what they feed the cattle on. It takes a section of land to feed one steer, and then it's only cactus that the poor thing gets to eat.

We do have nice winters though. 

Leonard E. Herzmark, e’72
Tucson, Ariz.

Tracing family to Eden

Around the turn of the century, my grandfather, Eddy Barton, ran the livery stable in Lucas. My father, the late Allen McKnight Barton, was born there in 1903.

When grandpa decided to move back to his family’s Blue Hills ranch in Delhi township of neighboring Osborne County, he sold their home to Samuel P. Dinsmoor, who then built the Garden of Eden, featured in the [No. 3] issue of Kansas Alumni, on the corner lot next to their house. It had been their grape arbor.

My father used to brag that his birthplace is marked in red on the Rand McNally Kansas map, and I occasionally let fellow family-tree researchers know that I can trace my genealogy back beyond the Garden of Eden.

My other claim to fame is that in the fall of 1949 I was editor of two issues of the Sour Owl [Kansas Alumni, November 1996] that actually made a profit for Sigma Delta Chi. It was supposed to be a money-making project for the journalism
society, but usually ended up being a loser. We had stiff competition from an "unofficial" humor magazine, the Bitter Bird. Our issues sold out because I got some of my friends to sell them outside the stadium on football Saturdays, and hundreds of people bought them thinking they were programs.

One of our cartoonists was Paul Coker, f'51, who graduated to Mad magazine [and drew the September cover illustration for Kansas Alumni]. Each of my two sons discovered Mad magazine when they were about middle-school age. I couldn't prove to them that "I knew him when" because I never saved my old Sour Owls.

Dick Barton, j'50 
Ames, Iowa

Happy at home: noted

Thank you Janis Roesslein, d'72, for your letter in the last issue of Kansas Alumni. I am a graduate of the University with a post-graduate degree currently staying at home to raise my children. We must have the same mindset. After reading Class Notes from my previous magazine, I commented to my husband that I had no accomplishments noteworthy of that section.

The decision to stay at home was not an easy decision for myself or my husband. There have been many sacrifices to make, financially, professionally and emotionally. Staying at home with children and putting their needs ahead of all else has been the most exhilarating, courageous, and sometimes lonely venture of my life.

For me it is not merely the art of staying at home. It is staying committed to why I made the decision to stay at home. I feel very fortunate to have the opportunity to raise my children and provide a stable and supportive family environment. There are days when I wonder if they or I would be better served if I worked outside the home, but when I see how healthy and adjusted they are I know that we made the right decision for our family.

There are no business luncheons or networking, no conferences calls or team meetings. But there are precious hugs, loving looks, tears to wipe and confidences to build. There are talks about important things like, "Why did Piglet tell Pooh a fib?" There are tea parties to attend, dances to dance and bear hunts to enjoy.

When I look at the whole picture I don't see my decision so much as a sacrifice. I see it as my responsibility to my decision, my children, and to society.

I raise my glass of milk to all those women and men who have made the courageous decision to stay at home to raise their families.

Collen M. Hashman Sellon, j'84 
Jesup, Iowa

Demise of ‘Alumni News’

It takes all kinds of people to make a world. The letter which the 1972 graduate wrote complaining about your failing to credit “stay at home” moms tends to prove this.

But does it take a letter from far-off San Antonio to call attention to the demise of Alumni News? I think not. A long time ago, Alumni News ceased to be “news.” We went from the Fred Ellsworth days to the slickness of today when one almost dare not mention one’s children, grandchildren, or great-grandchildren because that sort of thing is passe!

I must be old-fashioned. I thought Alumni News had to be about alumni. I didn’t know that it had to be a vehicle for showing off one’s expertise at journalism. I used to turn to the Class Notes and see what had happened to my fellow classmates. I more or less quit this when all those who graduated in my decade were lumped together.

No. 3 in 1997 does not have any class notes until page 38. True, these notes run on to page 53, but some pages share their notes with a two-column article by a wannabe journalist or some advertisements of KU items. Pretty soon it won't be necessary to print even Class Notes.

By the time one reaches his 60th year as a KU graduate, the days of worrying about what one’s alma mater has to say about him in its Class Notes are long passed.

Does this bother the editors of slickness? Apparently not. They could muster only five names for the 1930s in issue No. 2 for 1997 and only eight in issue No. 3.

But these were the greatest years of our lives. We went clear around the south tip of South America this year. The “horn” was never so warm and peaceful. This made the last continent (excluding Antarctica, of course) which we had gone to.

Oh, we worked in Southeast Asia many years ago, we’ve been to Europe many times, through the Panama Canal, glided down a barge canal in Burgundy, flown to Abu Simbel on the Egypt-Sudan border, been around the world (three times) and we are going to Prudhoe Bay this June. Last year we became great-grandparents for the first time (in August) and then we had a great-grandson of the family name in October.

But will all this make it to Class Notes of the 1930s? Not unless we make jackasses of ourselves and write to the Alumni Association about it.

Talk about the adulation accorded professional positions (see the complaint of our lady from San Antonio), we can’t even get a bit of print in our Class Notes unless we are from a recent graduating class or were married or had a birth in our family.

No, Kansas Alumni magazine has become too busy getting prizes to report on alumni. Yes, I’m old-fashioned. And rather sorry I can’t read about my fellow survivors in my alumni magazine.

Donald E. Dooley, b’36 
Peoria, Ariz.
■ Exhibitions
“Hopi Katsinam,” Museum of Anthropology, through Aug. 3
“Plains Indian Beadwork,” Museum of Anthropology, through July 27
“White Mountain Apache Coming Out Ceremony,” Museum of Anthropology, through Aug. 10
“British Gas 1996 Wildlife Photographer of the Year,” Natural History Museum, through Sept. 14
“Owen Jones and Friends,” Special Collections, Spencer Research Library
“KU Campanile,” Special Collections, Spencer Research Library

■ Murphy Hall events
JULY
11, 13, 19, 25 “Barefoot in the Park,” by Neil Simon, Kansas Summer Theatre
12, 18, 20, 26 “Crimes of the Heart,” by Beth Henley, Kansas Summer Theatre

■ Special events
AUGUST
18 Ice Cream Social, Adams Alumni Center
18 Traditions Night, Memorial Stadium
20 Opening Convocation, Lied Center

■ Academic calendar
JULY
26 Summer classes end
31 Summer-session graduation
AUGUST
21 Fall semester begins
DECEMBER
9 Last day of fall classes
10 Stop Day
11-18 Final examinations

■ Football
AUGUST
28 Alabama-Birmingham
SEPTEMBER
6 Texas Christian (Band day)
13 Missouri
20 at Cincinnati
OCTOBER
4 Oklahoma (Family day)
11 at Texas Tech
18 at Colorado
25 Nebraska
NOVEMBER
1 Iowa State (Homecoming)
8 at Kansas State
15 at Texas
29 Big 12 Championship

■ Soccer
AUGUST
29 at Illinois State
31 at Eastern Illinois
SEPTEMBER
5 at Texas A&M
7 at Texas
12 at Texas Tech
14 at Baylor
19 at Virginia
20 vs. Virginia Commonwealth, at Charlottesville
25 Tulsa
28 Colorado

■ Volleyball
AUGUST
29-30 at Nevada-Reno Tournament, vs. Oregon, Reno, UNLV
SEPTEMBER
5-6 at Northwestern Tournament, vs. Northwestern, Florida, Virginia Tech
12-13 Kansas Invitational, vs. Buffalo, UMKC, Toledo, Butler
19-20 Jayhawk Classic, vs. Georgia, Louisiana Tech, Colorado State
26 Nebraska
27 Colorado
OCTOBER
1 Kansas State
3 at Oklahoma
10 Texas Tech
12 Baylor
17 at Missouri
18 at Iowa State
24 Texas
25 Texas A&M
31 at Baylor
NOVEMBER
1 at Texas Tech
5 at Kansas State
ON THE BOULEVARD

Chancellor Robert E. Hemenway pronounced early last spring that Commencement would not be moved to Allen Field House in case of inclement weather, which seemed an eerie omen that rain would indeed wash away the annual march down the Hill. On the morning of May 18 the menacing sky seemed to signal showers, but the clouds cleared in the early afternoon to provide a gorgeous day for graduates.

Passing through the Campanile and its pealing carillon bells marks the start of the march down the Hill. Here, grinning graduates capture the moment.

Fifth-generation Jayhawk David Berry, c’97, and his father, William, c’61, stop for a quick pose before David joins the procession.

While architects often slap T-squares on their mortarboards and engineers construct bridges atop their graduation caps, these graduates accessorized with colorful leis, thus making it easier for friends and relatives to spot them.

Association Chairman Gil Reich, c’54, (left) and Donald Hagen, executive vice chancellor of the KU Medical Center, (center) donned more traditional garb, but Hemenway shunned the mortarboard for a festive straw hat.

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Mead call with the boys

Did we get a news tip about students parading as Norse warriors? Was it a publicity stunt staged to promote a student play? No. This is what photographer Wally Emerson encountered one recent afternoon while heading for an assignment on Jayhawk Boulevard. When Wally brought us this photo—"Hey, guess what I saw," was how Wally introduced the Viking shots—we considered getting cute with some crack about Eric The Crimson. But then it occurred to us: We couldn’t explain this, not even with humor. So we’ll just file it under “College Life—Assorted” and get on with our day.

The criminal (no)mind

Brilliant criminals, or even competent crooks, can operate on the wrong side of justice for years, foiling all attempts to halt their villainy.

Then again, there are guys like the Oliver Hall sophomore who briefly took up residence in Douglas County Jail after KU police recently found 46 marijuana plants in his room. And how did cops discover the dope?

They were tipped by someone who saw the marijuana plants growing in the student’s window.

Which apparently means we can add yet another inductee to the roster of undergraduates who are smart enough to be college students but too stupid to be crooks.

Too much stress? Then undress

Weary students usually combat the anxiety, consternation and general dementia that accompany final exams with doughnut runs to Joe’s, cups of caffeine and serious suspension of sleep.

But it seems end-of-the-semester stress (or start-of-semester jubilation) always drives at least one lost soul toward a more natural state. Like our 20-year-old student friend (let’s just call him Jeremiah Johnson) who recently meandered around his front yard—in broad daylight—wearing only his BVDs and a smile.

As he explained to investigating officers, our scantily clad lad fancied himself an “outdoorsman,” and therefore was not hip to decent society’s restrictive raiments.

Certainly dishabille is more fashion crime than felony. But our underclad undergrad also offered the cops some wacky weed, then proved his harmonic oneness with Mother Nature by shedding what little was left of his clothes.

Twice.

The fledgling flasher/frontiersman was promptly arrested. But, perhaps fittingly, our young naturalist was detained only briefly.
This Jayhawk flew south for the winter. Way, way south

Did tears flow when you suddenly realized your exciting new career meant leaving home and trudging off to some strange, faraway place like Los Angeles, New York or Miami? Well, your war stories are no good anymore, because Mark Staudacher, a.k.a. “Rock Chalk Ice Doc,” has us all beat.

Lt. Staudacher, c’90, m’95, a Navy physician, is currently serving a yearlong assignment as Winterover Medical Officer for Naval Support Force Antarctica at McMurdo Station.

“We won’t see the sun again until around Aug. 19,” Staudacher, a Topeka native, told us in an e-mail note on May 16. “Ambient temperatures hang out around 50 to 70 below, with wind chills as low as 110 below (so far ... we have most of winter left ahead of us)!”

In January, at the height of the Antarctic summer, Staudacher traveled from his station on Ross Island (2,000 miles south of New Zealand) to the Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station, where he served 10 days as a relief physician. While there, Staudacher encountered several international expeditions, including one that continued on to the other coast.

“The picture with the KU flag is taken at the actual geographic South Pole,” Staudacher reports. “My camera and video camera both froze up after taking the pictures.”

Fellow Jayhawks eager to help Lt. Staudacher endure the long, dark Antarctic winter can contact him through his web page at www.angelfire.com/ks/icedoc, where he provides more photos of the Jayhawk-on-ice.

And how did Rock Chalk Ice Doc sign off in his e-mail to Kansas Alumni?

“Take care, and keep cool this summer!”

No homework for her until playtime is done

Listen up Mom and Dad: Before you go bemoaning the brainless nature of the sleek world of Sega and how those damn games warp your kids’ brains, consider Exhibit A: Stevie Case.

This Overland Park junior majoring in political science covers her tuition by playing Quake, a 3D shoot-em-up video game that turns all who play it into trembling PC junkies. Case passes through Quake’s tricky slipgate portals and wreaks such havoc on the game’s host of evil dudes that she whomped the game’s designer in a head-to-head deathmatch last fall in Dallas. Her prowess caught the attention of Spacetec IMC, makers of the Spaceorb 360, a funified hi-tech game controller.

Case now works for the firm, doing demonstrations and on-line chats and jetting around to play Quake and take names.

“I am incredibly lucky,” Case says, readying for a tournament in New York. “This is the greatest thing: They actually pay me to play games.”

While many parents would recoil in horror to hear that their daughter spends two hours a day zapping aliens, Case says her parents are supportive of this cyber-scholarship.

Though she will eventually trade the Spaceorb for the thick books and long nights of law school, we think Case’s current seismic stint is nothing to shake a joystick at.
Welcome home, Bob
The state’s former senior senator returns to the University, which plans Dole Institute to house his career archives

The Man from Russell will soon have a surrogate home in Lawrence. The University paid tribute to Bob Dole April 25 by announcing plans to construct the Robert J. Dole Institute for Public Service and Public Policy, to be built on Campus West next to the Lied Center.

The proposed $6 million building, to be funded by a combination of private, state and federal dollars, will serve as the repository for Dole’s archives and headquarters for a public service and public policy research center.

The longtime Kansas senator and last year’s Republican nominee for president donated his papers to the University in February. The archives contain 3,000 boxes filled with more than 15,000 photographs, 11,500 press releases, audio tapes, video tapes, computer files and a collection of personal objects from Dole’s 47 years of public service.

“I am overwhelmed by the warmth of the welcome today; but I am never surprised by the size of this state’s heart,” Dole, ’45, told an Allen Field House audience of 2,000 friends, fans, politicians and a handful of well-mannered reporters. “Nothing has made me prouder than the trust the people of Kansas have always placed in me. That is why it is important to me for my congressional archive and personal papers to be housed in Kansas at a great institution like KU.”

During the ceremony Dole was also named a Patron of the KU Friends of the Library, only the sixth individual accorded the honor.

William J. Crowe, vice chancellor for information services and dean of libraries, said that Dole’s papers were integral to the study of American politics during the last 50 years.

“This is the largest acquisition of an archival/manuscript collection to come to the University,” Crowe said. “The collection is especially important to advance the study of Kansas history and to understand the contributions of Senator Bob Dole in service to the people of Kansas and the nation.”

Burdett Loomis, professor of political science and interim director of the institute, envisions events like yearlong seminars devoted to specific legislative issues, non-partisan workshops for state legislative office holders and an annual major symposium.

Loomis says the institute will draw upon the resources and research of numerous schools and departments, including social welfare, economics, edu-

Doling out the Papers: Bob Dole, ’45, and his wife, Elizabeth, join Chancellor Robert E. Hemenyway and Gov. Bill Graves on April 25 to announce the construction of the Robert J. Dole Institute for Public Service and Public Policy on Campus West. The former Kansas senator donated his voluminous archives to the University in February.
cation, business and, of course, political science.

“We don’t want to just have lectures, but rather have people working with students, working with faculty in workshops or seminars. We don’t want just a day or two a year, but to have a subject under consideration from various points of view for an entire year.”

Loomis says that even though construction on the building probably won’t begin until 1999, he would like to have some programs in place for fall 1998.

**Barnhill to ‘choreograph’ centralized research moves**

The first National Merit Scholar from Lawrence High School to attend KU has returned to the Hill. Robert Barnhill, vice provost for research at Arizona State University, has been named vice chancellor for research and public service.

Barnhill, c’61, began work July 1.

Barnhill will oversee grant administration for 32 campus entities, including research centers, laboratories, institutes and museums. Equally important is his role as the president and chief operating officer of the reorganized Center for Research Inc. (CRINC), now a non-profit foundation that administers all externally funded research on the Lawrence campus.

CRINC formerly managed research activities primarily for the School of Engineering.

The change in the nature of CRINC, Barnhill says, will make it easier for faculty to become involved in research; streamline logistics, purchasing and personnel; and help the University unify its research efforts.

Barnhill wants to make CRINC more accessible by thinking of faculty as customers of the research office. “We have to learn what they need, where other sources of funding exist and then match them up,” he says. “We want to encourage faculty to work with one another and will hold internal workshops on relevant research topics.”

Even though national research trends point toward larger, problem-oriented, interdisciplinary grants, Barnhill stresses that larger grants often emerge from individual and small-group projects. “Without the small investigations there simply would be nothing to build upon,” he says. “Such research is the bedrock of a university’s research portfolio.”

Barnhill says he will be a facilitator, a “choreographer” who integrates services and logistics, a necessity in the increasingly competitive research field.

“The key to funding is to think in terms of balance,” he says. “Federal funds are becoming harder to get, so we must utilize the private sector and exhaust all possibilities.”

KU is currently ranked in the top 100 research universities nationally in grants and contracts. Since 1990 funding for all KU campuses has grown from $56.4 million to $97.9 million in fiscal 1996.

According to a new book, *The Rise of American Research Universities: Elites and Challengers in the Postwar Era*, KU is one of 21 rising public research institutions, a fact Barnhill says helped him decide to take the job.

“KU can move up in the standings, and I think the faculty is eager to work,” Barnhill says. “When I visited Lawrence, everyone—administrative leadership, faculty and staff—had wonderful ideas and enthusiasm.”

One tool that Barnhill would like to resurrect is KU’s defunct research magazine. While at Arizona State, Barnhill edited a magazine with a circulation of more than 40,000 to schools, legislators, faculty, alumni and science writers around the country. His office also produced a television show. Those two public relations efforts, he says, played a role in turning around the public view of Arizona State and got citizens behind the university’s research enterprise.

Provost David E. Shulenburger says Barnhill will do what he already has done successfully at Arizona State. “I’m confident that KU will enjoy great success under Robert Barnhill’s leadership,” he says. “He will continue and expand on KU’s tradition of research excellence in the sciences and the humanities.”

**REPORT CARD**

**TOP PROFESSORS HONORED**

SEVEN KU FACULTY MEMBERS were honored with a host of annual awards at the Association’s All-University Supper April 25.

Craig E. Martin, professor of biological science, received the H. Bernerd Fink Award for outstanding classroom teaching. The award was established in 1961 by H. Bernerd, b’31, and Ruth Garvey Fink, ’41, of Topeka.

Jeffrey Lang, associate professor of mathematics, and Laurence R. Draper, professor of microbiology, received the Ned N. Fleming Trust Awards. The Fleming, established in 1990 from the estate of the late Ned N. Fleming, chief executive officer and honorary chair of the board of Fleming Cos. of Topeka, honors outstanding faculty members with distinguished records of teaching, scholarship and service.

Joseph E. O’Brien, assistant professor of curriculum and instruction, won the Archie and Nancy Dykes Award. The Dykes prize was established in 1990 by the former KU chancellor and his wife. Their gift was matched by the Whitman Corp. Foundation, Rolling Meadows, Ill. The award honors faculty members for undergraduate teaching and is reserved for those who have extraordinary accomplishments.

And three faculty members of the KU Medical Center were named as recipients of The Chancellor’s Award for Outstanding Classroom Teaching: David G. Meyers, associate professor of internal medicine; Thomas L. Pazdernik, PhD ’81, professor of pharmacology-toxicology and therapeutics; and Anita Wingate, n’63, PhD ’72, associate professor of nursing.
National awards prompt tough decision for couple

After growing up in London, living a spell in Paris and going to high school in New York, Amy Welch wasn't quite sure what to think when her new husband, Nathan, brought her to Herington to meet his grandmother.

The pair had married the previous year in England and, after two years at the Parsons School of Design in New York City, were on their way to start school at KU when they dropped by to say howdy to grandma.

As Nathan, '97, tells it, when Amy saw the hamlet of Herington she experienced something more than just culture shock. "She looked at me and said, 'Nathan, I did not know places like this even existed.'"

Amy, '97, however, has grown to like Kansas, in particular KU's department of classics, where she discovered the empires of ancient Greeks and Romans, the magical worlds of the Iliad and Odyssey. If that weren't enough, Amy added a major in English. She became so enthralled by her subjects and studied so diligently that she landed the prestigious Mellon Fellowship.

Meanwhile, her husband found his calling in an area he really hadn't ever considered: mathematics, particularly probability theory. As Nathan studied, he, too, was fascinated, working with mathematics of finance to discover methods of pattern ing and control in stock market risk. His dedication earned him a National Science Foundation fellowship.

Now comes the hard part. Married five years, Amy and Nathan faced an interesting dilemma. They had known for the last year that they might attend different graduate schools. They drew up independent lists of 10 schools, compared them, then added two. They applied to the schools last fall, then waited for acceptance letters to trickle in during March and April.

The decision: Amy will attend the University of California at Los Angeles and study classics; Nathan will attend New York University and study mathematics. And the price of earning two national awards is that 3,000 miles will separate the couple. What does this mean for their marriage?

"We really just want the best for each other and for ourselves," says Nathan, who also majored in philosophy. "I am thrilled for Amy and her success. I love her and I want the best for her, even if it means her going to L.A. and me going to New York. It is only because we are best friends that we can be comfortable with this separation."

A marriage in flux may seem to some like a rather daunting prospect, but to Amy and Nathan, who freely admit they do not know what will happen in the future, their decision was based on mutual respect and friendship, the very keystones of marriage.

Is it a tale of sadness? No, says Nathan, without hesitation. "I am sure I will have second thoughts, I am sure I will miss her terribly, but it's not sad, really," Nathan says. "We discussed all the possibilities for six to eight months. We made the decision with our eyes wide open and we both recognized the significance."
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MILESTONES, MONEY AND OTHER MATTERS

• DESPITE LAST-MINUTE WRANGLING, the Kansas House and Senate were unable to agree on Senate Bill 373, a proposal that would have relinquished control of KU Hospital to a 16-member public governing board. The move would have provided the hospital with the necessary streamlining and flexibility to allow it to compete in the dynamic world of managed health care, especially in areas of personnel and purchasing. Chancellor Robert E. Hemenway and Donald Hagen, executive vice chancellor of the KU Medical Center, said they would work to ensure passage of the plan during next year's legislative session. Both see the plan as necessary to meeting the mission of the Medical Center. “It is important that we emerge with a plan that protects the investment the people of Kansas have made in the hospital, while giving the KU Hospital the same rules as any other medical facility in the state,” Hagen says.

• THE WINNERS OF THE 41ST ANNUAL Snyder Book Collecting Contest (Kansas Alumni, Issue 2) were honored at an April 17 luncheon at the Kansas Union. In the graduate division, Marc Becker won with his entry, “Indians in the Ecuadorian Highlands.” Christopher Dick placed second with his collection, “German Hymnals and Songbooks Published in North America.” Michael Hancock received an honorable mention in the graduate division for his entry, “A Family Affair: The Rossettis and Victorian Art.” Junior Robert T. Davis II won the undergraduate division with his collection, “The Great War in Print,” and freshman Jeff O’Neal received second prize for his entry, “The International Novel in the Twentieth Century.”

• KU AND SEVEN OTHER UNIVERSITIES recently received federal funding to examine ways to curb violence by and toward school-age children. Martin H. Gerry, director of the KU Center for the Study of Family, Neighborhood and Community Policy, and Wayne Sailor, director of University Affiliated Program, are the $170,000 project’s principal investigators. They will study the impact of large-scale school reform programs. “We have school-violence data before, during and after the strategies were put into place,” Gerry says. “So how did they affect the level of violence? And can we devise overall school-reform strategies that lower violence and achieve educational objectives as well?” If Congress is pleased with the schools’ progress, KU could get renewals totaling nearly $1 million over five years.

• GARY BARNETT, A DOCTORAL STUDENT IN PIANO, recently won second prize in the Joanna Hodges International Piano Competition in Palm Springs, Calif. Barnett received a cash prize and was invited to perform concerts in Europe next season, including a debut recital at the prestigious Bosendorfer Saal in Vienna, Austria. Last year, Barnett won both the Geraldine Williams Music Competition and the Kansas City Music Club Competition. In April he represented Kansas and the Western Central Division in the finals of the Music Teachers National Association competition in Dallas.

VISITOR TO MARKET, TO MARKET

CHARLES G. KOCH, chairman and CEO of Koch Industries, explained what triggered the company's impressive growth.

WHEN: April 23
WHERE: Lied Center
SPONSOR: J.A. Vickers Sr. and Robert F. Vickers Sr. Memorial Lecture Series, organized by the School of Business

TOPIC: “How to Succeed in Interesting Times”

BACKGROUND: In 1966, Koch Industries had $177 million in sales; today its sales are nearly $30 billion. The reason, Koch says, is his entrepreneurial Market Based Management, “a gold bar wrapped in a mudball” that works to create superior value for customers through vision, knowledge, incentives and letting employees make more decisions.

ANECDOTE: After the lecture Koch was given a basketball signed by Roy Williams and the 1996-97 men's basketball team. Koch claimed the Jayhawks embodied the teamwork and principles that are integral to Market Based Management. “You all didn’t need me,” he said. “All you need to do is to see the way this basketball team works.”

QUOTE: Koch had stern words for businesses that rely on unquestioned assumptions, “Common sense is one of the most uncommon things in the world. Dilbert’s world is alive and well.”
How Does Our Garden Grow?

A splendid new book by a University architecture professor explores the verdant vision of A.J. Downing, America’s first giant in landscape gardening.

Andrew Jackson Downing had the commission of a lifetime: President Millard Fillmore had asked Downing, the preeminent American landscape gardener, to supervise the improvement of public grounds in Washington, D.C. For Downing it was a chance to put into large-scale practice the theories he had been honing for more than 20 years.

Had it not been for an ill-fated steamer named Henry Clay, what we now know as the Washington Mall would have a distinctly different look; Downing was killed when the steamer caught fire and sank in the Hudson River. He was only 37, and his Washington proposals died with him.

But as Judith Major demonstrates in her new book, To Live in the New World: A.J. Downing and American Landscape Gardening, by the end of his short life Downing had revolutionized not only the way Americans contemplated their natural environment, but also, in a larger sense, the way they considered themselves.

Major, an associate professor of architecture and urban design, thoughtfully traces Downing’s career: his beginnings as a pedantic and priggish Anglophile, through his rethinking of his guiding principles, to, at the time of his death, an unabashed nationalist who believed the moral and artistic growth of both citizenry and the fledgling republic was rooted in sound, economic usage and cultivation of indigenous plants, trees and foliage.

The book relies less on the day-to-day events of Downing’s life and instead explores the man by examining his voluminous writings, primarily the three vastly different editions of his Treatise on the Theory and Practice of Landscape Gardening, the first American text on the subject, and his six years as editor of the journal Horticulturist.

Through close textual readings, Major illustrates how Downing shed his Old World pretensions to create a distinctly American version of landscape gardening. What is so intriguing and ultimately convincing is the manner in which Major ties Downing’s development to the nation’s.

Downing’s increasing ideological maturity, Major argues, mirrors growing American self-confidence and independence. The first edition of Treatise in 1841 was baroquely written, employing British poets, thinkers and gardeners to show Americans what they needed to know and emulate in order to sculpt ideal homes encased by sylvan groves of wonderment and beauty.

Writing for rural, wealthy men of leisure interested in improving their lush estates, Downing engaged in ethereal debates over the true meaning of the sublime and the beautiful. In his description of the perfect estate grounds, Downing insisted on the superiority of English plants and gardens.

By the second edition of Treatise in 1844, hints of Downing’s increasing republican attitude toward American gardening begin to creep into his writing. But it was in his editorials for the Horticulturist that Downing started to celebrate the American virtues of simplicity and moderation. He addressed the working class, speaking for the first time, as Major says, “in American.”

Downing now wrote that Americans of all classes could (and should) find refinement and quiet ease through judicious landscaping of their properties.

Before Downing, American landscape gardeners, much like American painters and authors, looked to Europe for expressions of artistic gravity and purity. The early planners strove for geometric designs with an emphasis on symmetry and artifice. The alternative, the “picturesque” (basically letting trees and shrubbery be trees and shrubbery), was viewed as somewhat uncouth, fitting squarely within contemporary European stereotypes of Americans as an unrefined, ignorant and itinerant lot.

But Downing began to see an honest beauty in the more natural, flowing picturesque style, and, as Major rightly claims, this new approach served as a physical embodiment of American cultural and aesthetic values. Forget the artificial meddling of pruning, Downing said, and instead plant a sturdy elm, which possessed a “freedom of character.” He admonished readers to revel in the rich diversity of the American landscape, to select the finest features of nature and “combine them into one consistent ideal scene.”

And in the lush, richly illustrated To Live in the New World, Major does exactly that: She intelligently forages through the forest of Downing’s writing—weeding here and rooting there—to construct a space where we find Downing and a nation not merely growing, but blooming.
Their cups singeth over

Ancient artifacts show—and tell—how people of Costa Rica’s dense rain forests turned ordinary housewares into musical delights that rang out for friends to come join the fun.

Did you know clay cups can stir visions of life in an ancient Costa Rican rain forest 1,000 years before Columbus sailed the ocean blue? I did not. Then John Hoopes, associate professor of anthropology and associate curator of the Museum of Anthropology, made some ancient cups tell me their stories.

From the smooth surface of one such cup pokes a jaguar’s face and the wings of a bird. Hoopes shakes it. Clay balls, hidden in the base; rattle. He picks up a second cup, this one with legs shaped like parrots that contain the rattling balls. “I have my own theory about why they had rattles,” Hoopes says. More on that in a moment.

The pieces are among 169 pre-Columbian Costa Rican objects donated to the Museum of Anthropology by Iowans Fred and Ursula Smith.

There are other noisemakers besides cups. Hoopes lifts an ocarina, a small, simple wind instrument with a mouthpiece and a few finger holes. Its music is hollow and dreamy. The Indians may have used ocarinas to make signature sounds, Hoopes says, ones that would have kept them from being mistaken for an enemy.

“In the rain forest,” he says, “sound is everything. There’s a cacophony of birds and insects. Humans learn to create their own noises.”

Which bring us back to rattling cups. With Hoopes leading the way, I enter a jungle in my imagination. It’s night 1,000 years ago in northwest Costa Rica. This is a real bad jungle, one that shivers amid the roaring and cawing and chattering and bumping of beasts. The humans are hunkered with their mates in dark huts, drinking maize beer. One hears a rattle. He knows somebody’s tipping a cup. So he tips his, and a cascade of rattles follows. Was this the Indian equivalent of clinked champagne glasses? It’s possible, Hoopes says.

With both hands, Hoopes now lifts a clay bowl shaped like a large flower-pot saucer. It, too, has legs. It, too, rattles. Hoopes steps forward one pace, then another, shaking the bowl. “Listen to that and then imagine 20 people marching in a line, and you’ve got these vessels becoming part of a performance. They’re not only for drinking. They’re also instruments.”

Writing this later, I stare at my coffee cup, which is dumb as a post: no rattles. An office spare, it advertises the 800 number of a vacation spot I’ve not seen. My cup, like so many of the objects in my life—in our lives—is functional but not personal. It’s a billboard for a product, lacking in jaguar heads or bird wings. It seems unmagical, completely resistible. I doubt an anthropologist in the year 3000 will be handling it.

Yet there will be something for that anthropologist, something as magical as these clay cups are for me. Something that would make me yawn, something as ordinary as a claw hammer, but, seen in an entirely different frame of reference, would stir flights of fancy. Imagination’s not everything, but it’s way ahead of whatever’s in second place.

—Martin, g73, is communications director for the Office of Research, Graduate Studies and Public Service and a commentator for KANU-FM, the University’s public radio station.
Flip for it

While Johner and Wegner battle for the quarterback job, Allen says priorities are offensive linemen and receivers

A few days before the annual spring football game, a glorified final practice that allows eager players to finally rock 'n' roll at full speed without coaches and their clipboards meandering around the field, Coach Terry Allen was running through his roster of quarterbacks.

Matt Johner, a 6-foot-1, 195-pound senior, has two varsity letters (which virtually qualify him as a full-bird colonel on a squad of raw recruits). He started eight games in 1996 and has thrown for 1,278 yards with 10 touchdowns and only four interceptions.

Most important, Johner was listed No. 1 on Allen's first depth chart, ahead of sophomore Zac Wegner and junior Akili Roberson.

Then again, Johner's numbers probably don't add up to much in Allen's mind, or the minds of his teammates. Anything that reminds anyone of the Jayhawks' 4-7 1996 season is not embraced at Camp Allen.

Experience is also working against Johner because he has only one year of eligibility. Allen and his coaches are installing a new offense, and teaching it this first time around won't be easy.

"I'd love to work with Matt for three or four or five years," Allen says. "Whether he can grasp the things that we're going to ask of him in a one-year process, maybe we're wasting time. And I hate to use that term, because it's sometimes taken out of perspective. Whereas with Zac, we've got three years to work with him, and he's a prototype quarterback that we like to have in our offense. The kid's 6-foot-3, 225 or 230 pounds, and..."
can throw the ball on a very quick release.

"But Matt has also been a starter, has great presence out there, and the players at this particular juncture have a lot of belief in him."

So what did Allen learn after the spring game, during which the starters (with Johner and Wegner alternating at QB) dismantled the backups 35-0?

"You certainly see the experience of Johner out there. But then when you see Zac, you see the strong arm and the throwing ability," Allen says. "And the other guy out there, Akili Roberson, has not played college football for a year, and all spring he's gotten better, week by week, and he continued to show that today."

Sounds like a quarterback battle brewing for August.

For the record, Johner completed 13 of 16 passes, including three touchdowns. Wegner was 8 for 16 for 109 yards, including a touchdown and an interception. Leading the backups, Roberson was 5 for 8 for 58 yards, and Hamilton Hill, a junior, was 4 for 10 for 19 yards.

Despite the uncertainties at quarterback, Allen and the Jayhawks have more to worry about. The offensive line returns only two starters: junior Justin Glasgow, who started all of '96 at right tackle, and left guard Dameon Hunt, a sophomore, who started five games.

KU's three tight ends boast a grand total of one reception for 8 yards (a TD catch by Brian Gray, now a junior, last year vs. Oklahoma), and Allen is installing an offense that will rely on two tight ends.

Eric Vann is the top returning running back and has played in 33 games, but his best day last year was 46 yards against Texas Christian. Vann missed the spring game with a leg injury, so he has yet to play for Allen even under simulated game conditions.

The top receiver is talented John Gordon, a sophomore from West Palm Beach, Fla., who in Allen's estimation is "the only legitimate receiver we have at this particular juncture." Gordon started four of the final five games last season, but he still only has 240 yards of experience.

"I don't think the quarterback position is the No. 1 area of concern by any means for our football team," Allen says. "I feel comfortable playing either one of those gentlemen [Johner or Wegner]. If I could say that about the offensive line, we'd be a lot further along on this thing. But we're not, and that's our real major area of concern.

"It's hard for quarterbacks to really establish themselves when you have so many new faces and breakdowns in the offensive line. You're without the balance of your running backs, and you have receivers that are not used to catching as many passes throughout the course of a practice. So it's very difficult sometimes to make a legitimate judgment on the quarterback position when you're really so far back with the other critical areas."

Allen's rebuilding is going so far as to start at the start: "One of the big focuses for us is learning how to win again. And I think the second half of last year's season, and the second half of numerous football games, are somewhat of an example of not knowing, or remembering, the belief that you are going to win and not look for a reason to lose."

Even one of the participants concedes that while the quarterback battle will get plenty of attention from eager fans and reporters, the real forecast for offense in 1997 will depend on the young, small offensive line handling Big 12 defenders, and inexperienced receivers and runners performing beyond their years.

"You're probably right," Wegner says. "It takes everybody to click. If one area is weak, it's going to weaken the whole team. It's not going to be totally on us."

How does Allen's learn-to-win-again philosophy translate to the daily routine of KU football? Players offered varying responses (safety Tony Blevins says, "It's a whole new thing ... it feels like everybody is more excited"), but none said it had anything to do with who would be the starter at quarterback.

"It's [Allen's] attitude, his winning attitude, all the championships he's won," Johner says. "He knows how to be a winner, and he wants to bring us together as a team."
the boy with the skateboard, who is waiting behind
New teaching strategies help children enter the magical world of words and offer proof that even those who struggle can learn to read happily ever after

Jeremy is stuck.

His forefinger pulses on the word first of a new book. His lips open and close as he tries to make his mouth form the right sounds.

As the seconds sink by, Jeremy doesn’t look up. He doesn’t plead for help. He keeps working.

Finally, his reading teacher, Sue Beal, gently asks, “What else do you do if sounding doesn’t work?”

Jeremy’s eyes inch to the right on the page. He mouths the next three words. They are barely audible, but Mrs. Beal hears.

Sensing that Jeremy has found the key, she asks, “How do stories sometimes start?”

The engine turns over, and Jeremy takes off:

“Once upon a time there was a little deer who wanted to cross a river.”

Jeremy cruises smoothly through the first page of The Deer and the Crocodile amid the beaming faces of Mrs. Beal and Elliott and Ashley, his fellow first-graders at Pinckney Elementary School in Lawrence. The three children take turns reading the remaining pages in the simple tale of a deer who tricks a crocodile and safely bounds across the water.

Once upon a time we were all code-breakers like Jeremy. Even familiar fairytale refrains that echoed in our ears were only baffling black lines and squiggles before our eyes. Yet somehow we learned to decipher, to understand. Making print make sense is a process no less intricate than decoding enemy messages in grown-up war games.

And no less miraculous.

The marvel of reading amazes parents, who describe reading breakthroughs in awed tones reserved for recollections of their children’s first teeth, first steps, first words. Teachers share the wonder, but they also seek to unmask the miracle, to glimpse the how and why of reading and use those clues to help children for whom reading is a painful struggle.

Such clues, gleaning from years of reading research, form the foundation of Kansas Accelerated Literacy Learning (KALL), a program of daily, intense, individual or small-group instruction for first-graders at risk of falling behind in reading.

Diane Corcoran Nielsen, associate professor of curriculum and instruction, founded the program in 1993, modifying it from Accelerated Literacy Learning, a program begun the University of South Florida by two of her doctoral-program colleagues from the University of Minnesota.

While the USF program and other better-known regimens such as Reading Recovery strictly emphasize individual instruction, Nielsen has adapted KALL techniques for small groups of two to four students and more intense instruction for “emergent readers,” students who have very limited knowledge of letters, sounds and the ways in which letters combine to form words (known as “phonemic awareness”). Many emergent readers also don’t understand the concept of “word” or how print is arranged on pages.

But even these children can show marked improvement, says Sue Beal, d’58, g’72, Jeremy’s KALL teacher at Pinckney and one of the first teachers trained. A certified reading specialist for 12 years, she appreciates the program’s focus and flexibility. “I know exactly what each child needs and it’s much easier to move them more quickly as their needs change,” she says. “The thing you notice about these kids is they become independent. They’re not looking at me. They’re working out a word themselves, and they know the different things they can do to figure it out.”

Since KALL began in Lawrence and Topeka, it has expanded to include children in Olathe, Council Grove, Hoyt and Kansas City, Kan. In the 1996-97 year, the program included 52 teachers who had completed extensive, year-long training in KALL methods. They meet regularly to help one another refine their teach...
“People criticized Dick and Jane, but the beauty of the basal readers that many adults grew up with is that they honored some of what beginning readers needed, which was lots of repetition. The downside was that they repeated the same words so often that they lacked meaning.”

—Nielsen

Nielsen studied 490 children who qualified for extra help in reading based on fall screening tests for the 1994-95 and 1995-96 academic years. About half of the 490 were taught by KALL teachers and half received other special reading instruction. At the end of one year, 64 percent of the KALL-taught children were reading at the average year-end first-grade level or higher, compared with 20 percent of the children who had not participated in KALL. In addition, some KALL children achieved grade-level reading early, enabling them to leave the program in mid-year. Another 24 percent of KALL students at year-end were reading at a level common in March of first grade and, Nielsen says, with home and school support over the summer, these children should not need extra reading help in second grade.

Among emergent readers, those who enter first grade with extremely limited reading-related skills, 18 percent of the KALL children were reading at grade level or higher by the end of the year, compared with 4 percent of the emergent readers who had not participated. Nielsen says some of these children typically receive KALL services in the following year and can catch up with their classmates by the middle of second grade. Others have learning problems that will require more long-term extra help.

Of course, KALL instruction does not rely solely on teachers. Parents participate with their children, who bring home nightly assignments, including books they can read to Mom and Dad and sentences they can construct. Parents who've ached for their children as they’ve wrestled with words now sing KALL’s praises.

Valerie Johnson-Powell, a teacher and parent at Centennial Elementary School in Lawrence, attributes her son Anthony’s progress to KALL and consistent reading time at home. “Getting into the routine is important,” she says. “It’s so easy to get too busy. We had always read to him, but he needed to read to us out loud.”

Johnson-Powell attended a teachers’ workshop because she became so excited about her son’s progress. “KALL taught him specific strategies, and last fall, when his other classmates were reading and he could not, the little books from KALL gave him something he could feel good about. He didn’t get discouraged.”

Nielsen, who earlier in her career taught for 11 years in elementary-school classrooms and in reading and special-education programs, says KALL combines the methods that many parents recall with modern tools grounded in reading research.
ning readers come to school with a sense of the world. They have this body of knowledge about buses and friends and teddy bears and grass and lots of things, and that's really working well for them.

"And they also have a sense of the English language. So for example if I said, 'He rode off on a—' you would know that the 'a' signals a thing and the 'rode off' signals pony, horse, motorcycle, bicycle. Your sense of the language anticipates something. Now we recognize that beginning readers have a sense of the world and a sense of the language, so as we're trying to teach them the code, the English print, we need to call on those," Nielsen says.

Help adults understand the trials of code cracking, Nielsen gives them A Primer for Parents, a text that uses odd characters and symbols as a code for the alphabet. Looking at the book gets adults to feel as if they are beginning readers, and once they begin to decipher the code, she asks them how they did it.

"They talk about how they flipped back to find a word they'd already seen enough times that it began to stick with them," she says. "Those are sight words. They talk about figuring out the beginning sound of a word and then guessing the rest of the word because it makes sense in the sentence. They use the pictures as clues. They begin to see how they have to solve things using multiple tools."

These decoding exercises, coupled with the knowledge that beginning readers read with a sense of the language and the world, form the five key KALL strategies for solving new words:

- Take a running start. If you're stumped, start over at the beginning of the sentence and sometimes the word will come to you as you read.
- Get your mouth ready. KALL emphasizes phonics, including vowels, consonants and word endings. Children early on learn to hear the sounds that begin and end words, but the middle sounds often elude them. The program encourages them to read the whole word.
- Look at the picture. After all, that's what they're for. Teachers encourage children to use the pictures, and they have to teach parents to let them.
- Think of a word that makes sense. What word would fit? We read for meaning, and children must learn to use the trigger in their brain that tells them when a word does or doesn't make sense, Nielsen says.
- Skip it and go on. Move along in the text, then go back and use the other strategies to try again.

KALL teachers and students use these strategies to read carefully evaluated books placed in levels from 1 to 20. The differences among levels are perhaps indistinguishable to many adults.

KALL teachers learn to place books in instructional levels based on many factors: the number of words; their placement on the page; graduating levels of word recognition; increasing demands of phonics, such as vowels and blends; repetition of language or sentences; the ways in which illustrations support text; whether words echo oral, written or literary language structures; the complication of plots; and familiarity of experiences.

Determining a book's level, however, is a mixture of science and art. Kathy Rathbun, g'96, KALL teacher at Centennial Elementary School, says the program has changed the way she evaluates books. Beyond the guidelines, teachers also must consider regional differences in language and syntax. A cupboard might be a cabinet depending on where you live, just as dinner might be supper or pop might be soda. "I just had a girl read a book with the word 'trousers,'" Rathbun says. "She had never heard of trousers." So Rathbun helped her sound out the word and make the connection to "pants."

Teachers also search for more conventional books, "trade books," by popular authors and publishing houses to complement KALL's "little books." "It's important for children to read trade books, too," Rathbun says, "because then they can go to the library with their classmates and check out 'real' books."

Reading the "little books" is part of KALL lessons, which are divided into three distinct parts that reflect the development of beginning readers:

- Familiar Re-read Time. Children practice for 10 minutes on books they already know to develop fluency and what Nielsen calls "automaticity," the brain reflexes that speed decoding and comprehension.

She likens automaticity to knitting. "When you first learn to knit, you have to pay attention," she says. "But soon you can knit and watch TV, unless a pattern is new. You can do two things at once. As a reader, if you can develop enough of an automatic lexicon, then you can spend more of your energy comprehending. In a sense, you're doing two things at once. You're figuring out words and comprehending and processing information simultaneously."

As a child reads a book from the previous day, the KALL teacher keeps a "running record" of accuracy, tallying each correct word and each mistake, noting the strategies used to solve words and those tools that still need sharpening. A child must read at a certain level with 95-percent or better accuracy three consecutive times before moving on to the next level.

As their confidence and independence grow, children thrill to the challenge of the running record, Nielsen says, recalling the experience of one teacher whose child stopped her in the middle of reading, proud that he'd solved a particular word: "Did you get that down?" he asked. "I got that one right; did you write it down?"

- Word Work. This 10-minute section focuses on letter and
sound relationships, endings, sight words and writing to support word learning. Adults recall phonics and "sounding out". Nielsen and the KALL teachers use sounding out along with a process called "chunking."

"We know that the latest research says your brain seeks the largest unit of information," Nielsen says. "The example I give to teachers is a call to the pharmacy to fill a prescription. Often the code is unfamiliar to you. You wouldn't try to sound it out on the phone to your pharmacist letter by letter. Your brain would seek the "ob" and the "ate" and the "ly," those units that are familiar to you from other words. That's chunking."

Sounding out isn't taboo, Nielsen says. It can be helpful, but often it isn't efficient for two reasons: First, many words, such as "the," "what" and "once" are not sound-outable. Second, sounding out is just plain clumsy for longer words.

Two writing samples from one KALL student clearly illustrate the program's success. Last September this student heard only the beginning or ending sounds of words, and she chose letters for the sounds she heard to depict the words. By March she had learned to distinguish beginning, middle and ending sounds and match those to the right letters and blends to construct the sentence correctly.

In their journals, children work on troublesome words and create and write sentences that use key words from the books in each daily lesson.

Children who overdo sounding out, whether they're second-graders or junior-high students, spend so much time sputtering and spitting their way through that they get frustrated and lose the whole sense of words. "You can very quickly get a child to notice that if you have '-at,' then you can read 'cat' and figure out 'flat' and even 'flats' by covering up the ending," she says. "So it's an aha! for kids."

In Sue Beal's KALL classroom at Pinckney Elementary, a "chunk chart" dominates one wall as easy reference for children who recognize familiar vowel-and-consonant combinations. During word work, she asks her three students, Jeremy, Elliott and Ashley, to suggest a sentence that uses the word "frown," which will be the title of a new book later in the lesson. Ashley offers "I frown when I'm sad," and the children spell the sentence as Beal writes it on a tabletop board. Each child also writes the sentence in a journal as Beal offers clues to capitalization and punctuation: "You're talking about yourself and you're really important, so what kind of 'I' would you use? ... That's right, Jeremy. It's just a plain old telling sentence."

- Instructional-Level Reading Time. The final 10 minutes are devoted to a new book. Nielsen explains "instructional level" as the level at which a child can read with 90- to 94-percent accuracy, with an adult's help in suggesting strategies to figure out words. Ninety-five percent or better is independent reading; conversely, 89 percent or less includes enough troublesome words to increase frustration.

In Beal's classroom, Jeremy, Elliott and Ashley have completed their sentence and other word work and are ready to try The Frown. The teacher first flips slowly page by page, asking the children to describe the action using the pictures. She asks questions: "Why do you say that? What do you think?" and continues the questions as they begin to read: "Have you seen that word before? Does it make sense?" Ideally, the children get through a new book three times in the lesson; tomorrow they will read the book as Beal notes their progress in running records. Later it will become part of familiar re-read time.

\textbf{Nielsen} says the questions teachers ask are critical to the KALL method. They use language like "I'll bet you were thinking this..." or "How did you figure that out?" to help children learn the strategies and analyze their approaches to solving words. "It's metacognition—thinking about your thinking," Nielsen says. "Proficient readers monitor their own reading."

To learn when to ask which questions, teachers spend a large portion of their training observing and evaluating one another—thinking about their teaching. Karen Davies, g'91, one of the original KALL teachers who now trains new teachers, says the camaraderie that has developed during the arduous process is rewarding. "It's hard to watch your own teaching on tape in front of your peers and know that they are going to critique your work," she says, "but all of the teachers are very gracious. It's wonderful to be involved with a group of people who take their teaching seriously, who want to do better, who want so badly for these children to learn how to read and to continue as readers throughout their lives."
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—Davies

Davies trains KALL teachers and leads the program in Lawrence in her role as Title I coordinator for the school district. Title I is a federal program begun in 1965 to provide special instruction for elementary-school children in reading and math. All children who need help are eligible to participate, but the funding is distributed according to economics. In Lawrence, Title I schools are chosen according to the number of children in each school that qualify for free or reduced-price lunches. Nine KALL teachers currently work in Lawrence.

Other districts also fund KALL under Title I. Dee Berry and Susan Bloomfield Steward, d'90, train KALL teachers in Olathe. After their year of training, they spent another year learning to train others; 17 Title I teachers in the district now teach KALL. And, as interest among their classroom colleagues has increased, Berry and Steward have led "team-building" sessions, sharing KALL methods with teachers who have not yet undergone intensive training. "They can use the strategies and components in groups; they can apply the same questions to the basal readers," Berry says. "I see it working so well. It naturally overflows into the rest of the curriculum."

Those who have taught Title I children using other methods say KALL fits Title I aim: Intervene early in the primary grades to prevent problems later. Research has shown that a child's reading progress by the end of first grade is a strong indicator of reading aptitude after sixth grade. And, Nielsen emphasizes, better readers read more and become better, while weaker readers read less and remain weak readers.

In Council Grove, Olivia Moore is one of four trained KALL teachers. A 21-year teaching veteran, she says the confidence of KALL kids carries them through as they grow older. "We're helping avert some later trouble in some children by helping them focus now," she says. "They're intense. The minute they walk in, they know exactly what to do."

Moore has become an ally of Ken England, a first-grade classroom teacher at Council Grove Elementary School. He has observed Moore's KALL sessions and has adapted the techniques in his class, where he says the KALL kids have become models for their classmates. "They're fearless," he says. "And it changes what the teacher does. You become a facilitator instead of pouring the knowledge out to the kids."

Children in his class who once avoided reading to their classmates now can't wait for their turn in the class "reading chair."

In Kansas City, Kan., where there are now eight KALL teachers and Nielsen will train more next year, Yvonne McBeth, '95, is a first-grade classroom teacher and former Title I teacher at M.E. Pearson Elementary School. She applies her KALL training in the classroom and in individual sessions and has seen the results in her kids. One is Gregory, who was thought to have learning disabilities as a kindergartner; after a year with her he's reading above first-grade level. Steve, who is Laoitian, knew few sounds or letters when he began his KALL lessons Feb. 14; when McBeth tested him in mid-May, he was reading at year-end first-grade level. "I used to use flash cards and have the children repeat after me," McBeth recalls. "I never do that now. My kids can do the work and figure it out. I'll stand up and preach about KALL all day long."

My kids. The phrase is a refrain among KALL teachers. Invigorated by new methods and critiques, steeped in research and promising results, they still revel in the wonder of watching students—their kids—break the code.

Karen Goodell, a reading teacher for nine years and editorial assistant for Kansas Alumni, says KALL teaching is the hardest work she has ever done, and she'd do it for free. She describes one child with whom she had worked for almost three years at Hillcrest Elementary School in Lawrence. "One day it happened," she says. "He had an honest-to-God OH! moment. He could read. And from that point on, he was a sponge. You couldn't get the books to him fast enough."

They read together for 18 days. On the 18th day, Goodell had to delay the boy's lesson until afternoon. As they walked down the hall from his classroom to begin their session, he said, "I'm so glad you came because if we don't read together, I'm not going to remember how to do this."

Goodell reassured him. "This isn't something that happens because you work with me," she told him. "Reading is inside of you now and you can do it for the rest of your life. It will never go away."

The boy's family moved suddenly that weekend. Goodell never saw him again.

"I think about him all the time," she says. "I wonder, 'Where is he? Is he reading?'"

At least she knows he got it. He learned to read. Just in time.

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GET ON THE BUS

Faculty learn firsthand about wonders of the Wheat State

BY DEBRA GRABER
Photographs by Doug Koch

Steve Padget stood, sketchbook in hand, at the base of a 50-foot chalk outcropping, one of several in the landmark known as Monument Rocks.

"Impressive," he said, backing up for a better view. "This isn't Kansas."

But of course, it was. Padget, associate professor of architecture and urban design, and three dozen other KU faculty members arrived at the site midway through a five-day Kansas bus tour sponsored by the University. Their assignment on the 1,500-mile journey was to become students of the state, to learn firsthand about its people, history, geography, cultures and industry.

Padget pulled out his pad and pencil during visits to a buffalo ranch, historic church, grain elevator and feedlots. "Architects are inveterate sketchers. We learn by drawing," he said, as he added the chalk rocks to his collection. "You learn different things by drawing than you do by taking photographs or writing."

One hundred feet away, Jim McCauley, assistant scientist with the Kansas Geological Survey, explained the geological formation to a cluster of faculty members. Monument Rocks formed during the Cretaceous geologic age; then they were continuous beds of microscopic shells, he said.

"This is the work of erosion. Some of the chalk is more resistant than others and forms a cap rock on these shell beds. Once the cap rock is gone, the formation doesn't last long," McCauley said. "Some day, these rocks will be gone."

McCauley was one of five KU scientists and professors who rode the bus as commentators. He, communication studies professor Diana Carlin, geography professor Pete Shortridge, geology professor Don Steeple and anthropologist professor Don Stull delivered mini-lectures as the bus rolled. Steeple, who owns a wheat farm near Paul in Rooks County, gave faculty a tour and a lesson on farm equipment. Associate Professor Jack Hofman led an archaeological dig in western Kansas to meet the bus at the pueblo remains of El Cuartejo, where he talked about the site's history.

The bus traveled a jagged loop through the state, purposely avoiding the interstate. "I want to get them off the beaten path," said Erin Spiridigiozzi, tour director and assistant dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

The mood on the bus was light-hearted. During one stretch, Carlin and
BUS STOP:
Steve Padgett (far left),
burned memories of
Monument Rock into
his mind by sketching
the spectacular view.
Other memorable
views (left) included
a tour of Beef Belt
Feeders’ western-
Kansas buffalo ranch;
Susan Egan and Eric
Elsinghorst (above),
assistant professors of
microbiology, enjoyed
the view on the high-
way between Dodge
City and Carned. A
road trip isn’t a road
trip without sou-
venirs, so Padgett,
associate professor of
architecture and
urban design, and
Diana Carlin, associ-
ate professor of com-
munication studies,
(right), were eager to
visit the buffalo
ranch’s gift shop.

Spiridigliozzi quizzed riders about
what they’d learned, asking about the
state’s rank in size (15th), the cattle
breed first introduced in Kansas
(Angus) and the earliest major highway
(Santa Fe Trail).

“What is the most abundant mineral
in Kansas?” Spiridigliozzi queried.
“Manure,” someone called out. “Sand!”
shouted another.

The correct answer, Carlin said
wryly, was salt.

At nearly every stop, the tour relied
on local experts. Jerry Kobler, d’65,
showed off Riverside Feeders in
Penokee. Cessna employee Chuck
Stump guided KU’s tourists through
the plant in Independence. Sen. Steve
Morris talked about natural gas issues
in southwest Kansas, and rancher
Charles Duff loaded faculty onto three
flatted trailers and drove them into a
herd of 250 buffalo.

“Riding that close to them, seeing
that many of them, you could imagine
even more roaming across the country,”
Lonn Beaudry said after the ride.

The animals were still losing their
winter coats, and Beaudry, associate
professor of design, thought the molting
was an appropriate image. “They
weren’t the perfect visual of what you
imagine a buffalo to be. A lot of the
trip has been like this. We’ve seen the
actuality, not a museum piece. We’ve
spoken to the real people,” he said.

That was the purpose, said
Spiridigliozzi. At Palco, where cameras
and interactive television networks
have enabled the tiny school to
increase its course offerings, the 13
members of the junior class chatted
with faculty in one of the high-tech
classrooms. After faculty roamed with
the buffalo, they lunched with local
ranchers. Whenever possible,
Spiridigliozzi scheduled meals with
area residents.

The idea for the bus tour came to
Kansas with Chancellor Robert E.
Hemenway: similar trips were made by
faculty at the University of Kentucky.
“He felt we needed to gain a better
understanding of the needs of the state,” Spiridigliozzi said.

As the tour came to a close, Edie
Taylor deemed it a success. A professor
of botany, Taylor has taught at KU two
years and said her knowledge of agri-
culture was limited. “I think that we had an image of subsistence farming,” she said. “Here it’s a much bigger
enterprise than I imagined—and it’s so
much more difficult than I imagined.”

The experience, she said, would
help her interactions with students.
Previously, “I’d ask where they were
from, and they’d tell me, and I’d have
no idea where that is.”

The tour helped her construct an
overall image of the state and its people,
she said.

“One of the things we do as teachers
is serve the people of Kansas. They pay
our salaries and we serve them by edu-
cating their children or by educating
them,” Taylor said. “I think we ought
to know about the people we serve.
This has done that for me—as I think it
did for everybody else on the bus.”

—Graber, ’85, edits Report
a University Relations tabloid
for KU parents.

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What might seem trivial to some—such as the difference between “that” and “which”—meant everything to John Bremner and still does to the legions of journalists he sent into the world to guard “our beautiful bastard language.”

He loomed so large over the William Allen White School of Journalism in life that even 10 years after his death his name causes nervous hesitation; hard-bitten reporters and cynical editors worry that their reverence for his memory will seem inappropriate to the uninitiated.

John Burton Bremner—renegade Jesuit priest, loving husband, caustic editor, brilliant teacher—cursed, cajoled, threatened, browbeat, uplifted, embarrassed and inspired hundreds of journalism students at the University, but the full measures of his legacy is deeper and timeless.

Bremner worked to produce not simply reporters and editors but writers, and a well-thumbed copy of his greatest work, *Words on Words*, can be found wherever the English language is still celebrated.

Bremner’s robust physical presence, booming voice and dramatic style
made an immediate and lasting impression on students and colleagues. "He was an intellectual force, measured at about seven on an academic Richter scale," recalls columnist and language maven James J. Kilpatrick, author of The Writer's Art and Fine Print: Reflections on the Writing Art, who met Bremer while in Lawrence to accept the William Allen White Foundation's annual citation. "I am confident that every student who ever survived his course in copy editing will remember John as the most unforgettable professor I ever met."

This, vintage Bremer, from a letter to Kilpatrick, his subject is the difference between "to imply" and "to infer": "Your birthday on All Saints' Day (Nov. 1)," Bremer wrote, "implies a life of sanctity. At least, that is my inference. My birthday, Dec. 28, implies a life of holy innocence. My inference is false."

Bremer, Oscar Stauffer Distinguished Professor of Journalism, taught at KU from 1969 to 1985, and his influence still reverberates within the profession. Editorially Speaking, the in-house publication of the Gannett newspaper chain, devoted an entire special issue to Bremer after his death. A 1988 article in Gannett Studies Journal (now Media Studies Journal) included Bremer among the half-dozen most prominent journalism educators of the century.

Bremer's courses—editing, advanced editing and critical writing—were considered among the school's most rigorous; students who braved them can still hear the echo of his lectures. "When I was at the J-school in the late '70s, he was understood to be the heart and soul of the place," says Gerald Seib, national political editor for the Wall Street Journal. Seib is a Jenser, having joined the paper as an intern in its Dallas bureau in 1977. "When you tell people that you took an editing class from John Bremer, they think that means he taught you punctuation, grammar and style. What he did was teach you how to think, which isn't the same thing at all. He taught you how to think about the world and how to learn things, which happened to include punctuation, grammar and style, but he was always painting on a much larger canvas."

Bremer's fearsome reputation preceded him even among the state's youngest journalism students. Mary Carter first encountered Bremer when she was a 16-year-old participant in a KU journalism camp; she later worked as his last teaching assistant. Now she is an assistant national editor of the Dallas Morning News, where she shared in a 1992 Pulitzer Prize for the paper's series on violence against women around the world. "Most of the kids at the camp were from Kansas high schools, from Hutchinson or Wichita or McPherson, and they were just buzzing. They were scared to death of the guy," Carter recalls.

"I grew up in Oklahoma and had never heard of him, so I didn't know enough to be scared. Somewhere in my reading I had encountered the concept of a palindrome. He wrote, 'A man, a plan, a canal, Panama' on the board and asked the class, 'What is this called?' Nobody raised their hand. I said, 'A palindrome,' and he boomed out, 'God bless you, woman!' After that I could do no wrong.

"He loved wordplay. He loved irony. He did not love a lack of curiosity. He was the keenest intellect I've ever encountered in my life."

Bremer's road to the classroom was circuitous. Born in 1920 in Brisbane, Australia, to a devoutly Roman Catholic family, he was ordained a priest in 1943 after studies at Propaganda Fide in Rome and All Hallows College in Dublin. He returned to Australia to work as a radio writer, announcer, editor and columnist for several Catholic publications. In 1951 he came to the United States to attend the graduate program at the Columbia University School of Journalism in New York City.

One of his classmates was Betsy Wade, who went on to run the foreign copy desk for The New York Times and now writes the "Practical Traveler" column for that paper. She remembers him as a fiercely intelligent young priest who faced and overcame an utterly alien environment.

"He had never been to school with women, never been to school with Jews; it was all a new thing," she recalls. "He lived and worked at St. Malachy's on 42nd Street near Broadway, which had a very hip, very fashionable congregation. There were a lot of important theatre people. Jimmy Durante was a communicant."

Wade and her classmates attended Bremer's 1952 Ash Wednesday service. "In his homily he said that there were three different kinds of rules for what you should eat or should not eat during Lent. He described the rules and said that they were printed on sheets available at the back of the church, and that he hoped we would all take one as we were leaving. Then he said, 'If you're sleeping with your partner's wife, none of

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this makes much difference. The place broke up."

After graduating from Columbia, Bremner taught at the University of San Diego, where he helped establish the journalistic program, and at the University of Iowa, where he obtained a doctorate in 1965. Three years later he left the priesthood and married Mary Ann McCue, whom he met in San Diego, and together they came to Kansas in 1969.

By then Bremner had fully developed the theatrical, confrontational, passionate style that was to make him a legend at the University and throughout the profession. It was based on his dolorous conviction that the world around him was growing dumber every day, a conviction he summed succinctly in Words on Words: "I have witnessed the steady growth of literary ignorance during a career of more than a third of a century." He set out to single-handedly reverse that trend. His gospel, repeated a million times—"Maybe a billion," says a former student—was, "Words convey ideas." He taught his students that "the copy desk is the last line of defense" against errors in fact and usage. He said, "If your mother says she loves you, check it out." He taught them that their job was to "stay the surge of literary barbarism."

He was not universally beloved. He asked hard questions, and when unhappy with the answers, famously flung open his classroom window and shouted at bewildered campus pedestrians: "Help! I'm being held hostage by idiots!" Confronted with dull-witted responses, poor preparation or simply a failure to meet his exacting standards, he would begin to sing, "Send in the Clowns." He told the Kansas City Star, "I am dogmatic. I talk loudly. I demand attention, and I get attention, and I insist on discipline, and I get it."

He also evoked visceral reactions. "It was really hard to be neutral about Bremner," Seib says. "He could say things to which people took great offense, sometimes purposefully so but sometimes without being aware of the effect he caused. People who took his class generally felt either intimidated by it or challenged by it. I think those who felt intimidated tended to become critics and those who felt challenged tended to become fans."

His classes were the journalism school's boot camp, and Bremner was an unforgiving drill sergeant. "On many occasions I saw him reduce people to tears," Carter says. "If he smelled weakness, it was over. He was hard, dogmatic and demanding, because he knew he was preparing people for one of the most thankless jobs in journalism. Not many people even know what a copy editor does, and the few who do don't like it very much, because you're changing their stuff."

"He always said that a copy editor had to know a little bit about everything, everything about some things and where to look up absolutely anything. There were some people who took his class just for the prestige of saying, 'I had John Bremner,' but if you weren't really into what he was into, you probably weren't going to make it. It was an ordeal."

He often attempted to temper his power. He ended his letters "Meanwhile, peace." He ended his lectures with the words, "Meanwhile-comma-peace-period," a regular reminder that each word and punctuation mark demands attention. He could be deeply touched, but he never relented. When illness forced him to cancel classes near the end of the 1973 spring semester and his students wrote him of their concern for his health, his response letter began, "As I was saying, before you broke my heart, words convey ideas."

Honors came to him. The Gannett Foundation spent $200,000 to put him on the road to conduct more than 50 editing seminars for more than 3,800 working journalists around the country. He was profiled on the front page of the Wall Street Journal. He won KU's HOPE Award twice and declined several additional nominations. Near the end of his life he returned to New York to accept an award from his classmates at Columbia. During his acceptance speech he pointed out errors in the class newsletter.

There are honors greater than awards. One that came to Bremner seems unprepossessing at first glance. It is merely a former student's letter, four hand-written pages from a young woman beginning her journalism career at a daily newspaper. She wrote:

Now that I am a professional, I am becoming increasingly aware of the effectiveness of your teaching, ...

This is going to sound like the atomic flyswatter of all time, but only superlatives are appropriate. In the estimation of all who have been in your class, you are the best editing teacher in the country. ... I have told [my boss] about false passives, split heads and the difference between "that" and "which." He had never heard of any of them. ...

Please don't change the style or substance of your teaching. You managed to cram more knowledge—and the desire to learn more—in my head than all the other teachers I have had combined. ...

Although words are supposedly my business now, they sometimes fail me. For those times—for now—I rely on the words of others. I read a passage in You Can't Go Home Again that fit my feelings about you as a teacher perfectly:

And, together, we had our own "Philosopher." He was a venerable and noble-hearted man—one of those great figures which almost every college had some years ago, and which I hope they still have. ...

He was a great teacher, and what he did for us, and for others before us, was not to give you "philosophy"—but to communicate to us his own alertness, his originality, his power to think. He was a vital force because he supplied to many of us, for the first time in our lives, the inspiration of a questioning intelligence. He taught us not to be afraid to think, to question; he taught us to examine critically the most sacrilegious of our native prejudices and superstitions. ...

Thank you, Dr. Bremner. You have given a once-timid, insecure girl ... her first sense of genuine confidence. And I love you for it.

John Bremner underwent surgery for bladder cancer in May 1985 and retired the following December. He died July 30, 1987. He is not forgotten. —Quinn, a Lawrence-based writer, is a regular contributor to Kansas Alumni.

He is currently finishing the follow-up to his debut novel, Thick as Thieves.
Seems like yesterday
The years melt away when old friends reunite during Alumni Weekend to celebrate personal and academic ties

She is aided by a wheelchair now, but there is not, and never has been, any lack of mobility for Helen Merrill Callbeck, whose world travels finally included—for the first time in 60 years—Lawrence.

Callbeck, c’37, spent much of her career teaching English in Southeast Asia, including Japan, the Philippines and Vietnam. “I was there when the French fell. I was the last American woman to leave Hanoi,” Callbeck says, her eyes still glistening with enthusiasm, her voice still full of energy. “But as I said then, ‘I can fly out of here at any time. My Vietnamese friends cannot.’ That was my concern, not the fact that I was the last American woman.”

Despite her fascinating personal history, Callbeck wasn’t much interested in recounting her journeys. Instead, she was eager to spend Alumni Weekend—celebrated April 25 and 26 with reunions that included the newest members of the Gold Medal Club from the Class of 1947—catching up with friends and classmates.

And none were more important for Callbeck than Viola Gordon Winchell, c’39.

“We were roommates. We were best friends. I was an adopted member of Clan Gordon.” Callbeck says. She touches her new Gold Medal Club pin, received 10 years late, then reaches out for Winchell, whom she had not seen since a brief visit in Chicago a few years after graduation. “My pin that I finally got, visiting with Viola for the first time in nearly 60 years...

friend, busy lives kept the two Watkins Hall roommates from visiting. But the nephew’s call did eventually lead to this spring’s reunion.

“I recently came across an old address book, the one with Viola’s number in Colorado,” Callbeck says. “So I called it. Viola had sold the house, but the people who bought it thought they had a number for her. And believe it or not, they found Viola’s phone number.”

Winchell, who has returned with her family to Lawrence, says she was shocked when the phone rang and she heard, for the first time in many years, the voice of her old friend.

“Fate,” Winchell says. “It’s fate, you know?”

And with Alumni Weekend approaching, the women decided 60 years apart was long enough.

Callbeck flew in from San Francisco, returning to campus for the first time since her 1937 Commencement, and the two friends starting catching up.

“I had missed many things,” Callbeck says, “but I said, ‘I can’t miss my 60th. We’re going to Lawrence.’”

“You have a lot of catching up to do,” Winchell says, “and you have a lot of stories to remind each other about. You know, when you are an undergraduate, you do some funny things sometimes.”

“Isn’t that true?” Callbeck answers. “But you do have lots of fun.”

Winchell smiles at her friend, and they seem to be silently sharing memories, the way old college buddies do. And the stories remain that way. Secret.

“Maybe,” Winchell says with a grin, “I shouldn’t tell on us.”

The 60th reunion of the Class of 1937
attracted about 20 alumni and their families. Along with their own reunion, the alumni helped welcome the newest members of the Gold Medal Club, which inducted 122 members from the Class of '47 who returned for the Gold Medal Club brunch.

Many of the returning alumni—about 500 came to Lawrence for the weekend’s festivities—and their families signed up for one of three Quantrill’s Raid Driving Tours, hosted by Lawrence historian Paul Stuewe. The tours, always a popular attraction on Alumni Weekend, take alumni on a guided retracing of events and sites associated with William Quantrill’s 1863 raid on Lawrence.

But Stuewe, g’76, g’80, made this year’s tour newsworthy by announcing that historians are revising long-held estimates of 150 fatalities in favor of a death toll closer to 200. Stuewe says new evidence reveals the deaths of drifters and other visitors who were caught up in Quantrill’s bloody fury but, because they had no family and friends in Lawrence, were never counted as lost.

"Not to diminish, in any way, the tragedy in Oklahoma City, but when you hear that described as the deadliest terrorist attack in U.S. history, that's probably not entirely accurate," Stuewe told alumni during one of his tours. "Quantrill’s raid was not an act of war. It was terror committed against a town of innocent civilians, and we now know that the people of Lawrence probably had to bury 200 men and boys. You'll see a lot of tombstones with the date Aug. 21, 1863. Nobody died of natural causes that day."

Alumni Weekend kicked off with the "Tribute to Bob Dole," a celebration honoring the former senator from Russell and announcing the construction of the Robert J. Dole Institute for Public Service and Public Policy on Campus West (see Hilltops, p. 10).

Politicians, judges and University dignitaries gathered for the April 25 ceremony, which transformed Allen Field House into an intimate, stately town hall. In attendance were Sen. Sam Brownback, l’83; Rep. Jim Ryun, j’70; Rep. Vince Snowbarger, l’77; and former Chancellor Gene A. Budig, c’75, g’76, and former Chancellor Gene A. Budig chat during an Adams Alumni Center reception before the All-University Supper. Boyd and Budig were two of four Distinguished Service Citation honorees, along with Madison A. "Al" Self, e’43, and Mary Kay Page McPhee, d’49. Above left: The dapper Richard Marsh, Ph.D’47, 91, traveled to Lawrence from Champaign, Ill., and was joined at his 50-year class reunion by his son, Stan. "[We] had such a wonderful Saturday at your 50-year alumni reunion," Richard Marsh said in a letter to the Association. "that we are constantly talking over the events and the people we met." Middle right: Former Gov. Bill Avery, c’34; Isabel Perry Allen, c’36; Kay Lambert Reich, c’54; and outgoing Association Chairman Gil M. Reich, e’54, share a laugh during their bus ride to Allen Field House, where they joined 2,000 other Jayhawks in a reception for former Sen. Bob Dole, ’45.
Nancy Kassebaum Baker, c'54; and the Association's Board of Directors.

Gov. Bill Graves praised not just Dole's legacy of integrity, toughness, sacrifice, compassion and wry wit, but also thanked Dole for the many public servants in attendance, since, Graves joked, "Half of us have to thank you for having jobs."

Dole immediately displayed that wit, telling the crowd of 2,000 that he only agreed to donate his archives to the University if Chancellor Robert E. Hemenway would agree to give Dole, '45, his KU transcript, which, Dole quipped, "I will quickly burn."

Dole, who left the University to fight in World War II, spoke of tradition, roots and Kansas values. He said he wanted the archive to help the entire state understand the importance of public service, and he decried the attitudes that have soured Americans to politics and the public life.

"This is what I hope this institute will stand for: the defeat of cynicism and the kind of bipartisanship that is more than pleasing words—bipartisanship that buries our bitterness because we must confront urgent national problems. Nothing is more needed in Washington, which still has much to learn from Kansas," Dole said.

Later that afternoon at the department of theatre and film's Alums Come Home III celebration, students and alumni filled the lobby of Crafton-Prayer Theatre after spending the day taking part in a series of career workshops presented by alumni (see Schoolworks, p. 56). The lobby was even more full before that evening's production of Abide With Me, Tom Averill's charming play about love and loss in fictional Here, Kan.

Averill, c'71, g'74, won the department's inaugural Great Plains Playwriting Contest, founded a year ago by Professor Del Unruh to cultivate local voices and incorporate them into University Theatre programs. Averill said the weekend was refreshing, providing him the chance to see old friends and gather comments about his play. "I was totally impressed not just by how seriously everyone took the production, but also at how much work went into the play—the sets, the
I feel it was my good fortune to start school under Ms. Twente," says Palm, a member of the first graduating class of the school. "She was my favorite godmother."

Such connections and memories occurred throughout the school's golden anniversary, which included workshops, a play about Twente, the unveiling of the school's new promotional video narrated by newsman Bill Curtis, j'62, and closed with the sweet sounds of the Chuck Berg Jazz Trio.

"I would argue that our alumni are among the most loving, most fun and most giving individuals," says Katherine Pryor, c'93, associate director of University Theatre and organizer of the reunion. "Maybe part of it is the nature of theatre. The alumni were so willing and eager to share their knowledge with students. It was wonderful."

B.J. O'Neal Pattee and William Palm sat together in Woodruff Auditorium immediately after a panel discussion celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the School of Social Welfare (see Schoolworks, p. 59). Pattee thanked Palm for his reflections earlier in the annual Social Work Day, and the two got on well as they reminisced about Esther Twente, the founder of the school.

"She was just the dearest person, no matter what you needed, she was willing to help," says Pattee, c'46, who worked for the Association for 30 years.

Meeks, c'64, l'67, is a district judge in Wyandotte County and a 1994 recipient of the Distinguished Service Citation, the University and the Alumni Association's highest honor for service to humanity. Before his year as executive vice chairman, Meeks had served three one-year terms as a vice chairman of the Board.

He succeeds Gil M. Reich, c'54, Savannah, Ga., who will continue to serve on the Executive Committee. Reich retired in 1988 from the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, having served as president of the Equitable and chairman of the Equicor-Equitable and chairman of the Equicor-Equitable HCA Corp. He is one of KUs 11 football All-Americans.

Adam, c'56, is chairman and chief executive officer of Black & Veatch in Kansas City, Mo. He was elected to the Board in 1995.

Vignatelli, c'77, d'78, is director of external affairs for Southwestern Bell Telephone in Topeka. She will move to Topeka in the fall. She was elected to the Board in 1995.

Ritchie, d'54, a longtime civic volunteer in the Wichita area, has served on the national Board since 1993.

Stauffer, j'49, is chairman emeritus of Stauffer Communications Inc. He is a member of the Association's Executive Committee and served as national chairman from 1993 to 1994. He had previously served as a director from 1978 to 1983. Last fall he received the Association's Fred Ellsworth Medallion for service to the University.

Hatton, c'64, m'68, is a physician with the Reed Medical Group in Lawrence.

Four directors retired June 30 from the Association's national Board: Nancy Bramley Hiebert, n'63, g'77, PhD'82, Lawrence; Bernie Nordling, l'49, Hugoton; William B. Taylor, b'67, g'69, Overland Park; and William M. Hougland, b'52, Lawrence, who had served on the Executive Committee after leading the Association as national chairman from 1992 to 1993. He received the Fred Ellsworth Medallion in 1995 for service to KU.
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Association ask your help in nominating deserving candidates for the Distinguished Service Citation, KU's highest honor.
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The Association will accept nominations through Sept. 30. If you would like to nominate an alumnus, alumna or friend of the University, send a description of the candidate's accomplishments, along with supporting materials such as newspaper clippings.
To renominate previous candidates, please submit their names and any new information that should be considered.
Send materials, including names and addresses for both the nominee and nominator, to the President, Kansas Alumni Association, 1266 Oread Ave., Lawrence, KS 66044-3169.

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THE STUDENT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION was recently recognized by its peers as Outstanding Organization of the Year.
The award was presented during a University of Wisconsin-Madison convention of student associations in District V of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education.
The Student Alumni Association, established in 1987, is designed to promote students' understanding about Alumni Association programs and encourage their continued involvement after graduation.
More than 400 of the Association's current members are SAA alumni, including the group's most recent president, Carrie Williams, ’97, Kansas City, Mo. Next year's president is Wendy Rohleder, Plainville senior.

Alumni Events

Adams Alumni Center
Reservations are required for all special events. Call (913) 864-4760

July
4-5
 Closed for Independence Day

14
 Afternoon Bridge
 11:30 a.m. fruit punch
  Noon luncheon
  $10 per person

August
8
 Tasting Society
  Beer Tasting
  7:30 p.m.
  $15 per person

11
 Afternoon Bridge
  11:30 a.m. fruit punch
  Noon luncheon
  $10 per person

28
 KU vs. Alabama-Birmingham
 Pre-game Buffet
  $16.75/adults
  $6.75/children ages 6-12
  Children under 6 FREE

Other Football Pre-game Buffets:
- Sept. 6: KU vs. TCU
- Sept. 13: KU vs. Missouri
- Oct. 4: KU vs. Oklahoma
- Oct. 25: KU vs. Nebraska
- Nov. 1: KU vs. Iowa State (Homecoming)

Chapters & Professional Societies

July
10
 Kansas City Chapter: Golf Classic
 Contact Michon Quick, 913-248-8458

12
 Los Angeles Chapter: South Bay Barbecue
 Contact Curtis Estes, 310-374-8541

17
 Kansas City Chapter: KCKU, Kansas City Young Jayhawk Network at Mill Creek Brewery
 Contact Jon Hofer, 913-685-8721, or Michon Quick, 913-248-8458

 New York Chapter: Thirsty Third Thursday at Deva, 341 Broadway
 Contact Brian Falconer, 212-986-3700

20
 New York Chapter: Alumni Picnic at Saddle River Park
 Contact Bob Hinnen, 201-996-5330

28
 Denver Chapter: KU at the Rockies
 Contact Mike Biggers, 303-805-8016
August
2
New York Chapter: Jayhawks at Sea
Contact Andy Coleman,
609-584-4234

14
Cincinnati Chapter Kick-off
Contact Stacie Doyle, 513-624-6119

17
Kansas City Chapter: Terry Allen Picnic
Contact Michon Quick, 913-248-8458

21
New York: Thirsty Third Thursday at
Iridium, 44 W. 63rd St.
Contact Brian Falconer,
212-986-3700

Atlanta Chapter: Big 12 Event
Contact Trina Marchetti, 770-913-9366
or Steve Rose, 770-604-9081

23
Seattle Chapter: Mariners vs. Yankees
Contact Tim Dibble, 206-392-0492

Atlanta Chapter: Big 12 Event
Contact Trina Marchetti, 770-913-9366
or Steve Rose, 770-604-9081

September
8
Wichita: Engineering Professional
Society
Contact Kirk Cerny, 913-864-4760

Beach Birds: New York and New Jersey
Jayhawks in the Metropolitan Area Alumni
Chapter have taken the
Jersey Shore's Bradley
Beach under their wings.
This year's cleanup on
Earth Day last April,
including chapter leader
Andrew Coleman, center,
and other alumni
dedicated to keeping
Bradley Beach clean.

Jayhawk Society

The privileges of a rare bird

Jayhawk Society is really
taking off as more alumni
show their KU dedication
by supporting this vital program for
the Association. We express our
appreciation in this issue by listing
the names of current Jayhawk Society
members in a special insert.

Copies of the insert also are available
at the Adams Alumni Center, where
Jayhawk Society members receive priority
in reserving dining and banquet
space and special house charge
accounts.

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- House charge account at the Adams
  Alumni Center
- Continental Airlines discount voucher
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  Breakfast
- Hampton Inn
- Hygienic Dry Cleaners, Lawrence and
  Topeka
- Jayhawk Bookstore
- Jayhawk Spirit
- Jock's Nitch Inc.
- Kief's Audio-Video
- KU Bookstores
- Marks Jewelers
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1930s
Donald Haight, e'39, continues to make his home in Sacramento, Calif., where he's a retired electrical engineer.

Richard Haun, '39, who's retired from the practice of dentistry, lives in Lawrence.

Robert Morton, f'35, a Wichita resident, is a former district court judge.

Robert Reeder, c'38, practices law with Reeder & Boehl in Troy, where he and Martha Bales Reeder, '70, live.

1940
Arthur Adelman, m'40, a retired physician, lives in Shawnee Mission.

Robert Hedges, b'40, does volunteer work in Amherst, Pa.

Jean Altergott McKnight, f'40, lives in Tyler, Texas. Her son, Thomas, an artist in Palm Beach, Fla., has painted the White House holiday cards sent by President and Mrs. Clinton for the past three years.

Kalman Oravetz, c'40, is of counsel with Hughes Hubbard & Reed in New York City. He lives in Millburn, N.J.

1941
Jane Coffman Mather, c'41, and her husband, Richard, assoc., celebrated their 50th anniversary May 3. They live in Tulsa, Okla.

Glenn Helmick, c'42, lives in Saint Cloud, Fla.

1944
William Stephens, e'44, makes his home in Des Peres, Mo.

1945
Bob Doele, '45, recently joined the Washington, D.C., law firm of Verner, Liptert, Bernhard, McPherson and Hand.

Marian Miller Meeker, f'45, and Bob, d'49, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary recently. They live in Jacksonville, Fla.

Keith Zarker, e'45, g'48, lives in Houston, where he's retired chair of Kezar Consulting.

1946
Mary Turkington, f'46, recently was named to the Kansas Turnpike Authority. She lives in Topeka and retired last year as executive director of the Kansas Motor Carriers Association.

1947
Elinor Kline Egbert, n'47, volunteers with Inter-Faith Services, a social service agency. She lives in Sun City West, Ariz.

James Mordy, c'47, senior partner in the Kansas City law firm of Morrison & Hecker, recently was named a fellow in the American College of Bankruptcy.

1948

F.W. Mallonee, e'48, is an independent oil and gas producer in Wichita.

Robert, c'48, EdD '61, and Mary Anne Turner Marshall, '48, do volunteer work in Warrensburg, where Robert is dean emeritus of public services at Central Missouri State University.

1950
Milton Rice, e'50, makes his home in Rancho Cordova, Calif.

Joseph Schmitz, '50, is retired in Kansas City.

1952
Rex Ehling, c'52, m'55, retired from practicing medicine last fall. He lives in Berkeley, Calif.

Frank, c'52, and Mary Haines Holefelder, '55, live in Wellington, where he's president of Blyer-Holefelder Insurance.

Bill Snufflin, '52, is a board member of DataNaut in Bethesda, Md. He lives in Hatboro, Pa.

1953
Robert Anderson, b'53, f'58, a resident of Mercer Island, Wash., retired from a career with Boeing.

Kenneth Buller, d'53, is president of Andreini & Co. of Southern California. He lives in San Clemente.

Loretta Cooley Hinkle, c'53, c'54, recently received a Leadership Award from the Redlands Council Girl Scouts. She lives in Oklahoma City and supervises the clinical laboratory at the Oklahoma Allergy & Asthma Clinic.

Jack Keller, e'53, lives in Overland Park, where he's a retired executive partner with Black & Veatch.

Marion Manion, '53, retired last year as an assistant vice president with Capitol Federal Savings in Topeka.

Austin Turney, b'53, recently was elected to the Lawrence school board.

1955
Maxine Bednar Allen, d'55, g'59, lives in Overland Park and serves on the foundation board of the Johnson County Library.

Robert Dickensheets, b'55, retired earlier this year as vice president and general manager of the components division of ABB. He lives in Jackson, Tenn., with his wife, Elaine.

Donald Smith, e'55, is a space transportation system engineer for Western Commercial Space Center in Lompoc, Calif.

Jane Figge Yerxa, f'55, lives in Spokane, Wash., with her husband, Jay. She's an artist.

1956
Bud Burke, b'56, retired in January after serving eight years as the president of the Kansas Senate. Burke spent 24 years in the Kansas Legislature. He now is president of Issues Management Group in Olathe.

Ruth Porter Lichtenstern, d'56, g'57, continues to make her home in Topeka, where she's a retired math teacher.

John Quadrer, b'56, is a vice president and senior loan review officer at Capital Bank in Miami, Fla.

1957
Sally Waddell Graber Miller, c'57, and her husband, Brad, celebrated their first anniversary May 25. They live in Lawrence.

1958
Maryann Stucker McAfee, n'58, g'85, and her husband, Billy, are retired in Leavenworth. They enjoy traveling in their fifth-wheel trailer.

Elaine Schoop Sahre, f'58, lives in Vestal, N.Y., where she's a retired occupational therapist.

1959
Ralph Wright, c'59, is general counsel for Criterion Catalysts in Houston.

1960
Robert Chiang, g'60, is a professor emeritus of architecture at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg Va.

Marietta Meigs Schreiber, d'60, recently was the National Art Education Association's 1996 Maryland Art Educator. She lives in Annapolis.

Elinor Hadley Stillman, c'60, is chief counsel to board members of the National Labor Relations Board in Washington, D.C.

1961
Clay Edmonds, b'61, president of the Salina Regional Health Center, recently received the Kansas Hospital Association's highest award for his contributions to health care in Kansas.

Robert Harbison, b'61, g'65, was recognized last year by the Oklahoma Institute of Child Advocacy as a "Friend of Children." He lives in Tulsa.

John Kimberlin, c'61, is pastor of Gilbert Presbyterian Church in Gilbert, Ariz.

John McElhiney, e'61, g'63, manages commercial technology for Marathon Oil in Littleton, Colo. He and his wife, Annette, live in Englewood.

Skip Rein, '61, recently was named vice chairman of Bernstein-Rein Advertising in Kansas City.
Sharon Mather Wagner, d'61, a visual art specialist at Felton Middle School in Hays, was the 1996-97 Kansas Art Educators Association's Outstanding Middle School Art Teacher.

1962
Elinor Varah Bowman, c'62, is a senior consultant and actuary with Gabriel, Roeder, Smith & Company in Gainesville, Fla.
Carolyn Kay Vath Domingo, e'62, retired last year from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, where she directed services for children with special health-care needs. She and her husband, Francis, e'42, live in Topeka.

Jeanne Howell McNeill, f'62, a fashion illustrator for the Fort Worth Star Telegram, recently completed a one-woman art show of her watercolors in Fort Worth.
Billy Mills, d'62, was one of five people named a 1996 Outstanding Speaker by Toastmasters International. Billy, who won a gold medal for the 10,000-meter race in the 1964 Olympics in Tokyo, Japan, lives in Fair Oaks, Calif.
Stanley Welii, b'62, retired recently as an audit manager in the internal affairs division of the Internal Revenue Service. His career is featured in a book, Unbribled Power, written by Shelley Davis. Stan lives in Aurora, Ill.

1963
Dennis Benner, b'63, is vice president and chief information officer of the Fluor Corp. in Irvine, Calif. He lives in Rancho Palos Verdes.
Jerry Jennett, b'63, is president of Georgia Gulf Sulphur Corp. in Valdosta, where he also chairs the Valdosta State University foundation.
Carl Leonard, e'63, recently became a management consultant with Hildebrandt in San Francisco. He lives in Lafayette.

Judy Sheaks McKenna, c'63, is a professor and interim assistant dean at Colorado State University's college of human sciences. She lives in Fort Collins.

1964
John Kannarr, c'64, lives in Glendale, Ariz., where he's retired from a career with Prudential Insurance.

Carolyn Nelson Ulrich, c'64, received the 1996 Quill and Trowel Award from the Garden Writers Association of America. She's managing editor of Chicagoland Gardening Magazine in Downers Grove, Ill.

1965
Anne Shontz Fenner, c'65, owns Image Management Associates in Omaha, Neb.

Robert Williams, d'65, g'69, EDD'70, is a professor of education at Colorado State University in Fort Collins.

1966
Curtis Harshaw, e'66, owns Harshaw Asset Management in Grand Prairie, Texas.
Larry Koskan, d'66, is president and CEO of the Donlar Corp. in Bedford Park, Ill. He and Jerilyn Lappin Koskan, c'64, d'66, live in Overland Park.

Gary Schrader, c'66, g'68, directs worldwide manufacturing engineering at Plantronics. He lives in San Jose, Calif.

Terry Shockley, g'66, lives in Madison, Wis., where he's president of Shockley Communications.

1967
Bette Meador Brady, c'66, is a human-resources consultant and trainer in Kansas City.

Susan Kelso, g'67, g'70, PhD'80, directs the theatre department at McNeese State University in Lake Charles, La., where she and her husband, Peter Dart, assoc., make their home.

Diane Lee, s'67, directs the department of social work at KU Medical Center.

Grant Merritt, g'67, is an endodontist practicing with Lettler, Merritt, Davis, Stam, Fass and Associates in Kansas City. He recently received the UMKC School of Dentistry Alumni Achievement Award.

John Miles, c'67, is a special assistant for corrections and substance abuse with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta. He lives in Alpharetta.

Larry Rinne, e'67, manages global operations and is a partner in SBC Brinson, an international investment management firm. He and Carol Harms Rinne, d'67, live in Naperville, Ill.

Connie Jones Welsh, d'67, PhD'89, is assistant superintendent of the Conroe Independent School District. She lives in Montgomery, Texas.

1968
Ronald Girotto, g'68, is executive vice president of the Methodist Health Care System in Houston. He lives in Bellaire.

Fred Hadley, c'68, chairs the chemistry department at Rockford College in Rockford, Ill.

Bess Cummins Krogh, d'68, lives in Lawrence.

David McClain, c'68, is a distinguished professor of business enterprise at the University of Hawaii-Honolulu.

Bruce Peterson, e'68, is president of Fidelity Technologies in Boston. He lives in Berwyn, Pa.

Dennis Tobin, c'68, m'72, has a neurology practice in Victoria, Texas.

Nevin Walters, d'68, is a dentist in Olathe.

1969
William Bartholomew, m'69, recently was inducted into the Rockhurst College Science
Hall of Fame. He's a professor of pediatrics at the KU Medical Center in Kansas City.

**William Coates, c'69, i72**, practices law with Bennett, Lytle, Wetzler, Martin & Fishy in Prairie Village.

**Joseph Herman, c'69,** is an adjuster for Crocker Claims Service in Albuquerque, N.M.

**Joyce Lowry Jackson, c'69**, owns a medical transcription service in Amarillo, Texas, where she and her husband, J.B., make their home.

**John Leech III, p'69,** is a clinical pharmacist and missionary with J.I.D.O.A. Ministries in Topeka.

**Michael Meyer, c'69,** is president and CEO of Cap Gemini America, a systems consulting firm in New York City. He and **Nancy Boyce Meyer, '71,** live in Fairfield, Conn.

**Richard Peppler, PhD'69,** recently was named dean of graduate health sciences at the University of Tennessee-Memphis.

**Chester White,** e'69, lives in Olathe and is a pilot for U.S. Air.

**BORN TO:**


**1970**

Jaryl Ambler-Brown, '70, manages LDDS/Workcom in Tulsa, Okla. She lives in Ramona.

**Beth Bohm, c'70, g'76, PhD'85,** is in private practice as a psychologist in Bangor, Maine.

**John Bouie, c'70,** lives in Wichita and works part-time for Spiegel.

**Valerie Cook Hodges, c'70,** is interim librarian at the Central Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City.

**William Nye, c'70,** works as an economist for the U.S. Department of Justice's antitrust division.

**Ronald Shull, c'70, g'75, PhD'86,** lives in Lexington, Ky., where he's general manager of the Lexington Children's Theatre.

**1971**

**Philip Burger, e'71,** president of Burger Engineering in Olathe, lives in Lenexa.

**Michael Day, c'71, i'74,** is a partner in the St. Francis law firm of Kite & Day, and **Brenda Brungardt Day, c'71,** teaches at the St. Francis Community School.

**Deborah Hoffman Fowler, d'71,** chairs the foreign-language department at St. Johnsbury Academy in St. Johnsbury, Vt.

**Robert Hendricks, f'71,** manages graphic design and production services for Verifone. He lives in San Jose, Calif.

**John Lubert, e'71, g'72,** a senior product engineer for Lucent Technologies, lives in Omaha.

**Lea Orth, f'71,** studies for a master's in arts administration at Columbia University's teachers college. She lives in New York City.

**Frederick Wade, e'71,** works for Clorox Services Co. in Pleasanton, Calif. He lives in Danville.

**BORN TO:**

**James Young, c'71,** and Claire, son, Joseph Montgomery, Nov. 21 in Chagrin Falls, Ohio, where he joins two sisters, Christine, 18, and Rebecca, 16, and a brother, James, 3.

**1972**

**Edward Bernica, e'72,** chief financial officer of EnergyWest, recently was elected to the board of the American Gas Finance Co. He and **Colette Neubauer Bernica, c'71,** live in Great Falls, Mont.

**Sarah Carr, c'72,** works as a sous chef at Mission Bell Inn in Manitou Springs, Colo. She lives in Colorado Springs.

**Harriette Stewart McCaul, c'72, g'76,** is senior vice president of human resources at Community First Bankshares. She and her husband, **Kevin, g'75, PhD'78,** live in Fargo, N.D. He's a professor of psychology at North Dakota State University.

**Richard Mitchell, f'72,** owns Rick Mitchell Photography in Lawrence.

**William Peterson, b'72,** is vice president of Telecommunications Concepts Inc. in Springfield, Va. He lives in Herndon.

**Paul Samaras, d'72,** teaches science at Mt. Carmel High School in San Diego. He lives in

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**COOPERATIVE HOUSING REUNION**

Alumni who lived in student housing cooperatives are having a reunion Oct. 17-19. Since 1939 the University has been the home of 16 different cooperative houses. Besides presentations and recollections, the group is planning a barbecue and a formal dinner. For more information contact Luther Buchele, 1303 S. Forest, Ann Arbor, Mich., 48104, (313) 662-8575, or Austin Turey, 1501 Pennsylvania, Lawrence, Kan. 66044 (913) 749-2243.

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Men have landed on the moon. We've hiked the highest mountains and explored the deepest oceans. So perhaps we shouldn't be amazed by a food product.

But forgive us. The news is large: Candace Muller Vanice, c'95, has patented ... drum roll, please ... fat-free french fries, and guess what they taste like? French fries!

Personally, we regard this as one of the great leaps in human progress. But over in our corner of Adams Alumni Center, we'll consume anything, especially when it's free. So we decided to let our office friends be the judges.

Bryan Greve, manager of The Learned Club; placed two bags of Vanice’s “8th Wonder Fat Free Fries” in the oven; 30 minutes later, he produced a platter of crispy, crinkle-cut goodties. The rush was on and, before we knew it, the plate was clean and our colleagues craved more.

“French fries are known to be something that’s high in fat, so people say that if you take away the fat, all you’ve got is the potato and there’s nothing else that can possibly taste good,” says Vanice, 25. “But really, when you eat a french fry, you don’t taste the potato anymore, you taste the oil.”

Vanice’s answer was to return to the potato to its proper place in the french-fry experience. She uses Yukon Gold potatoes that produce the golden appearance without being fried, and also have a naturally buttery taste. Added to the splendid spuds is an egg-white coating (to create the crisp outer shell and help with browning) and a few light spices.

Creating healthy foods has interested Vanice ever since she started altering fat-laden family recipes after arriving at Mount Oread, where the “Freshman 15” are as famous as midnight doughnut runs and cheap pizza.

“I heard everyone talking about putting on weight,” Vanice says, “and I didn’t do that because I changed my consciousness of how to eat right.”

A few years ago, Vanice created the fat-free fries. Friends and family convinced her to get them on the market, so not long after graduating with distinction in math (her first job out of KU was at an actuarial consulting firm), Vanice won a U.S. patent for her potato process.

8th Wonder Fat Free Fries, on the market since February, are already in more than 130 area stores. The fries have also been picked up by the Hy-Vee chain (and should be in its freezers by mid-summer), as well as by Associated Wholesale Grocers’ divisions in Oklahoma City and Springfield, Mo.

“At first there was a bunch of [fat-free products] that came out that were absolutely terrible. They thought you could put fat-free on the package and everyone would buy it,” Vanice says. “Well, people got smart and said, ‘I’m not going to eat it if it tastes like cardboard.’ And I feel the same way: I wouldn’t attach my name to something that wasn’t good.”

THE FRY THAT LOVES ME: With an eye toward personal health, Candace Vanice invented fat-free French fries in her own Kansas City kitchen. Encouraged by family and friends, she launched them in grocery stores in February and already has reached much of the Midwest market.

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BROWN DRAWS CLEAR OF HOOPS LETDOWN

Downtown Terry Brown is back. Brown, '92, earned the moniker by draining long-range field goal attempts. Against North Carolina State in 1991, Brown, a guard, scored 42 points—and in the long tradition of KU men's basketball, his single-game surge is topped only by Wilt Chamberlain, Bud Stallworth, John Douglas, Clyde Lovellette and B.H. Born.

And now with his talented, tender drawings on display in galleries and coffee shops along Massachusetts Street, Terry Brown is—literally—downtown.

"I knew I was going to be doing this sooner or later," Brown says of his new artistic career. "So I figured I'd go ahead and get started on it now and get these things out there."

Brown's pro hoops adventures peaked with a stint in Mexico and a cup of coffee with Wichita's CBA franchise.

"After I got out of KU, things didn't work out in basketball," Brown says, disappointment evident in his voice. "I was always interested in drawing, so I decided to see how far I could push myself."

Brown, who studied painting and drawing at the University, says he used to prefer working in pencil. Yet as he became more serious about his art, Brown began using colored chalk—and discovered some special images.

"I didn't think I could do colored chalk that well," Brown says. "I surprised myself."

Brown has made some chalk drawings of KU basketball players, and conceives his choice of subject matter was, in part, commercially driven. But like his other subjects, Brown says, basketball images are important to the artist.

One of his favorites is a lively depiction of guitarist Jimi Hendrix. One of his most confident drawings depicts a sedate old man draped in muted cloth, flanked by a young girl who proudly wears a splendid outfit with colors that mirror her own vibrant energy.

Subjects in Brown's drawings are usually touching or reaching out emotionally to others in the scene—his portfolio includes no lonely sailboats off a stormy coast. His drawings seem to be consistent statements about human connections and heritage, but Brown says the interpretations are produced only by the viewer.

"I wasn't intending to show people in groups or families," Brown says. "I think it's just that I like dealing with people."

Despite a popular show at the Bourgeois Pig coffeehouse, works on display in the Phoenix Gallery and a show scheduled for July in the Riverfront Mall's gallery, Brown says he might not be long for Lawrence. He is considering moving with his girlfriend to Minnesota, and if he does, Brown says, he hopes to enroll in art school and study design. For now, though, Brown will happily continue his transformation from famous local athlete to respected artist.

"I don't see too much African-American art around here, so I'm happy that people are noticing my work," Brown says. "I'm also trying to get into Kansas City and Topeka ... wherever I have to go, so long as the work gets noticed."
Jeffrey Jordan, c'77, g'79, works as a geologist and project manager for the IT Corporation in Englewood, Colo. He and his wife, Maureen, live in Littleton with their sons, Brendan, 7, and Kevin, who'll be 1 Sept. 29.

Meredith Marden, d'77, teaches kindergarten at Platte Canyon Elementary School in Bailey, Colo. She lives in Lakewood.

Judith Polson, c'77, lives in New York City, where she's assistant vice president of Merrill Lynch.

Al Shank, b'77, is president of Al Shank Insurance in Liberal, where he and his wife, Donna, assoc., make their home. They have three children, Megan, Marc and Miranda.

Debra Bangs Shollenberger, s'77, g'92, directs the National Institute of Senior Centers in Washington, D.C. She lives in Springfield, Va.

1978

Paul Bennett, e'78, b'79, works for Southwest Gas Corp. in Tucson, Ariz., where he and Jennie Boederer Bennett, c'77, make their home.

Sidney Black, e'78, is general manager and managing director of Marathon Oil in Houston.

Forrest Ehrke, '78, a social work administrative specialist in Via Christi Regional Medical Center's care coordination department, recently was elected to the board of directors of Ronald McDonald House Charities of Wichita.

Rick Kelleran, m'78, associate dean of primary care at the KU School of Medicine-Wichita, has been selected one of 32 participants for the 1997 U.S. Public Health Service Primary Care Policy Fellowship.

George Mason, d'78, works for Campus Crusade for Christ International in San Clemente, Calif. He lives in Irvine.

Trinka Crossley O'Fallon, c'78, is a nurse in Knoxville, Tenn.

Thomas Page, b'78, has been promoted to vice president of Beverly Enterprises in Fort Smith, Ark.

Vicki Ensz Schmidt, p'78, a pharmacist consultant for Blue Cross & Blue Shield in Topeka, also serves on the Kansas Board of Pharmacy.

BORN TO:

Richard Armspiger II, c'78, m'82, and Susan, daughter; Hannah Margaret, Oct. 6 in Shawnee Mission, where she joins a brother, Thomas, 11, and a sister, Sarah, 9.

Jeff Ayesh, c'78, and Patti Hobson Ayesh, p'79, daughter; Sara Nicole, May 16, 1996, in Wichita. Jeff is a pharmaceutical salesman for Merck and Patti is a pharmacist.

Carmen Bamber Hocking, c'78, and Michael, son, Nicholas Jacob, March 27 in Lawrence, where he joins a brother, Blake, 3, and a sister, Ashley, who'll be 2 Sept. 6.

Loren Taylor, j'78, g'87, and Susan, son, James Cleveland "J.C." Nov. 18. They live in Lutz, and Loren is associate vice president and executive director of the University of South Florida Alumni Association.

1979

Leslie Guild Moriarty, j'79, a reporter for The Herald in Everett, Wash., recently won an award from the Washington Press Association for her work. She and her husband, Patrick, live in Bothell.

1980

William Clem, j'80, is sales director for Aircraft Instrument & Radio in Wichita, where
he and Debbie Potash Clem, '83, live with their children, Ryley, 8, and Abigail, 6.

Bob Duffer, g'80, directs bands at Lansing High School. He lives in Lawrence.

Caryn Conrad Gomez, c'80, lives in San Antonio, where she's store director for HEB Grocery.

Allen Heinemann, g'80, PhD'83, was promoted to professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation at Northwestern University last year. He lives in Chicago.

Phillip Hines, b'80, is a special agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Oklahoma City.

Jeff Kallmeyer, e'80, works as senior production engineer for the Apache Corp. in Houston. He lives in Cypress.

Melaney McWhirter, h'80, directs rehabilitation services for Western Plains Medical Complex in Dodge City.

Nancy Nehring, f'80, is an administrative assistant in the music department at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon, Canada, where she and her husband, Mark, live with their daughter, Helena, 1.

Charles Rimpo, e'80, and his wife, April, moved recently from Mesa, Ariz., to Dayton, Md., for his job as senior systems application engineer at VLSI Technology in Millersville.

Kurt Roberts, b'80, is business manager for Wheat Lands Inc. in Garden City.

James Sauer, c'80, lives in Plano, Texas. He's area director for Compaq Computer in Dallas.

Frederick Stattman, e'80, and his wife, Angie, make their home in Colorado Springs with their daughter, Kimberly, who'll be 1 Sept. 19.

Lynette Rittgers Well, p'80, is a pharmacist at K-Mart in Salina, where she lives with her children, Megan Elizabeth, 13, and Bryan, 12.

1981

Robert Brown, c'81, e'81, lives in Port Washington, N.Y. He's senior marketing manager for Pall Process Filtration Co. in East Hills.

Amy Finch, PhD'81, is an assistant professor of communications disorders at Fort Hays State University.

Shelley Hale Hill, e'81, manages compensation and systems for AT&T in North Palm Beach, Fla. She lives in West Palm Beach.

Gretchen Hewitt Holt, c'81, is a human-resources analyst for the city of Scottsdale, Ariz., and her husband, David, '82, directs preconstruction services for Foresite Construction. They have a son, Austin, 5.

Thomas Laming, c'81, works for Comerz Capital Management in Shawnee Mission as senior vice president.

Mike Moore, c'81, edits the Bulletin of Atomic Scientists, and Sandra Smith Moore,
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PhD'88, is associate dean of University College at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. They live in Chicago.

Roger Norwood, '81, recently was elected a Texas Instruments Fellow. He lives in Sugar Land, Texas.

Leslie Rose, '81, c'81, manages tour operations for High Country Passage in Palo Alto, Calif. She lives in San Mateo.

Janet Schenlenburg Wiens, s'81, owns a marketing and communications consulting business in Memphis, Tenn., where she and her husband, Jeff, live with their daughters, Alyssa, 4, and Amy, 2.

BORN TO:

Robert Payne, c'81, and Dawn, son, Ethan Robert, Nov. 29 in Lee's Summit, Mo., where he joins a sister, Courtney, 9. Robert is corporate counsel for Harmon Industries in Blue Springs.

1982

Jon Culbertson, b'82, lives in Tigard, Ore. He's chief instructor with U.S. West Coast Taekwondo in Hillsboro.

Mary Tucker, d'82, is vice president of sales for Anacomp in Poway, Calif. She lives in San Diego.

Dale Wetzel, j'82, covers the North Dakota Capitol for the Associated Press. He lives in Bismarck.

BORN TO:

Kent Gaylor, e'82, g'84, and Karin, daughter. Rachel Mary, Feb. 18 in Houston, where she joins two sisters, Lauren, 5, and Emily, 3. Kent's a program manager for LinCom.

1983

John Dicus, b'83, g'85, recently was elected president and chief operating officer for Capitol Federal Savings and Loan Association in Topeka.

Tony Folsom, f'83, f'86, commutes from Lawrence to Topeka, where he's supervising attorney for the Kansas Board of Tax Appeals, and Cindy Scott Folsom, '87, is a medical technologist for Lab One in Overland Park. They have two children, Alex, 9, and Abby, 6.

Helena Orazem Grinter, e'83, manages projects for Kansas Farm Bureau Services in Manhattan, where she and her husband, Mark, c'84, live with their children, Anna, 8, and James, 5. Mark's a systems manager at K-State.

Laura Behrndt Hughes, j'83, sells advertising for Commerce Publishing in St. Louis. She and her husband, Richard, live in Kirkwood.

Damian Richards, j'83, lives in Atwood, where he's pastor at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Marc Samet, PhD'83, works for Excorp Ltd. in Del Mar, Calif.

Stuart Shea, g'83, directs geospatial systems for TASC in Reston, Va. He lives in Herndon.

1984

Kathleen Ryan Barnett, c'84, works for Autopia in Lenexa. She and her son, Craig, 6, live in Olathe.

Lee Carvell, e'84, supervises the blow-molding group at Phillips Chemical's plastics technical center in Bartlesville, Okla., where he and his wife, Brenna, live with Melissa, 6, and Tyler, 3.

Mark Emig, c'84, m'88, has become a partner with Eye Physicians in Omaha, Neb., where he lives with his wife, Annie, and their daughters, Alexandria, 5; Katelyn, 4; and Stephanie, 1.

Debra Gray Ford, s'84, a'85, recently joined Gould Evans & Associates in Lawrence as a vice president and project manager.

Jeffrey Gentsch, c'84, has been named managing director of Harbour Group, a St. Louis-based company. He lives in Richmond Heights.

Jerry Flynn Hanus, e'84, works as a principal engineer for Procter & Gamble in Mason, Ohio. She and her husband, Daniel, live in Cincinnati with their son, Andrew, 1.

Edward Hubert, c'84, is an environmental scientist and project manager with Tetra Tech in Lenexa. He and his wife, Gayle, live in Parkville, Mo., with their son, Nathaniel, 4.

Elizabeth Dire Mullins, g'84, recently was promoted to vice president at Gould Evans Associates in Kansas City. She lives in Lawrence.

Helmut Riedinger, e'84, g'87, is senior operations planner for the Ponca City Refinery. He and Rosario Miller Riedinger, '86, live in Ponca City, Okla., with their sons, Helmut, 8, and Derek, 5.

Lanny Schoeling, g'84, g'94, directs the North Midcontinent Resource Center in Lawrence.

Alan Stetson, b'84, recently joined Midwest Trust Company as a vice president and senior trust officer. He and Elizabeth, assoc., live in Overland Park.

Craig Vaughn, e'84, is president of the Colorado Association of Geotechnical Engineers and of GTG Geotechnical Services in Wheat Ridge, Colo. He lives in Boulder.

Donald Wilbur III, c'84, manages computer systems and accounts receivable for IFC Companies in Olathe. He lives in Lawrence.

Scott Wren, b'84, and his wife, Doreen, own S.L. Wren & Co. in St. Louis, where they live with their children, Amelia, 5, and Daniel, 2.

BORN TO:

Patti Haigler Howard, c'84, g'89, and Larry, daughter, Lauren Elizabeth, Dec. 11 in
PROFESSOR’S CURVY CARD COMES UP ACES

It’s not the way the deck is stacked, but the way it’s cut that makes a wavy new kind of playing cards designed and patented by Lance G. Rake a real winner. The New Deal Playing Card, a curvaceous cousin to the standard rectangular model, is designed to be easier for children and arthritis sufferers to hold and shuffle.

Rake, f’74, associate professor of design, was literally handed the idea when his dad, Myron, e’49, brought him a photo he’d taken of a card worn from years of frequent shuffling. Myron’s wife, Lorraine LoVette-Rake, d’53, EdD’77, says she and her husband were fascinated with the shape of the cards as they watched a friend play solitaire during a visit to Florida.

This friend, Lorraine says, didn’t require much sleep and enjoyed long evenings with a particularly challenging version of solitaire. After thousands of games and shuffles, the grooves made by her fingers were clearly visible in the top and bottom edges of the cards. When the woman dealt in Myron and Lorraine—both arthritis sufferers—for a game of pitch, the two were surprised by the comfort and ease with which they played.

Myron, a retired civil engineer with an inventor’s eye, pulled out his camera and photographed the deck. Then he returned to Kansas with a great idea for his son. Lance spent the summer of 1995 whittling on decks with an Exacto, trying to replicate the worn curve. With a little refinement, he was soon satisfied. The New Deal Playing Card Company (1-888-2NU DEAL) was formed with business partner, chief investor and emeritus KU Medical Center professor Kermit Krantz of Leawood, and the cards were awarded a U.S. utility patent.

Since production began late last year, Lance has continued his day jobs as a teacher, director of the Design Research Center and work on a prototype for a standing wheelchair, while also learning the ins and outs of marketing with his wife, Deb. The two have managed to sell several thousand decks while working on a very part-time basis, but have been surprised, they say, that the bulk of their sales have occurred in toy stores. They hope to also reach a more difficult target group that makes up the largest portion of the card-playing market, those 65 and older.

A new design of more narrow, bridge-sized cards is due out in late summer. The goal, Lance says, is to offer a deck with a “universal design,” a term that has come to describe a product that attempts to offer the same level of access, assistance and enablement to all users.

A 10-year faculty member, Lance is from a crowded line of KU alumni, including two sisters, a brother, both parents, and grandparents. But it’s his dad he has to credit for this brainstorm. “I owe him a lot more than a commission,” Lance says.

—Dinsdale is a free-lance writer who lives in Lawrence.
tendant program manager for TRW in Aurora, Colo., where she and her husband, Patrick, live with Emily, 5, and Alex, 1.

Cynthia Russell Trotto, ’86, manages marketing and corporate communications for Microchip Technology in Chandler, Ariz. She and her husband, John, live in Phoenix with their daughter, Bianca, 1.

BORN TO:
Marjorie Wells Galvan, ’86, and Jeff, ’87, m’94, son, Mason Joseph, Feb. 12 in Normal, Ill., where he joins two brothers, Michael, 5, and Matthew, 3.
Mike McGregor, ’86, and Diana, son, Daniel, Jan. 15 in Shoreline, Wash.

1987
Thomas Aniello, ’87, works as a sales administrator for Cessna Aircraft in Wichita. He lives in Newton.
Mark Ferguson, ’87, b’87, ’90, has been named a partner in the Overland Park law firm of Lathrop & Gage. He and his wife, Susie, have a daughter, Jessica, who’s nearly 2.
Rebecca Foster, ’87, recently was promoted to associate in the architecture firm of Davis Design. She lives in Lincoln, Neb.
Aaron, ’87, and Jana Black Smith, ’88, live in Falls Church, Va., with their sons, Tyler and Garrett, who’ll turn 5 and 1 in September.
Keith Stroker, ’87, ’89, is a CPA with Scheinman, Bennett & Lowenthal in Lawrence. He lives in Shawnee.

BORN TO:
Aric, b’87, and K.K. Neilson Cleland, ’87, son, John Aric, Oct. 18 in Chicago.
Ann Becker Logan, b’87, and William, son, Sean Martin, Nov. 11 in Topeka, where he joins a sister, Katie, 4, and a brother, Conor, 2.
KENT, c’87, and Cathy Wells, assoc., daughter, Caroline Renee, Dec. 28 in Round Rock, Texas. Kent’s project manager for Parsons Engineering in Austin.

1988
Joanne Cronrath Bamberger, ’88, is senior counsel with the enforcement division of the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission in Washington, D.C. She lives in Columbia, Md.
Shawn Boyce, ’88, is co-founder of Qcom Inc., a telecommunication service, integration and development company in Morganville, N.J.
Timothy Buckley, ’88, practices law in Omaha, Neb., where he and his wife, Elizabeth, make their home.
Mark Bugay, ’88, g’90, a foreign service officer with the U.S. Department of State in Washington, D.C., will be moving later this year with his wife, Judy, and their daughter, Phoebe, to Sofia, Bulgaria, where Mark will be second secretary in the American Embassy.
Maureen Call, ’88, is a management consultant with Solbourne in Boulder, Colo.
Patrick Duff, ’88, recently joined Gould Evans Goodman Associates in Kansas City as a project architect.
Beth Gorz, ’88, sells real estate for Re/Max Suburban in Glen Ellyn, Ill.
Leo Herrman, PhD ’88, is superintendent of the Larned Youth Center. He lives in Topeka.
Kevin Hopkins, ’88, is pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church in Lindsborg, where he and his wife, Joni, live with their sons, Jordan, 3, and Marshall, 1.
Wendy Kendrick, c'88, owns Blue Studio Productions in Atlanta.

John “Jack” O'Leary, c'88, i'91, recently became a member of the Salina law firm of Hampton, Royce, Englemann & Nelson.

Marta Morales-Kennedy, m'88, works as a staff nurse at Stormont-Vail Regional Medical Center's Birthplace. She and her husband, Brandon, c'87, live in Topeka with their children, Pablo, Daniel and Mariella. Brandon's a pediatrician at Pediatric Care.

Jackie Hansen Pellow, c'88, does sales and marketing for John Knox Village in Lee’s Summit, Mo. She and her husband, Donald, c'66, live in Leawood.

Steven Sneath, c'88, is a client advocate for Sigma Micro Corp. in Indianapolis, where he lives with his wife, Karyn.

Kathleen Witt Strout, c'88, manages communications and marketing for Price Waterhouse in St. Louis. She and her husband, Alfred, live in Maryland Heights.

Angela Jacobs Strum, c'88, supervises accounts for Adamson Advertising in Clayton, Mo. She and her husband, Stephen, live in University City.

MARRIED
Michelle Butler, c'88, to Lance Latham, Nov. 22, in Oswatotie. They live in Topeka, where Michelle is a legislative assistant in the Kansas House of Representatives.

Kim Larson, h'88, to David Cooper; Nov. 30. They live in Hastings, Neb., where David works as a mechanical engineer.

Jon Leach, c'88, g'91, and Jennifer Wright, assoc., Sept. 21. They live in Livermore, N.Y.

BORN TO:
Thomas Anthony, m'88, and Connie, daughter; Andie Elizabeth Carpenter, Feb. 27 in Dallas. Thomas is an assistant professor of surgery at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center.

Jeffrey Buchanan, c'88, j'88, and Michelle, daughter; Conrie Ann, Oct. 23 in Prairie Village, where she joins a brother, Keegan, 6. Jeffrey's a client consultant with Western Air Maps, and Michelle is a nurse at Children's Mercy Hospital.


Amy Gilgut Stephenson, j'88, and Scott, daughter; Rae Adeline, April 17 in Marshfield, Mass. Amy is a special education teacher at Plymouth South High School.

Sally Treibel Werntz, j'88, and Kevin, son, Drew, March 18 in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.

Curtis Buchele, b'89, commutes from Lawrence to Topeka, where he's an assistant director at Hypermart.

Roger, b'89, c'90, p'94, p'96, and Susan Scheffer Clark, '94, celebrate their first anniversary Aug. 3. They live in Wichita, where Roger's a pharmacist and Susan studies for a master's in pharmacy at Wichita State University.

Lisa Fox Dahlgren, b'89, i'93, is an attorney with Koch Industries in Wichita, where her husband, Jeffery, i'93, practices law with Trippelt, Woolf & Garretson. Their daughter, Alexandra, will be 1 Aug. 5.

Thomas Drees, i'89, recently was elected county attorney for Ellis and Trego counties. He lives in Hays.

Marcia Edmundson, c'89, a U.S. Navy lieutenant, studies for a master's in information technology management at the Naval Post Graduate School in Monterey, Calif. She lives in Pacific Grove.

Elizabeth Grigg, c'89, is an assembly coordinator for Baker, Knapp & Tubbs in Washington, D.C. She lives in Arlington, Va.

Matthew Hickam, c'89, directs governmental affairs for the American Health Care Association in Washington, D.C. He and his wife, Stacey Cook, c'91, live in Alexandria, Va., with their daughter, Georgia, I.

David Hutzenbuhler, b'89, works as a CPA in Raleigh, N.C., where he and Angela Doering Hutzenbuhler, c'85, m'89, make their home. She's a gastroenterologist with Raleigh Medical Group.

Jeffrey Maher, i'89, is a regional marketing director for Sun America Marketing. He lives in Prairie Village.

Brian Neely, c'89, lives in Overland Park with his wife, Marcia. He's a preloader for United Parcel Service.

David Owen, c'89, works as a regional sales manager for Enterprise Fleet Services in Van Nuys, Calif. He lives in Marina Del Rey.

Todd Rein, '89, recently became a senior broadcast producer for NKH&W, a Kansas City advertising agency.

Daniel Robertson, b'89, manages the Burlington and Stratton, Colo., offices of Kennedy and Coe. He and his wife, Angela, assoc., live in Burlington with their daughters, Jennifer, 10, and Jessica, 3.

Jean Seeger, c'89, j'90, is an attorney with the Circuit Court of Jackson County in Kansas City. She lives in Prairie Village.

Terry Smith, c'89, recently became senior design engineer at Hewlett-Packard in Folsom, Calif., and Brenda Phillips Smith, s'90, s'92, is an on-call medical social worker at Sutter Roseville Medical Center. They live in Rescue with their son, Jordan, who'll be 3 in September.

John, c'89, and Lisa Schweitzberger Volesky, p'89, live in Plano, Texas, with their daughter, Taylor, who'll be 1 Sept. 13.

MARRIED
Martha Johnson, c'89, n'95, to Doug Simmons, Oct. 12. They live in Kansas City, and Marty's a nurse at Johnson County Radiation Therapy.

Lorna Reese, c'89, to Erick Blount, Oct. 26. Their home is in Katy, Texas.

BORN TO:
James Allen, c'89, and Laura, daughter; Megan Ann, April 4 in Jacksonville, Fla., where she joins a brother, James, 2.

Tori Buchman Chalker, s'89, and Bradley, daughter; Jordan Dianne, Nov. 27 in O'Fallon, Ill., where she joins a brother, Joshua, who's almost 3. Tori is a social work consultant, and Brad is an electrical engineer.

Robert Knapp, j'89, and Susan, daughter, Eleanor Armstrong, Nov. 18 in Charlotte, N.C., where Rob is night copy desk team leader and Susan's a features designer at the Charlotte Observer.

1990
Laurie Ambler-Pfeifer, c'90, directs marketing and advertising for Organized Living in Lenexa. She and her husband, Kevin, live in Shawnee.

Jeffrey Bloxley, c'90, i'93, practices law with Mustain, Higgins, Kolich, Lysaught & Tomasic. He and his wife, Sally, live in Kansas City with their daughter, Megan, who'll be 1 Sept. 22.

Margaret Golden Bowler, c'90, is an associate vice president at Gould Evans Goodman Associates in Kansas City.

Keith Carr, b'90, is assistant controller for Columbia Steel Tank Co., in Kansas City. He and Christine Dasbach Carr, c'90, live in Overland Park with their son, Tyler, I.

Richelle "Shelby" Crow-Johnson, c'90, lives in Topeka with her husband, Lyndon, and their children, William, 5, and Hannah, I. Shelby is a vice president and trust officer at Mercantile Bank.

Daniel Grossman, c'90, a Denver resident, serves as a representative of House District 6 in the Colorado Legislature.

Edward Hubbard, c'90, covers the Dallas Cowboys for the Dallas Morning News. He and his wife, Belinda, live in Plano.

Justin Johnson, c'90, g'92, is senior consultant for Ralph Anderson & Associates in Dallas.

Arlen Kaufman, c'90, completed a doctorate in analytical chemistry at Purdue University last year. He lives in Lafayette, Ind., and is a visiting assistant professor of chemistry at the University of Evansville.

Katherine Glaser McMillen, j'90, works as
a litigation attorney with Crews & Hancock. She and her husband, Jeffrey, live in Falls Church, Va.

Kimberly Stolz Mohn, c’90, is an internal medicine resident at Duke University Medical Center. She and her husband, John, live in Durham, N.C.

David Peacock, j’90, manages Budweiser promotions for Anheuser-Busch in St. Louis.

Christopher Romine, c’90, a tax consultant with Price Waterhouse in Houston, was honored last fall by the Texas Board of Public Accountancy for receiving the highest score of more than 1,000 people who took the uniform CPA examination the previous spring.

Derek Schmidt, j’90, recently received a law degree from Georgetown University. He lives in Alexandria, Va., and is legislative counsel for U.S. Sen. Charles Hagel of Nebraska.

Lt. Mark Staudacher, c’90, m’95, a U.S. Navy medical officer, is stationed at McMurdo Station, Antarctica.

Jeffrey, m’90, m’94, and Julie Little Unruh, d’90, n’92, recently moved to Lawrence from Farmington, Maine. Jeff is an anesthesiologist, and Julie is a nurse.

MARRIED

Lucinda Burlingame, c’90, i’93, and David Powell, i’93. Nov. 2 in Kansas City, where they live.

Amy Flickinger, j’90, and Paul Bischler, b’93. Oct. 12. She’s a sales representative for Kraft Foods, and he’s a senior accountant for Price Waterhouse in Kansas City.

Sarah Folsom, d’90, to Brad Schumacher, Oct. 5 in Hays, where she teaches first grade at Wilson Elementary School.

Christopher Neff, e’90, to Suzanne Stevens, Nov. 16. They live in Katy, Texas, and he’s a senior process control engineer for John Brown Engineering in Houston.

Susan Spry, d’90, g’93, and John O’Neill, c’95. Nov. 23. They live in San Diego, where Susan’s a clinical research assistant for Parexel International, and John’s a software engineer for Integration Partners.

BORN TO:

Kala McGee Franz, c’90, and Timothy, son, Tanner Parker, March 31 in Marietta, Georgia. They live in Kennesaw.

Melissa Schneider Frew, c’90, and Donald, e’91. Nov. 4. Kevin Matthew, Oct. 7 in Merritt Island, Fla., where he joins a brother, Brian. 3. Melissa is an oncology nurse, and Donald’s a U.S. Air Force captain.

Sandra Mesler, e’90, a’91, and Friedrich Groelke, son, Carl Richard Groelke, March 30 in Berlin, Germany.

Deidre Gish Panjada, g’90, and Joseph, daughter, Hannah Olivia, Dec. 24 in Overland Park, Kansas, where she joins a sister, Maris, who’s almost 3.

1991

Valerie Baldwin, i’91, lives in Washington, D.C., where she’s an attorney for the U.S. Congress’ Committee on Appropriations.

Gil Caedo, b’91, coordinates advertising at Western Auto in Kansas City. He and Kimberly Symons Caedo, b’90, live in Overland Park with their daughter, Cassie, 2.

Lauri Dusselier, d’91, is assistant director of recreational services at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa.

Megan Edwards, j’91, recently joined the Seattle office of J. Walter Thompson Advertising as a media planner.

Brigid Healey Fenoglio, c’91, works as a speech pathologist for the Laboratory of Speech and Language Disorders in Omaha, Neb.

William Fox, b’91, is a pharmacist at Patterson Healthmart Pharmacy in Clay Center, where he and his wife, Sandy, assoc., live with their sons, Garrett, 3, and Tanner, 1.

Linus Grikis, j’91, lives in Chicago, where he’s a graduate counselor for the Illinois Masonic Hospital.

Ben Larry, g’91, is principal human-resources consultant for Norwest Services in Minneapolis. Minn. He lives in Eagan.

Erich Goard McNiff, j’91, has been promoted to managing editor of Go Boating magazine. She and her husband, Kevin, live in Aliso Viejo, Calif.

Jeffrey, e’91, and Heather Mikelis Messerly, d’91, live in Virginia Beach, Va., with their children, Brandon, 3, and Alexis, 1. Jeffrey is a U.S. Navy helicopter pilot.

Barry Moore, c’91, manages major accounts with Sprint in Seattle. He and his wife, Rhonda, live in Redmond.

Craig Moore, b’91, is a lead systems analyst for Nation’s Credit, and Barbra Davis Moore, j’92, is associate communications manager at Prudential Bank. They live in Atlanta, Ga.

Danielle Murphy, e’91, works as a petroleum engineer for Texaco Exploration and Production in Salem, Ill.

Kevin, c’91, and Sherry Scott Tilly, j’91, recently moved from Chicago to Kansas City. Kevin is a wholesaler with Federated Investors, and Sherry’s a senior account executive with Fleishman-Hillard.

Mark Wewers, c’91, practices law with Roberts, Cunningham & Striping in Dallas, and Kimberly Zoller Wewers, j’91, is a major account manager with MCI.

Jeff Wiggins, c’91, is a project manager for ACM in Santa Ana, Calif.

Tiffany Torigler Wingo, c’91, g’95, g’95, recently became an associate in the business section of Winstead, Sechrest & Minick in Dallas. She and her husband, Douglas, j’94, live in Irving.

MARRIED


BORN TO:

Scott Swidler, f’91, and Gayle, daughter, Meryl Diana, Jan. 8 in Schaumburg, Ill. Scott’s a graphic designer.

1992

Craig Archer, e’92, is a structural engineer with Needham & Associates in Overland Park.

Christy Burns, j’92, works as an account executive for Hadeler Sullivan Ewing, an advertising agency in Dallas.

Beverly Combs, s’92, coordinates social services for Sloss Springs Memorial Hospital Home Health and for Delaware Health Services. She lives in Bella Vista, Ark.

William, e’92, a’93, and Beth Orser Foley, c’92, moved last spring from Mount Prospect, Ill., to Americus, Ga. Bill’s a product manager for Cooper Lighting.

Brenda Godsey, s’92, was a delegate last year to the national Democratic Convention in Chicago. She lives in Junction City.

Robin Waddell Lehman, j’92, is president of Lehman Communications in Lawrence, where she and her husband, Patrick, live with their daughters, Lindsay, 18, and Regan, 16.

Gina Montanez, j’92, works as a technical writer for SpaceLabs Medical in Redmond, Wash., where she lives with her husband, Marco.

Elizabeth Kobold Rodgers, c’92, f’94, lives in Phoenix, where she’s a social worker.

Lea Selleck, c’92, 196, is a central research attorney with the Kansas Court of Appeals in Topeka. She lives in Lawrence.

MARRIED

Michelle Grigsby, f’92, to Michael Holzgrafe, Sept. 28 in KU’s Danforth Chapel. They live in Tulsa.

BORN TO:

John, b’92, and Karry Jennings Salvino, d’93, daughters, Hannah Katherine, Feb. 24 in Lawrence.

1993

Amy Carmen, j’93, has been promoted to field account executive at TMP WorldWide. She lives in Chicago.

Wendy Doyle, c’93, recently became a
human-resources associate with Allegiance Healthcare in McGaw Park, Ill. She lives in Glenview.

Chad Foster, ’93, is president of Union Hill Home Association. He lives in Kansas City.

Charles Gould, s’93, works as a therapist for Catholic Community Services’ family preservation programs in Bremerton, Wash. He lives in Silverdale.

2nd Lt. David Kinnamon, j’93, c’95, received an Army Achievement Medal earlier this year for his performance during a deployment to White Sands Missile Range, N.M. He’s stationed in Lawton, and studies for a master’s in economics from the University of Oklahoma.

Lori Koepsett, g’93, works as an imagery analyst with Logicon Geodynamics. She lives in Colorado Springs.

Jason Lohmeyer, b’93, is a staff auditor for Ernst & Young in Birmingham, Ala. He and his wife, Corryn Fiahaven, ’95, live in Hoover.

Jill Raines, j’93, does marketing for Southwest Airlines in Dallas. She lives in Irving.

Jami Smith Waggoner, b’93, manages financial reporting for American Century in Kansas City. She and her husband, John, celebrate their first anniversary Aug. 3.

MARRIED
Kimberly Dehoff, f’93, and Justin Bogart, d’94, Nov. 30 in Lawrence. Kimberly teaches art at St. Agnes and Holy Spirit schools and coaches volleyball for St. Thomas Aquinas High School, and Justin teaches and coaches at DeSoto High School. They live in Olathe.

Thomas Losik, c’93, and Ami Nguyen, Nov. 30 in Denver. They live in Ewa Beach, Hawaii.

Amy Williams, j’93, to Brett Parise, Dec. 28 in KU’s Danforth Chapel. They live in Cleveland, where Brett has a private chiropractic practice.

BORN TO:
Rodney, c’93, and Anne Blakemore Heying, c’93, son, Blake Christopher, April 2 in Garden City, where he joins a brother, Tyler, 3.

Cynthia Lewis Kindsvatter, b’93, and Steven, daughter, Jade Cyra, Oct. 11 in San Antonio, where Cindy’s a travel agent and Steven’s a resident in internal medicine.

Scott MacWilliams, c’93, g’96, and Rebecca, son, Evan James, April 19. They live in Lawrence.

1994
Rikki Drake, e’94, works as an engineer for Boeing in Wichita. She lives in Derby.

Allison Lippert, j’94, edits copy for the Around Town section of the Des Moines Register.

Christopher, b’94, and Kip Chin Morrissey, j’94, live in Olathe. He’s a salesman for Whirlpool, and she’s a communications editor for the National Rural Health Association.

Aaron Rittmaster, c’94, attends rabbinical school at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati.

Shannon Peters Talbott, c’94, j’94, is a product manager at McAfee Associates in Santa Clara, Calif. She lives in San Jose.

MARRIED
Rachel Yarger, c’94, to Brad Meyer, c’97, Dec. 21 in KU’s Danforth Chapel. Rachel studies for a doctorate in clinical psychology at Pacific University, and Brad works for Mitron in Portland, Ore.
BORN TO:
Martha Dolan Morton, PhD’94, and Eric, s’95, son. John Thomas, Nov. 15 in Lawrence, where he joins a sister, Lisa, 3.

1995
Klas Campbell, e’95, works for Dalt-Standlee & Associates, a Beaverton, Ore., consulting engineering firm specializing in acoustics. He lives in Portland.


John Colfax, c’95, is assistant manager of Brunswick Recreation Centers in Montgomery, Ala. He and his wife, Michelle, live in Millbrook with their daughters, Megan and Kayla.

Maureen Dubois, f’95, dances with the American Music Theatre in Myrtle Beach, S.C. Her home is in Overland Park.

Connie Hammond Frick, b’95, and Bryan, ’93, celebrate their first anniversary Sept. 7. They live in Overland Park.

Paul Gennuso, g’95, teaches physical education in Buffalo, N.Y.

Tracy Hines Gilmore, p’95, manages the Walgreens pharmacy in Blackjack, Mo. She lives in Florissant with her husband, Wayne.

Lt. j.g. Paul Muckenhalter, e’95, serves with the U.S. Navy in Rota, Spain.

Marie-Adrienne Graham Periman, c’95, coordinates visual display at John-William Interiors. She and her husband, Jake, live in Austin, Texas, and will celebrate their second anniversary July 22.

Jacklyn Roth, c’95, works for the American Cancer Society in Denver.

Patrick Simons, e’95, is a field engineer and project manager-in-training for Record Steel & Construction in Boise, Idaho, where he and his wife, Sharon, live with their son, Benjamin. 6.

Charity Steele, e’95, an engineer for Dow Chemical, makes her home in Lake Jackson, Texas.

Laura Stewart, c’95, lives in Nashville, Tenn., where she’s a placement counselor at Staffmark Staffing.

Jane Wernitz, h’95, is an occupational therapist at Truman Medical Center in Kansas City.

Sandra Wilder, d’95, teaches physical education and health and coaches cross country and track at Briarwood Christian School in Birmingham, Ala.

MARRIED
Matthews Staples, c’95, and Denise

Broadrick, f’96, June 26. 1996 in Arkansas City. Matthias is a management analyst with the Department of Education and Denise is a project manager for Applied Ergonomics. They live in Chicago.

BORN TO:

1996
Dorothy Dieder, s’95, supervises social services at Mercy Hospital in Laredo, Texas.

Carol Finetti-McFall, p’96, works as a pharmacist at Walgreens in Dallas.

Christopher Frison, f’96, is an exhibit designer at the Houston Museum of Natural Science, the fourth-most visited museum in the United States. He lives in Sugar Land, Texas.

Doug Lampton, b’96, is president of the medical division of Lampton Welding Supply in Wichita.

Joseph Nocella, g’96, works as an architect for Croxton Collaborative in New York City. He lives in Brooklyn.

Jean-Yves Sabot, g’96, lives in Denver, Colo., where he’s a business analyst with Total Petroleum. He and Karen Stansifer, c’91, g’96, celebrate their first wedding anniversary Aug. 17. She’s assistant to the director of Alliance Francaise.

Jennifer Vannatta, j’96, is a news reporter and anchor for KQTV in St. Joseph, Mo.

Marc Hurley Werne, c’96, coordinates campaigns for the Leukemia Society in Wichita. She and her husband, Robert, celebrate their first anniversary Aug. 31.

MARRIED
Erin Keeler, h’95, and Darin Greer, c’97, Dec. 21 in Topeka. They live in Kansas City, where she’s a microbiologist with Laboratory Corp. of America, and he’s a meteorologist with the U.S. Air Force.

1997
Paul Brown, d’97, works as a personal trainer with New Form Fitness in Steamboat Springs, Colo.

Jason Leiker, c’97, manages revenue management for SBC Communications in Kansas City. He lives in Lawrence.

Tess Precht, c’97, is a consultant for Access Developers. She lives in San Diego.

Sarah Preston, c’97, interned at Tribune Media Services in Chicago. She lives in Wilmette.

Aaron Richardson, e’97, works as a researcher for Battelle in Columbus, Ohio.
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The Early Years
Russell Edmonds, b'27, 93, March 3 in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., where he was a businessman. He is survived by his wife, Isabelle Nicolet Edmonds, assc.; a son; a daughter, Linda Edmonds Bell, ’66; a brother; and two grandsons.

Edna Schaeke Ernst, c'28, 92, April 3 in Lawrence. She is survived by her son, Philip, c'57; four stepgrandchildren; and six stepgreat-grandchildren.

Elizabeth Henderson, c'27, g'31, 104, March 24 in Lawrence, where she taught school. A sister, Esther Henderson Fulton, c'35, survives.

H. Penfield Jones, c'28, 90, Jan. 26 in Lawrence, where he was a physician. Surviving are three daughters, one of whom is Penny Jones Cohn, c'60; two stepsons; a stepdaughter, Helen Olmsted Faulkner, ’54; a sister; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; 10 stepgrandchildren; and seven stepgreat-grandchildren.

Elizabeth Burkhalter Kinkead, f'24, 94, Jan. 5 in White Cloud, where she was a retired teacher. Several cousins survive.

1930s
Gladys Baker, c’30, 87, March 27 in Foley. She had been assistant dean of women at William and Mary College in Williamsburg, Va. Two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren survive.

Paul Beardslee, c'31, 87, Dec. 17 in Sun City Center, Fla., where he was a retired procurement officer with the U.S. Department of Defense. He is survived by two daughters, one of whom is Kathy Beardslee Meade, ’64; four grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Murlin Blackston, '35, 83, March 2 in Neodesha. He is survived by his wife, Thelma; three daughters, Pat Blackston Ruley, ’64, Marcia Blackston Garner, ’66, and Meredith Blackston Winfrey, ’60; 12 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Ralph Bohnsack, c'39, m'41, 83, Jan. 2 in Fort Worth, Texas, where he was a retired physician. Surviving are his wife, Mildred DeWeese Bohnsack, c’34; two daughters, Carol Bohnsack Babb, ’68, and Nancy Bohnsack Wheeler, ’55; a son, James, ’70; nine grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Evelyn Biechele Bolin, c'31, Feb. 14 in La Jolla, Calif. She is survived by a son, John, c’60; a daughter, Isabel Bolin Schober, ’57; a sister, Gloria Biechele Strickland, d’43; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Lloyd Faeth, b'31, 87, April 5 in Kansas City. He worked for Stowe Hardware & Supply. Surviving are his wife, Catherine Leach Faeth, n'37; a son, William, c’63; a daughter, Marjory Faeth Brier, d’65; and two grandsons.

Frances Schwaup® Fatzer, c’31, 87, March 28 in Topeka. A son and three grandsons survive.

Donald Flanders, c'39, 81, March 26 in Mission. He is survived by his wife, Annette Stringer Flanders, ’40; a son, Donald, ’67; three daughters; two brothers, H.A., c’42, m’44, and Virgil, b’38, m’51; 11 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Eugene Frazier, c’30, m’33, Jan. 11 in Mesa, Ariz., where he was a retired physician. He is survived by a son, a sister, five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Elizabeth Higgins Larkin, f'33, 85, Feb. 24 in Pierce City, Mo., where she had been a librarian at Harold Bell Wright Library. She is survived by three sons; three daughters; a sister, Eleanor Higgins Carter, ’34; and five grandchildren.

Floyd Lee, c’32, 86, March 27 in Wichita. He worked for Pillsbury Manufacturing and is survived by a son, Floyd, c’60, PhD ’66: two daughters, Gretchen Lee Anglee, d’63, and Christine Lee Triplett, d’67; a sister, Mildred Lee Ward, ’33; and eight grandchildren.

Robert Lowis, ’30, 90, Feb. 20. He lived in Fountain Hills, Ariz., and had owned Lowis Drug Store in Colby. Surviving are a daughter, Kay Lowis Rodgers, p’55; a son, Robert, ’69; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Wendell McDonald, b’38, 81, Jan. 4 in Clermont, Fla., where he was a retired bottler. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; two sons; and a sister, Betty Lou McDonald Cole, c’44.

Fergus McKeever, ’31, 87, Feb. 2 in New York City, where he worked in magazine publishing.


Chester Pope, c’35, 88, Dec. 17 in Wheaton, Md. He was a chemist and is survived by his wife, Alice, and a sister.

Dorothy Repass, f’31, 88, Dec. 2 in Kansas City, where she worked for Westport Bank. A brother survives.

Maureen Clevenger Riley, c’30, 88, Feb. 15 in Salina. She was a partner in Terrill’s Ready-to-Wear in Tula, Okla. A stepdaughter, a stepson and several stepgrandchildren survive.

Verne Ryland, ’38, 81, Jan. 2 in Caldwell, where he was a reporter and a photographer. He is survived by his wife, Mary Lou, assc.; a daughter; two sons, one of whom is John, c’62; and four grandchildren.

Waldemar Sorensen, c’37, Jan. 23 in Richmond, Texas, where he was a chemical engineer with Texaco. Surviving are his wife, Rose Mary, a daughter, a sister, a brother and two grandchildren.

Oliver Starcke, c’37, 83, Jan. 3 in Kansas City, where he was principal electrical engineer for Pritchard. He is survived by his wife, Janet; three sons, Robert, e’69, Philip, e’74, and David, c’84; a daughter; a brother; and eight grandchildren.

Willard Troutwine, b’38, 81, April 5 in McCook, where he was a retired economist. Surviving are his wife, Mildred, and a sister.

John Turner, f’33, 85, Jan. 29 in Naples, Fla., where he was retired from the Chicago Title and Trust. He is survived by a son; a daughter, Sarah Turner Erickson, d’67; a sister; and two grandchildren.

Frances Wallington, c’31, 86, Dec. 15 in Colorado Springs, Colo., where she was a teacher. A brother Frederick, c’42, m’44, survives.

Harry West, c’30, 87, March 21 in Prairie Village, where he was a retired savings association executive. A daughter, two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren survive.

1940s
Roy Bartel, g’49, PhD’59, 76, March 18 in Manhattan, where he was a professor at Kansas State University. He is survived by his wife, Bernice Kizler Bartel, f’43; a son; two daughters; a sister; and five grandchildren.

Aileen Brooks Dietrich, n’44, 76, Jan. 18 in Goodland, where she was a nurse. A memorial has been established with the KU Endowment Association. A daughter, two sons and three grandchildren survive.

Alma Ott Estes, n’41, 89, Nov. 16 in Jasper, Ala. Her husband, Marion, and a sister survive.

Wayne Gugler, b’49, 72, March 9 in Salina. He lived in Abilene, and was a partner in Gemmill, Gugler and Garten Insurance. He is survived by his wife, Lylas Ruhen Gugler, d’47; two sons, one of whom is Douglas, ’72; a daughter, Lynn Gugler Whitten, ’79; three sisters; seven grandchildren; and three stepgrandchildren.

William Harsha, m’48, g’51, 71, Dec. 17 in Topeka, where he was an orthopedic surgeon. He is survived by his wife, Dana; eight sons; four daughters, one of whom is Mary Harsha Corff, ’76; a stepson; and 30 grandchildren.

Stephen Hinshaw III, c’48, Dec. 26 in Midland, Texas. He was a consulting geologist and is survived by his wife, Dorothy; three sons; two daughters; a brother, Wallace, b’43; and nine grandchildren.

Robert Judy, c’48, g’50, 72, March 19 in Denton, where he taught political science at the University of North Texas. A memorial has been established with the KU Endowment Association. He is survived by his wife, Jean Lutruck Judy, f’52; a son; a daughter; and a grandson.

Rosemary Levi Longworth, b’49, 69, Dec. 9 in Kansas City, where she co-owned Longwith
Real Estate and Insurance. She is survived by her husband, Jesse; a daughter; and a son, John, '84.

Robert Pearson, b'48, 71, March 22 in Prairie Village. He is survived by his wife, Lorraine; a son; a daughter, Gail, '75; and three grandsons.

James Reed, c'45, m'47, 73, March 20 in Lawrence. He had been a medical attaché with the U.S. Department of State and later practiced at KU’s Watkins Health Center. A memorial has been established with the KU Endowment Association. Surviving are his wife, Polly Rankin Reed, f'45; a son, Ralph, c'76; a daughter, Jane Reed Dashfield, f'79; two sisters; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

William Villee, '42, 76, Dec. 3. He owned Lawrence Transfer and Storage and is survived by two sons, one of whom is William, '65; a brother; a sister; and three grandchildren.

Paul Warner, j'49, 76, April 9. He lived in Lawrence and had chaired college relations for Kansas City, Kan., Community College. He is survived by his wife, Mary Lou McMurray Warner, assoc.; a son; and two granddaughters.

1950s

Nancy Reese Altmann, c'54, d'56, 64, Dec. 17. She lived in Oklahoma City and is survived by her daughter, Kelly Altmann Nash, '78; a son; and seven grandchildren.

Margaret Haggerty Anderson, g'56, 92, Jan. 5 in Topeka, where she was a retired teacher. She is survived by three daughters, two of whom are Barbara Anderson Unruh, d'62, and Jean Anderson Ellifrit, f'55; 12 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

Luther Colyer, g'51, EdD'59, 84, Jan. 29 in Pittsburg, where he was a professor of science and curriculum at Pittsburg State University. His wife, Helen, survives.

Joseph Dillon, b'50, 77, March 20 in Wichita, where he worked for Boeing. He is survived by his wife, Lavonne Schuessler Dillon, b'50; a son; two daughters; a sister; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

James Dobbs, '52, 69, March 4 in Winfield, where he was managing partner for Edward B. Stephenson & Co. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Stephenson Dobbs, '49; two daughters; a brother; and three grandchildren.

Kirke Grutzmacher, c'52, 73, March 12. He lived in Onaga and was a stockman. Two nephews and a niece survive.

Douglas Henning, d'59, g'65, Feb. 17 in Lakewood, Colo., where he was a financial planner. A memorial has been established with the KU Endowment Association. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn Briney Henning, n'59, PhD'72; a daughter; a brother; a sister; and two granddaughters.

Diana Foltz Loevenguth, p'54, 64, March 28 in Overland Park. She is survived by her husband, O.P. “Phil,” c'53, s’57; a son, Andrew, J’89; a daughter, Alison Loevenguth Petralia, b’89; and two sisters.

William Moore, c'54, m'57, 64, March 14 in Sun City West, Ariz., where he was a retired physician. Two sons, his mother and a grandchild survive.

Hugh “Sonny” Polson, b'50, 75, March 8 in Wichita, where he owned Polson Pharmacy. He is survived by his wife, Irene; a son; a daughter, Kay Polson Blinn, n’74; a brother; a sister; and three grandchildren.

James Rau, c'50, 69, Feb. 25 in Houston, where he owned Key Maps. A memorial has been established with the KU Endowment Association. He is survived by a daughter, Jen, c'82; and a son.

Luella “Lukie” Schmalzried, n’55, 64, March 3 in Jamestown, Ohio, where she was a nurse. She is survived by a daughter; her mother; three brothers, one of whom is Donald, ’63; and four sisters, one of whom is Janetha Schmalzried Girotto, d’58.

1960s

John Cundy, g'64, EdD’68, 70, March 2 in Garnett, where he was a teacher and school administrator. Three daughters, a son and four grandchildren survive.

Robert Haggart, m’60, 63, Feb. 25 in Syracuse, N.Y., where he was a newspaperman. He is survived by his wife, Brenda; three daughters; his stepmother; and a brother, Peter, g’63.

Lynn Richards, a’68, 51, Dec. 25 in Overland Park. He worked for Tnemec and is survived by his wife, Claudine, a son, a daughter, a brother and a sister.

John Sattgast, m’66, 57, Feb. 21 in Woodbridge, Va., where he was a dermatologist. He is survived by his wife, Joyce, two sons, a daughter; and a sister.

John Shoelen, a’60, Nov. 20 in Dallas, where he was an architect. Two sons, two brothers and his twin sister survive.

Sydney Stoepelwerth, d’60, 58, Jan. 19 in Prairie Village, where she was a motivational speaker. Her mother, Anna, survives.

Mary Scardello Sullivan, d’68, 51, Jan. 12 in Kansas City. She is survived by her husband, Robert, ’68; a son; two daughters; her mother; and a sister, Paula Scardello Burger, ’71.

John “Dr. Woo” Wooden, ’61, 57, March 4. He lived in Lawrence, where he owned The Wagon Wheel Cafe. A memorial has been established with the KU Endowment Association. He is survived by his wife, Jackie, assoc.; and a daughter, Amanda Wooden Gorman, ’97.

1970s

Thomas Boyd, b’79, 40, March 11 in Prairie Village. He is survived by a daughter; his parents, John, e’52, g’61, and Rosemary Kennedy Boyd, c’52; a sister, Mary Boyd Winter, d’75; and three brothers, Christopher, c’81, John, ’76; and William, c’86.

Carol Kraybill Roth, d’70, 48, Oct. 31 in Kansas City. She is survived by her husband, Steven, b’70; two daughters; her father and stepmother; and two brothers, one of whom is Stephen, ’78.

1980s

Bruce Erwin, c’81, 39, March 30 in Katy, Texas. He was a financial aid counselor for the Art Institute of Houston. He is survived by his wife, Vivian; a son; a stepson; his parents; and a sister, Susan Erwin Pomerenke, j’75.

Michael Spoonmore, e’87, Dec. 19 in Houston, where he was a production specialist for DuPont. He had helped carry the 1996 Olympic torch. Surviving are his wife, Polly, his parents, a brother, a sister and his grandmother.

The University Community

John Lee, ’71, 51, March 27 in Lawrence, where he taught in the School of Architecture and Urban Design. He is survived by his wife, Janet Majure, j’76, g’81; a daughter; his mother; and his father and stepmother.

School Codes

Letters that follow names in Kansas Alumni indicate the school from which alumni earned degrees. Numbers show their class years.

a School of Architecture and Urban Design
b School of Business
c College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
d School of Education
e School of Engineering
f School of Fine Arts
g Master’s Degree
h School of Allied Health
i School of Journalism
j School of Law
k School of Medicine
l School of Nursing
m School of Pharmacy
n School of Social Welfare
o School of Business
p School of Architecture and Urban Design
q School of Fine Arts
r School of Engineering
s School of Medicine
A Doctor of Engineering
B Doctor of Musical Arts
EdD Doctor of Education
PhD Doctor of Philosophy
(no letter) Former student
assoc. Associate member of the Alumni Association
The Graduate
A lifetime of learning continues as 81-year-old graduate student earns master's degree

Phillip Hawley took his first class at the Regents Center in 1979. He received his undergraduate degree in 1991. This spring he earned a master's degree in special studies. While definitely not the four- (or even five-) year plan, Hawley's degree timetable is not odd for someone who could only take classes sporadically.

What is odd is that Phillip Hawley, who delivered an address at the graduate hooding ceremony before Commencement, turned 81 in March.

After working more than 40 years in engineering and administration for Swift & Co., Hawley and his wife, the late Dorothy Miller Hawley, '83, settled in Kansas City, where they formally continued their interest in French.

But Hawley wanted more. Luckily, he met Norman Saul, professor of Russian and East European studies. With Saul as his mentor and friend, Hawley steadily knocked over course after course, slowly developing the interests that would fuel his interdisciplinary master's degree.

A thankful, protective and proudful man, Hawley is hesitant to take any credit for his accomplishments, instead choosing to deflect credit to his professors and wife. He explains how Saul spent untold hours helping him with written English prose (Hawley and his wife primarily spoke French for years), correcting syntax and refining grammar. He talks of Associate Professor Maria Carlson's ability to engage, Professor Joseph Conrad's enlightenment of Russian literature.

"I came to KU to live a better life. I had a desire to answer worldwide questions, to examine social expansion and contraction, Hawley says. "I wanted to relate current world events with historic facts, and I found great support from the faculty and students. I found a place where I could pursue answers to my historical questions."

For Hawley, those questions concern 19th- and 20th-century Eastern European history, including topics such as Russian symbolists Alex Bloch and Maxim Gorky to the Polish insurrection of 1830.

Initially, Saul explains, it was difficult for Hawley to be in a structured classroom setting, which often appears as menial or insignificant to non-traditional students. But over time, Hawley began to perform well in class and independent-study courses.

"It was interesting to see Philip's interests develop in the subject: his progress, improvement and, eventually, the production of his own analysis," says Saul.

Hawley, who taught for Upward Bound and tutored in Partners in Learning, says he would like to teach, to impart to students what he was given by his professors.

Coming to school after so many years, having that opportunity to learn, discover and improve the quality of his life, was, Hawley says, "a thirsty drink from a cold well."

ALLIED HEALTH
Physical therapy training to serve southeast Kansas

Kansas' first distance education program in physical therapy was launched in June at Pittsburg State University.

The program, which joined resources from the School of Allied Health, Pittsburg State and six area hospitals, offers two-year master's degree programs, starting with the current class of eight students.

The classes, conducted on the PSU campus, will be linked by interactive compressed video to KU Medical Center in Kansas City.

"This opens a whole new dimension for physical therapy education," says Chukuka Enwemeka, chair of physical therapy education.

By offering the program to students based in the area, the University hopes to help ease a critical shortage of physical therapists in southeast Kansas.
SCHOOLWORK

In the area’s 15 counties, there are more than 4,000 residents for each therapist. For Kansas as a whole, there are 2,120 residents for each physical therapist. In three southeastern Kansas counties—Elk, Greenwood and Woodson—there are no physical therapists.

The program based at PSU will likely soon include interactive programs on the Internet, and will be closely watched by other Medical Center programs eager to expand across Kansas.

"To me, this is the wave of the future," says Lydia Wingate, dean of Allied Health. "Our vision is to provide programs with KU Medical Center as the hub and satellite programs around the state."

ARCHITECTURE

Grant creates laboratory to analyze light qualities

Architectural engineering professor Martin Moeck works in the dark to ensure that the offices we work in have the proper light. Moeck is the recent recipient of an $18,000 grant from the KU Graduate and Research Development Fund to build a photometric laboratory at the Lawrence Municipal Airport.

Constructed inside an airplane hanger, the lab must be completely black, a totally absorbing, non-reflecting space. Moeck then uses a 25-foot tall light meter, donated by a lighting company, to measure the intensity (how much light) and distribution (the direction of the light) of various fixtures, lamps and bulbs.

"By measuring the characteristics of the light," Moeck says, "we can determine where best to use the fixtures and find their best applications in the real world."

BUSINESS

New director focuses on specific local industries

The KU Small Business Development Center’s new director, Randee Brady, says her immediate goal is to offer programming that emphasizes individual consultation and topic-specific seminars.

Brady, who came to KU in April from a similar position at Central Missouri State University, says that under her leadership, the center is currently focusing on specific industries, including restaurants, home-based businesses and artists.

"We are able to provide small businesses with the access to the latest trends, research and theory translated into applied terms," she says. "And the students are able to get a direct link to the real small-business community and the way it operates."

Brady says the center, 734 Vermont St., will soon produce executive summaries for frequently asked business questions, helping local entrepreneurs understand the complex issues involved in the start-up of any business.

She also hopes to launch an in-depth survey of Lawrence retailers, helping the firms track customer patronage and develop effective strategies.

"Lawrence has a strong commercial identity, and the retail sector is especially vital," Brady says. "While most downtowns are struggling, Lawrence’s, obviously, is not. The challenge then becomes how to maintain that competitive edge."

ENGINEERING

Remarkable careers earn honors for ’57 classmates

Leo G. LeSage’s KU engineering education has helped him climb—literally—the damaged Chernobyl nuclear site. Paul D. Barber, a 1957 engineering classmate of LeSage’s, found himself in a job where he was forced to defend an important dam against a potentially crushing lawsuit.

For their efforts, LeSage, who works with an international team trying to stabilize Chernobyl, and Barber, now retired from his career with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, were recently named recipients of the Distinguished Engineering Service Award.

Given in recognition of outstanding personal achievement, leadership and service to the profession and the University, the awards were presented May 1 at an Adams Alumni Center reception.

As a research program director at Argonne National Laboratory, in Argonne, Ill., LeSage’s work at the 1986 Ukraine disaster site focuses on ongoing concerns such as the potential collapse of the deteriorating structure covering the damaged reactor.

Barber’s 38-year career with the Corps of Engineers included fighting a 1972 lawsuit that attempted to halt construction of Kaysinger Bluff Dam near Clinton, Mo. Barber and his colleagues won in court, and the dam, now the Harry S. Truman Dam and Reservoir, has since prevented more than $1.2 billion in flood damage.

Barber spent the last three years of his career as the chief of engineering, directorate of civil works, at the Corps’ headquarters in Washington, D.C.

To inform LeSage about the prize, Carl Locke, dean of engineering, tracked LeSage to Germany, where he was working on the Chernobyl project.

"I was in an office in Germany when I got the call," LeSage says. "The man said, 'This is Carl Locke.' It took a minute for it all to register, but it did, and I was very pleased."

FINE ARTS

Band marches to Japan for ‘fabulous’ experience

Sousa and sushi made for a harmonious gig March 18-30, when the KU Marching Band played in Japan, a trip described by Professor Robert E. Foster, director of bands, as an unparalleled success.

Fifty-one Marching Jayhawks, including six members of the flag corps, traveled to Huis Ten Bosch, a new theme park near Nagasaki that hosted its second International Marching Band Festival. Also performing were a bagpipe band from Scotland and the Netherlands’ Royal Navy Band.

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Alums come Here
Averill play a highlight as theatre and film alumni gather for third reunion

Glenn Pierce hadn’t been on stage in three years. Thomas Averill hadn’t ever had one of his own plays produced. But together they got to Here. Here, Kan., that is. Here is Averill’s fictional town and the home of William Jennings Bryan Oleander, a charming, folksy elder whose ruminations fuel Averill’s long-running radio commentaries.

When Averill's Abide With Me won the inaugural Great Plains Playwriting Contest last year, there were no specific plans to produce the play. However, the department of theatre and film wanted get alumni such as Pierce, c’57, g’58, involved in a production for the Alums Come Home III reunion April 24-26.

That decision tossed Averill, c’71, g’74, into a self-described theatre baptism. He spent countless hours with director Jack Wright, professor of theatre and film, and student and alumni actors. Averill also typed many more keystrokes on the word processor.

"Jack really believed in the play from the beginning," Averill says. "It was a priceless process of refining, rewriting, trashing, adding and revising. It was very comforting that Jack and I were on the same wavelength."

That included casting Pierce, the chair of the department from 1989 to ’91. For Pierce, who was in the first production on the Crafton-Preyer stage in 1957, working with fellow alumni and students was not only fun, but also educational.

"I think it would have been difficult for students to play characters in their advanced years, so we were able to bring the play a convincing sense of reality," Pierce says. "It was also a benefit to me to see how the students worked, how they responded and how they used their imagination to craft the characters."

The play, however, was not the only reason for the reunion. Young actors also benefited from the workshops and scholarly presentations by alumni during the weekend (many of which were standing-room only). Todd Stites, c’84, spoke about his experiences as an associate producer of Murphy Brown; Mary Ramos, ’86, music supervisor and owner of Tri-Tone Music, talked of her work as music coordinator for such films Pulp Fiction and Happy Gilmore; and Terrence Jones, d’70, g’72, president and CEO of Wolf Trap Center Foundation for the Performing Arts, and Jacqueline Davis, g’73, executive director of the Lied Center, spoke of their careers in arts administration.

"Overall we wanted our students to have the opportunity to learn from our alums, the people who have been through our educational system," says Kathy Pryor, c’93, associate director of University Theatre. "We also wanted to encourage people who have not necessarily ended up in theatre to attend, letting the students see all the different possibilities."

Beyond the play and presentations, alumni participated in an open mic night at Liberty Hall, a student vs. alumni softball game (the alumni won handily), the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences luncheon, a cookout, a dance and a candlelight memorial service in the Inge Theatre.

And, Pryor adds, the weekend helped faculty and staff renew unity in the department.

"Often when you work at somewhere for so long you have a tendency to get burned out, but after the weekend I feel completely renewed and rejuvenated. It was the most wonderful experience," Pryor says.

"One of things that was very exciting was that we had a really nice range of people attend: alumni from the 1940s all the way to people who graduated last year."
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All expenses for the trip were paid by the Japanese hosts. The Jayhawks performed three times a daily, with a day off for sightseeing. They lived in a business-class Japanese hotel in a small city near the park, and, like any other Japanese commuters, rode the train to and from their daily destination.

"The students had a fabulous experience living in a foreign country, performing before large, responsive audiences and experiencing a totally different culture," Foster wrote in his report submitted to Chancellor Robert E. Hemenway and other University officials. "Our students were superb ambassadors for this university and for the state of Kansas, and we know that today, the people in southern Japan do know about Kansas and about Jayhawks, and they like them."

Foster says KU's band was told by park management "that ours were the best received and most successful performances in the five-year history of the park."

JOURNALISM

Athletes honor Bengston with their Shankel award

Tim Bengston, Clyde and Betty Reed teaching professor of journalism, was recently named the recipient of the Del Shankel Teaching Excellence Award, presented by the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. Bengston was a finalist for the award last year.

Nominations were solicited from all upper-class student-athletes, and the subcommittee met with five finalists.

"Anytime you're nominated for teaching awards on this campus, you're very pleased," Bengston says. "But I never expect to win them because of the quality of teaching we have here. There are a lot of good teachers at KU."

The award recognizes faculty who appreciate difficulties faced by students who balance the demands of pursuing their degrees while also participating in intercollegiate athletics.

In presenting the award, Brian O'Mara, Reno, Nev., senior, said, "As student-athletes with horrendous schedules, we are very appreciative of the many faculty members who understand that it is a function of time and not of intelligence that may make it so challenging for us to succeed academically while pursuing our athletic interests as well."

Other finalists were Dave Templin, instructor of health, sport and exercise sciences; Robert F. Weaver, professor of biochemistry; Thomas J. Weiss, professor of economics; and Carole J. Zebas, professor of health, sport and exercise sciences.

MEDICINE

Nobel Prize winner decries public's anti-science stance

Arthur Kornberg, winner of the 1959 Nobel Prize in physiology or medicine for his work in the synthesis of DNA, worries about the plight of science. In a speech April 22 at the KU Medical Center, Kornberg raised three issues he said warranted the concern of everyone: the anti-science attitude of the public, the consequent lack of funding for basic science and the use and possible abuse of advances in science and technology.

Kornberg was the featured speaker in a two-day celebration honoring Santiago Grisolia, Sam E. Roberts distinguished professor of biochemistry. In 1991 Grisolia received the Distinguished Service Citation, the University and the Alumni Association's highest award, for his service to humanity. He and Kornberg have been friends for 51 years.

Criticizing the shortage of science funds, Kornberg said the public needed to understand that the war on disease must be fought on several fronts, including the acquisition of "a broad knowledge base necessary to cope with present and future enemies."

"Medical research," he said, "is still more like a game of pool than billiards. In pool—unlike the targeted game of billiards—you score points regardless of which pocket the ball goes into."

Citing several serendipitous events in medical history, Kornberg said, "It is crucial for a society, a culture, a company, a medical school, to understand the nature of the creative process and to provide for its support."

In addressing the possible abuse of scientific and technological advances, Kornberg said, "Now and for decades into the next century, we will be confronted in medicine between the need to advance the scientific base and the art to apply it."

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But seriously folks...
Budig leads education ‘roast’ honoring former senator

Gene Budig was on a roll. The former chancellor and current president of professional baseball's American League must have thought he was at a roast, because the zingers were flying. He playfully mocked Donald Hagen, executive vice chancellor of KU Medical Center. He zapped Chancellor Robert E. Hemenway, and he even got the guest of honor, former Sen. Nancy Kassebaum Baker.

But after the trademark wry humor—including assigning absurd baseball salaries to the night’s roster of speakers, with Baker not even making the list—Budig turned serious, speaking in glowing terms about Baker's dedication to education and presenting her the Gene A. Budig Award for Outstanding Contributions to the Mission of the School of Education.

“You never had to wonder what her position was on the important issues,” Budig told the school’s national advisory board at an April 26 dinner at the Eldridge Hotel. “She was always right on the big issues, especially the ones related to education and related to the problems facing children.”

Accepting the award, Baker, c’54, who served as guest narrator for the KU Symphonic Band’s performance of The Lord of the Rings the previous evening, joked that she would be willing to call Budig “President Budig” if he were willing to ensure that the Kansas City Royals would stay in Kansas City. After the laughter subsided, she spoke about importance of education and the necessity of consistency in educational policy. “The thing I enjoy most is working with young students,” she said. “I feel education is the foundation of what we do, become and are as a nation.”

Karen Symms Gallagher, dean of education, praised Baker’s contributions to the field.

“Nancy Kassebaum Baker has always promoted the best interests of children and education in her political work,” Gallagher said. “From her first elected political office as a school-board member in Maize, she has worked to improve education on both the state and national levels.”

The school’s national advisory board established the award in 1995 to honor Budig for his service and commitment to high-quality classroom teaching. Budig received the first award, and Ed Meyen, professor of special education, received the award last year.

NURSING

Fulbright scholar combines disciplines in Brazil trip

As a nurse and anthropology scholar, Professor Ann Kuckelman Cobb will share insights from both fields as a Fulbright Scholar in Brazil for the 1997-98 academic year.

She will teach in a new master's program at the Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte in Natal, Brazil, Cobb will conduct a faculty seminar on qualitative research methods with emphasis on ethnography.

Cobb, n’67, PhD’76, has been on the KU faculty since 1977. Her doctorate is in anthropology, which offers her unique perspectives on the nursing profession.

“Anthropology has certainly enhanced and changed the way I look at how people deal with their own health,” Cobb says. “It has also changed the way I look at how we can help people deal with their health and episodes of illness and disease.”

The adventures of traveling and teaching in a foreign land will also tap Cobb’s anthropology and nursing skills.

“Nurses are excellent observers and recorders of human behavior,” Cobb says. “That is precisely what you do when you are doing anthropology. You use some of the same skills of communication and interaction. You have to be able to listen, observe, record and interpret in both of those disciplines.”

PHARMACY

Community-practice award recognizes Fincham's focus

Jack Fincham, dean since 1994, has received the Dean's Recognition Award from the American College of Apothecaries. The award honors service to community pharmacy practice.

“I have the utmost respect for community practitioners,” Fincham says, “and for me to be recognized for my support of the
'You can’t give up'
Social Work Day renews the spirits of alumni who pursue difficult dreams

As he sits in the Woodruff Auditorium during a break on Social Work Day, William Palm greets an endless line of well-wishers, spins tales of school founder Esther Twente, and talks of how KU still feels like home.

He also talks of the obstacles he encountered in his 40 years as a social worker in Southern California: constant worries about budgets, dilapidated conditions, crowded rooms and misplaced legislative priorities.

"It is always tough to be out on the battlefront of social problems," Palm says, "seeing what is wrong, what needs to be done and then not getting any support."

But, Palm, 64, adds, "You simply cannot give up."

Palm hasn’t, and neither has the School of Social Welfare, which celebrated its 50th anniversary April 25 at its annual Social Work Day, attended by 400 alumni and students. Palm, one of seven students in the school’s first graduating class, was having the time of his life on that April morning.

“I have lived long enough to see the changes,” says the energetic 81-year-old. "It is a different world and a different time. But it is so inspiring to see the growth in the profession from when I started. We didn’t have the support 25 years ago that we have today. We just thought we were doing well to serve, for it felt good to help make a better world."

And that is exactly what Twente had in mind when she pushed for the master’s program in social welfare in the 1940s. Twente’s legacy was honored between the day’s recollections and workshops with a play written by Rix Shanline, 51, 53.

“The play was a sweet addition to the morning,” says Ann Weick, dean of social welfare. "It helped recapture Twente’s wonderful sense of commitment and a sense of history of the school, which is very important in shaping the way we think about social work."

During the reunion the school announced it is sharing (with the School Of Business and KU Medical Center) a $1 million gift from the estate of Monte Russell Murphy, 27, that will endow a scholarship fund. The scholarships and fellowships, based on merit and need, will create, for the first time, a solid core of scholarships for the school.

The endowment is the lead gift for Beyond the Boundaries, the school’s three-year, $1 million fundraising drive that Weick says will provide the additional resources to meet the demands of the social-service arena. The drive will raise money for student scholarships; faculty recruitment, travel and awards; and for special projects such as the Office of Social Policy Analysis, which researches social services in Kansas, and a new Community Investment Project, which helps residents in Kansas City housing projects.

“This is our way of signaling that we believe social work helps people and communities move beyond their current limitations,” Weick says.

Also announced was the construction of a tile mural in the entryway to Twente Hall by Kansas City artist Carolyn Payne, 69, 71. The large tile mural will be unveiled in September, and at the conclusion of the three-year campaign, donors will be listed above the mural.

“We were very pleased with the response we received,” Weick says. "Social Work Day is always a wonderful occasion for our alumni. This day was particularly wonderful because we had a day of nostalgia, reflection, celebration and good camaraderie.”

During his tenure at KU, Fincham has continued to emphasize the school’s tradition of providing Kansans with well-trained community pharmacists.

Student teams have won high honors for creating treatment plans that recognize the pharmacist’s increased role in patient treatment. The school also has implemented its PharmD program, meaning the entry-level pharmacy practice degree requires six years of education.

“The KU pharmacy school has a history of close relationships with community pharmacists,” says Chancellor Robert E. Hemenway. “This award is well deserved by Dean Fincham and his faculty.”
A Fountain Found
Come hear the voice of a quiet place

The students were gone and calm had returned. Mount Oread once again was the domain of its everyday employees, those of us who stick around in the summer. The sky, as it had been for much of May, was that certain Kansas blue, without its usual freckling clouds; Memorial Day weekend and a bleak forecast loomed; and deadline had passed three days before. So it was with a particular lack of urgency that I decided to stroll over to the Alumni Place fountain.

"Going on an interview?" asked our receptionist, Norma Purdy. "Yeah, but I don't think this one is going to talk." I was wrong. Mostly.

The Alumni Place fountain, concrete and undistinguished and utterly serene, did not speak. It sang, Forgotten, blissful, devoid of bustle, it sang.

It is a faux jewel precious only in memories, a lesser-known participant in the chorus of tranquil nooks that dot the eastern slope: Pioneer statue, the Pi Phi bench, the walkway that meanders around The Outlook, and, of course, Danforth Chapel.

As I walked down Lilac Lane, I was thinking about these places and their meanings in my KU memories. And suddenly I realized I was nearby to The Outlook. I must have missed the stairs leading to the fountain. A lifetime in Lawrence, much of it spent hiking around Mount Oread, and I couldn't find the Alumni Place fountain.

And then a sidewalk. It cut straight between Miller and Watkins scholarship halls, almost like a private path, definitely less traveled. So that was my choice.

I heard the fountain before I saw it, and, like so many others who have stumbled into this corner of campus, I suddenly wished I had spent more time in this lonely enclave.

After descending the stairs and passing under a splendid stone archway, I reached my goal. I was the only visitor, except for a man relaxing near the chancellor's guest house, and in a matter of seconds I reaffirmed my intentions to return more frequently.

Clear water in a Caribbean-blue pool; a cast-stone centerpiece that maybe isn't art, but isn't hard on the eyes; three concrete benches, perfect for finding a seat in the shade or the sun; all against a curving background of limestone retaining wall, the likes of whose workmanship we'll not see again.

Those of you who knew the fountain better than I, you lovers and dreamers who had the sense to pay attention the first time you heard of this spot, might be disturbed to learn that the current fountain is not the original. But don't fret much. The deteriorating fountain was replaced in 1981, and the University was careful to purchase an exact replica from the New York studio that produced the original in 1933.

On my recent visit to this tender place first envisioned by Chancellor Franklin D. Murphy (yet another reason to hold his leadership in high regard), I found no plaque, no notice of name or date or intention—or if there was one, I missed it. No matter. The fountain spoke for itself. I'll not reveal what was said.

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