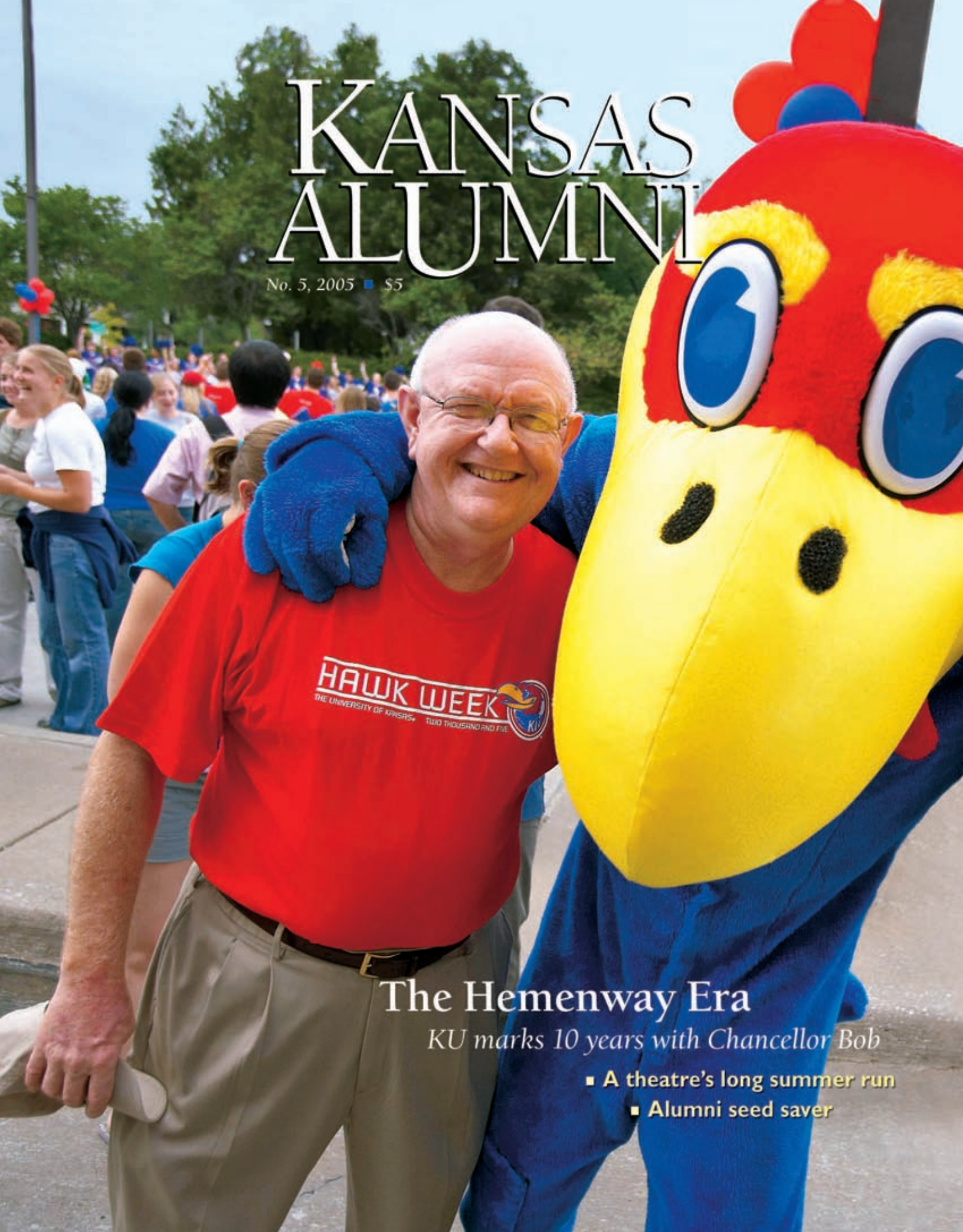


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BY CHRIS LAZZARINO

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Lift the Chorus

Careful what you wish for

As a longtime reader of *Kansas Alumni*, I feel obligated to observe that your publication has long been first class. In the most recent issue [No. 4, 2005], the writing, photography and the graphic design can only be characterized as a “slam dunk.”

Dean Fred Moreau advised our torts class that those who graduate from law school will find the law to be a “jealous mistress.” A majority of the class probably agree with his admonition.

However, in case there is a possibility of reincarnation, I plan to forget the law and humbly request an entry level position on the staff of *Kansas Alumni*.

Dwayne L. Oglesby c'47, g'51, l'53
Wichita

No hero to some

I usually read most of the articles in *Kansas Alumni* when it arrives. I do not always agree with them but this is America and that's OK.

The article on “Sir Bob” [issue No. 4, 2005]: I admire Robert Worcester's accomplishments, but I totally disagree with dual citizenship. You are either an American or you are not, in my opinion. I've worked overseas for extended periods and have never even considered becoming a citizen of another country.

The article on Bill Berkowitz [“'60s rebel still loyal to lifelong causes”]: You portray Berkowitz as somewhat of a folk hero. It may well be that some of his causes, over the years, were admirable, but leading demonstrations against the ROTC cadets was not one of them. The true heroes were the ROTC cadets who

volunteered to serve their country, at a time when most of them probably ended up in Vietnam. I was at KU from 1964 to 1969 and I am quite familiar with all the derision and name-calling directed toward the ROTC cadets. The ROTC building even got painted with red paint. I didn't agree with it then and I don't agree with it now.

I'd like to see you do a profile on one of the cadets who served his country. That would be an article to make Kansas University proud.

John Schroeder, e'69
Grayson, Ky.

As a graduate of the Class of '71 and an alumnus from the period of 1966 to 1971, I am disappointed in your choice to profile Bill Berkowitz. I am by no means opposed to civil disobedience. I believe causes including the epic civil rights struggle of the 1960s have been represented through this means.

However, Mr. Berkowitz and his ilk accomplished nothing through their efforts except to trample the rights of ROTC students like myself and others to free assembly by interfering with the spring ROTC assembly. In another incident, a crowd besieged the Military Science Building, hurling large stones and causing damage to the building and endangering students inside. National Guard personnel were often seen accompanying the fire equipment in and around Lawrence during that summer. Mr. Berkowitz's quest for “peace” was anything but peaceful and led to the endangerment of students, faculty and Lawrence residents.

Most of all, these individuals endangered the lives of honorable military personnel incarcerated in POW camps and serving in combat in Vietnam.

I can assure you as a result of the

article, I am reconsidering my support of the Alumni Association.

Robert C. Clancy, c'71
Wylie, Texas

Oh, Mandy!

Oh, the memories ... Back to the fall of 1970 as a freshman at KU, for the first time experiencing life at the Jayhawk Cafe (The 'Hawk).

Mostly what I remember from The 'Hawk that year was the incessant teasing a certain student received from many of the guys at the bar.

That student had the great break to be featured in a national TV ad for 7-Up, and he played the role of the great legend “Teen Angel.” Everytime he came into The 'Hawk, the guys would say (in a mocking tone), “Hi, Teen-Angel.”

The student didn't get mad or angry. He just looked at us like we couldn't possibly understand what he was trying to do with his life and his love of theatre. He just shrugged it off and went about visiting with his friends.

Mandy [“Patinkin delights students, fans in Murphy Hall,” issue No. 3, 2005], let me try to reach into a place I found years ago and try to make a genuine connection here. This performance is real and natural and draws on emotions I have learned from my life.

I am so sorry for the teasing I gave you at The 'Hawk that year.

Congratulations on your fine career, your victory over prostate cancer, and for giving back to those whose lives are better for you helping them.

That is a true Jayhawk!

Mike Levand, c'76
Lenexa



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On the Boulevard

EARL IVERSEN/LUKE JORDAN



■ In conjunction with the exhibition “Lee Friedlander At Work,” Lawrence artists and KU instructors Earl Iversen and Luke Jordan created a contemporary art project to relate Friedlander’s photographs to a local audience. For their project, “Feeding Lawrence/Work + Workplace,” Iversen and Jordan used digital video to explore two businesses that “feed” the local community—Free State Brewery and The World Company. By focusing on food and communication, Iversen and Jordan hope to address the work required to meet essential and elemental human needs of a contemporary community. The video installation will be presented in the Central Court, from Sept. 23 to Dec. 11.

■ Exhibitions

“Quilts: A Thread of Modernism,” through Oct. 30, Spencer Museum of Art

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■ University Theatre

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OCTOBER

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28-30, Nov. 3-5 “Popcorn,” by Ben Elton

NOVEMBER

14-20 “An Army of One,” by Zacory Boatright, ’05, co-produced with English Alternative Theatre

■ Lied Center events

SEPTEMBER

30 KU Wind Ensemble

OCTOBER

1 Avishai Cohen Trio

2 Daedalus String Quartet

7 KU Symphony Orchestra

8 Dan Zanes and Friends

19 Jazz Ensembles I, II & III

21 Beijing Modern Dance Company

22 Czech Opera Prague in “Die Fledermaus”

25 Merce Cunningham Dance Company

27 The Flying Karamazov Brothers

30 Red Priest, “Nightmare in Venice”

NOVEMBER

2 Barrage, “Vagabond Tales”

3 KU Symphony Orchestra

5 Kronos Quartet

6 KU Wind Ensemble

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- 26** Monica Little and Joe Cecere, graphic designers, Hallmark Series
- 28** Film critic and author David Denby, Woodruff Auditorium, in conjunction with 60th anniversary of Western Civilization program at KU
- 29** Artist David Rees, "Laughing at Work," Spencer Museum of Art

OCTOBER

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- 10** John S. Dykes, illustrator, Hallmark Series
- 24** Robynne Raye, graphic designer, Hallmark Series

NOVEMBER

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- 17** Samantha Power, on human rights and genocide, Humanities Lecture Series, Kansas Union ballroom

■ Alumni events

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- 18** New York Metro Chapter: Golf outing
- 19** Overland Park: Big Blue Mondays, Fieldhouse Sports Cafe
- 23-24** SAA retreat

OCTOBER

- 1** Lubbock: KU vs. Texas Tech rally, south of Jones Stadium
- 1** Austin, Dallas chapters: KU vs. Texas Tech watch parties
- 6** Chicago Chapter: Wine tasting, Thomas McCormick Gallery
- 8** Manhattan: KU vs. KSU rally, corner of Dennison and Kimble
- 10** Overland Park: Big Blue Mondays
- 13** Kansas City Chapter: KU vs. OU pep rally, Corinth Square, Prairie Village
- 15** Kansas City: KU vs. OU rally, Arrowhead Stadium Lot M
- 22** Boulder: KU vs. CU rally, Millennium Harvest House
- 22** Wichita Chapter: Jayhawk Roundup
- 23** Valley of the Sun Chapter: Big 12 picnic, Kiwanis Park
- 24** Overland Park: Big Blue Mondays
- 29** Homecoming: tailgate at Adams Alumni Center, KU vs. Missouri; pancake breakfast, Stauffer-Flint lawn; parade, Jayhawk Boulevard

NOVEMBER

- 5** Tailgate at Adams Alumni Center, KU vs. Nebraska
- 7** Overland Park: Big Blue Mondays
- 12** Austin: KU vs. UT rally, Recreation Center, 2101 San Jacinto Blvd.

■ Kansas Honors Program

SEPTEMBER

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- 21** Lawrence, McPherson, Ottawa
- 26** El Dorado
- 28** Arkansas City

OCTOBER

- 5** Salina
- 6** Hays

- 11** Shawnee Mission
- 12** Dodge City
- 17** Parsons
- 19** Garden City
- 24** Johnson County
- 25** Hutchinson
- 26** Southern Johnson County

NOVEMBER

- 2** Pittsburg
- 7** Manhattan, Wichita
- 9** Junction City, Liberal
- 10** Emporia
- 14** Kansas City
- 15** Osage City, Topeka
- 16** Coffeyville



Lee Friedlander; "Cray," gelatin silver print, ©

■ Lee Friedlander has chronicled the American social and cultural landscape. In the exhibition "Lee Friedlander At Work," the photographer acknowledges the largely anonymous worker, making inventive pictures of the familiar, hum-drum, yet overriding role of work in America.



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First Word

BY JENNIFER JACKSON SANNER



In South Corbin Hall, matching bedspreads for roommates are no longer in vogue. I report this in my new, anxious and awkward capacity as the mother of a freshman who—holy coincidence—resides in my old room.

When I asked Rachel whether she and her roommates would opt for the coordinated look, she only shook her head and smirked, fighting the impulse to call me a dork.

But I couldn't help myself. When I learned my daughter would live in the same corner I had shared with her godmothers, nostalgia carried me back to the days when Karyn, Linda and I shared look-alike linens, a nifty mini-fridge and a stereo turntable that wore out our favorites by Boz Skaggs, the Bee Gees, the Eagles and Peter Frampton.

On the rainy Saturday this August when Rachel, Allie and Sara took up residence, they focused not on decor but on electrical outlets, or the lack thereof. They needed to connect their mini-fridge, TV/DVD, espresso machine, microwave and assorted lamps, while periodically charging their three laptop computers and three cell phones. Thank goodness they each can hook their iPods into their own pairs of ears.

Of course, Rachel's experience on the Hill will vary from mine in more meaningful ways, because the University has changed dramatically in the way it welcomes new students and in the tools it provides for them to succeed throughout their KU careers. Many of these programs have improved during the past 10 years, under the leadership of Chancellor Robert Hemenway.

Rachel began her KU career with a

two-day summer orientation, an immersion in campus life that reaches far beyond merely enrolling and paying tuition. Students met with faculty advisers and fellow students to ensure they connected not only with the right classes but also with promising avenues for involvement.

After moving in last month, the Class of 2009 took part in a 20-year tradition: 'Hawk Week, a series of events explaining and extolling our KU customs, both the solemn and silly.

Since creating 'Hawk Week, KU has developed numerous ways to help students understand and preserve their school's proud heritage, while confidently navigating its academic network in a vastly more complicated era. It has bolstered its student advising through both faculty and peers, created living groups that share academic interests, and revitalized the University Honors Program, to name only a few examples.

And, as the Aug. 29 edition of USA Today reports, the results are impressive. KU is among 20 schools in the nation hailed as places that effectively encourage and produce student success. In a new book, *Student Success in College: Creating Conditions That Matter*, a team of 25 higher-education researchers has hailed these institutions for doing "an especially good job of educating students," says USA Today.

KU is one of only two large public universities included in the group; the

other is the University of Michigan. The researchers, led by George Kuh, professor at Indiana University, worked in small teams to visit schools twice for as many as six days, peering behind healthy graduation and retention rates to examine how each school achieved its results. In 2004, after three years of work, the study group produced Project DEEP, or "Documenting Effective Educational Practice," which is the foundation of the new book. The list of 20 schools is not a ranking but a guide "that parents and prospective college students might find especially instructive," says USA Today.

According to the researchers, KU excels in instruction, service, research, internationalism and humanitarian values. Over the past decade, they write, the University has "emphasized high-quality undergraduate instruction, the product of deliberate effort to balance its research and teaching missions."

You can trace much of that deliberate effort to Hemenway's early comments as chancellor in 1995, when he vowed to make KU a "student-centered university."

Is ours a perfect university? No. There is no such place. But, as Kuh told USA Today, KU and the others share "an unshakable focus on student learning" and "a desire to be better than they are."

Therein lies any parent's wish. I treasure my KU years; they changed my life. But do I want Rachel's to be even better? You bet.

Newly listed: 20 colleges that foster student success



By Abria B. Samoff, Special for USA TODAY
Every college in America seems to appear on some kind of "best" list. There's the U.S. News rankings of "Best Colleges," *Digestion* Review's top "Party Schools,"

Abner and the University of Kansas-Lawrence to small private liberal arts institutions such as Wofford College in Spartanburg, S.C., and Ursinus College in Collegeville, Pa.
What sets the schools apart, researchers say, is that when factors such as the academic quality of the students they admit are taken into account, the institutions have above-average graduation rates and do an outstanding job of involving students in their education. Research shows

- In alphabetical order**
The 20 schools on the researcher's list:
• Abner College (W.Va.)
• California State University at Monterey Bay
• The Evergreen State College (Wash.)
• Ferris State University (Mich.)
• George Mason University (Va.)
• Gonzaga University (Wash.)
• Longwood University (Va.)
• Macalester College (Minn.)
• Miami University (Ohio)
• Sewanee—University of the South (Tenn.)
• Sweet Briar College (Va.)
• University of Kansas (Kan.)
• University of Maine-Farmington
• University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

The institutions also share what Kuhl calls "an unshakable focus on student learning" and create environments designed to promote student success.

Finally, the 20 schools all have clearly defined pathways for student success and make success a shared responsibility of the campus community. The institutions all have multiple safety nets that include early warning systems calling attention to students in academic trouble. These safety nets typically involve faculty, counselors, advisors and even peers.
Kuh says the University of Michigan stands out because while it lists students know that they are "entering an ac-

side.
"Parents should ask, 'What is the basis for saying you are above average?' Where are the data?" Kuh says.
The 20 schools that Kuh and his team selected were chosen from among 700 four-year colleges and universities that participated in the National Survey of Student Engagement from 2000 to 2003. The survey is an annual effort to assess the degree to which students on a number of campus activities



Jayhawk Walk

BY HILL AND LAZZARINO

EARL RICHARDSON



Sweet land of liberty

To the list of things to love about America, add Studio 804.

Along with the muscle-car revival, drive-throughs, New York City, blue jeans on a woman, the Dunkin' Toasted-Coconut Donut, twins and live-bait vending machines, men's magazine GQ listed (at No. 20) the School of Architecture's acclaimed design-and-build class in "62 Reasons to Love Your Country," a pep-talking paean to American ingenuity. Cheering Dan Rockhill's students (who've constructed one eco-friendly, low-income home per year since 1999) for winning Architecture magazine's Home of the Year award over big-name architects, GQ proclaimed, "While Richard Meier's buildings may have housed Nicole Kidman and Calvin Klein, those of Studio 804 house something more: an ideal."

Who'll stop the rain?

The \$17 million Student Recreation Fitness Center bristles with the latest high-tech elliptical trainers, stationary bikes and resistance machines. The \$8 million Robert J. Dole Institute of Politics features multimedia exhibits and the world's largest cache of Congressional papers.

But at two of Mount Oread's newest additions (both opened in 2003), buckets and mops are the most important equipment these days.

When it pours, it seems, the roofs of both buildings are porous.

The problem at the Dole Center is an experimental copper roof. Leaky seams required repairs, recently completed, "that basically tweaked the roof's uniqueness," says Lawrence Bush, director of facilities and events.

At the Rec Center, heating and cooling systems are the source of the soppage, which worsens in bad weather. Mary Chappell, director of recreation services, says contractors agreed to bear the cost of repairs, which began in July. Chappell estimates the fix to be "a five-figure job." Compared to construction costs, that's just a drop in the bucket.

Heard by the Bird

"You know what a Hokie is? It's a butt-kicking chicken. So it's only natural that I came to a school with another butt-kicking chicken."

—Basketball coach Bonnie Henrickson, at the Kansas City Chapter's annual summer picnic, answering the trivia question that quizzed fans about her previous allegiance: the Virginia Tech Hokies.



LARRY LEROY PEARSON

Starving artists protest McClosure

Sometimes ethereal delights of college-town life are the subtlest jewels imaginable. And sometimes six young guys put on giant hamburger outfits and invent a mock protest of renovations that shuttered the Sixth Street McDonald's in May and June.

"Montana Mike Stay'd Open," pleaded one picket, in reference to the Iowa Street steak house that soldiered through its recent construction. "There's no Happy Meal," picket-line producer Steve Balbone told the Lawrence Journal-World, "so how can you stay at all positive?"

Another protestor begged McDonald's to stop playing cruel games with the McRib sandwich, which seems to drift across the menu with maddening



RICHARD GWIN

irregularity. "Tenure McRib Now!" he screamed.

"McRib is really a wintertime sandwich," restaurant spokesman Patrick

Manning told the newspaper. "It'll be back again in November."

Power to the people!

KC 'Hawks nestle in new nest

Just days before the official opening of the dazzling "Jayhawk Central" student union at the Edwards Campus in Overland Park, Vice Chancellor Bob Clark found two students checking out the new digs.

"They said, 'This is the first time we've felt like it's a campus,'" Clark recalled. "They're right. We've been missing that here, a place where everyone could get together and relax or socialize."

Clark notes that the glass-faced, stand-alone building will be easily seen by more than 26,000 motorists who pass by daily

on Quivira Road. The union features a KU bookstore, coffee shop, space for a restaurant, information kiosk and meeting and study space, all packaged in an inviting open floor plan. The union will serve the 9,000 families who live within 3 miles and the 30,000 Kansas Citians who annually visit the Edwards Campus for non-credit programs, as well as area alumni who can watch games on a flat-screen TV.

But the focus will remain on students, so much so that seating clusters were designed for graduate students, who often must do course work in small groups.

Is it too rash to say it seems our cozy little Edwards Campus is all grown up?

"That's how it feels to me, too," Clark says. "It's a symbolic expression of our growth, and it sends a message to Johnson County that our commitment is not for next year; it's for the next 50 years."

Let the bidding begin

Swapping Nike for Adidas isn't the only equipment change KU Athletics is making this summer.

Upgrades to Allen Field House replaced the center and auxiliary scoreboards, and the athletics department is auctioning these and other KU items on the Internet auction site eBay.

The first auction, conducted in June, included a 19-foot-wide, 800-pound piece of the scoreboard hung above the court in 1991. Two auxiliary scoreboards, an Allen Field House rim, and game jerseys worn by basketball player Terry Nooner, c'00, g'03, and football player Tony Sands, c'94, were also sold. The bidding raised more than \$8,400, which will help support the athletics department.

Future auctions will be scheduled as items become available, and prospective bidders can link to eBay via the auctions button at KUathletics.com.

"This gives our alumni and fans an inexpensive way to own a piece of KU athletics," says associate AD Jim Marchiony, "and have some fun in the process."



EARL RICHARDSON



Hilltopics

BY STEVEN HILL



Turow



Lipstadt



Power



EARL RICHARDSON

Star power

Hall Center brings heavy hitters to campus for fall lecture series

Salman Rushdie, whose 1989 novel *The Satanic Verses* provoked a death sentence from an Islamic leader, and Scott Turow, whose legal thrillers have repeatedly appeared on best-seller lists and big screens, will headline a star-studded Humanities Lecture Series.

Rushdie achieved international acclaim with his second novel, *Midnight's Children*, which won England's prestigious Booker Prize. But the Indian-born writer is probably best known for living in hiding for more than a decade after Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini ordered his execution for criticizing fundamentalist Islam in *The Satanic Verses*. Controversy over the novel led to riots in India, Pakistan and Egypt, and copies of the book were burned in England.

Rushdie will visit campus Oct. 6. "Step Across this Line: An Evening with Salman Rushdie," will address contemporary literature, politics, culture and philosophy. His most recent book is *Step Across this Line: Collected Non-Fiction, 1992-2002*.

Turow, an attorney who began his literary career with a memoir that chronicled his first year at Harvard law school, has sold millions of books and seen novels such as *Presumed*

Innocent, The Burden of Proof and *Reversible Errors* translated into 25 languages. In his Feb. 16 lecture, "Confessions of a Death Penalty Agnostic," the Chicago attorney will explore his longtime involvement with the legal and moral questions the death penalty presents.

The series begins Sept. 14 with a visit from Deborah Lipstadt, professor of modern Jewish and Holocaust studies at Emory University, who will discuss her recent libel trial in London. Lipstadt was unsuccessfully sued by David Irving for calling him a Holocaust denier and right-wing extremist. She wrote *Denying the Holocaust: The Growing Assault on Truth and Memory*. She will talk about the major issues involved

in her trial and link them to the rise of "new anti-Semitism."

On Nov. 17, Samantha Power, winner of the 2003 Pulitzer Prize for general nonfiction and the National Book Critics Circle Award for her book on the United States' role in the history of genocide, *A Problem from Hell*, will present a lecture on human rights and genocide, "Can U.S. Foreign Policy Be Fixed?" The central question her work asks: Why do American leaders repeatedly fail to stop genocide?

The big-name lineup is part of an ongoing effort by the Hall Center for the Humanities to



Rushdie

■ Scott Turow, Deborah Lipstadt, Samantha Power and Salman Rushdie highlight the Humanities Lecture Series.

draw more public participation. Funding support from the Hall Family Foundation and the Sosland Foundation of Kansas City made it possible to attract such high-profile speakers, according to Professor Victor Bailey, director of the center.

“We think the series can help create a dialogue between the University and the public,” Bailey says. “To do that we have to bring in speakers who attract the public.

“Clearly these speakers are of national, if not international, acclaim. We’ve never been able to play in this park before, but both of these foundations have made it possible for us to attract more name-catching speakers.”

Rushdie will speak at the Lied Center, with a colloquium to follow Oct. 7 at the Hall Center. Turow and Lipstadt will speak in Woodruff Auditorium at the Kansas Union; Power’s lecture will be held in the Kansas Union ballroom. For more information, contact the Hall Center at 785-864-4798.



A sower goes forth

Catholic student center sees change in leadership as longtime director moves on

Students, staff and supporters at the St. Lawrence Catholic Campus Center said goodbye this summer to a leader whose 28-year tenure marked an era of unprecedented growth for the center.

Monsignor Vince Krische, who directed St. Lawrence since 1977, celebrated his final Mass there July 10. Afterward, at a reception attended by 700 people, staff members announced that the center’s office and classroom building will be named Krische Hall.

“There are probably a lot of people more worthy of having their name on the building,” Krische says. “But at the same time it’s a tremendous honor and a humbling gesture on the part of the people there.”

Succeeding Krische will be the Rev. Steve Beseau, d’88, a former member of the St. Lawrence Center’s board of directors. Beseau will take over in March after completing his doctoral studies in Rome. Mike Scherschligt, director of

ministry, is interim director. Krische now serves as parish priest of St. Ann Catholic Church in Prairie Village.

When he arrived at KU from a teaching job at Roeland Park’s Bishop Miega High School, the St. Lawrence center was located in a ranch house near its current location on Crescent Road. A part-time priest and two part-time employees were the only staff members.

During his tenure, Krische helped raise money to build a student center, a chapel and a parking facility. St. Lawrence now employs 15 full-time and two part-time staff members. Weekly Mass draws about 3,000 attendants and roughly 800 students are actively involved in St. Lawrence programs.

“He’s been utterly extraordinary,” says Troy Hinkle, director of theological education at the center. “He is a man who really possesses a unique vision, and he knows how to implement his vision. He didn’t just live in the clouds.”

Under Krische’s leadership, Hinkle says, the St. Lawrence center became a model for Catholic student centers nationwide.

“He pioneered taking theology—the intellectual, moral and spiritual tradition of the church—

“We think the series can help create a dialogue between the University and the public. To do that we have to bring in speakers who attract the public.”

— Victor Bailey



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■ Monsignor Vince Krische left the St. Lawrence Catholic Campus Center this fall after 28 years as director.

Hispanic achievement

KU ranked 17th in the nation for the number of doctorates awarded to Hispanic students, according to Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education magazine. Seventeen Hispanic students earned doctoral degrees at KU in 2004, more than all other Big 12 schools except the University of Texas.

and passing it on to students and showing them how to use that in their specific fields. He really understood the role of campus ministry to Catholic education. He was ahead of his time.”

Soon after he arrived, Krische began reaching out to KU alumni and faculty members, asking them to join students in becoming involved in the center. St. Lawrence was among the first Catholic campus centers in the country to build a broad support structure and strong financial base. Soon Krische was sought out nationally as a leader in campus ministry, consulting with more than 50 universities and hosting orientation sessions at KU for new campus ministry professionals.

He became a familiar figure on campus, as well, serving as chaplain for the football team for 15 years and giving the invocation at many campus events. In 1999, the University and the Alumni Association recognized his contributions with the Distinguished Service Citation, KU’s highest honor.

Krische spent much of his last year at St. Lawrence on sabbatical. He wrote a history of the center and studied theology in Rome, where he received a private audience with Pope John Paul II. He was elevated to the rank of monsignor in March, the first Lawrence priest in 40 years to bear that title.

His most cherished role—the one he says he’ll miss most—was working with students.

“The University has the opportunity to influence people who are at a very important stage in their development.” Krische says, recalling the advice of the late Archbishop Ignatius Strecker, the man who assigned him to St. Lawrence. “We were able to provide a really good quality of life

for students while they were in college, so they were able to engage in something that was really creative and helpful and growth-producing. They found that studying theology could help give meaning to the rest of the classes they took at KU.

“At graduation time, a lot of students would say, ‘St. Lawrence has made a difference in my college career. I’ll always remember it.’ Those are good memories.”



Just for men

NIH enlists KU research team in race to develop world’s first male contraceptive

Scientists now believe that a contraceptive for men is within reach, and the National Institutes of Health thinks a KU research team can find the chemical compounds that will help make this scientific possibility a reality.

In June the NIH awarded a nearly \$8 million contract to an interdisciplinary team made up of researchers from the University and KU Medical Center. The research group, one of only a few in the world working to develop a male contraceptive, will use one of KU’s high-tech Lawrence laboratories to screen several million compounds to determine their potential for inhibiting sperm development and movement.

The challenge, according to Gunda Georg, University distinguished professor of medicinal chemistry and pharmacy and the lead researcher for the project, is twofold. “First we have to find the compounds that will be our starting points,” Georg says, “and then we need to develop them into a drug that’s reliable, potent enough to be effective, and free of undesirable side effects.”

The contraceptive must not rely on steroids or affect bodily

■ Gunda Georg heads an interdisciplinary research team that’s working to develop a male contraceptive pill.

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hormones, it must be nontoxic and reversible, and it must be available in an oral dose.


Georg, who also directs the Center for Drug Discovery at the Higuchi Biosciences Center, and Joseph Tash, associate professor of molecular and integrative physiology, were part of a KU team that worked on an earlier KU-NIH partnership four years ago. On that project they identified a promising chemical compound they dubbed Gamendazole, which proved effective at eliminating male fertility when tested on animals. KU has filed a patent application on the compound.

This time around, the team also includes Qizhuang Ye, PhD'88, research professor at the Higuchi Biosciences Center, and Ernst Schonbrunn, assistant professor of medicinal chemistry. Over the next five years they hope to identify a half-dozen more such compounds, any one of which might eventually be turned into "safe, effective and reversible male contraceptives," Georg says.

In addition to the team's previous successes, a big reason KU won the contract is the quality of its research facilities. Researchers will screen the compounds at Ye's High Throughput Screening Laboratory, which is part of the Life Sciences Research Laboratories on Wakarusa Drive. The lab's technology allows researchers to quickly scan hundreds of thousands of compounds, which would take up to a year to scan otherwise. Over five years, researchers hope to scan about 5 million compounds. KU is one of the few universities in the nation to have one of these facilities.

"I think the reason we got the contract is that the NIH has been extremely pleased with our productivity and creativity," Georg says, "and they were extremely pleased with what we proposed for the future with the screening."

Finding a half-dozen promising compounds out of the 5 million screened would be "spectacular," according to Georg. The next step would be to modify the compounds using medicinal chemistry techniques. After that, clinical trials could lead to a commercially-available drug.

"It would be a big breakthrough, and I think there are a lot of men who would be willing to give it a try," Georg says. "The female pill came on the market in the 1960s, and ever since people have been thinking, 'Is this something that's going to be available for men?' Thirty to 40 years ago the scientific knowledge was not available, but the NIH feels that science has since moved to the point that development of a male contraceptive agent is realistic." 

Visitor

A woman's place

Author Donna Moreau discussed her book *Waiting Wives: The Story of Billie Man, Her Front to the Vietnam War*, as part of the Summer Series.

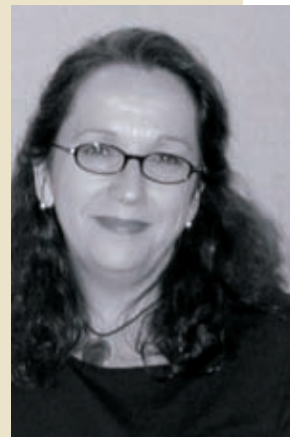
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WHERE: The Robert J. Dole Institute of Politics

BACKGROUND: Moreau grew up on military bases around the world and attended 16 high schools. While her father served in Vietnam, she lived with her mother and sisters at Schilling Manor, a closed Air Force base near Salina that became the only U.S. base set aside for wives and children of soldiers serving in Vietnam.

ANECDOTE: Moreau first set out to write a play about her family's life at Schilling Manor, but after realizing that the emotional toll on soldiers' families was a story bigger than her own experience, she interviewed more than 150 women who lived at the base. "Every one of them asked why I would want to write about this. They were the last generation of the hat-and-glove military wives. Their orders were to serve their country and follow their husbands no matter where and just do what they had to do."

QUOTE: "I think the women and families of soldiers—and certainly now the families of female soldiers—I think sometimes we forget about them and what it takes to live day to day not knowing how their lives can change in just a minute."



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"Who does the most waiting in war? The wives and the kids. What about this war that we fight on a day-to-day basis? It's the quiet side of war none of us hear about."

 na Moreau



MARKETING

Choice of institutional logo strengthens KU's visual ID

Give me a Trajan K! Give me a Trajan U!

That's what University marketers decided in July, selecting an official KU logo after months of study and review of hundreds of designs, including campus landmarks and traditional academic icons. The process, undertaken with help from campus communicators, the design firm LandreyMorrow, focus groups and public comment, establishes

a consistent logo that joins the Jayhawk and the University seal as the centerpiece of KU's new visual identity system.

"We wanted a logo that could represent KU's strong tradition and academic rigor, unify our schools and campuses, and endure for generations," says David Johnston, j'94, director of marketing. "We believe this customized KU in Trajan typeface, a strong but elegant mark, best satisfies these criteria."

The new logo will combine with the University's full name to create a graphic signature that will be used to create a unified look on stationery, signage and other formats.

"Our ultimate goal is to have in place an effective, efficient system that all campuses, schools and departments can easily use and that will build on the strong reputation of the University of Kansas," says Chancellor Robert E. Hemenway, who chose the Trajan symbol from among four final designs. "This visual system, in conjunction with our integrated marketing effort, will align us with leading large public universities such as the universities of Oregon,

Maryland and North Carolina and Arizona State University, who efficiently manage their visual communications and take seriously the task of telling their story to the public."



RESEARCH

Ten win Fulbright honors

Seven students and three faculty members have been tapped as Fulbright Scholars.

The prestigious research fellowships fund a year of study and travel abroad. Since the program began in 1946, 388 KU students have received Fulbrights. This year's recipients are Angela Gray, g'04, who will travel to Zambia; Michael Johnson (Russia); Ashleigh Klingman (Ecuador); Thomas Reid, c'04 (Europe); Amanda Rogers, f'05 (Morocco); Sarah Smiley, g'04 (Tanzania); and Emily Stewart, f'05 (Switzerland).

A separate program awards grants for faculty research abroad. Winners are David Besson, professor of physics and astronomy; Dennis Karney, Ned N. Fleming distinguished teaching professor of business; and Susan Zvacek, director of instructional development and support. Some 270 KU faculty members have received the Fulbright grants in the program's 50-plus year history.

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Jewish studies scholar pledges to meld ancient with modern

Jonathan Boyarin, a prolific author and researcher dedicated to merging traditional Jewish studies with academia's examinations of contemporary culture, in August joined the religious studies

Update

Plans to expand the Lied Center for the Performing Arts with a new 800-seat theatre and other additions have been canceled after fund-raisers were unable to meet a short grant deadline.

As previously reported in Hilltopics (issue No. 3, 2005), the center needed to raise \$7.5 million by June 30 to net a proposed \$7.5 million matching grant from the Lied Foundation Trust, the foundation that helped build the center in 1988. Despite a \$1 million initial gift from Ross and Marianna Kistler Beach and Douglas County Bank, the campaign came up short of the goal.

"We didn't get there," says Tim Van Leer, executive director of the center, "but the one thing we did get from all this was assurance from everyone we talked to of the value of Lied Center programs, of how much they mean to them and the University. So in a sense, they were a focus group telling us that we're on the right track."

The Lied Foundation will instead donate \$5 million for scholarships at KU.



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department as its first Robert M. Beren distinguished professor in modern Jewish studies.

Boyarin, who also will maintain an appointment in KU's history department, has written or edited 10 books in Jewish studies and cultural theory. His research interests include East European Jewish culture in the 20th century and Jewish communities of New York City and the Middle East.

"At KU, I'll be able to realize my personal vision of Jewish studies as a connecting thread through the humanities and social sciences," Boyarin said before making the cross-country drive to Kansas from the East Coast, where he most recently had been a visiting professor at Dartmouth College.

The Robert M. Beren Foundation of Wichita funded the professorship in 2003 with a gift of \$500,000, which was matched through previous gifts from the Hall Family Foundation of Kansas City.

—Chris Lazzarino

Milestones, money and other matters

■ **A \$14.5 MILLION APPROPRIATION** from Congress will expand ongoing research at the School of Engineering's Transportation Research Institute. The funding, acquired through the efforts of Rep. Jerry Moran, c'76, l'82, and Sen. Pat Roberts, will boost research on fuel cells, road and vehicle materials, aircraft and air quality. Formed in 2004, the institute conducts cross-disciplinary study of emerging transportation issues that have broad societal significance.

■ **SEN. ROBERT J. DOLE PUBLIC SERVICE**

Scholarships were awarded to 40 Kansas high school graduates by the Dole Institute of Politics in June. The program, now in its first year, provides \$1,000 for full-time study at a number of Kansas universities to in-state students active in volunteer community and public service. The scholarships are "one more way to reward and encourage civic engagement," says Bill Lacy, institute director. "We hope the Dole scholars will take an even more active role during their college years."

■ **THE CENTER FOR ADVANCED HEART CARE** under construction at the University of Kansas Hospital received a \$1 million gift from Kansas City philanthropist Annette Bloch. The donation will purchase equipment for a heart rhythm care center in the new facility, due to open in 2006. The Richard and Annette Bloch Heart Rhythm Center will honor Bloch and her late husband, who founded H&R Block Inc.

■ **ALUMNI WHO MAINTAIN CREDENTIAL FILES** at the University Career Center are reminded to keep them current. The center maintains the files for 10 years after most recent activity but advises that those more than two or three years old need to be updated with current reference letters and contact information. More details are available at www.ucc.ku.edu/credentials or 785-864-3624.

■ **TWO GRADUATE STUDENTS IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION** finished in the top 10 of The Public Service Challenge, a national competition sponsored by U.S. News and World Report and the Vibrant Institute. Rick Osborn of Kansas City and Jim Kowach of Topeka competed against more than 2,500 students in the four-week contest, in which students led a fictitious government agency through a simulated national health crisis.

■ **THE CANCER CENTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS HOSPITAL** received the 2004 Commission on Cancer Outstanding Achievement Award, which recognizes cancer programs that provide quality care to patients. Only 8 percent of the 429 programs surveyed by the American College of Surgeons in 2004 received the award.

■ **CENTRO ANN SULLIVAN DEL PERU**, a Lima center for children and adults with developmental disabilities founded by Liliana Mayo, PhD'96, and affiliated with KU's Schiefelbusch Institute for Life Span Studies, received the Peruvian Congressional Medal of Honor in July. The center offers programs for 350 children and adults and serves as a model for similar centers in Peru and eight other countries. Mayo received KU's Distinguished Service Citation in 2003.



Eaton Hall

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■ Jonathan Boyarin, near the kneeling Moses sculpture in front of Smith Hall, is an authority on 20th-century Jewish culture.

■ Coaches and teammates say Charles Gordon, a preseason All-American, is “painfully shy.” They also say they couldn’t care less, because Gordon makes his statements in the only venue that counts: on the field.



Tough enough

Flashy Gordon eager to trade Big 12 honors for a conference title shared by teammates

Fourth-year coach Mark Mangino loves to talk about his tough football players. Senior linebacker Nick Reid, in Mangino’s estimation, is a leader liked and respected by all of his teammates, “but don’t fool with him. He’s a tough customer.” To illustrate, Mangino revealed that Reid, voted preseason All-Big 12, played parts of the 2003 season with a screw, meant to hold together a separated bone, sticking through the skin of his foot, and

the final few games of 2004 with knee injuries that required surgery two days after the season ended. Reid did not miss a game or a practice; in fact, he didn’t even miss a play.

“We have a gritty bunch of kids,” Mangino says, “a hard-nosed bunch.”

And cornerback Charles Gordon?

“The No. 1 thing about him,” Mangino says, “is he’s a good person. And he’s painfully shy.”

What, no tough-guy talk for the Jayhawks’ best player, a preseason All-American who led the country last season with seven interceptions?

No, there’s plenty. Just ask his teammates.

“Is Charles Gordon a tough football player?”

Banks Floodman’s eyebrows arch and his eyes narrow as the senior linebacker repeats the question with a tone of disbelief.

“I never heard Charles complain *once* about an injury,” Floodman continues. “He’s got aches and pains like the rest of us, but he doesn’t complain. He finishes every play. Cross-fields [grueling sprints], he’s always one of the first finishers. That guy works his tail off and he’s got a huge heart.”

Senior linebacker Kevin Kane: “He’s the best cornerback in the Big 12 as far as I’m concerned.”

Senior quarterback Brian Luke: “A lot of people might think, ‘Oh, he’s an All-American, he must think he’s all that.’ But Charles ... he’s just one of the guys. He never thinks of himself as being above anybody. Down to earth, real personable guy, fun guy. I’ve had classes with him, and I can tell you, he’s a fun guy to get to know. That, and he’s just a flat-out athletic football player.”

He's got everything."

Senior running back Clark Green, the only prominent Jayhawk less comfortable than Gordon talking with reporters: "Talking gets you nowhere. It's all about proving it on the field every Saturday. That's what get Charles Gordon's attention."

And Gordon's dramatic interceptions and receptions get everybody else's attention.

Recruited as a receiver out of Carson, Calif., Gordon in 2003 caught 57 passes (third-most in team history) for 769 yards, both KU freshman records. It was not until 2004, Gordon's sophomore season, that he even started playing cornerback, and by the end of the season he was third-team All-American and first-team All-Big 12.

He also continued to take snaps at wide receiver, enlivening the offense whenever he took the field. It was more of the same during Gordon's first offensive practice of 2005, when, without having attended a single offensive position meeting, he stepped in and, in Mangino's words, "put on a clinic running pass routes. There's no question he's our best corner, but he is probably one of our most polished receivers.

"I don't really do a lot of talking. Guys see me as a lead-by-example type of guy. I just work hard and people see that and they feed off that." —Charles Gordon

When Charles runs pass routes, even our quarterbacks look better."

Mangino says he hopes that the resurgent Amadi twins, Ronnie and Donnie, and a newly healthy Theo Baines can play well enough to occasionally boot Gordon back over to offense; he'll also be expected to return some punts.

"Where we reduce Charles' [playing time] and where we add to it, that's a question our staff and I are trying to answer," Mangino says. "He will return punts, he'll play defense, he'll play offense, but as good an athlete and as great a player as he is, 60 minutes is not a realistic goal."

Mangino said much the same thing after games last season; when later asked whether exhaustion might get the best of him, Gordon always grimaced and politely affirmed his desire to play as much as possible. Now it seems he might see things Mangino's way.

"When we win, I'm not so tired; I'm

kind of excited," Gordon says. "When we lose, that really hurts. As long as we get a victory, I'm fine with whatever I have to do. But I can't do it all by myself. It takes all 11 guys, and it takes everybody on the team to make sure we finish games.

"When we're ahead, we want to stay ahead. All the other stuff, I really could not care less. I only want to win."

Well said. 

Starting over

Off-season changes usher in new look for men's basketball

Sophomore J.R. Giddens, a two-year starter who was stabbed in a fight outside a Lawrence bar in May, has ended his Jayhawk career early.

Coach Bill Self announced the move,



■ A new scoreboard being hung inside Allen Field House (above) and the Booth Family Hall of Athletics under construction outside are only part of KU basketball's new look in 2005-'06. Departures and transfers (including J.R. Giddens, right) leave a team dependent on youth.



Updates

Broadcaster **MAX FALKENSTIEN** announced his retirement, effective after the final men's basketball game of 2006. Falkenstien, c'47, worked his first basketball game at the NCAA Tournament in 1946, and took over as voice of the Jayhawks beginning with the football opener vs. TCU on Sept. 21, 1946. "I realize there finally comes a time when one must call an end to something, no matter how much he enjoys it," Falkenstien said. ...



Falkenstien

COURTESY: KU SPORTS INFORMATION

All-American senior forward **Caroline Smith**, who has battled injuries much of the past two seasons, says she's fully healthy and eager to lead the soccer team to a successful defense of its Big 12 co-championship. "Now it's time to get rid of that hyphen," Smith says. "We lost to Texas twice last year, we lost to Nebraska twice. We have yet to beat Texas since I've been here." ... Senior pole vaulter **Amy Linnen** placed third at the NCAA Outdoor Championships in June, with a vault of 14 feet, 1.25 inches; freshman vaulter **Ekaterina Sultanova** was seventh. Senior **Jeremy Mims** ran fourth in the 800 meters in 1:45.86, a personal-best time and the second-best mark in KU history. ... Junior outfielder **A.J. Van Slyke** was named first-team All-Big 12, just the second KU baseball player so honored. He was drafted in the 23rd round by the St. Louis Cardinals, a club his father, Andy, once played for.

which he described as a mutual decision, during a June 30 press conference.

"We came to the conclusion together that it was in his best interest and our best interest to part ways," said Self, who called the controversy "a cloud that will probably hover above us for a while."

Added Self, "It's a fresh start for him. J.R. has had an up-and-down two years here."

In a written statement, Giddens expressed regret for the incident that led to his departure, a fight outside the Moon Bar in the early hours of May 19.

"With everything that has transpired in this situation, Coach and I are in agreement that a fresh start would be best for Kansas and me," he said. "I'm sorry for what has transpired. Regardless of guilt or innocence, I put our program in a bad situation."

Giddens was hospitalized after being stabbed in the calf. Four other men were also wounded in the melee, which allegedly followed an altercation inside the bar involving Giddens and Jeremiah Creswell, of Olathe. On Aug. 30 the

Douglas County district attorney charged Giddens with misdemeanor battery and disorderly conduct and Creswell with misdemeanor battery.

Giddens, who averaged 10.1 points and started 27 games last season, was to be the leading returning scorer on a team already dramatically transformed. In addition to the graduation of seniors Keith Langford, Michael Lee, Aaron Miles and Wayne Simien, KU lost Alex Galindo and Nick Bahe to transfers. Moulaye Niang, who remains a student at KU, ended his playing career early because of a chronic back condition.

Senior Christian Moody will be the only returning starter on a 14-man squad dominated by 11 freshmen and sophomores. Mario Chalmers, Micah Downs, Julian Wright and late addition Brandon Rush are touted as one of the nation's top recruiting classes.

The scenario doesn't surprise Self.

"Where this team is now is where we thought it would be back in November," he said, noting speculation last year that Giddens might leave early for the NBA.

"This doesn't come as, 'Oh, gosh, what do we do now?' We prepared for this moment back when we thought there was a great chance J.R. would leave after his sophomore year."

Giddens will play for New Mexico, Galindo for Florida International and Bahe for Creighton.

—Steven Hill

Sanctions levied

Internal investigation leads to two-year probation

The University on June 15 announced that a two-year, internal investigation revealed numerous rules violations, resulting in a two-year probation for the athletics department and additional sanctions for a number of teams.

The violations, detailed in a report submitted to the NCAA, will lead to what is apparently the first NCAA investigation of KU athletics since men's basketball was prevented from defending its 1988 national championship.

On his first day on the job, in 2003, Athletics Director Lew Perkins was told of two possible violations; he and Chancellor Robert E. Hemenway agreed to hire a Kansas City law firm to investigate, and that eventually grew into a full review for the entire department.

Among the violations uncovered: Football recruits received improper help in scheduling correspondence courses; some former men's basketball players received small graduation gifts from alumni; and two prospective women's basketball players received summer housing at a private dormitory not equal to their work in the hall's dining room.

"We are very disappointed that at times we fell short of the high standards we set for ourselves," Hemenway said. "The probation does not include television or postseason sanctions; it acknowledges, however, that lapses occurred and that we will not tolerate further mistakes."



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Ready to roll

Led by Lima, Bechard's team looks to extend winning ways

Coach Ray Bechard is asked whether Josi Lima, a senior from Sao Paulo, Brazil, might be the best he's ever coached. He notes that Lima, a three-time All-Big 12 middle blocker, is in the audience, smiling broadly from a nearby seat in Hadl Auditorium, but Bechard promises his answer will not be swayed.

"Many other middle blockers in the Big 12 will come out along the back row and somebody will take their place," Bechard says of situational substitutions so common in volleyball. "Not Josi. Josi is one of our best, if not our best, passers; one of our best, if not our best, servers; our best back-row attacker; our best front-row attacker.

"So, yeah, she's probably the best I've had since I've been here."

Lima, a 6-footer, escorted her teammates (including two other Brazilians) on a 10-day summer playing tour of Brazil; she says they strengthened bonds of friendship and mutual respect.

Noting that her coach's goal is to build on the momentum of consecutive



■ Volleyball coach Ray Bechard (top) enters his eighth season at KU with a career winning percentage of .846 (including 13 years at Barton County Community College). Senior Josi Lima (above) is one of the stars who have pushed Bechard's Jayhawks into consecutive NCAA tournament appearances.

NCAA tournament appearances while avoiding midseason conference swoons, Lima boldly predicts that KU should finish second or third in the Big 12. (Nebraska is ranked No. 1 nationally.)

"We are a new team, a young team, but we are very talented," Lima says. "And this year is something different, because our team is so much closer than in years past. We feel good about our chances this season." 🍀

■ **Football**

OCTOBER

- 1** at Texas Tech
- 8** at Kansas State
- 15** vs. Oklahoma, Arrowhead Stadium, Kansas City
- 22** at Colorado
- 29** Missouri (Homecoming)

NOVEMBER

- 5** Nebraska
- 12** at Texas
- 26** Iowa State

■ **Volleyball**

SEPTEMBER

- 21** at Texas
- 24** Baylor
- 28** at Texas Tech

OCTOBER

- 1** at Colorado
- 5** Kansas State
- 8** Nebraska
- 15** at Missouri
- 19** Iowa State
- 22** at Baylor
- 26** at Nebraska
- 29** Texas

NOVEMBER

- 2** Colorado
- 5** at Kansas State
- 9** at Oklahoma
- 12** Texas Tech
- 16** at Texas A&M
- 23** Missouri
- 26** at Iowa State

■ **Men's golf**

SEPTEMBER

- 19-20** Kansas Invitational
- 30-Oct. 2** at Mason Rudolph Intercollegiate, Nashville, Tenn.

OCTOBER

- 17-18** at Prestige, La Quinta, Calif.

NOVEMBER

- 3-4** at Del Walker Intercollegiate, Long Beach, Calif.

Sports Calendar

■ Women's golf

OCTOBER

- 3-4** at Battle at the Lake, Tulsa, Okla.
- 10-11** at Marilyn Smith Sunflower Invitational, Manhattan
- 16-18** at Razorback Invitational, Fayetteville, Ark.

NOVEMBER

- 4-6** at The Derby Invitational, Auburn, Ala.

■ Swimming and diving

OCTOBER

- 8** Minnesota
- 14** at Big 12 Relays, Columbia, Mo.
- 15** at Truman State, Kirksville, Mo.
- 28** Missouri

NOVEMBER

- 4** Iowa & Missouri State
- 18-20** at Minnesota Invitational

DECEMBER

- 2-3** vs. Harvard and Northeastern, at Cambridge, Mass.

JANUARY

- 6** at Florida International Relays, Miami
- 14** Nebraska
- 27** Drury

FEBRUARY

- 3-4** at Iowa State
- 22-25** at Big 12, Columbia, Mo.

■ Tennis

SEPTEMBER

- 16-18** at Tulsa Invitational
- 30-Oct. 2** at Indiana Invitational

OCTOBER

- 19-23** at ITA Central Regionals, Salt Lake City

NOVEMBER

- 4-6** at Western Michigan, Kalamazoo

■ Soccer

SEPTEMBER

- 23** at Baylor
- 25** Texas A&M
- 30** at Nebraska

OCTOBER

- 2** at Iowa State
- 7** Oklahoma State
- 9** Oklahoma
- 14** at Texas Tech
- 16** at Colorado
- 21** Colorado College
- 23** Texas
- 28** Missouri

NOVEMBER

- 2-6** at Big 12, San Antonio

■ Cross Country

SEPTEMBER

- 24** at Roy Griak Invitational, Minneapolis

OCTOBER

- 1** at Oklahoma State Jamboree
- 15** at Pre-Nationals Invitational, Terre Haute, Ind.
- 28** at Big 12, Waco, Texas

■ Rowing

OCTOBER

- 1-2** at Head of the Oklahoma, Oklahoma City
- 29** at Head of the Iowa, Iowa City

NOVEMBER

- 5-6** at Head of the 'Hooch, Chattanooga, Tenn.

- 12** at Sunflower Showdown, Manhattan

■ Softball

SEPTEMBER

- 24-25** Kansas Softball Invitational, vs. Pittsburg State, Missouri Southern and Rockhurst
- 28** William Jewell

OCTOBER

- 1-2** Fall Jayhawk Classic, vs. UMKC, Washburn and Northern Colorado
- 9** Johnson County CC
- 9** Missouri Western



■ In keeping with new mandates that all athletics teams adhere to KU's official royal blue, football unveiled helmets fashioned with a hue considerably lighter than the darker schemes of recent years. "I'm from Lawrence, so this is closer to the blue I grew up watching KU football teams wear," says fullback Brandon McAnderson. "I like it."



The Hemenway Decade

TEN YEARS INTO THE CHANCELLOR'S TENURE,
AN OUTSIDE REPORT CARD GIVES KU HIGH MARKS

Hi, I'm Bob Hemenway." Robert E. Hemenway, the University's 16th chancellor, does not use his professional or academic titles—chancellor, professor, doctor—when introducing himself. He mingles easily with students and tries to put even the most junior faculty members at ease; while always turned out in suit and tie during office hours, he's comfortable wearing a promotional T-shirt to a freshman mixer. And, for an academic with so much respect for the trappings of tradition, he is oddly confident wearing a straw hat during the most hallowed of KU rites, the walk down the Hill.

Chancellor Hemenway—he can use the familiar “Bob” all he wants, but he'll always be *chancellor* to us—has grown in the job. Ten successful years tend to do that.

After a long stretch of expert leadership by amiable men of comforting presence—Gene Budig, chancellor from 1981 to 1994, when he left to become president of baseball's American League, and microbiology professor Del Shankel, who served yearlong stints before and after Budig—we suddenly had a stranger in our midst in 1995.

Change is usually unsettling, but for those who appreciate academic excel-

lence, exponential growth in resources and unwavering respect for tradition, the newcomer from Kentucky, by way of Oklahoma, Wyoming and Nebraska, proved to be just as the Board of Regents had predicted: the right fit for KU.

“There are certain advantages when you come in from another state and you don't know many people,” says Kansas State University president Jon Wefald, himself 19 years on the job after arriving in Manhattan as an unknown from Minnesota. “You're starting with a clean slate, and you are looking at people, whether they've been there for one year or 30, with fresh eyes.

“Bob Hemenway obviously understood this, and he understood he had to make the best of this opportunity. He has a great deal of intellectual capacity to look at a problem and find a solution. He is simply a superb problem solver.”



When Bob Hemenway arrived at KU from the University of Kentucky, where he had been president of the Lexington campus, problems lurked anywhere he cared to look.

Among nine “concerns” reported in 1995 after a visit by the accreditation

team sent by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools:

- Basic infrastructure items such as proper ventilation for art classrooms were described as “grossly inadequate.”
- Women and minorities were under-represented among faculty, students and staff because KU lacked a “systematic plan for accountability at the institutional and departmental levels.”
- Open admissions posed unhealthy burdens for “an institution committed to academic excellence.”
- Technological improvements were needed in every aspect of University life, including administration, teaching and research.
- Undergraduate teaching needs appeared to drive admission to some graduate programs, rather than research potential of applicants, and more money was needed for graduate stipends and graduate research assistants.

Not highlighted by auditors, but headaches awaiting Hemenway nonetheless, were crises such as:

- a heart-transplant program at KU Medical Center eventually shuttered for accepting patients while refusing donors;
- a \$3 million budget shortfall, spurred by a \$1.6 million cut in state funds and a \$1.2 million deficit in research overhead, forcing a half-year

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delay in salary increases;

- and even a silent Campanile, whose bell repairs were running two years behind schedule.

Almost immediately upon his arrival in Lawrence, Hemenway recruited and hired Vice Admiral Don Hagen, surgeon general of the U.S. Navy, as executive vice chancellor of KU Medical Center.

Hemenway then gutted KU's top-tier administrative structure, announcing in January 1996 that the jobs of Lawrence-campus executive vice chancellor and vice chancellor for academic affairs would be merged into a provost position; six months later he made what might have been his single-most important decision, promoting business professor David Shulenburg, who had held the former academic affairs job, to provost, with supervisory responsibility for the

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entire Lawrence campus.

“Some changes will be gradual,” Shulenburg said at the time of his appointment, “but some have to be fast.”

That spring, the Legislature approved the Board of Regents’ \$163 million bond proposal called “Crumbling Classrooms,” of which KU was to receive \$64 million for construction and renovation of classrooms, libraries and laboratories on the Lawrence and KUMC campuses.

Legislators also gave preliminary approval to Hemenway’s first major policy initiative, the innovative system of “tuition accountability” that freed the University from delivering tuition receipts to general state coffers. And KU was that very summer completing a fundamental identity shift, leaving behind the comfortable old Big Eight by welcoming four prominent Texas universities into a new Big 12 Conference.

“My understanding is that the average tenure of a chancellor is four and a half years, so 10 years is a lot longer than most chancellors serve,” Shulenburg says. “But given the complexity of a university like this one, it’s really hard to get messages going in a much shorter period of time. A 10-year chunk, you ought to be able to move an institution in that amount of time. And, boy, this institution sure moved in the last 10 years.”

The 10-year report card arrived this spring, and auditors announced that all nine of the previous “concerns” had been addressed to their satisfaction. They noted no additional problem areas while enthusiastically recommending to the North Central Association that KU be granted the maximum 10-year accreditation.

Among the team’s findings:

- KU values effective teaching and student learning.
- The University has an “impressive and extensive” international emphasis.
- Information technology is devoted to student learning, teaching and research.
- Research expenditures increased 120 percent and \$450 million had been invested in facilities since the team’s last visit.
- KU made “noteworthy progress” in student retention and graduation rates, and in 10 years increased minority-student enrollment 41 percent.
- And the University achieved “helpful regulatory relief from the state” in the form of a tuition ownership model that allows KU to retain revenue generated by rising tuition rates.

Says Hemenway, “One of the team members came up to me and said, ‘You

know, you really ought to stop with all this aw-shucks business. You have a terrific university and you ought to be celebrating it.’

“That drove home a lot of things to me. As Midwesterners we’re naturally modest, but we really have had some extraordinary successes at the University of Kansas in the last 10 years. We ought to be proud of that.”



Bob Hemenway grew up in Hastings, Neb., earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Nebraska-Omaha, and was 24 when he earned his PhD in English from Kent State University in 1966. In their reference letters, faculty advisers uniformly noted a sense that Hemenway, by all accounts a particularly brilliant student, was destined for a future beyond the English department.

If he hoped to one day lead a large university, Hemenway kept it to himself and fashioned his career as an academic. He joined the University of Kentucky as assistant professor in 1966, and in 1968 joined the American studies department at the University of Wyoming. He returned to Kentucky as associate professor in 1973, and in 1977 secured his academic reputation with publication of his well-received biography of Zora Neale Hurston, among the finest of 20th-century American authors, who had fallen into unfortunate obscurity until Hemenway helped resurrect awareness of her work.

In 1986, Hemenway, by then chair of English at Kentucky, left for Oklahoma, where he spent three years as dean of arts and sciences. Again he returned to Kentucky, lured back in 1989 to take over as the Lexington-campus chancellor. And there he remained until 1995, when KU came calling.

The vagabond life of a star academic quickly settled into routine as he and his family made themselves at home in The Outlook on Lilac Lane.

“It was definitely a unique experience, growing up where I did,” says Hemen-

■ The Plainsman's straw hat (right) has become a jovial tradition, but Hemenway is serious about guarding against the Kansas sun: He's been known to cajole passersby on Wescoe Beach for their lack of headgear. Soon after arriving in 1974, the Hemenways shared a laugh with Shulenburg (below) whom the chancellor would come to rely on as provost.



way's second-youngest son, Zach, j'04, who stayed on the Hill for his undergraduate years and is now studying law at the University of Nebraska. "Everywhere I lived before, most of my friends were kids in the neighborhood. Coming up here, the neighborhood is the University of Kansas. It definitely took some getting used to. I mean, every day I got up, went down to eat breakfast and watched 100 students walking past on their way to class."

Mary Burg was assistant to the dean of arts and sciences at Kentucky when, in 1990, she applied for the same position with the new chancellor. During the interview, Bob Hemenway asked Burg what her father had done for a living.

"I was in one of my moods," she now recalls, "and I still don't know why he hired me, but it just seemed so irrelevant, what my father did for a living. So I said, 'He's an ax murderer, and he's visiting! You want to meet him?'"

Fifteen years later, Burg and Hemenway remain a tight professional team—she followed him to Kansas in 1996 and now carries the title chief of staff—and she says she understands a bit more about his odd question.

Hemenway is a chief executive who



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wants strong data and clear ideas, not, in Burg's words, "empty statements." He won't hide his displeasure if a colleague arrives unprepared for a meeting, yet the small talk he enjoys, which would be phony posturing from leaders who prefer a certain aloofness, is true Bob Hemenway.

"He's a complex guy," Burg says, "and he's genuinely interested in people."

He is genuinely curious, for instance, about what your parents did for work, or where you grew up. When he travels with Alumni Association staff and student performers to Kansas Honors Program events around the state, he invariably works quietly on the way out, then spends the return trip chatting with the students in his traveling party.

Students and junior faculty waiting to meet the chancellor are often intimidated by his warren of offices and array of assistants. Yet when the heavy door opens next to Gay Lynn Clock's desk, invariably the chancellor already is offering his hand, a gentle smile and, "Hi, I'm Bob Hemenway."

"In that sense, what you see is what he is," Burg says. "People often will be nervous, students particularly, about what he's going to be like, but he is so down to earth and genuine and open,

those things put them at ease."

"But," Burg adds with a staccato burst, "I've said this to many people, his mind is like a steel trap. I think that people may draw a conclusion about how open and genuine he is and think he might be a pushover. And oh, *he is not.*"



For some, Bob Hemenway's finest moments of leadership were witnessed in 1999 and again this past May, when, in the midst of pushes by the Kansas Board of Education to diminish the teaching of Darwinian evolution, he spoke out strongly in support of science education.

In 1999, when the Board of Education shocked the nation with its successful attacks on the teaching of evolution, Hemenway wrote an essay for the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, reprinted in *Kansas Alumni*, in which he conceded, "The repudiation of the board's standards has been international and deeply humiliating to proud Kansans." He attacked the issue in his traditional Convocation speech to faculty and staff, and he directed that the University create a Center for the Teaching of Science while also encouraging all Americans to

continue with lifelong learning to achieve lasting scientific literacy.

Though later boards quietly rescinded the controversial science standards, subsequent elections again seated a board yearning to question a matter scientists and educators consider unequivocally settled. So, on Commencement weekend last May, Hemenway used his annual State of the University speech at the All-University Supper to again defend science and scientists.

“Evolution is a theory in the same way that gravity is a theory: It has been proven to be a fact by years of scientific observation and experimentation,” Hemenway told the packed, and hushed, ballroom in the Kansas Union. “If we were to fail to teach such basic scientific principles, we would place Kansas students at a disadvantage in the global intellectual marketplace, and we would limit their ability to contribute to scientific leadership in the world.”

Hemenway later shrugs off a suggestion that it was particularly noble to make clear his opinion in the midst of unrest over a hot-button topic.

“Any time you speak out, there’s a risk of people disagreeing with you, and there’s a risk of people not understanding what you’re trying to do,” Hemenway says. “But I thought it was clear what position the chancellor had to take. I had to let the country know the University of Kansas is dedicated to strong teaching of contemporary science.”

Shulenburg, a plain speaker himself, says he was not at all surprised his boss proved “willing to stand up and be counted,” and further cites Hemenway’s defense two years ago of Professor Dennis Dailey, whose sex education courses had come under bitter public attack. “What you see through Bob Hemenway’s 10 years here is that he’ll figure out what the right side of an issue is, and once he’s done that, he’s truly on that side. And he’ll speak out about it if he feels he needs to.”

Says Athletics Director Lew Perkins, “The chancellor is a man of principle. What I love about him is that when you

agree on something and you shake hands, you don’t ever have to worry about that again. I really respect that.”



Bob Hemenway turned 64 Aug. 10, and says he accepted this job with the intention of keeping it until he’s 70. He happily reports that he feels up to the challenge of remaining chancellor six more years.

He lost 50 pounds in a KU weight-loss study, for which he adhered to a strict liquid diet of 500 daily calories. Though he regained 20 pounds, Hemenway and his wife, Leah, maintain their commitment to walk a 2-mile loop around campus every evening.

Their youngest son, Arna, is a senior at Lawrence High School, and if he decides to study at the university his dad leads and where he has lived since elementary school, it would hardly be unique: Four of eight Hemenway children have received KU degrees, including Robin, g’97, who already was in graduate school here when her father arrived as chancellor. Hemenway delights in recounting an anecdote about one of Robin’s faculty advisers, Professor Norm Yetman, telling her, “Don’t worry, we’ll always consider you the first Hemenway.”

Every four years, the Office of Institutional Research and Planning asks graduating seniors to rate their experiences on the Hill. Over the past 30 years, through every variable imaginable, about 80 percent of the students said they were satisfied or highly satisfied with KU. This past May, despite rising tuitions that could have been political suicide for both the chancellor and provost, the percentage of students self-reporting as satisfied or highly satisfied with their KU experience jumped to 91.

“When the accrediting team was on campus, they were just incredulous that our students weren’t in an uproar,” Shulenburg says. “After a while they sort of broke off the schedule that we set for them and went out and hunted down students on the sidewalk to try and see

if they could find some rage. And they couldn’t do it.

“This isn’t happy valley on everything, but people understand why we’ve done what we’ve done and they see results.”

Asked what might be housed in a future Hemenway Hall, Shulenburg replies that it would appropriately be science or engineering, since Hemenway has guided KU through such unprecedented gains in research funding and construction.

Hemenway blanches at the suggestion, and voices his hope that successes in the sciences won’t diminish his standing as a scholar of American literature.

“I hope that I’ve not forgotten about the humanities; of course, as an old humanities professor, I used to be the first to complain about a chancellor not putting in enough money.

“But we’ll see what the next five years bring. Maybe if we can be successful enough in raising funds, and successful enough in moving forward, we can create a humanities building that anybody would be happy to be associated with.”


Though he has cast an eye toward the day when he can “just promote myself back to the faculty,” Hemenway has no intention of leaving KU. He has always taught a 7:30 a.m. literature course, taking only one year off to dedicate himself to the successful conclusion of KU First, the capital campaign that raised \$653 million.

“I’m still having fun, I still feel like I’m making progress in my work and I’m probably in the best physical shape I’ve been in for a long time,” Hemenway says. He pauses, then adds with a laugh, “I guess the question is, am I in sufficient mental shape?”

Jon Wefald, his KSU counterpart and close friend, won’t harbor the self-deprecating humor.

“KU has an academic reputation that radiates from coast to coast and around the world,” Wefald says. “It is truly a first-rate institution, and it is only fitting that Bob Hemenway is the chancellor.

“Ten years ... are you kidding? It’s just like Bob came yesterday.”



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Star Turn

BY JENNIFER JACKSON SANNER

A summer project became the role of a lifetime for a Colorado mining town and intrepid young actors from KU. Forty years later, the show goes on.

A simple sheet of paper, headlined “Operation Summer Theatre,” dangled from a bulletin board in Murphy Hall in spring 1966. Its smudgy, indigo-ink message, spun from a mimeograph machine in a tiny church nearly 800 miles from Lawrence, competed with other stray advertisements for roommates, rallies and rides home, the transactions of college life in a simpler time.

“Operation Summer Theatre” caught the eye of Steve Grossman, an ambitious junior theatre major from suburban Chicago. He stopped to read the flier, then slyly removed it from the board and stashed it in his pocket.

“I didn’t want a graduate student to see it,” he now admits.

Grossman, c’67, g’97, showed the flier to his roommate and fellow aspiring actor, Joseph Roach, c’69. Friends since high school who were desperate to produce plays on their own, they decided to take the dare issued by unseen fellow dreamers in a town they’d never heard of. “We were a theatre looking for a place,” Grossman recalls, “and along came a place looking for a theatre.”

So they made a call to Creede, Colo., tucked near spent silver mines, 9,000 feet high in the San Juan Mountains.

Jim Livingston answered the phone.

A member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the “Jaycees,” and pastor of the Congregational Church, Livingston had suggested that the Jaycees try a new venture to smooth the rough edges of Creede’s nightlife and boost summer tourism, offering families an attraction besides trout fishing.

In those days and through its history, Creede “was known as a place to go and get drunk. Some maps already listed it as a ghost town,” says B.J. Myers, c’69, g’71, who led the town as mayor in 2002.

To restore Creede’s rightful place on the map in the 1960s, Livingston, the young minister from the East Coast, proposed that the town convert its aging Creede Opera House, formerly home to occasional movies and campy

melodramas, into a summer theatre. Folks far and wide still wonder why the town’s miners—and a dozen students from the University of Kansas—agreed to the outlandish scheme.

But loyal patrons who travel from neighboring states and beyond applaud the result: The Creede Repertory Theatre in July celebrated its 40th summer season. Starting the revelry was a July 14 story in USA Today that hailed the CRT as one of the nation’s “10 great places to see the lights way off Broadway.”

Inside the theatre, which was completely renovated in 1992, an illustrated timeline chronicles the improbable saga of a company that has grown from a dozen players, a \$200 budget and \$1 admission to a company of 60, including a year-round staff of five; a budget of \$700,000; and ticket prices of \$15-\$24 (still a bargain by



today's performing arts standards).

Through four decades, the theatre has remained true to the classic concept of repertory—staging a different play every night—in a town where the last mine closed in 1985 and the year-round population hovers around 500. During the last three days of July, the town toasted the CRT's success with a reunion that included Livingston and most of the original 12 students, along with other alumni who have performed at CRT.

Those who returned echoed one refrain: A summer in Creede stays with you for life. The grandeur of rocky cliffs, the rush of the Rio Grande, the town's ornery history and its quirky characters—both on-stage and off—make for unforgettable theatre.



Though town lore credits the Jaycees for sending “Operation Summer Theatre” fliers to 100 colleges and universities in 1966, pastor and impresario Livingston says emphatically, “We didn’t have that much postage. We sent six.”

The call from Grossman was their only reply. After talking with Livingston on the phone, Grossman and Roach made the 12-hour drive from Lawrence to Creede, in southwestern Colorado, the following weekend in March. The two students met the townspeople, toured the dilapidated opera house, and shook hands with the minister to seal the deal. (“Even if we’d signed a contract, it wouldn’t have been enforceable, because neither of us was 21,” Roach now muses.)

They vowed to return in May, after final exams, with KU cast members who somehow would renovate the opera house and open the CRT's first season on June 26, 1966. The first production, at Livingston's request, would be his favorite, “Mister Roberts.”

As the roommates drove out of Creede, Roach recalls, his buddy intuitively pointed their project in the right direction: “Steve said to me, ‘We must run in rep. If we do only one show at a



JOHN GARY BROWN (2)

■ The CRT founders are (seated) Gary Mitchell, c'66 g'72, Independence, Kan.; Pat Royse-Moynihan, c'67, Canyon Country, Calif.; (first row standing) B.J. Myers, c'68 g'71, Creede, Colo.; Steve Grossman, c'68 g'70, Northbrook, Ill.; Joe Roach, c'68 New Haven, Conn.; Shari Morey Lacey, '68 Chicago; Jim Livingston, former church pastor in Creede; (back row) Steve Reed, c'70 c'70 Santa Fe, N.M.; Kay Habenstein Lancaster, c'66 g'70 Charlottesville, Va.; David Miller, c'68 Chicago Heights, Ill.; Connie Bohannon Roberts, d'68. Not pictured: Lance Hewett, '70 New York, N.Y., and Earl Trussell, c'70 Port Chester, N.Y. Left page: Hugh Hastings and Christy Brandt, c'73, starred in “The Heiress” in 1962, early in Brandt's 30-year run at the CRT.

time, we'll die in two weeks.’

“I’ve noticed that the word ‘naive’ comes up as we tell our stories, and it is justified. But ‘naive’ underestimates just how smart Steve Grossman is.”

The two returned to Lawrence and held auditions, but the rapidly vanishing semester left no time for rehearsals. So they passed out scripts, asked the actors to find their own costumes and get to Creede as soon as they could.

The first wave, four of the 12, arrived

two weeks before opening night. They found the opera house still in disastrous shape. Luckily one of the first four sojourners was B.J. Myers, acclaimed to this day by the others as “the only one who knew how to do anything.” As technical director extraordinaire, she presided over the local high school wood shop, which became headquarters for the theatre's construction. Once the remaining cast members arrived—with only one week to go before opening



■ The steep, 17-mile Bachelor Historic Tour, named for one of several old mines, begins and ends in Creede.

night—rehearsals began in Livingston’s church. Because the roles in “Mister Roberts” were nearly all male, Myers’ crew back at the high school consisted mainly of the five determined but exhausted KU women. The night before the show opened, Myers had been up for four days straight. “I fell asleep standing up at the table saw, cutting a 4-by-8-foot sheet of plywood.” Luckily someone woke her before blood was spilled.

The curtain opened June 26 to a sold-out house. As they took their bows, the dog-tired and terrified troupe—and the equally terrified Jaycees—knew they had pulled off a miracle. “There were whoops and howls and shouts of ‘Bravo!’” recalls Kay Habenstein Lancaster, c’66, g’70. “The Jaycees knew they had done the right thing for their community.”

But the work had just begun. The company staged four more shows that summer and continued to improvise even the necessities. When the theatre’s makeshift lights melted the colored gels used for scene changes, Grossman dreamed up an unlikely solution: Magic Markers. After every show, the schoolchildren in town formed a light brigade. Myers stood on a 12-foot ladder to unlatch the lights and hand them down to the kids, who would furiously scrub off the colors with Brillo pads and scrib-

ble on new colors for the next show before sending them back up the ladder to Myers. For five years, marker madness was standard operating procedure.

Though the memories provoke laughter today, the actors learned to make do because they were absolutely serious about their craft. They were, as Grossman says, “hungry to make art.”

At times that first summer, the 12 Jayhawks, who were lucky to make a few dollars any given week, were just plain hungry. But there were always townspeople ready to feed, clothe and house the “theAYtre kids.” Families took turns hosting the students for dinners on Mondays and Tuesdays, when they weren’t performing. The rest of the week they lived on sandwiches, soup and other donated delicacies from the Creede Hotel. The Tomkins Hardware Store owners extended a lengthy line of credit and the keys to the store, and Postmaster Ed Hargraves opened his boarding house to the seven young men, who took to calling their cramped quarters “The Silver Palace.” The Kipp family gave the five KU women the run of their home for the summer. Nell Wyley loaned them coats to warm the cool

summer evenings.

Many Creede stories describe the generosity of one patron, Chloe Rogers. After Phil Grecian, ’70, broke his eyeglasses, she drove 50 miles to Monte Vista, got them fixed and paid for the repair herself. When cast members needed furniture to complete the set for one production, she appeared at the theatre with everything they needed. Later, Grecian recalls, they passed by her house at night to find her sitting on boxes in her living room.

Myers remembers when Rogers asked whether the theatre kids were going to the rodeo in Monte Vista. When Myers looked puzzled, Rogers hurried off, only to return soon after “with enough money to buy tickets for all of us, plus \$5 each to spend. And she even provided the transportation.”



One are the days when company members had to borrow pocket money. Now they earn actual salaries and live in CRT-owned apartments that are a far cry from the notoriously moldy trailers of the



■ The theatre’s Main Street home carried its old and new names until the building was dramatically renovated in 1992.



1970s. The theatre, rebuilt by Myers and KU students after a fire in 1970, includes all the latest technical and performance features of a modern hall, and its impact extends beyond summer shows (see box).

Myers' pivotal role in the theatre's amazing run, and her loyalty to the town as a former mayor and longtime businesswoman (her parents started the first gift shop in 1972), are part of the Creede story. That summer of 1970, while she and her crew restored what fire had scorched that spring, she also completed her master's project by creating period costumes for two of the summer's shows. Her KU faculty adviser was William Kuhlke, g'59, now an emeritus professor who recently performed in a starring role at the CRT. After three decades, Kuhlke is also Myers' leading man: The two will be married Thanksgiving weekend.

While Myers has been a mainstay behind the scenes, actress Christy Brandt, c'73, has become an on-stage favorite. Through 30 seasons in Creede, Brandt has played 115 roles, from ingénues to matriarchs, including this summer's feisty Kate in Neil Simon's "Broadway Bound." On July 28, Brandt turned in a radiant performance, earning another standing ovation from fans who return to see her year after year. They saw no sign of the inexplicable vertigo that had kept her bedridden most of that day, forcing KU Professor Jack Wright, g'67, PhD'69, who directed the play, to rework Kate's second-act dance scene at the last minute.

"She was incredible," Wright raved. "It was one of her best performances. I'm so proud of the entire cast." This was his third stint as a director since 1968. "The mountains, weather and scenery all make Creede an inviting place to work, but I truly think it is the magic and spirit the original founders had that has somehow managed to sustain the theatre and keep it going all these years," Wright says. "Those who have contributed to Creede over the years somehow caught the spirit of the place and managed to improve upon it each year."



Managing director Tristan Wilson predicts the CRT's 40th season will set an attendance record: 18,000. Another 18,000, including children in Colorado, Utah, Arizona and New Mexico, will benefit through the CRT's annual tour of bilingual plays and its camps and workshops for elementary, high-school and college students.

Wilson and Maurice LaMee, executive/artistic director, are optimistic. "We've been bucking the trend in theatre for years," Wilson says. "We've seen increases of 10 percent each season for the past six or seven years. Mo and I attribute it to raising the quality of every aspect of the performances: our acting, our technical support, our marketing and our outreach."

And what's good for the CRT has been good for Creede. According to a recent economic study:

- The CRT's impact on the 100-mile radius around Creede is \$2.8 million.
- The per capita effect on the 831 year-round residents of Mineral County is more than \$2,500 annually.
- The CRT accounts for 26 cents of every dollar spent on tourism and 18 percent of the entire economy.
- The theatre has brought 55 jobs to the county.

—JJS

Talented directors and cohesive casts have made Creede's stage ideal for Brandt. "The atmosphere in a repertory company is so intense and exciting for an actor," she says. "I've done work here I could never had done in New York or Chicago. We have always worked together for a common goal, and we've never had a diva. We know the product is good, and we want to do our best for the people of this community."


Brandt and her husband, photographer and painter John Gary Brown, are so committed to Creede that they own a home, living half the year there and the other half in Lawrence. Brown, '67, who followed his girlfriend Brandt to Creede, is staff photographer for the CRT. He has played his share of on-stage roles, including real-life groom to Brandt's bride in 1981, when they were married on the set of "A Doll's House," Henrik Ibsen's classic tale of marital strife. Brandt was starring as Nora that summer. "Nora leaves her husband at the end of the play, but we decided to live on the edge," Brown jokes.

The two have recruited a number of Lawrence and friends to visit Creede and invest in homes. Charla Jenkins, j'69, communications director for University Theatre, is eager to put down roots in Creede. "When you meet natives

and they learn you're from Lawrence or KU, they treat you like family," she says. "I've never been to a place where I felt so immediately that I belonged."

And when you meet Lonnie and Danny Rogers, sons of Creede and the CRT's legendary patron Chloe Rogers, it's clear that the KU-Creede connection remains true. The two attended the July reunion in their mother's honor, laughing about her devotion to theatre, which prevailed over her own sons' doubts. "I couldn't believe folks would actually pay a dollar to watch a play," Lonnie admits. "I thought, 'Boy, this is really gonna flop.'" But he and his brother never complained when loaves of their mom's homemade bread—or the family's furniture—ended up down the street.

Earlier this summer, the Rogers family shared a barbecue dinner with renowned Broadway and TV actor Mandy Patinkin, '74, a Creede alumnus who, like many others, formed a lifelong bond with the town and bought a home. "Mandy says our mom will always be his sons' grandma," Danny says. "She just adopted those theatre kids. She wouldn't have had it any other way."

Somehow their mom, the minister, the miners and those kids knew this place and this theatre were made for each other. 

Back to the



Kent Whealy's empire of seeds started with two plants—a lush morning glory of deep-purple flowers with red stars in their throats, a hearty Bavarian tomato called German Pink—and a promise.

In 1971, Whealy, who was then married to Diane Ott, moved to St. Lucas, Iowa, to care for her grandfather. The old gardener entrusted the couple with the family heirlooms, descendants of seeds carried from Bavaria by his parents in the 1870s and propagated through a century of Iowa summers.

“When he died, we realized that if his family seeds were to survive, it was up to us,” says Whealy, j’68.

In a land of immigrants, they thought, surely other gardeners must face similar circumstances.

“Immigrants always brought the best seeds with them,” Whealy says. “Coming through Ellis Island, seeds were sewn into the hems of dresses or hidden in hatbands.”

BY STEVEN HILL

arden



Seed Savers Exchange reintroduces heirloom plants to the world's greenhouse—and World tastes to modern palates

He began searching for like-minded preservationists, an effort that became the germ of Seed Savers Exchange, a nonprofit organization that preserves and distributes heirloom seeds.

Headquartered on the 890-acre Heritage Farm near Decorah, Iowa, Seed Savers Exchange saves and shares some 25,000 varieties of vegetables, herbs and flowers, educating visitors on what Whealy calls our “true garden heritage.”

At the start of the 20th century, that heritage included an estimated 7,000 named varieties of apples. Now only 700 exist. Chain groceries stock a handful at most, including the ubiquitous and inaptly named Red Delicious, the iceberg lettuce of the apple world. Long on shelf-life but short on taste, Red Delicious is the result of a food industry that values uniform products that can be trucked cross-country and still look nice. Similar trends are at work in the large-scale seed businesses, where low sales drive companies to discontinue

many varieties. Under such systems, nutrition, freshness and genetic diversity become secondary. Over time, 7,000 withers to 700.

When that happens, scientists lose access to the disease and pest resistance these plants offer. Seed Savers works to stop the extinction and preserve the diversity of future food crops.

“It’s difficult to make people see this genetic erosion as a threat,” Whealy says. “But what works is bringing them into a garden with hundreds of things they’ve



never seen before, and saying, ‘This is your true heritage as gardeners.’ Then they understand.”

While preserving genetic diversity is a goal for Seed Savers, so too is preserving cultural history. A journalism major at KU, Whealy is drawn to the stories behind the seeds.

“For immigrants, seeds were a living tie to the old country,” he says. “They could continue to enjoy the foods they loved.” Those foods in turn became part of American culture—a process that goes on today with immigrants from Asia and Latin America.

Among tales of seeds brought over on the Mayflower, grown by Thomas Jefferson at Monticello and collected by Gen. Robert E. Lee in the Civil War, one stands out. The Cherokee Trail of Tears Bean was carried by Cherokee Indians forced to march from North Carolina to Oklahoma during the winter of 1838-’39 along the Trail of Tears. Passed down for generations, the beans came to Seed

Savers from John Wyche, a Hugo, Okla., doctor. Wyche grew them in terraced gardens fertilized with elephant manure from the Cole Brothers Circus, which wintered nearby, and he scattered lion droppings to ward off rabbits. At a nickel apiece, these shiny black beans are both a rock-bottom bargain and a hard-won miracle.



In 1975, when he founded Seed Savers, Whealy wrote to Mother Earth News and other gardening magazines seeking people willing to share heirloom seeds. He got six takers. Thirty years later, he brings 5,000 visitors a year into the garden at Heritage Farm, where seeds are kept in a high-tech storehouse and grown on a rotating

schedule (10 percent of the stock is planted once every 10 years). The Seed Savers Exchange yearbook reaches 7,000 seed traders, and thousands more buy seeds from the exchange’s Web site (www.seedsavers.org) and at retail racks in 29 states.

In 1990 Whealy’s work attracted a MacArthur Foundation “genius grant.” The grant money helped Seed Savers go international, funding 12 collecting expeditions to Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union, a genetically rich but politically fragile region.

Farm visitors, catalog browsers and Web surfers discover abundance: 1,500 varieties of lettuce, 650 squashes, 300 types of garlic, 200 sunflowers. There is poetry, too, in the names—Amish Deer Tongue and Red Leprechaun lettuces; Radiator Charlie’s Mortgage Lifter

so much more than sugar peas and sweet corn.

“It really takes seeing it, whether in the garden or in a slide show,” says Whealy, who travels the country to spread the word on heirloom seeds. “It’s the beauty and the color of it all that really touches people’s hearts.”



■ Amish Deer Tongue, Love-Lies-Bleeding and Grandpa’s Morning Glory are among the unique heirloom varieties available at www.seedsavers.org.

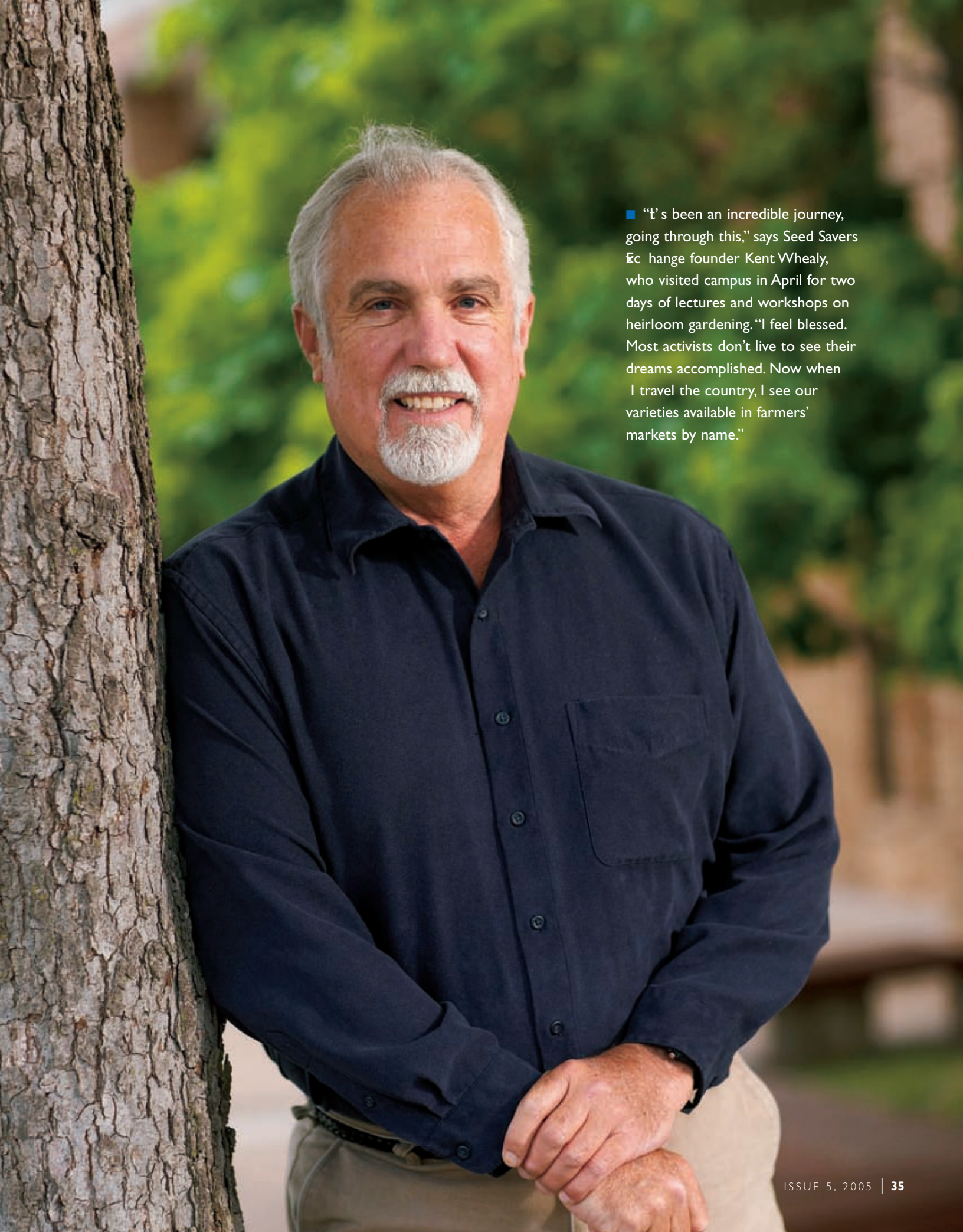
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Tomato and Lina Cisco’s Bird Egg Bean; Love-Lies-Bleeding Amaranthus, Rainbow Loveliness and Irish Eyes Sunflower. For a visual delight, feast on startling Rainbow Chard or the fanciful Moon & Stars Watermelon, its dark green rind speckled with pea-sized yellow dots and a single large full-moon splash. Taken together, this plenty explodes a casual grower’s estimation of what’s possible in the garden: It’s

Tasting helps, too. As community markets, specialty groceries and the “slow food” cooking movement begin to embrace the fruits and vegetables that Seed Savers Exchange has rescued from extinction, the heirlooms are moving out of catalogs and storerooms and onto people’s tables.

That’s exactly what Whealy wants. “Once they see it and taste it,” he says, “we have them.”



■ “It’s been an incredible journey, going through this,” says Seed Savers Exchange founder Kent Whealy, who visited campus in April for two days of lectures and workshops on heirloom gardening. “I feel blessed. Most activists don’t live to see their dreams accomplished. Now when I travel the country, I see our varieties available in farmers’ markets by name.”



Fifth Generation

Jayhawk Generations

These are the championship babies. Sure, all good parents think their children potential champions, but many of this year's freshmen were born shortly before or after the KU men's basketball team claimed the 1988 NCAA title. We're betting that jubilant parents and grandparents even dressed their fledglings in tiny T-shirts proclaiming KU's pre-eminence. Those born to alumni gained entry into the KU family and were reared in the reflected glory that shines on all true Jayhawks. Now grown into their new KU family role as scholars are two fifth-generation, 17 fourth-, 18 third-, and 137 second-generation members of the flock, champions every one.

BY SALLY HAYDEN



Drew Miller's Jayhawk legacy took root in the mid-1890s, when great-great-grandparents Luther Stover and Madge

Fisher Stover studied on Mount Oread. His choice of major is all his own, however; the computer science degree he will pursue in the School of Engineering wasn't even imagined by the first three generations of his family to attend KU. Drew is a graduate of Iola High School, where he excelled academically and in running cross country and track. His parents are Jay Miller Jr., '81, and Karen Jones Miller, '81. Both grandfathers are KU graduates: Edward J. Miller, b'55, and Robert L. Jones, a'53. Jayhawk great-grandparents are Horace L. Miller, '24, and Madge "Nannie" Stover Miller, '25, daughter of Luther and Madge, who started it all when they attended with the classes of 1895 and 1897.



Richard "Richie" H. Wagstaff IV certainly knows the words to the Alma

Mater and the fight song, and he can carry the tunes with style. A veteran of the Shawnee Mission East High School Varsity Choir and Choraliers, Richie sang in cathedrals and other venues in England, Belgium and Germany. He also earned varsity letters in football and basketball. He is the son of R.H., j'80, and K. Bridget Gaughan Wagstaff, '79, of Prairie Village, and of Jane Hedrick Lake, '83, of Emporia. His maternal grandparents are Dr. Kenneth E., m'58, and Joanne Lowry Hedrick, n'52, of Hutchinson. His paternal grandparents are Richard Jr., b'50, and Carolyn Campbell Wagstaff, c'54, of Lawrence. His great-grandparents are Richard, '18, and Joanna Gleed Wagstaff, f21. Four great-great-grandparents attended KU in the 1800s: Robert Barnard, 1895, and Clara Butler Wheeler Wagstaff, 1892, and Charles Sumner, c1880, and Mabel Gore Gleed, f1887. Charles Gleed served on the Board of Regents and co-founded the KU Endowment Association.



Fourth Generation



As a Lawrence native and fourth-generation Jayhawk, **John Shipman Armstrong** certainly won't be a fish out of water at KU. Captain of the swim team at Lawrence Free State High School, John was named an Academic All-American for swimming. Non-swimming hours are spent as a lifeguard for Lawrence Parks & Recreation and the Alvamar Country Club. John's parents are Carol Anderson Armstrong, d'74, g'78, and Christian William Armstrong, g'84. His maternal Jayhawk legacy includes grandparents Robert B. Anderson, b'48, and Virginia Winter Anderson, f'48, and great-grandparents Bert Anderson, c'22, and Catherine Bennett Anderson, c'22.



Class valedictorian **Bradley J. Eland** excelled at academics, athletics and extracurricular activities at Hoxie High School. His many awards include being named a Dane G. Hansen Scholar and multiple Northwest Kansas All League selections. He found time to also write about sports for the Hoxie Sentinel and his school yearbook, and garnered a top prize in the Kansas Scholastic Press Association Regional Journalism Contest. Bradley is the son of Kenneth J. Eland, c'81, and Peggy Hamm Eland, d'82; grandson of Carolyn King Eland, d'58, John R. Eland, c'57, l'59, Bill C. Hamm, d'59, g'66, Betsy Lyon Hamm, '61, and Mary H. Hamm, d'65, g'86; and great-grandson of Floyd E. King, e'31, and Lola Banta King, c'31.



Laura Frizell had a lot on the ball at Bishop Seabury Academy, Lawrence. Not only did she letter in volleyball, basketball, soccer and drill team, but she also

earned good grades, sang in the choir and performed community service. Laura's parents are Allison Miller Frizell, n'81, and Edward E. "Trip" Frizell III, b'76, l'80. Her paternal Jayhawk line includes Edward E. "Bud" Frizell II, '51, Barbara Varner Frizell, c'47, and Ralph Varner, '11. Maternal grandpar-

ents are Alice Shankland Miller, '47, and Pleasant V. Miller Jr., c'47; and great-grandparents Cloris Swartz Shankland, c'29, and James C. Shankland, g'35.



Three incoming freshmen share great-grandparents John and Marjorie Gage, making them second-cousin, fourth-generation Jayhawks. Former Kansas City mayor John Bailey Gage, '07, and Marjorie Hires Gage, '17, had three children, each of whom graduated from KU and is grandparent to a new student. **Bailey Elisabeth Gage** swam and sang her way through Shawnee Mission East High School, amassing academic honors as well as swimming medals. Her parents are Hires W. Gage, '73, and Gail Horner Gage, s'73. Hires is the son of Caroline Campbell Babcock, d'48, and Frank H. Gage, e'47, son of John and Marjorie. Bailey's maternal Jayhawk ancestors are grandfather Dwight Cooke Horner, a'49, and great-grandfather Oliver H. "Jack" Horner, e'14. Lawrence High School graduate **Jacob Gregory Gage** filled his school days with



tennis, band, choir and Young Republicans activities. He is the son of Mary Remboldt Gage, c'81, g'2001, and David F. Gage, b'86. Jacob's grandparents are Eleanor Peck Gage, c'47, and John C. Gage, l'52, also son of John and Marjorie. Their daughter, Anne Gage, c'50, wed Revis Lewis; they are the parents of Ralph Emerson Lewis II, l'81, who is father to the third new Jayhawk, **George Revis Lewis**. George is a graduate of Shawnee Mission East High School and joins his brother,



Paul McKie Lewis, on campus. Their mother is Sara McKie Lewis, l'82, and her mother, Elizabeth Merriman McKie, attended KU in 1955.

Tim Heuermann loves to travel, especially to destinations where he can use his advanced scuba diving certification. He can easily pursue his other hobby, golf, near his Scottsdale, Ariz., home. At Desert Mountain High School, he played in the concert and marching bands for four years. Tim's parents

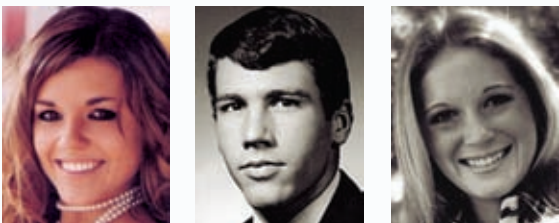


are David, b'83, and Tracy Boyer Heuermann, c'85, d'85. His paternal grandparents are William, b'59, g'60, and Elizabeth Stotts Heuermann, '60. His great-grandmother is Lorena Jost Stotts, c'27. On Tim's maternal side, his grandfather, Robert Boyer, c'58, m'62, and great-grandfather, John Boyer, c'28, l'30, complete the KU lineage.



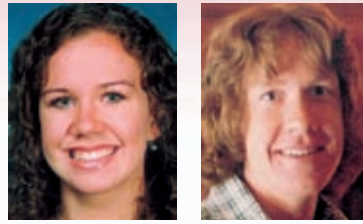
With smooth strokes and speed, **Phillip Linville** sliced through his years at Rockhurst High School, Kansas City, Mo. Team captain of the 2005 Missouri Swim and Dive State

Champions, he was named First Team All-State in the 100 meter breaststroke, individual medley, freestyle relay and the record-setting 200 medley relay. The National Merit Commended Scholar and KU Honors student is the son of Richard Linville, j'80, g'82, and K-State alumna Karen Linville. Grandparents are Aubrey G. Linville, b'52, l'63, and Nancy Meyer Linville, c'52. Aubrey's parents were Christie D. Angell Linville, '26, and Eugene Henry Linville, l'33; while Nancy's father was Maurice B. Myer, d'31.



All the world is a stage for **Erin C. Miller**, and it's populated with hordes of Jayhawk relatives. The Manhattan High School graduate maintained high academic standards while participating in the school's fall musicals, singing with the Show Choir and a non-school a cappella quartet, and completing years of dance and piano study. She joins her sister, Kathleen E. Miller, at KU. Erin and Katie are daughters of Paul E. Miller, c'69, l'72, and Anne Burke Miller, c'78, l'81. Their many Jayhawk relatives include grandparents Paul "Bud" Burke Jr, b'56, former Kansas Senate president, and Patricia Pierson Dowers, c'56; great-grandparents Paul E. Burke Sr, b'30, Virginia Moling Burke, '31, Ray Samuel Pierson Sr, l'23, and too many uncles, aunts and cousins to enumerate here.

There was no sting to high school success for **Jane Patricia Nettels**. The Blue Valley North High School graduate scored

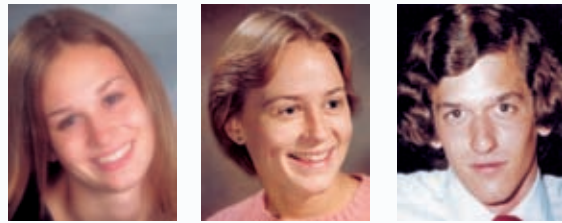


numerous academic honors while also lettering in swimming and debate, which explains her twice being named an East Kansas League Scholar Athlete. Her parents are Sheila and John C. Nettels Jr., c'79, l'85. The family Jayhawk lineage extends back through J. Curtis Nettels, c'56, l'59, Jane Letton Nettels, d'59, George Edward Nettels Sr., e'21, and numerous other Nettels branches.

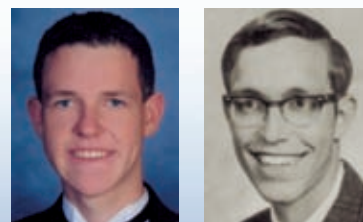


When she cheers the Jayhawks in Allen Field House, **Allison Owens** will watch with the trained eyes of an accomplished player:

She was a six-year member of the Kansas Dream Team AAU squad and a two-year letter-winner for her Shawnee Mission East High School team. She also toured Europe with her school's Choraliers and provided leadership to many volunteer organizations, including Students Against Drunk Driving. Allison's parents are Steven, c'77, m'82, and Melinda Smart Owens, d'79. Her grandparents are Dean, b'53, l'68, and Doris McConnell Owens, f'53. The family's KU tradition began with Doris' parents, Howard, '19, and Elma Hunzicker McConnell, '18.



Alexandra Rayl was her own brand of triathlete at Salina Central High School. The honor roll graduate swam, ran cross country, played volleyball and was on the yearbook staff. Alex is the daughter of Harris A. Rayl, c'75, g'78, and Shannon Drews Rayl, c'78. Her Jayhawk roots go back to paternal great-grandparents Sidney and Virginia Stowers Harris, who attended KU in the early 1920s. Alex's paternal grandparents are the late Charles A. Rayl, b'43, and Virginia Harris Rayl, c'49, Hutchinson.



Brian Russell comes from California to join four cousins at KU; all are great-grandchildren of Frank Alden Russell, who earned a 1908 civil engineering degree at KU, a graduate degree in 1918, and returned to campus as professor of civil



engineering, 1922 to 1950. A graduate of Monte Vista High School, Danville, Calif., Brian stays active with golf, soccer, lacrosse and snow boarding. His father is Robert B. Russell, e'70, and grandparents are Robert A., e'37, and Betty Howard Russell, '39. **Charles**

Robert Russell is Brian's cousin and a graduate of Wheaton Warrenville (Ill.) South High School. Charles was twice an Illinois state speech champion, active in theatre and student leadership. Brother William Frank Russell welcomes him to the Hill. Their mother is Laurie Forst Russell, f'73; grandparents are Laurie R. Russell, e'43, and June Hammett Russell, f'43; and great-grandfather was Professor Frank Russell.



graduate of Stratford High School, Houston, where he lettered in cross country and track and commanded the physical fitness team for the Naval Junior ROTC. In this latest reel of his life, he plans to study film direction and production. Errick is the son of Craig H. Walker, p'74; grandson of William C., e'48, and Elaine W. Walker, d'47; and great-grandson of Herman S. Walker, e'11, husband of Carrie.



Third Generation



Years of volunteering for Habit for Humanity and generations of civil engineers in the family may be factors in **Matthew Hunter Schons'** plans to pursue a KU architecture degree. The Bucyrus resident is a graduate of Blue Valley High School, Stillwell, where he won recognition for his art. He is the son of Daniel W., j'84, and Catherine Cambern Schons, c'84. Grandparents are Theodore J. Cambern Jr., e'58, g'65, DE'74, and Marcia Alexander Cambern, '60. Great-grandfather Theodore Jessup Cambern, e'25, laid the foundation.



Mara Laine Ankerholz is so multifaceted that if she were a geometric figure, she'd be a dodecahedron or more. The graduate of Blue Valley West High School earned awards in communication, science, broadcasting, foreign language, math, art and overall academic excellence. Then there are the sides of her that enjoyed recreational sports, tutored younger students and served philanthropic causes. A KU Watkins-Berger Scholar, Mara is the daughter of Rian, c'79, l'82, and Nancy Hardy Ankerholz, b'82, of Overland Park. Paternal grandfather is Richard L. Ankerholz, c'50, l'54.



Having maternal grandparents whose careers were at KU gives **Madeline Leann Stansberry** a Mount Oread perspective different from that of most new students. The graduate of

Salina South High School found her feet as captain of the South High Peppers dance team, a Kansas Honor Scholar, golf team manager and community volunteer. Madeline's mother is Karen Schlager Stansberry, b'80, whose parents were both KU graduates as well as faculty and staff. Entomologist Gunther Schlager, g'59, PhD'62, taught genetics and biostatistics at KU for 29 years and served 13 years as chairman of the division of biological sciences. His wife, Anne Prater Schlager, c'73, g'86, held several positions at the Museum of Anthropology from 1973 to 1998. Anne's parents were Herbert E. Prater, e'31, and Martha Bishop Prater, d'32.

Errickson Calhoun Walker shares all but a first name with one root of his KU heritage. Great-grandmother Carrie Calhoun Walker studied at KU in 1911 and '12. Errick is a



As a third-generation Jayhawk and Lawrence native, **Rachel Berkley** is no doubt already at home at KU. The Lawrence Free State High School graduate capped her academic success with admission to the KU Honors Program. Rachel's parents are Jeff, b'79, and Denise Getter Berkley, b'80. Paternal grandfather Hal J. Berkley is a 1955 business graduate, while on the maternal side Russell W. Getter was an associate member of the KU political science faculty, 1971-1993. Rachel's Jayhawk family also includes grandmother Mary Jean Getter, '82, five aunts and uncles, and six great-uncles.

Mallory Rochelle Brito danced through high school in Wichita. The Kapaun Mount Carmel graduate was on the varsity dance team in addition to studying and performing with Kansas Dance Academy, all while excelling academically. A KU Honors Program participant, Mallory is the daughter of



Raul F. Brito, c'80, and Suzanne R. Schmidt Brito, c'79, and granddaughter of Paul E. Brito, m'66.



Mark Joseph Browne

was above par as a scholar at Bishop Ward High School, Kansas City, and equally excellent—which is to say, under par—as a golfer. A

medalist and team captain for his varsity golf team, Mark also did extensive volunteer work with The First Tee Foundation, which led to a scholarship and playing a round with champion Tom Watson. His many scholastic awards include being one of the inaugural group of recipients of the Sen. Robert J. Dole Public Service Scholarship from KU's Dole Institute of Politics. Mark follows brothers Ryan, c'04, and Adam, '05, on Mount Oread. They are the sons of Nancy Foster Browne, d'74, g'81, and grandsons of Robert J. Foster, c'48, and Jeanne Atkinson Foster, c'46.



Chemistry major **Kelsey Janette Grist** is the newest component in the family's formula of KU success. The Andover Central High School graduate excelled at volleyball and academics

while also playing in band, earning college credits, designing the school newspaper and being named Homecoming Queen. Kelsey's father is Thomas E. Grist, c'75. The 16 other Grist Jayhawk relatives include paternal grandparents Warren, e'49, and June Pond Grist, c'48, and great-uncle John, who played basketball for Phog Allen.



Megan Elizabeth

Heacock had the lungs to both swim and sing at Lawrence High School. The honor roll student participated in musicals, Showtime, and select choirs,

and capped her swimming career as team captain. In addition, her creative writing won honorable mention in a Kansas Voices competition and publication in a national anthology. Megan is the daughter of Bradley D. Heacock, c'79, and Lori Gordon Heacock Tilson, d'79, n'85. Stepfather is Wayne R.

Tilson, m'77, m'80. Grandparents include Robert A. Heacock, e'69, and Mary Demeritt Gordon, d'55, g'68.



Spencer William Knoll

has a double opportunity to be a third-generation Jayhawk; perhaps someday he'll serve as chair of the Alumni Association, as have two family members before

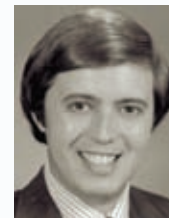
him. The Topeka High School honor graduate excelled at scholastics, soccer and painting, while gaining insight into the business world through two family owned companies. Spencer is the son of Judith Martin Knoll, g'80, and grandson of the late William W. Martin, b'49, 1978-79 chair of the Alumni Association. Aunt Janet Martin McKinney, c'74, served as Association chair from 2001 to '02.



Sarah J. Krattli

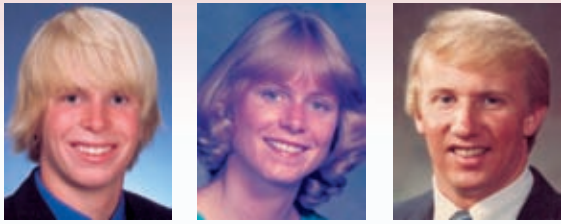
stayed afloat in academics and athletics at St. Thomas Aquinas High School, Overland Park. The scholastic standout swam for the girls' team

and served as manager for the boys' team, taught swimming, ran cross country and was a leader in several faith-related youth groups and Girl Scouts. The Kansas State Scholar is the daughter of Robert M. Krattli, e'79, and Becky Vignatelli Krattli, d'79, g'88, of Lenexa. Grandfather is Eugene A. Vignatelli, d'55.



The definition of scholar-athlete is **William Christopher Lupton**. The Blue Valley North High School varsity football letterman is a four-year Eastern Kansas League Scholar Athlete and Academic Letter recipient, as well as a State of Kansas and Board of Regents Scholar. The prelaw student is a KU Summerfield Scholar and Honors Program participant. Chris follows sister Kelly, c'04, j'04, at KU. They are the children of William, c'69, l'73, and Carol Lippitt Lupton, f'74. Grandfather is the late Arthur H. Lippitt, e'37.

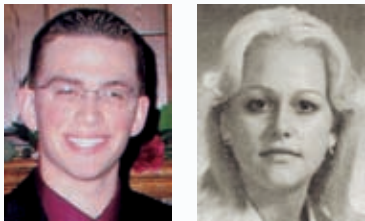
As a competitor in Mathletics and Math League, **Matthew Norburg** displayed his analytical skills, but he's by no means a by-the-numbers guy. As a video producer, he has created a 12-minute short film, a music video and news stories for his Advanced Radio and TV class at Shawnee Mission West High



School. A consistent winner of his school's Scholar-Athlete Award, he played goalkeeper for the soccer team and coached and refereed soccer as a volunteer. He is a Kansas Honor Scholar and a Summerfield Scholar at KU, where he follows his parents, David, c'80, l'91, and Ellen Kriegshauser Norburg, b'81. His grandfather is Royce Norburg, b'49.



Perhaps her work for an international translation company will help **Andrea Leigh Obee** make the cultural transition from Southern California to life in Lawrence. Her musical and theatrical talents led to major roles in musicals at Rancho Bernardo High School, San Diego, and performance with the school's award-winning color guard. Her remaining hours were filled with service as a church acolyte and other public and philanthropic causes. Andrea is the daughter of Marilyn Hassig Obee, n'79. Grandfather Robert C. Hassig attended KU in the late '40s. Her maternal grandmother is Carol Mayer Hassig Floersch, d'47.



Paul Darby Pansing certainly knows the scoop. The National Merit Finalist and Kansas State Scholar worked at Baskin-Robbins while achieving academic excellence and playing in the Concert & Symphonic Band at Shawnee Mission Northwest High School. His mother is Ellen Wagner Pansing, d'75, of Lenexa. Aunt Alexis Wagner Wolfe is a 1977 graduate; Alexis and Ellen are the daughters of Carol Patrick Wagner, d'65, g'72. Should Paul want to seek out a familiar face, a double dip of Wolfe cousins are on campus.

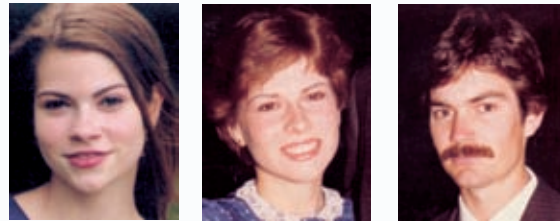


Four times named outstanding vocalist at Blue Springs South High School and a member of the Missouri All-District Choir, **Julia Marie Peterson** plans to follow her talents to a doctorate in music education and eventually teach at the college level. Her brother Michael sings a slightly different tune as a KU junior studying virology. They are the children of

John, p'82, and Mary K. Peterson, h'83, and grandchildren of Wilbur E. Peterson, g'52.



Outdoor pursuits—hunting, fishing, golf and skiing on snow or water—are among **Christopher Rhoades'** favorite pastimes, while his skill at another outdoor sport, lacrosse, landed him on Missouri's all-state team, representing Rockhurst High School in Kansas City. He also competed in football, sang in the honors choir and tutored Spanish students. He follows his brother and sister, Charles, c'03, and Carolyn, c'03, to the Hill. Their parents are Charles, c'75, m'78, and Anne Jones Rhoades, '76, Mission Hills; their grandparents are the late George, m'49, and Maxine Weir Rhoades, n'49, Olathe.



Having a great-great-grandfather who was chair of the Alumni Association in 1908 and a mother who works for the Association may keep **Rachel Sanner** on her toes at KU, but a lifetime of ballet training has prepared her. Among the Lawrence High School graduate's many honors is being named a Kansas Honor Scholar and the first recipient of KU's Edna Bulkeley Dance Scholarship. In addition to years of dancing with the Lawrence Ballet Ensemble and Lawrence Youth Ballet at the Lawrence Arts Center, Rachel was an award-winning co-editor of her high school yearbook. Her parents are Robert, b'80, and Jennifer Jackson Sanner, j'81. Her grandfather is Fred S. Jackson, '61, Topeka. Great-great-grandfather Fred S. Jackson, 11892, served as the 25th chair of the Association nearly a century ago.



One wonders if **Rachel Present Stelmach** shouted out, "Veni, vidi, vici" after athletics victories at Pembroke Hill School. The varsity cheerleader also was a Latin scholar, serving as an officer of Latin Club and earning honors in the Missouri Junior Classical League. Rachel broadened her language skills with independent study of German and polished others as an intern with a public relations and marketing firm. She is the daughter of Christopher S. Stelmach, c'75, and granddaughter of Jack, m'53, and Patricia Scherrer Stelmach, c'45.



Sara Theurer's singing talents took her from school musicals to the title role in "Thoroughly Modern Millie," and to Europe with the Shawnee Mission East High School Choraliers. But no one-note wonder, the honor student is also an award-winning yearbook photographer, soccer player and lifeguard with an extensive community service record. Her sister, Katie, j'03, preceded her at KU. They are the daughters of Timothy A. Theurer, c'81, and Roberta "Robbie" Golub Theurer, d'72, and granddaughters of Alex Golub Jr., '49.



After dancing through her years at Washburn Rural High School, Topeka, **Annie Werner** now follows in her parents' footsteps to study visual arts as a graphic design and art history major in the School of Fine Arts. The four-year honor roll student was a member of the Dancin' Blues, competed nationally as a member of the Dance Factory's troupe, worked on the school yearbook and volunteered for Habitat for Humanity. Her parents are Matthew, a'86, and Julia Sauder Werner, f'89. Grandfathers are Robert A. Sauder, '50, and W. Eugene Werner, g'64, EdD'70.



Second Generation

Our list of second-generation Jayhawks was compiled with the help of the Office of Admissions and Scholarships, which annually tracks KU legacy students who enroll through on-campus summer orientation for new students. In keeping with the traditional requirements for our Jayhawk Generations feature, we have listed only those second-generation freshmen whose parents are Alumni Association members. For next year's edition, we are working with our colleagues in the admissions office to obtain legacy information in early spring 2006, which will enable us to individually solicit information and photos from third-, fourth- and fifth-generation families who are Association members. For this year's edition and in all previous years, we have relied solely on families to respond to our advertisements in *Kansas Alumni*. With the new system, Jayhawk Generations 2006 will no doubt include more students in all categories. Our thanks to those families who participated this year. *—the Editors*

Jenna Allegre graduated from Ottawa High School; her parents are William, p'80, and Stephanie Thorne Allegre, s'80, g'86.

Joshua Allford of Wichita graduated from Independent High School; his parents are R. Allen, b'78, and Debbie Bender Allford, j'78.

Benjamin Anderson of Oklahoma City graduated from Classen School Advanced Studies; his parents are Mark, h'75, and Vickie Reifschneider Anderson, h'75.

John Richard Anderson of Tulsa, Okla., graduated from Bishop Kelley High School; his father is John W. Anderson, c'77.

Matthew Anderson graduated from Wichita High School East; his father is Robert K. Anderson, l'84.

Ashlen Angelo of Overland Park graduated from Olathe East High School; her father is Richard A. Angelo, PhD'86. Watkins-Berger and National Merit Commended Scholar

Amanda Kay Applegate is a graduate of Wichita East High School. She is the daughter of Joanne Schmidt Applegate, p'77, and Charles Applegate.

Samuel Archer graduated from McPherson County High School; his parents are Jill Bremyer-Archer, '75, and Richard C. Archer, g'88.

Ann Armstrong of Greenwood, Mo., graduated from Lee's Summit Senior High School; her mother is Patricia Bergmann Armstrong, g'76.

Carly Audus graduated from Lawrence Free State High School; her father is Kenneth L. Audus, PhD'84.

Collin Baba of Wichita graduated from Maize High School; his parents are Jae Pierce-Baba, f'76, and Joseph Baba, c'77.

Elizabeth Bartkoski of Basehor graduated from Bishop Ward High School; her parents are John, b'72, and Deann Trowbridge Bartkoski, c'71, b'72.

Sally Bascom of Kearney, Neb., graduated from Kearney Catholic High School; her father is George Bascom, c'73, m'76.

Megan Bauer of St. Joseph, Mo., graduated from Bishop Le Blond High School; her father is Herman Bauer, c'79.

Twin brothers **Christopher** and **Matthew Beattie** of Plano, Texas, graduated from Plano Senior High School; their father is Gregg Beattie, b'79, c'79.

Katherine Bengtson graduated from Salina High School Central; her father is Greg Bengtson, c'76, l'79.

Andrew Bergman of Shawnee graduated from Shawnee Mission Northwest High School; his mother is Joanie Bergman, g'90.

Brian Betthausen of Wichita graduated from Andover High School; his parents are Robert, b'82, and Elizabeth State Betthausen, j'83.

Renee Blinn of Mission graduated from Shawnee Mission East High School; her mother is Deborah Langdon Blinn, c'76, c'77, h'77.

William Bock graduated from Eudora High School; his parents are Peter, m'84, and Annette Schopper Bock, '79.

Adam Michael Booth, graduate of Leavenworth High School, is the son of Ronald R. Booth, p'73, and brother of Lauren R. Booth, b'02.

Scott Borgmier of Overland Park graduated from Shawnee Mission East High School; his parents are William, b'83, and Anne Johnson Borgmier, c'82, g'85.

Dayton Botts of Mission Hill graduated from Shawnee Mission East High School; his father is Larry Botts, m'80.

Marie Braukmann of Overland Park graduated from Shawnee Mission East High School; her parents are Curtis, g'71, PhD'73, g'92, l'92, and Patrizia Di Bartolo Braukmann, s'73, g'74, g'77, PhD'80, m'91.

Kaleigh Braun of Hutchinson graduated from Trinity Catholic High School; his parents are Steven, m'87, and Debra Bauman Braun, j'86.

Kuran Bricker of Overland Park graduated from Blue Valley North High School; his parents are Karl, f'81, and Annette Sippy Bricker, '84.

Matthew Broberg of Salina graduated from Sacred Heart Junior-Senior High School; his father is John Broberg, c'77, h'80.

Billie Brock of Dilworth, Minn., graduated from Dilworth-Glydon-Felton High School; his parents are Michael, b'84, and Diane Fernz Brock, c'84.

Connor Burnam of Houston graduated from Clear Lake High School; his parents are Robert, c'91, and Melissa Montoya Burnam, '85.

Joel Burnett of Kansas City, Mo., graduated from Park Hill South High School; his parents are Dak, c'77, m'80, and Patricia Holcomb Burnett, '80.

Matthew Cade graduated from Lawrence High School; his parents are Charles, g'82, l'85, and Mary Cranford Cade, n'86, PhD'05.

Kathleen Cahill graduated from Bishop Ward High School; her father is John Cahill, d'67.

Blue Valley North High School graduate **Erica L. Cailteux** plans to study speech pathology and elementary education. She is the daughter of Kevin, b'78, and Reta Mae, b'79, Cailteux, of Leawood.

Lauren Calovich graduated from St. Thomas Aquinas High School; her father is Jerome Calovich, c'79.

Joseph David Carey enters the School of Architecture & Urban Design. The graduate of Oakville Senior High School, St. Louis, is the son of Kelly Kuhlman Carey, b'83, and Steve Carey, c'81.

Twins **Amanda** and **Jason Carter** of Overland Park graduated from Blue Valley West High School; their father is Joel Carter, e'80.

Whitney Cherpitel graduated from Blue Valley North High School; her father is Dean Cherpitel, c'74.

Kansas Honor Scholar **Kerry Lynn Comiskey** is a graduate of Olathe East High School and the daughter of Joseph T. Comisky, c'75.

Ashley Conant graduated from Dodge City Senior High School; her parents are Kandra, '82, and Merrill Conant, m'83.

Christian Curtis graduated from Hays High School; his father is Jeffery Curtis, m'81, m'82.

Jill Custer of Overland Park graduated from Blue Valley West High School; her father is Dwight Custer, j'77.

Olathe South High School was the site of **Mallory Blythe Deines'** academic and leadership excellence. She is the daughter of Janine Sikes Deines, d'79, g'84, and Lance K. Deines, p'82, PharmD'03.

William Devins of Shawnee Mission graduated from Pembroke High School; his parents are George, j'73, and Lynn Caro Devins, j'75.

Matthew Dodge of Overland Park graduated from Blue Valley Northwest High School; his parents are Andrew, b'78, and Carla Tollin Dodge, d'79.

Laura Draxler of Prairie Village graduated from Shawnee Mission East High School; her parents are David, e'79, and Mariclare Hoffman Draxler, '79.

Elizabeth Dropek of Houston graduated from Stratford High School; her father is Kenneth Dropek Jr., c'73, c'76.

Jennifer Duckworth of Olathe graduated from Olathe East High School; her mother is Phyllis Springer Duckworth, n'85.

Lisa Erickson graduated from Clay Center Community High School; her father is Kent Erickson, c'78, m'83.

Chad Evenson of Springfield, Mo., graduated from Kickapoo High School; his parents are Curt, c'81, m'85, Julie Fleege Evenson, c'82.

Breanna Farnum of Overland Park graduated from Shawnee Mission East High School; her mother is Deanna Farnum, g'85.

Matthew Feagan of Topeka graduated from Washburn Rural High School; his parents are Cynthia, g'01, and Jerry Feagan, c'59, m'63.

Blake Floodman graduated from Wichita Collegiate School; his mother is Sheila Jones Floodman, j'76, l'79.

Jaclyn Frankenberg of Leawood graduated from Shawnee Mission East High School; her parents are Jay, b'76, and Janet Stansberry Frankenberg, n'80.

Thomas French of Tulsa, Okla., graduated from Bishop Kelley High School; his parents are Bill, j'77, and Patricia Morrison French, b'77.

Jared Goff of Leawood graduated from Blue Valley North High School; his parents are R. Michael, j'76, and Bobbi Toalson Goff, c'79.

Michele Goldman of Leawood graduated from Blue Valley North High School; her father is Joel Goldman, c'74, l'77.

Molly Golub of Overland Park graduated from Blue Valley Northwest High School; her parents are J. Richard, l'80, and Maryln Lambert Golub, l'80.

Blake Goodman of Leawood graduated from Shawnee Mission East High School; his parents are John, j'79, and Susan

Capps Goodman, h'80.

Jessica Goodwin of Overland Park graduated from Shawnee Mission South High School; her parents are John, c'82, m'86, and Beth Lashinsky Goodwin, j'82.

Thomas Grutzmach of Platte City, Mo., graduated from Platte County R-111 High School; his parents are Woodford, b'76, g'78, Jane Helling Grutzmach, b'75, g'86.

Mark Hagan of Wichita graduated from Kapaun Mount Carmel High School; his father is Robert Hagan, e'74, m'77.

Kaitlin Hamman of Wichita graduated from Andover High School; her father is Chris Hamman, b'85.

Brock Hauser graduated from West Jessamine High School in Wilmore, Ky.; his mother is Melanie Mauck Hauser, n'85.

Dylan Hay graduated from Baldwin High School; his parents are John, c'83, and Megan Golden Hay, c'82.

Jordan Herrmann joins her brother, Tyler, a KU senior, on the Hill. The graduate of Blue Valley North High School is the daughter of Jeff, j'75, and Nancy Wells Herrmann, c'81, of Leawood.

Jennifer Houghton of Overland Park graduated from Blue Valley Northwest High School; her mother is Judy Houghton, n'69.

Marie Hull graduated from Lawrence Free State High School; her parents are Marilyn, g'88, and Robert Hull, c'71, PhD'83.

Lisa Hurst of Lenexa graduated from Shawnee Mission West High School; her parents are Rick, p'80, and Cheryl O'Blasny Hurst, p'79.

Alex Ilten of Overland Park graduated from Shawnee Mission South High School; his mother is Teresa Buchhorn Ilten, g'04.

Rebecca Ingraham of Lenexa graduated from Shawnee Mission Northwest High School; her parents are James, b'76, l'79, and Patricia O'Brien Ingraham, c'79.

Tyler Jacobs of Olathe graduated from St. Thomas Aquinas High School; his father is Tim Jacobs, p'82.

Megan Jones of Shawnee graduated from Mill Valley High School; her mother is Teresa Jones, g'05.

Whitney Jones of Omaha graduated from Marian High School; her father is Mark Jones, g'87.

Ryan Karasek of Lawrence graduated from Arkansas City High School; his parents are Jana Gregory Dobbs, j'90, and Jerry Karasek, j'88.

Mark Kennedy graduated from Ellsworth High School; his parents are Kevin, d'77, and Barbara Jiricek Kennedy, p'79.

Amanda King of Leawood graduated from Blue Valley North High School; her mother is Susan King, PhD'05.

Stephanie King of Flower Mound, Texas, graduated from Edward S. Marcus High School; her parents are Franklin, c'80, and Sylwavion Smith King, c'74, g'76.

Steven King graduated from Bishop Seabury Academy in Lawrence; his parents are Dennis, g'90, and Teresa Moeller King, m'85, m'88.

Katherine Klempnauer of Roeland Park graduated from Shawnee Mission North High School; her mother is Deborah Thorsell Klempnauer, c'79.

Alyssa Knight graduated from Lawrence High School; her father is James T. Knight II, j'71.

Stephanie Koch of Leawood graduated from Notre Dame Di Sion; her mother is Maria Aucar Koch, c'88.

James Lee of Roeland Park graduated from Shawnee Mission East High School; his parents are James, g'94, and Lisa Boomer Lee, f'82.

Emily Leek graduated from Shawnee Mission East High School; her parents are Kevin, b'76, l'80, and Stephanie Barr Leek, c'77.

Carol Lowman graduated from Topeka West High School; her father is W. Brock Lowman, c'76.

Robert Lutz of Overland Park graduated from Blue Valley Northwest High School; his parents are Randolph, p'81, and Krista Miller Lutz, p'83.

Safiye Manguoglu graduated from Salina High School Central; her parents are Ann Pearson, n'79, and Ali Manguolu, m'83.

Jennifer Marshall graduated from Lawrence Free State High School; her mother is Margaret "Joyce" Lancaster, d'68, g'72, l'77.

Craig Mason graduated from Goodland High School; his parents are Jeffrey, c'80, l'83, and Nona Duerksen Mason, d'81, g'83.

Spencer McElhaney of Prairie Village graduated from Shawnee Mission East High School; his parents are Phillip, b'74, and Janice Kircher McElhaney, '76.

Aleksander McElroy graduated from Lawrence High School; his parents are Lyne Tumlinson, g'90, and Arvel McElroy, d'76.

Evan McFarlane of Overland Park graduated from Blue Valley West High School; his parents are Marcia, j'98, and Theodore McFarlane e'71, l'76.

Carolyn McKune graduated from Lansing High School; her mother is Susan Olander McKune, l'81.

A graduate of Plano (Texas) West Senior High School, **Laura Anne Mueller** is the daughter of Darrell Mueller, b'81, of Plano, and Terry Ropfogel, c'81, of Dallas.

John Murray of Leawood graduated from Blue Valley North High School; his mother is Adele Hueben Murray, d'72, d'79.

Chad Myers of Topeka graduated from Hayden High School; his father is Percy Myers, m'75.

Thomas Northup of Kansas City, Kan., graduated from Sumner Academy of Arts and Sciences; his father is David Northup, e'78, g'85.

Emily Olson of Arlington, Texas, graduated from Nolan Catholic High School; her parents are Mike, c'83, and Mary Sarginson Olson, '85.

Bradley Palmer of Chillicothe, Mo., graduated from Chillicothe High School; his mother is Patricia Palmer, g'75, EdD'84.

Jonathan Peterson of Independence graduated from Fort Scott High School; his mother is Jennifer Peterson, '92.

Anna Phillips of Kansas City, Mo., graduated from Center Senior High School; her parents are Mark, b'76, and Linda White Phillips, '78.

Michael Raasch graduated from Spring Hill High School; his mother is Shorey Mohn Berlin, c'79.

Joshua Ramirez graduated from Olathe North High School; his parents are Annette Dye, b'83, and Ramon Ramirez, c'83.

Bryan Rapp of Derby graduated from Independent High School; his father is Larry Rapp, l'79.

Alex Rock graduated from Lawrence Free State High School; his parents are Jane, '82, and Randall Rock, c'79, m'83.

Peter Rodriguez of St. Louis graduated from Kirkwood High School; his parents are Jerry, c'82, l'85, and Bridget O'Brien Rodriguez, d'82.

Lauren Ruddick graduated from Olathe North High School; her father is Peter Ruddick, c'71, l'74.

Jean Salash of Overland Park graduated from Blue Valley Northwest High School; her parents are John, c'70, and Kathy Remund Salash, d'70, g'81.

Overland Park resident **Hanna Salmon** is a graduate of Blue Valley Northwest High School and the daughter of David Salmon, p'77, and Marcella Bentley-Salmon, l'92.

Joseph Santaularia graduated from Highland Park High School, Dallas. His parents are Kevin J., b'78, and Susan Witt Santaularia, j'78.

Mark Scherrer graduated from Olathe Northwest High School; his parents are Michael, g'78, and Jane Ryden Scherrer, d'76.

Preston Schraeder of Hutchinson graduated from Buhler High School; his parents are Robert, g'78, and Tabetha Eichman Schraeder, g'78.

Sindra Schueler graduated from Lawrence Free State High School; her mother and stepfather are Sidney Schueler-Platz, c'83, and Stewart Platz, e'81, and her father is Daryl Schueler, e'84.

Christopher Schulz graduated from Topeka High School; his mother is Donna Palmer Schulz, f'73.

Mark Shonka of Wichita graduated from Independent High School; his father is Michael Shonka, g'71.

Jillian Singleton of Wildwood, Mo., graduated from Lafayette High School; her father is Brett Singleton, j'85.

Bryan Smith of Overland Park graduated from Rockhurst High School; his parents are Steven, b'82, g'84, and Mary Beth Gill Smith, d'84.

Charles Smith of McLean, Va., graduated from Potomac High School; his father is Christopher Smith, l'72.

Bartholomew Solbach of Lawrence graduated from Perry-Lecompton High School; his parents are John, '73, and M. Patricia Kennedy Solbach, PhD'74.

Brett Staniforth of Leawood graduated from Blue Valley North High School; his parents are Christopher, b'79, and Alison Digges Staniforth, b'78.

Justin Stephens graduated from Lawrence Free State; his parents are Doug, b'83, c'87, and LaDonna Hiner Stephens, d'81.

Charles Stern graduated from Topeka High School; his father is Peter Stern, g'86.

Justin Stucky of Highland Village, Texas, graduated from Edward S. Marcus High School; his father is Michael Stucky, b'80.

Steven Thill of Overland Park graduated from Rockhurst High School; his parents are Mark, b'83, and Sheila McGovern Thill, c'84.

Scott Thompson graduated from Salina High School South; his parents are Jeffrey, b'83, and Mary Diederich Thompson, d'83.

Maggee VanSpeybroeck of Arcata, Calif., graduated from Arcata High School; her parents are John, c'69, m'73, and Nancy Walls VanSpeybroeck, m'73.

Sarah Waldschmidt of Kansas City, Mo., graduated from St. Pius X High School; her father is Mike Waldschmidt, m'77.

Laura Waters of Topeka graduated from Washburn Rural High School; her mother is LoEtta Nelson Waters, h'78.

Katherine Weber graduated from Humboldt High School; her father is Alan Weber, c'74, l'77.

Brian Williams graduated from Leavenworth Senior High School; his parents are James, c'71, and Kum-Cha Ho Williams, c'00, g'04.

Sara Wolfe graduated from Clayton (Mo.) High School; her parents are R. Dean, b'66, l'69, and Cheryl Brecheisen Wolfe, d'69.

A graduate of Shawnee Mission East High School, **Alison Womack** is the daughter of Walter, e'70, and Sheri Dawn Siebert Womack, c'85.

Jordan Wright graduated from Lawrence Free State High School; his parents are Frank, c'71, and Cynthia Kim Wright, '04.

Brady Wyatt graduated from Washington High School; his stepfather is David Hodgson, c'71, m'74.

Katelyn Young graduated from Derby High School. Her parents are Christopher, e'84, and Pamela Farnsworth Young, b'81.





Association

“It makes sense for Heath to direct the Kansas Honors Program because of his background in Kansas and his role overseeing state chapters. KHP and the chapters have operated separately for years, but they really need to work hand in glove.”

—Michael Davis



■ Heath Peterson (left) and Michael Davis brought the Association’s new Jayhawk trailer to a summer sendoff in Newton, where they were greeted by chapter leader Sue Lee.

At home on the road

Peterson, other staff travel state in effort to meld Kansas Honors Program and state chapters

Heath Peterson, director of Kansas chapter development for the Association, also will lead the Kansas Honors Program, which for more than 30 years has honored the achievements of high-school seniors throughout the state.

Peterson, d’04, succeeds Carolyn Barnes, c’80, who resigned in July after directing the program for seven years.

As part of the Association’s bid to strengthen in-state programming, Peterson is building a new chapter structure that will establish 16 chapters covering all 105 Kansas counties. Under his direction, KHP and the state chapters will work more closely together, with the newly invigorated chapters drawing heavily on KHP’s well-rooted volunteer network.

“The Kansas Honors Program has been a part of Kansas since 1971, and people know it around the state,” Peterson says. “We already have good volunteers in the program, and we want to utilize them to strengthen the chapters.”

The Hugoton native knows Kansas well. This summer he hosted Senior Sendoffs in 10 towns across the state, logging 3,600 miles with the

Association’s new Jayhawk-embazoned trailer in just nine weeks, grilling (and eating) untold numbers of hamburgers and hot dogs at picnics for new students. He also accompanied the Office of Admissions and Scholarships on its annual Rock Chalk Road Show recruiting trip.

“People were excited to see us,” Peterson says, noting that the informal, family-friendly sendoffs presented a perfect opportunity to make a first contact with future alumni and their families. “It’s a good chance to put parents’ minds at ease about sending their kids off to KU, and to answer any questions



Peterson

the students have.”

Such early contacts are vital to the Association’s role of serving the University, albeit one not immediately evident to all, says Michael Davis, d’84, g’91, senior vice president for alumni programs.

“I’ve had people say, ‘High school seniors, potential students, they’re not alumni; I don’t understand the relationship.’ The relationship is that they’re not just coming to KU; they are becoming part of a family. And the Alumni Association represents that family.

“Our alumni have been so generous to the University by giving their time and resources and support, but that doesn’t just start the day they

walk down the Hill. That starts many, many years in advance. And programs like KHP and the Senior Sendoffs really help us jump-start that involvement. It's a continuum, and we're there all the way."

Association President Kevin Corbett, j'88, and staff members Jennifer Alderdice, g'99, Danny Lewis, b'05, Jill Simpson, d'01, and Jamie Winkelman, b'05, have joined Peterson and Davis on the cross-state summer caravans. Towing a trailer loaded with the Association's famous fiberglass Jayhawk, two grills, several coolers, paper plates, plastic forks and enough stickers, magnets and pom-poms to lend the proper air of KU spirit to any cookout, the travelers often attract honks and waves from Jayhawks they meet on the highway.

The payoffs have been immediate. At the Student Alumni Association's August ice cream social at the Adams Alumni Center, students in Senior Sendoff T-shirts stopped by to greet the new KU friends they'd met in their hometown.

"That's a nice feeling for them," Peterson says, "to be able to say, 'Hey, I know people here.'"

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Class Notes

BY KAREN GOODELL

1941

Leo Horacek Jr., f'41, f'47, g'49, PhD'55, and his wife, Cora, make their home in Morgantown, W. Va., where Leo teaches Elderhostel courses.

1946

Laurence McAneny, e'46, PhD'57, taught physics at Southern Illinois University in Edwardsville before retiring. He lives in Granite City.

1949

John Robinson, e'49, is vice chairman of development at Olsson Associates in Overland Park.

1953

Robert Hovey, c'53, l'54, and his wife, Eugenia, live in Mission Hills. He's a partner in the Kansas City firm of Hovey Williams.

1956

Robert Ireland Jr., c'56, g'57, a retired biological scientist, makes his home in Annandale, Va.

1957

Marilyn Eaton Russell, f'57, g'76, PhD'81, directs library programs at the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, N.M.

1959

Vicki Parker Meuli, d'59, is president of the Wyoming Medical Alliance. She and her husband, Larry, c'58, m'62, live in Cheyenne. He serves in the Wyoming House of Representatives.

Keith Scholfield, b'59, works as a supervising broker for Mark Sudduth Realty in Atlanta.

1960

William Dryer, c'60, stays busy during retirement with fishing, hunting and coaching high-school track.

He lives in Scott City.

Mary Karen Smith Gosselink, f'60, does consulting for Softcare Innovations. She lives in Waterloo, Canada, and recently received an award for volunteer service from the Waterloo Region Independent Living Centre.

1961

Loring Henderson, c'61, directs the Community Drop-In Center in Lawrence.

Jeanne Rustemeyer Kern, c'61, d'63, recently was elected province director of alumnae for Kappa Kappa Gamma. She lives in Lincoln, Neb.

1964

Kenneth Grady, PhD'64, m'69, recently retired after practicing psychiatry for 34 years. He lives in Lee's Summit, Mo.

James Maag, g'64, works as a governmental affairs consultant with Foulston Siefkin. He lives in Topeka.

Robert Swan, c'64, g'69, g'72, founded the U.S.-Russia Foundation 2000. He lives in Lawrence.

1965

Douglas Dedo, c'65, practices medicine at the Palm Beach Institute of Cosmetic Surgery in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

Nancy Jo Marcy, d'65, g'76, directs education for the Coterie Theatre in Kansas City.

Kathleen Craig Schmidt, g'65, retired recently after teaching music in the Wathena schools for 31 years.

1966

Robert Doser, g'66, a retired engineer, makes his home in Rock Springs, Wyo.

1967

Martin Arlinsky, PhD'67, lives in British Columbia, Canada.

Richard Manka, b'67, g'68, is vice

president of pension investments for Kroger in Cincinnati.

J. Roger Stoner, d'67, heads the music department at Missouri State University in Springfield.

1968

Alison Heath Carter, d'68, is a marketing assistant at KU's Dole Institute of Politics. She lives in Lawrence.

Bill Hansen, c'68, l'71, retired recently as publisher of the Manatee Herald-Tribune. He lives in Bradenton, Fla.

Paul Parrish, g'68, heads the English department at Texas A&M University, where he recently received the Phi Beta Delta Norman Borlaug International Award for his service to the chapter and the national association. He lives in College Station, Texas.

1969

James Berryman, c'69, is a physicist at the University of California's Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. He lives in Danville. He recently received the Maurice Anthony Biot Medal from the American Society of Civil Engineers.

William Lee, c'69, m'73, practices medicine with Women's Health Consultants in Littleton, Colo. He lives in Castle Rock.

Clifford Manning, d'69, g'75, co-owns Manning Music in Topeka.

Michael Sheahon, c'69, g'75, is president of Greater Hartford Aikikai in Glastonbury, Conn. He lives in Windsor Locks.

1970

Col. Lee Alloway, c'70, serves as NATO chief with the U.S. Air Force. His home is in Falls Church, Va.

Gene Bauer, c'70, recently became managing director of the Hay Group's U.S. consulting operations. He commutes to Kansas City from Lawrence.

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David Hueben, c'70, works for IBM. He lives in Overland Park.

John Oberzan, j'70, is a financial adviser for Morgan Stanley in Lawrence, where he and **Karen Connott Oberzan**, f'74, g'82, make their home.

Donna Schafer, c'70, g'74, PhD'85, recently was elected president of the Western Association of Graduate Schools. She's dean of research and graduate studies at Humboldt State University in Arcata, Calif.

Nancy Knox Todd, d'70, retired last year after a 25-year career in teaching. She and her husband, **Terry**, '84, live in Aurora, Colo.

1971

JoBeth Paine Allen, d'71, g'79, EdD'83, is a professor of language and literacy at the University of Georgia in Athens. She recently received the John Chorlton Manning Public School Service Award from the International

Reading Association.

Owen Ball, e'71, l'80, retired recently as senior corporate counsel at Aventis Pharmaceuticals in Bridgewater, N.J. He and **Shirley Galinski Ball**, d'78, live in Albuquerque, N.M.

Stewart, j'71, and **Shelley Levine Farbman**, d'72, own Blackman Industries, an importer of dog chews and treats. They live in Prairie Village.

Richard Hellman, m'71, recently was elected vice president of the board of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists. He has a private practice in Kansas City.

Sue Sutton, d'71, is theatre director at Cloud County Community College in Concordia. She directed *The Chosen*, which recently was performed off Broadway.

1972

Wayne Boeckman, b'72, owns Texas Metal Spinning in Fort Worth, where he

and his wife, Patti, make their home.

1973

Chip Chalmers, '73, teaches directing at Florida State University's School of Film in Tallahassee.

Carolyn Thomson Landgrebe, g'73, a retired teacher, recently was named Volunteer of the Year by the Lawrence Volunteer Center. She and her husband, John, live in Lawrence.

Andrew Massey, c'73, m'77, is an associate professor at the KU School of Medicine in Wichita.

George Park, PhD'73, manages technical support for CYTEC Industries. He lives in Columbia, S.C.

1974

Ellen Boddington Baumler, c'74, g'83, PhD'86, wrote *Beyond Spirit Tailings*, which was published earlier this year. She works for the Montana Historical Society in Helena, where she and her husband, **Mark**, c'76, make their home.

Gene Betts, b'74, g'75, is chief financial officer for Sprint in Overland Park.

Carl "Ted" Ficken, d'74, received a professional practice award last year from the American Music Therapy Association. He's a music therapist at Oregon State Hospital in Salem.

Michael Friedman, g'74, PhD'82, president of Friedman & Associates, makes his home in Broken Arrow, Okla.

Stephen Hadley, d'74, serves as a U.S. Army safety director at Fort McPherson, Ga.

Anne Lolley, b'74, l'77, recently became a compliance officer with Silver Lake Bank. She lives in Topeka.

Patrick Murphy, c'74, m'77, practices pediatrics at Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City and is a clinical professor of urology at the KU Medical Center.

Vanneman Spake, c'74, m'77, recently joined the medical staff of St. Luke's Hospital in Kansas City, where he's an otolaryngologist.

1975

Mark Affeldt, b'75, is executive vice president and chief credit officer at Valley Bank in Las Vegas.

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Class Notes

John D'Agostino, e'75, lives in Leawood. He's president of D'Agostino Mechanical Contractors, and his wife,

Karen DeHaven D'Agostino, f'75, is an occupational therapist for the Shawnee Mission public school district.

Judson Maillie, b'75, l'80, is a registered principal with New England Financial in Northbrook, Ill.

Michael Rausch, b'75, works as a senior risk management consultant for Physicians Insurance Company of Wisconsin. He lives in Madison.

Gloria Sanders, m'75, recently joined Southcentral Pathology Laboratory in Wichita.

1976

Paul Anderson, g'76, manages design for Freescale Semiconductor in Austin, Texas. He lives in Round Rock.

Gwendolyn Ramsey Arnett, c'76, m'79, is president of Western Missouri Radiological Group in Independence,

Mo. She lives in Shawnee Mission.

Mark Watson, c'76, g'78, is city administrator of Yuma, Ariz.

David Wescoe, c'76, recently became executive director of Messner & Smith in San Diego. He lives in La Jolla, and is national chair of the Alumni Association's board of directors.

1977

William Blessing, b'77, heads strategic planning and business for Sprint in Overland Park.

Michael Buser, l'77, recently was appointed to the Kansas Court of Appeals. He lives in Overland Park, where he has practiced law with Shook, Hardy & Bacon since 1991.

Brett Coonrod, l'77, is a partner in the Overland Park firm of Smith/Coonrod.

Steven Jones, c'77, works as a consultant for Wachovia in Charlotte, N.C.

Jo Young Switzer, g'77, PhD'80,

recently became president of Manchester College in North Manchester, Ind.

1978

Douglas Barrington, j'78, recently joined Realty Executives of Topeka.

Sharon Anderson Self, c'78, l'81, is senior vice president and associate general counsel at Intrust Financial Corp. in Wichita.

1980

Raymond Grant, d'80, is executive director of Robert Redford's Sundance Village in Sundance, Utah.

Richard Linville, j'80, g'82, lives in Mission Hills. He's senior vice president at Prudential Financial in Kansas City.

1981

Robert Brown, c'81, e'81, is vice president of global services at Emerson Process Management in Houston.

Stephen Carey, c'81, works as senior

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technical team leader at SBC Services in St. Louis.

William Murphy, c'81, g'01, is an air-traffic control supervisor for the Federal Aviation Administration in Honolulu.

Timothy Ontko, j'81, manages global accounts for DHL Worldwide Express. He lives in Minneapolis, Minn.

Pamela Farnsworth Young, b'81, is an information reporting officer for Intrust Bank in Wichita. She lives in Derby with her husband, **Christopher**, e'85. He's president of Young and Associates.

1982

Suzanne Ryse Collins, '82, recently published a photograph of a dusky gopher frog in the June-July issue of *National Wildlife*. Suzanne and her husband, **Joseph**, '72, live in Lawrence, where he directs the Center for North American Herpetology.

Carol Marinovich, g'82, received a Distinguished Service Award earlier this year from KU's School of Education. Carol lives in Kansas City, Kan., where she recently completed her service as mayor of the Unified Government of Wyandotte County. She now works at Fleishman-Hillard.

1983

Joseph Bauer, a'83, is an associate and project manager for Archer Engineers in Lee's Summit, Mo.

Martin Haynes, a'83, works as design director of sports architecture for HNTB Companies in Kansas City.

Donald Nease, c'83, m'87, is an associate professor of family medicine at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Thomas Wagstaff, b'83, owns Mr. Transmission in Parker and Carbondale, Colo. He and his wife, Cindy, live in Castle Rock with their children, Susan, 14; Tyler, 11; and Reed, 9.

1984

Betty Drees, m'84, practices medicine at St. Luke's Hospital of Kansas City. She lives in Overland Park.

Debra Grossardt, j'84, is business manager at North Cross United Methodist Church in Kansas City.



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Helmut Riedinger, e'84, e'87, works as senior process engineer at Frontier El Dorado Refining in El Dorado. He lives in Andover.

Robert Wilkin, b'84, is assistant manager of golf operations for Johnson County Parks and Recreation in Olathe. He lives in Lenexa.

1985

Timothy Davis, e'85, g'87, lives in Broomfield, Colo., where he's president of Aspen Logic.

Dennis Depenbusch, b'85, g'89, is president, CEO and board chairman of Catalyst Lighting Group in Fort Worth, Texas.

MARRIED

Robert Catloth, f'85, and **Jennifer Van Ruyven**, c'04, March 12 in Eureka Springs, Ark. They live in Lawrence, where they both work for KU. Rob is women's head rowing coach, and Jennifer is an administrative assistant.

Katherine Cosgrove, g'85, to Louis Van Horn, April 30. They live in Stilwell, and Kathy owns F.I.T. Bodies in Overland Park.

1986

William Courtright, e'86, is executive director of the Parallel Data Laboratory at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Vicki Austin Fairfield, b'86, directs administration for TLS in Kansas City.

Wendy Kraft, c'86, is sales and

account director for EnergyGateway. She lives in Brecksville, Ohio.

Robert Neill, c'86, l'92, serves as attorney adviser for the U.S. Army in Alexandria, Va. He lives in Bethesda, Md.

Brian Stayton, c'86, practices law with Marlowe & McNabb in Tampa, Fla.

BORN TO:

Dan, a'86, and **Nicole Cook Sabatini**, a'99, son, Elijah Daniel, May 22 in Lawrence, where Dan is president of Sabatini & Associates Architects. Their daughter, Maya, will be 3 in September.

1987

Martha Dacey, f'87, is president of Deezines in Arlington, Va.

Shelley Born Diehl, c'87, l'91, works as an anti-fraud prosecutor for the Insurance Commissioner's Office. She lives in Lawrence.

Scott Flanagin, e'87, recently became senior vice president and director of corporate accounts with The Staubach Company in Los Angeles. He and his wife, Kim, live in Woodland Hills with their daughters, Heather, 8, and Mindy, 6.

Mike Reid, '87, directs marketing and information services for KU's Memorial Union. He lives in Lawrence.

BORN TO:

Paul Ahlenius, e'87, and Patty, daughter, Joelle Elizabeth, Jan. 27 in Topeka, where Paul works for the Kansas Department of Transportation.

1988

Rodney Odom, c'88, is a supervisor with Watershed Concepts in Kansas City. He lives in Lenexa.

Jeffrey Syslo, b'88, g'92, manages products for Emerson Network Power in Mentor, Ohio. He lives in Willoughby.

David Welsh, b'88, is assistant athletics director at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, where he and his wife, Elizabeth, live with their children, Jonathan, 7, and Julia, 1.

1989

John Gatti, c'89, m'94, practices medicine at Children's Mercy Hospital. He lives in Overland Park.

Deborah Stoltz Harding, j'89, is assistant vice president at Commerce Bancshares. She lives in Andover.

Boyd McPherson, b'89, practices law with Alexander, Casey, Dwyer, McPherson in Wichita.

Kelly Milligan, j'89, lives in Plano, Texas, and practices law with Clouse, Dunn & Hirsch in Dallas.

Randall Niehaus, e'89, and his wife, Caroline, celebrated their first anniversary July 31. They live in Omaha, Neb., where he's an electrical engineering project manager for HDR Architecture and she's a language and literature teacher at St. Wenceslaus School.

Louise Henricks Notson, h'89, recently became health information service director for Providence Medical Center. She lives in Lenexa.

Steven St. Peter, c'89, is a partner in MPM Capital in Boston, Mass.

1990

Sharon Dickinson Dent, c'90, j'90, works for the Shanghai American School in Shanghai, People's Republic of China.

Greg Dowell, '90, manages pipeline control for First Horizon Home Loans in Irving, Texas. He lives in Hickory Creek.

Christopher Horan, j'90, is a commercial producer for KCTV in Fairway.

BORN TO:

Timothy Tuttle, c'90, and Carmel, son, Riley Charles, Feb. 7 in San Antonio, where Timothy directs medical

law at Wilford Hall Medical Center at Lackland Air Force Base.

1991

Jeffrey Forker, c'91, is a sales associate for Reece & Nichols in Kansas City.

Brian Matthys, c'91, practices medicine at North Kansas City Hospital. He lives in Leawood.

Wendy Pellow, c'91, is assistant general counsel for the Texas Health and Human Services Commission in Austin.

MARRIED

Lori Mitchell, d'91, to Karl Kandt, Nov. 20. They live in Ulysses, where she's a middle-school counselor. Karl is academic coordinator for Wichita State University's athletics department.

BORN TO:

Jacqueline Notaro Arnold, n'91, and Philip, n'93, daughter, Emery Elizabeth, April 25 in Overland Park, where she joins a sister, Jessica, 3, and a brother, Alex, 6.

Tracie Reinwald Miller, d'91, and Quinn, daughter, Carlie Monroe, June 13. They live in Lawrence, and their family includes two sons, Alexander, 5, and Benjamin, 3.

1992

Gina Valdez Lopez, d'92, g'95, is a physical therapist with Access Quality Care in Shawnee.

Amy Wealand Taylor, j'92, owns Grass Roots Design Group in Independence, where she and her husband, **Andrew**, j'93, live with their daughter, Lillie, 1. Andrew is editor of the Montgomery County Chronicle in Caney.

BORN TO:

Matthew Foster, c'92, and Jenny, daughter, Claire, Jan. 23 in Blanchard, Okla., where Matt is an information technology officer for the National Weather Service.

Kimberly Knoffloch Garrett, b'92, and Sean, son, Jackson Thomas, Sept. 29 in Overland Park, where he joins a brother, Jordan, 6, and a sister, Katherine, 4.

Derek, j'92, and **Ann Marie Germes Simmons**, c'92, son, Gabriel Rand, March 25 in Roseburg, Ore., where he joins a brother, Alexander, 3.

1993

Christiane Isabell, j'93, is senior property manager and an attorney with Pizzuit Companies in Columbus, Ohio.

Ralph Gianakon, c'93, h'02, is a registered medical technologist at Truman Medical Center. He lives in Mission.

Stephen Six, l'93, recently became a judge of the Douglas County District Court. He lives in Lawrence with his wife, Betsy Brand Six, assoc., and their four children.

Barton Swartz, d'93, g'99, coordinates recruiting for Turner USD 202 in Kansas City. He lives in Shawnee.

BORN TO:

Jay Curran, b'93, and Debra, daughter, Katherine Riley, April 6 in Smyrna,

Ga., where she joins a brother, Jack, 2.

Jeffrey Gannon, c'93, lives in Louisville, Colo. He's president of Coal Creek Holdings.

Lauren Wagner Weiser, c'93, and Josh, daughter, Alana Brooke, May 3 in Charlotte, N.C., where she joins a brother, Zachary, 3.

1994

Timothy Dawson, c'94, recently began a one-year fellowship in pain management at Stanford University Medical Center. He is medical director at Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu.

Tracy Gaulding, b'94, is a senior financial analyst for Conoco Phillips. She lives in Bartlesville, Okla.

David Stearns, c'94, is a senior geographic analyst for NAVTEQ in Overland Park.

Patrick Townsend, m'94, is a radiation oncologist at St. Luke's Hospital in Kansas City.



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1995

Matthew Armbrister, d'95, g'01, is associate brand marketing manager for John Deere Golf & Turf in Cary, N.C.

Mark Galus, c'95, practices law with Fisher & Phillips in Kansas City.

William Geiger, c'95, works as production manager for Geiger Ready Mix Co. in Kansas City. He and **Susan Maiden Geiger**, f'98, live in Tonganoxie with their children, William, 2, and Maiden, 1.

Stephen Martino, c'95, j'96, lives in Topeka, where he's executive director of the Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission.

Holly Trexler, c'95, l'98, g'99, works for the University of the Pacific in Stockton, Calif.

1996

Kendra Hopkins, c'96, edits copy for the American Hospital Association in Chicago.

Christina Kulp, c'96, serves as a sec-

ond lieutenant in the U.S. Army. She lives in Lawrence.

John Lee, c'96, m'00, is a radiology fellow at Children's Hospital in Boston.

Blake Vande Garde, c'96, l'01, practices law with Goodell, Stratton, Edmonds & Palmer in Topeka. He commutes from Overland Park, where he and **Nichole Cople Vande Garde**, n'96, make their home. She's a computer application specialist with Cerner.

Joshua Ziegler, f'96, is a graphic designer for MMG Worldwide in Kansas City.

BORN TO:

Tia Jorgensen Ipanaque, c'96, and **Fernando**, '05, son, Noah Fernando, May 23 in Lawrence. Tia is a casualty adjuster for American Family in Topeka.

Suzanne, l'96, and **Stephen McAllister**, c'85, l'88, a daughter, Sofia Robert, Feb. 7 in Lawrence, where she joins Mara, 11; Fiona, 7; Brett, 7; and Isabel, 5.

Heather Hubert Steger, c'96, and Richard, daughter, Isley Claire, April 22 in Wichita, where Heather is a human-resources trainer for Heartspring.

1997

Zachary Holland, e'97, is a reservoir engineer with Chesapeake Energy Corp. in Oklahoma City.

Kari VanOort, d'97, coordinates curriculum for St. Alban's Preschool and Kindergarten. She lives in Tucson, Ariz.

MARRIED

Jennifer Larson, d'97, to Derek Jernstedt, Oct. 16 in Atlanta, where she works for Collegiate Licensing.

1998

Amy Akers, c'98, is a human-resources executive with Target. She lives in Garden City.

Julie Pedlar, j'98, recruits for Washington Mutual in Chicago.

Charles Thomas, c'98, is a real-estate

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appraiser for Washington Mutual. He lives in Independence, Mo.

BORN TO:

Natalie Bennett Brown, h'98, and David, son, Hudson Arlington, Jan. 10 in Overland Park, where Natalie is a self-employed pediatric occupational therapist.

Jonathan, j'98, and **Marissa Byrne Tosterud**, '99, son, Elijah Jensen, May 14

in Tecumseh, Mich., where he joins a sister, Isabel, 2. Jonathan is a buyer for Borders Group in Ann Arbor.

Amanda Freeman Zavilla, s'98, and **Eric**, d'99, daughter, Sophia Gladys, April 28 in Palatine, Ill. Eric directs season ticket sales for the Chicago Wolves professional hockey team.

1999

Andrew Bengston, c'99, b'99, prac-

tices law with Jones Day in Dallas.

Jill Twogood Christian, b'99, is a senior tax analyst with Sidley Austin Brown & Wood in Chicago.

Julie Hanson, c'99, practices law with Beattie & Chadwick. She lives in Glenwood Springs, Colo.

Michelle Hawthorne, c'99, p'03, is a pharmacist at Target in Olathe.

Danielle Abernethy Merrick, s'99, recently became associate staff director of KC Sourcelink in Kansas City.

MARRIED

Jamie Black, d'99, to Ryan McGinn, Feb. 19. They live in Shawnee, and Jamie is a senior clerk at Kansas City Power and Light.

BORN TO:

Erin Dامتz Deneke, b'99, and Tim, daughter, Grace Elizabeth, May 31 in Lenexa.

Patrick Ferguson, b'99, and Erin Jo, daughter, Avery Ann, Feb. 28 in Olathe.

2000

Brianne Brown Cook, b'00, recently joined Family Medicine Associates in Lawrence.

Andrew Hane, c'00, works for Capitol Materials in North Charleston, S.C.

Mary Henry-Foster, c'00, directs customer service for In the Know Inc. She lives in Durham, N.C.

Elizabeth Howard, PhD'00, is an assistant professor at Kent State University in Kent, Ohio.

Kevin Myers, p'00, manages the pharmacy at Walgreens in Topeka.

Erin Staten, j'00, is an account manager and media planner at Barkley Evergreen & Partners in Kansas City.

BORN TO:

Kelly Rake Meier, c'00, and Ryan, daughter, Bella Sophia, March 29 in Tulsa, Okla.

2001

Titus Daniels, m'01, practices internal medicine at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn.

Jeffrey Glendening, c'01, recently

became vice president of political affairs for the Kansas Chamber of Commerce in Topeka. He lives in Olathe.

Philip Johnson, b'01, is an analyst with Ares Management in Los Angeles.

Gwendolyn Perney, c'01, is assistant city planner in Port Orange, Fla.

Justin Poplin, e'01, recently became an associate with Lathrop and Gage. He lives in Ottawa.

David Samuelson, n'01, coordinates the trauma program at George Washington University Hospital in Washington, D.C. He lives in Annapolis, Md.

Christopher Stoppel, b'01, g'02, makes his home in Ames, Iowa.

Stanley Zimmerman, c'01, is a resident at the KU Medical Center in Kansas City.

MARRIED

Angela Johnson, g'01, and **Christopher Claussen**, g'04, May 6 in Omaha, Neb. They live in Olathe.

Michele Mitchell, s'01, to David

VanWinkle, Oct. 30. They live in Coffeyville.

BORN TO:

Erika Haverkamp Buessing, c'01, g'03, and Dale, son, Grant Maurice, June 3 in Beattie, where he joins a brother, Mitchell, 2.

2002

Lindsay Ace, d'02, n'04, works as a nurse with Kansas University Physicians. She lives in Kansas City.

Luke Bauer, d'02, teaches at Turner High School in Kansas City.

Sarah Wales Browning, c'02, and her husband, Dustin, celebrated their first anniversary July 24. They live in Lawrence, where she's a pharmacist at Wal-Mart and he works at Home Depot.

Jill Cordle, d'02, is a language arts teacher at Beatrice Middle School in Beatrice, Neb.

Haley Estes, c'02, works as a sales executive for MGI Promotions.

Alicia Green, d'02, studies for a grad-

uate degree at Iowa State University in Ames.

Jennie Honeycutt, c'02, supervises programs at KidsCentre in Seattle.

Christopher Kennedy, e'02, develops software for AllofE Solutions. He lives in Olathe.

John McGinley, j'02, directs marketing and sales for McGinley Buick-Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep-Kawasaki in Highland, Ill.

Catherine Anderson Mittenthal, c'02, does marketing advising for First Trust Portfolios. She lives in Decatur, Ga.

Kathryn Moore, j'02, is a writer and training specialist for Marshall Field's Loss Prevention in Minneapolis, Minn.

Thomas Moreland, d'02, g'04, lives in Johnston, Iowa, where he's founder and CEO of Iowa Hospice.

MARRIED

Jennifer Moore, b'02, and **Piotr Zygmunt**, c'03, June 11 in Leawood. She's a plan design specialist at Paychex, and he's an account executive with the Resource Group. They live in Olathe.



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Zachary Kolich, c'02, and **Katherine Regan**, j'03, May 28 in Shawnee. They live in Shawnee Mission.

2003

Dorothy Dobbs, s'03, works as a therapist at St. Francis Academy in Atchison.

John Haertling, b'03, is a sales associate with Liberty Mutual in Leawood.

Christopher Kennedy, e'03, is a field engineer with Cook Flatt & Strobel in Kansas City.

Stephanie Lawson, p'03, works as a pharmacist at CVS Corp. in Sun City Center, Fla.

John Mallory, d'03, is a digital video editor for the Seattle Seahawks football team. He lives in Kirkland, Wash.

Allison Moore, c'03, teaches preschool with Boulder County Head Start in Boulder, Colo.

James Neu, b'03, works as an accountant with Cerner. He lives in Olathe.

Jason Nicolay, b'03, g'04, is a CPA with Meara King & Co. in Kansas City.

School Codes Letters that follow names indicate the school from which alumni earned degrees. Numbers show their class years.

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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
j	School of Journalism
l	School of Law
m	School of Medicine
n	School of Nursing
p	School of Pharmacy
PharmD	School of Pharmacy
s	School of Social Welfare
DE	Doctor of Engineering
DMA	Doctor of Musical Arts
EdD	Doctor of Education
PhD	Doctor of Philosophy
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assoc.	Associate member of the Alumni Association

Kevin Seaman, c'03, works as a business analyst for Cerna in Kansas City.

Elizabeth Godfrey Warner, c'03, j'03, is a manager with Shurgard. She lives in Littleton, Colo.

Alana Salazar Weibel, c'03, g'04, is a pediatric audiologist at North Shore Children's Hospital. She lives in Somerville, Mass.

MARRIED

Mark Kohls, d'03, and **Jessica Dorsey**, c'04, April 9 in Topeka. They live in Overland Park.

Kathryn Shufelt, c'03, and **Morgan Hannings**, b'04, g'05, April 16 in KU's Danforth Chapel. They live in Lawrence.

BORN TO:

Brooke Youle Lowe, p'03, and Jeffrey, daughter, Avery, Jan. 29 in Wichita, where Brooke is a pharmacist at Right Choice Pharmacy.

2004

Brandon Bowman, g'04, is a product manager for Sprint.

Mary Gilliland, c'04, works as an analyst for Watershed Concepts. She lives in Atlanta.

Siobhan McLaughlin Lesley, g'04, is vice president of Walz Tetrack Advertising in Mission.

Marshall Mallory, c'04, works as a sales representative for Paychex. He lives in Overland Park.

Jay Quickel, g'04, is vice president of licensing for Hallmark Cards in Kansas City.

Scott Roberts, e'04, studies for a graduate degree at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. He lives in St. Paul.

Daniel Shuftan, c'04, is a sales representative for the Chicago White Sox baseball team. He lives in Chicago.

Megan Thomas, b'04, is an accountant with Sprint in Overland Park.

Danica Fri Uberty, j'04, works as a public affairs specialist for Charleston County, S.C. She lives in Charleston.

MARRIED

Jeremy Smith, g'04, and **Rebecca**

Yohn, g'04, May 21 in Madison, Wis. Jeremy is assistant village administrator for Sussex, and Rebecca is a community information specialist for the city of Janesville. They live in Jefferson.

BORN TO:

Jessica Skubal Rowan, c'04, and Jeramiah, daughters, Breanna Amaris and Alaina Blythe, Sept. 22 in Cimarron.

2005

Justin Becker, b'05, is a tax intern with SS&C Business and Tax Services. He lives in Lawrence.

Brett Budke, c'05, works as a sales associate with Reece and Nichols Realtors in Kansas City.

Ashley Cobbel, j'05, is a media associate with Starcom Worldwide. She lives in Lawrence.

Christine Davidson, j'05, works as an account executive with the Kansas City Star. She lives in Bucyrus.

Daniel Karen, j'05, is an assistant account executive with Trinity Public Relations. He lives in Dallas.

Justin Mackey, c'05, lives in Lawrence, where he works for KU's Student Support Services.

Timothy Massey, g'05, is vice president of product development for Handmark in Kansas City.

David McMillan, c'05, plays football for the Cleveland Browns. His home is in Lawrence.

Asraa Namiq, m'05, recently became an assistant professor of pathology at the KU Medical Center in Kansas City.

Elizabeth Pawlikowski, c'05, works as a department manager at Bed Bath & Beyond in Lawrence.

Anish Pradhananga, g'05, is a water resources and environmental engineer for URS. He lives in Lawrence.

Kimberly White Pratt, b'05, works as a credit analyst for UMB Bank. She lives in Lenexa.

Wayne Simien, c'05, plays basketball with the Miami Heat. His home is in Lawrence.

Mariana Theodoro, c'05, is a research assistant at Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City. She lives in Lawrence.



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In Memory

1920s

Norraine Woodward Hudson, d'26, 105, July 3 in Kiowa. Several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews survive.

1930s

Mabel Edwards Barker, c'35, 92, April 4 in Parsons. She lived in Oswego and was a retired systems analyst with the Department of the Army, where she had worked for 30 years. Surviving are a daughter, two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Marguerite Harris Bishop, c'39, 87, July 17 in Eudora. She lived in Lawrence, where she had been a medical technologist and an X-ray technician. She is survived by two sons, James, c'67, and Ronald, j'77; a daughter, Jananne Bishop Hall, c'72; and two grandchildren.

Edward "Ted" Downs, e'35, 92, May 28 in Overland Park. He lived in Leawood and had worked for Black and Veatch and for the New Mexico State Highway Department. He is survived by a daughter, Jo Nell "Jody" Downs Abbott, '57; seven grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

William Ferguson, c'38, 87, June 9 in Wellington, where he was a retired attorney. He is survived by his wife, Harriet Shelden Ferguson, c'36; a son; a daughter; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Don Gresser, b'34, 93, May 31 in Topeka, where he owned the accounting firm of Garrison and Gresser. Survivors include his wife, Florence; three daughters, Andrea Gresser Atkinson, d'65, Barbara Gresser Williams, c'63, and Marilyn Gresser Baisel, '59; nine grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Herman Janzen, e'39, 90, May 24 in San Jose, Calif., where he was retired from a career in public health. He is sur-

vived by his wife, Dulcie; two sons, one of whom is Frank, c'68, g'05; two daughters, one of whom is Sue Janzen Moffat, '63; two sisters; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Marjorie Harbaugh McLaughlin, c'38, 89, July 4 in Lawrence. She was a retired proofreader, office manager and publisher of the Miami County Republic. A memorial has been established with the KU Endowment Association. She is survived by a son, Philip, j'73; a daughter, Susan, j'78, c'79; and three grandchildren.

Janet Scheble Meschke, '35, 94, May 24 in Hutchinson. She is survived by a son, John, b'58; a daughter, June Ann Meschke Bloskey, d'62; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Robert Morton, l'35, 92, June 25 in Wichita, where he was a retired attorney and judge. He is survived by a son, Robert, c'69; two grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Lloyd Organ, p'39, 89, June 13 in Aptos, Calif. He owned Organ Drug in Stockton for many years and is survived by his wife, Bonnie, three daughters, a son, seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Martha Meade Seltsam, c'32, 94, June 1 in Topeka. Survivors include a son, James, assoc.; a daughter, Betty Seltsam Cleland, d'58; seven grandchildren; and two stepgrandchildren.

Stanley Simon, b'32, 95, June 8 in Leawood. He owned Stan's Ace Hardware and is survived by his wife, Taisa; three daughters, two of whom are Nancy Simon McCahill, d'75, g'77, and Lori Simon Siegel, b'77, g'88; a stepdaughter; a stepson; a sister; 13 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Herbert Songer, m'38, 91, Dec. 19 in Abilene, where he was a retired physician. He is survived by a son, Robert, d'69; two daughters, one of whom is Carol Songer Becks, d'71; two sisters;

seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Robert Wallace, c'34, g'38, 92, April 1 in Pullman, Wash., where he was retired from a career of teaching economics. Surviving are a daughter, a grandson and two great-grandchildren.

Mildred Lee Ward, '33, 97, June 23 in Overland Park. A memorial has been established with the KU Endowment Association. She is survived by a son, William, e'61, g'63; a daughter, Ginny Ward Graves, c'57; six grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

1940s

Betty Brothers Bonde, d'48, 78, June 2 in Independence. A daughter, a son, five grandchildren and two adopted grandchildren survive.

Charles Brown, c'49, 83, July 18 in Tulsa, Okla. He had founded Charleton, Holmes, Peck and Brown Insurance and is survived by a son, Terry Barker, '81; a sister; a brother; and three grandchildren.

Lariene Nash Corlis, '41, 87, March 29 in Longview, Wash. She is survived by three daughters, one of whom is Sally Corlis Spooner, d'68; a son; a sister; 19 grandchildren; 59 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandson.

Ernest Cram, c'49, m'52, 81, June 19 in St. Francis, where he was a retired physician. He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Jean, two sons, three daughters, a brother and seven grandchildren.

Francis Domingo, e'42, 84, June 21 in Topeka, where he was a retired civil engineer. A son and a grandson survive.

Vincent "Eddy" Edmonds, d'41, f'49, 86, July 6 in Overland Park, where he was a retired music teacher. A memorial has been established with the KU Endowment Association. He is survived by his wife, Berniece; two sons, one of whom is Kent, e'83; a daughter, Kathryn Edmonds Ballou, PhD'02;

and two brothers, Rufus, '40, and Ernest, d'38, g'46.

Cecil Ruth King Eidson, c'41, 85, Feb. 2 in Johnson City, Tenn. She is survived by her husband, Robert, '42; a daughter; two sons; and four grandchildren.

Dale Gordon, b'43, 85, June 4 in Wichita, where he had owned Lawrence Photo Supply. He was awarded the Fred Ellsworth Medallion in 1995 for his service to KU. His wife, Laurine; a daughter, Pam Gordon-Marvin, c'76; a son, Stephen, b'71; and two grandchildren survive.

James E. Guinotte, c'48, 79, May 10 in Chanute, where he was retired from a career in oil and gas drilling and production. He is survived by four daughters, four sons, 22 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mary Chapple Kyle, d'43, 84, May 19 in Kansas City. She is survived by three sons, one of whom is Dallas, c'80; two daughters; a sister; eight grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Jean Rennick Nash, d'42, 84, May 22 in Lee's Summit, Mo., where she was a retired teacher. She is survived by her husband, Burt, a son, two daughters, two stepdaughters, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Marilyn Johnson Nelson, c'49, 77, Jan. 2 in Tucson, Ariz., where she retired after owning several weekly newspapers in Kansas. Survivors include three sons, Thomas Bolitho, j'76, Mason Bolitho, c'78, and Barton Bolitho, '80.

Charles Owsley, e'43, e'48, 83, June 4 in Republic, Mo., where he was a retired consultant and engineer. He is survived by his wife, Maurine; two sons, one of whom is Steven, g'94; three sisters, two of whom are Dorothy Owsley Ballard, c'39, h'40, and Carolyn Owsley Thome, f'49; and six grandchildren.

Evelyn Nielsen Peterson, c'43, 84, May 12 in Tulsa, Okla. She is survived by her husband, Pete, two sons, a daughter, four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Donald Rickerson, e'49, 81, March 3 in Silver Spring, Md., where he was a retired National Security Agency computer science engineer. He is survived by his

wife, Caroline, a daughter, two sisters and three grandchildren.

Robert Riss, b'49, 78, July 1 in Kansas City, where he owned Riss International. He also started Columbia Properties, Grandview Bank & Trust, Commonwealth General Insurance and Heart of America Fire & Casualty. He was a recipient of KU's Distinguished Service Citation and of the Fred Ellsworth Medallion for service to KU. A memorial has been established with the KU Endowment Association. He is survived by his wife, Loretta; a son, E.S., b'71, g'72; three daughters, two of whom are Leslie Riss Raemdonck, j'73, and Laura Riss Stanford, c'78; a sister, Louise Riss Wells, c'56; 10 grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Lois Willcuts Scott, '45, 81, May 19 in Topeka. She is survived by her husband, Ted, b'42; a daughter, Elaine, '71; and a son, Mark, c'70, g'76, g'79.

John Severin, b'41, 85, April 29 in Florence, Ala., where he was vice president of Alabama-Tennessee Natural Gas until retiring. Two sons, two granddaughters and a great-granddaughter survive.

Lawrence Smith, e'49, 83, June 11 in Wichita, where he had been a design engineer at Boeing Aircraft, Lear Jet and Cessna Aircraft. He is survived by his wife, Norma; three daughters, one of whom is Janice Smith Chapman, '01; a son; a brother, Leo, d'50; a sister; and 14 grandchildren.

Paul Turner, d'47, g'51, 82, Oct. 4 in Bella Vista, Ark. Three sons and 11 grandchildren survive.

Henry Walters, e'49, 82, June 6 in Medicine Lodge, where he was a retired engineer with Boeing Aircraft. A son, a sister and two grandchildren survive.

George Weston, m'49, 84, Dec. 23 in Lafayette, Calif., where he was a retired physician who specialized in radiology and nuclear medicine. He is survived by his wife, Blanche, assoc.; a son; three daughters, one of whom is Paula Jane Weston Lowery, assoc.; and seven grandchildren.

Edwin Windler, c'43, 86, May 7 in Sweeny, Texas. He is survived by his

wife, Nancy Carey Windler, c'42; three sons; a sister; and six grandchildren.

E. Marie Schreiber Wyckoff, p'48, 78, June 23 in Anthony, where she had owned Irwin Potter Drug. Survivors include her husband, Wilford, assoc.; a daughter, Jamie Wyckoff Boersma, c'78; a son; a sister; two brothers; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

1950s

Mike Adams, '57, 76, May 29 in Wichita, where he was president of WMA Corp. A memorial has been established with the KU Endowment Association. He is survived by his wife, Joanne, a son, three daughters and four grandchildren.

James Bruce, e'51, 78, June 1 in Leawood. He is survived by his wife, Laura, assoc.; a son, Robert, e'90, g'95; a daughter, Rebecca, g'97; and a brother.

Janice Harper Carmichael-James, f'59, 68, Aug. 7 in Kansas City. She lived in Westwood Hills, where she was a retired fashion illustrator. Survivors include her husband, Robert James, e'58; two sons, one of whom is Quinn Carmichael, c'91, m'96; a sister, Sue Harper Ice, d'56; two stepsons; a grandson; and four step-grandchildren.

Helen Moser Colyer, g'56, 85, Oct. 14 in Frontenac. She lived in Pittsburg and had taught elementary vocal music in Carl Junction, Mo., for many years. A brother and several nieces and nephews survive.

Patricia Jordan Conroy, c'50, 83, July 18 in Houston. She taught school and had worked in the oil business. Survivors include her husband, William, c'49, l'52; a son; a daughter; two sisters; a brother, Joseph Jordan, '53; and four grandchildren.

L. La Verne Fiss, c'56, l'60, 71, June 26 in Johnson, where he was a retired attorney. He is survived by his wife, Faydean Orth Fiss, d'56; two sons; a brother, Galen, d'53; two grandchildren; and two stepgrandchildren.

Robert Fountain, e'50, 76, July 23 in Leawood, where he was a partner in the Fagan Company and president of the Mechanical Contractors Association.

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He is survived by his wife, Shirley; two daughters, one of whom is Amy Fountain Fry, '91; a son; and five grandchildren.

Oscar Gaddy, e'57, g'59, 72, May 2 in Urbana, Ill., where he was a professor of electrical engineering at the University of Illinois. Surviving are his wife, Mary Vaeth Gaddy, '61; three sons; and two grandchildren.

Douglas Gill, b'52, June 8 in Dallas, where he was an architect at Grayson Gill. He is survived by his wife, Margot, a son, two daughters and four grandchildren.

Donald Greenhaw, p'50, 78, May 25 in Hillsboro, where he had owned Greenhaw Pharmacy. He is survived by his wife, Pauline, two sons and four grandchildren.

Marion Hawk, e'59, 70, June 17 in Gladstone, Mo., where he was a retired engineering consultant. He is survived by his wife, Lorene; two daughters, Jan Hawk Lewis, n'84, and Jean, c'93; and a granddaughter.

David MacNaughton, m'51, 79, June 28 in Seaside, Fla. He lived in Chattanooga, Tenn., where he was a psychiatrist. He is survived by his wife, Virginia; three sons; a daughter; two brothers, one of whom is Ralph, m'54; and five grandchildren.

Leaford Miller, j'50, 78, Jan. 13 in Canyon Lake, Texas, where he was a retired journalist. A memorial has been established with the KU Endowment Association. His wife, Marjene, is among survivors.

Bernard Moffet, b'57, 69, July 20 in Overland Park, where he had worked for IBM and American Century Investments. He is survived by his wife, Norma Steinert Moffet, d'57; a daughter, Sharon Moffet Deleo, '81; a son, Richard, e'88; a brother, Charles, e'62, g'70; and seven grandchildren.

Sandra James Morris, '58, 68, May 23 in Houston, where she worked in residential real estate. She is survived by her husband, Ron; and three daughters, one of whom is Karen Kenney Rakes, d'81.

Bueford Roper, g'50, 89, July 11 in Topeka. He owned and operated Roper

Music in Larned and taught instrumental music at the elementary, secondary and junior-college levels. He is survived by his wife, Norma Cook Roper, '64; two sons, one of whom is John, c'66, g'81; a brother; two sisters; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Marjorie Crane Schnacke, c'51, 76, May 22 in Topeka, where she was president of the Native Daughters of Kansas, vice president of the Kansas Arts Commission and executive director of the Kansas office of the U.S. Constitution Bicentennial Commission. She is survived by her husband, Donald, assoc.; two sons, Greg, c'80, j'80, and Timothy, c'83, j'83; a sister, Judith Crane Elliott, d'55; and two grandchildren.

Ethlyn "Lynn" Sejkora Shaw, c'56, Oct. 12 in Tucson, Ariz., where she moved after retiring from a career as a bacteriologist and nuclear medicine technician at Kadlee Medical Center in Richland, Wash. Two sons and six grandchildren survive.

Elaine Englund Thompson, d'50, May 20 in Austin, Texas. She is survived by her husband, Ray, a son, a daughter, a sister and a granddaughter.

George VanBebber, c'53, l'55, 73, May 26 in Overland Park, where he practiced law and was a U.S. district judge. He is survived by his wife, Alleen Dicklich VanBebber, l'80; a stepson, David Castellani, c'91; and two brothers, one of whom is William, b'51.

John Webb, g'52, May 19 in Emporia, where he was former mayor and retired vice president for administration and fiscal affairs at Emporia State University. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn, two sons, two daughters, a brother, a sister and 11 grandchildren.

1960s

Harold Blackburn, EdD'61, 77, June 21 in Overland Park. He had been commissioner of education for the state of Kansas. He is survived by his wife, Donna Spotts Blackburn, d'56, g'62; a son, Lee, s'86; a daughter, Laurie, c'87, l'90; two sisters, Dorothy, g'64, and Helen, g'65; a grandson; and two step-grandchildren.

Wheelock Cameron Jr., e'63, Dec. 3 in Shalimar, Fla. He commanded the test wing at Eglin AFB, Fla., and is survived by his wife, Virginia, a son and a granddaughter.

Carolyn Wilson Churchill, c'63, s'76, 63, July 11 in Mission Hills. She had been a psychiatric social worker at Ozanam Boys Home. Survivors include her husband, Stephen, c'62, m'66; and her brother, Daniel Wilson, b'69.

Charles Hageman, e'67, 66, July 7 in Hutchinson, where he was a retired engineer with the Kansas Department of Transportation. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn; a son; a brother; and three sisters, Hazel Hageman Hodge, d'60, Patricia Hageman Spillers, f'67, and Ellen Hageman Thompson, g'93.

Martha Sipes Hussain, c'63, 63, Feb. 9 in Las Vegas, where she had been a counselor. She is survived by two sons, one of whom is Andrew, j'92.

Susan Brandmeyer Marshall, j'69, 57, March 30 in San Francisco, where she had been deputy director of the California Office of Tourism and later worked in marketing communications for Crocker, Wells Fargo and Union banks. A sister survives.

Kevin McKeough, PhD'67, 67, Dec. 28 in Geneva, where he taught political science at Northern Illinois University for 30 years specializing in media and American politics. He is survived by his wife, Maureen Kaveny McKeough, '63; a daughter; and three sons.

William Perry, d'67, 60, May 22 in Wood River, Ill., where he taught and coached baseball, track, wrestling, golf and bowling at East-Alton-Wood River High School. He is survived by his wife, Diane Spickard Perry, '67; two daughters; two sisters, one of whom is Judith Perry-McGuire, c'63; a brother; and two grandchildren.

Bruce Reuteler, g'61, 85, Feb. 25 in Jonesboro, Ark. He is survived by his wife, Elwyn, two sons and two sisters.

Roland Rogers, e'64, 63, May 14 in Gaithersburg, Md. He was a project engineer at Bechtel and recently had completed a master's in business at Johns Hopkins University. He is survived by

his wife, Lola; two daughters; a son; two sisters, Rebecca Rogers Finn-Chase, d'64, and Elizabeth Rogers McIlvain, '71; and two brothers, James, b'78, and John Paul, b'81.

Joyce Shriver, PhD'65, 67, Oct. 24 in New York City, where she was a retired associate professor of anatomy and former associate dean for student affairs at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine.

Karlos "Karl" Sieg, e'61, 65, June 17 in Ottawa, where he was president of Sieg Energy. He is survived by his wife, Marianne Daugherty Sieg, '62; three sons; his mother; and four grandchildren.

Andrew Spohn, '66, 61, July 1 in Belle Haven. He was past president of Singer Asset Finance Co. and earlier had been a managing partner of New Jersey Title Insurance. He is survived by his wife, Lois Borland Spohn, d'66; a son; a daughter; his mother; and a brother.

Nathaniel Warder, c'61, 71, Feb. 9 in Kansas City, where he was a retired system analyst for Transworld Airlines and for the city of Kansas City. He is survived by two daughters; a son; three brothers, two of whom are John, c'52, and Robert, c'54, e'58; a sister; and two grandchildren.

Carol Kimberlin Welbron, s'69, 65, June 27 in Cameron, Mo., where she was a social worker for the Clay County Department of Family Services. She is survived by her husband, Jerry, two stepsons, two brothers and seven stepgrandchildren.

1970s

Bruce Barsh, f'72, 60, June 26 in Louisburg, where he was a retired teacher and an environmental engineer at Harrah's Casino. He is survived by his wife, Sandy, three stepdaughters, his mother, a sister and six grandchildren.

John Boatright, c'75, 52, June 4 in Blue Springs, Mo., where he owned John Boatright Insurance. Survivors include his wife, Debbie, two sons, his mother, two brothers and four sisters.

Max "Junior" Coe, c'76, g'81, 50, June 20 in Las Vegas, where he was a professor at the Community College of

Southern Nevada. He is survived by his mother, Beverly; a brother, Nathan, c'77; and a sister, Cynthia Coe Allen, c'78.

LaVerne Offen Winterburg, c'74, 82, May 27 in Lawrence, where she was a partner in the Stinky Cheese Shoppe. She is survived by a son, Roy, '84; three daughters, Vashti, c'74, g'76, Martha Winterburg Chapin, j'72, and Marie Winterburg Mack, d'86; two sisters; and eight grandchildren.

1980s

Edythe Gilmore Leonard, g'85, 72, July 1 in Bellingham, Wash. She had been secretary/treasurer of Alpha Omega Geotech and is survived by two daughters, Karen Zuther, c'77, and Margaret Zuther Hardiman, '79; a stepson, Robert Leonard, j'85; a stepdaughter, Constance Leonard, '84; two sisters; a brother; two granddaughters; and three stepgrandchildren.

Mitchell Mathis, g'88, 42, July 18 in Conroe, Texas. He is survived by his wife, Marilu; a daughter; his mother, Charlene, assoc.; his father, Jerry, m'62; and a sister, Janette Mathis Rivetti, '87.

Heather Hand Neel, d'87, 41, Nov. 10 in Bascom, Fla. She is survived by her husband, Ronnie, a son, her parents and two brothers.

1990s

Heather Hensleigh Gribble, f'91, 37, June 12 in Overland Park. She is survived by her husband, William, '86; a daughter, McKenna; her parents, Paul, c'61, m'65, and Bonnie, n'61; a brother; and a sister.

Thomas Sipe, g'90, 65, May 24 in Lawrence, where he was a retired captain in the U.S. Navy. He had been a manufacturing executive in Springfield, Mo., and was former city manager of Osawatomie. Survivors include a daughter, two sons, a brother, his father and three grandchildren.

Daniel Stoneking, b'95, 49, July 15 in High Point, N.C., where he worked for Cessna Aircraft. His wife, Kimberly, a son, a daughter, his mother, his father, two sisters and a grandson survive.

Jonathan U, c'99, 29, June 8 in

Overland Park. He lived in Olathe and was a video editor and producer for PlattForm Advertising. He is survived by his wife, Stephanie, his mother and a brother.

2000s

Stephanie Hoyt, '08, 19, July 13 of injuries sustained in an automobile accident near Wichita. She lived in Kansas City and was a freshman at KU. Surviving are her parents, four brothers and her grandparents.

Margery Ridgeway, '05, 61, May 25 in Topeka. She was an adjunct professor at Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence and had been named KU's Most Outstanding Female non-traditional student in 2002. She is survived by her husband, Roy; a daughter; a son; a stepdaughter, Lisa Ridgeway Vanatta, '95; a stepson; and nine grandchildren.

Adewale Sanni, '05, 37, Feb. 17 in Kansas City.

The University Community

Carl Lande, 81, May 22 in Lawrence, where he was a retired KU professor of political science and East Asian studies. He is survived by his wife, Nobleza Asuncion-Lande; two sons, James, '88, and Charles, '88; a brother; and a granddaughter.

James Lingwall, 69, June 2 in Austin, Texas, where he was retired chair of the allied health department at Texas State University. Earlier he had directed the speech and hearing clinic and headed the division of speech-language pathology and audiology at KU. Surviving are his wife, Maxine Campbell Lingwall, g'74; a son; two daughters, Nancy Lingwall Espinosa, s'80, and Mary, s'93; a stepson, Douglas Campbell, b'82; a stepdaughter; four grandchildren; and eight stepgrandchildren.

Associates

Dorothy Resch Knox, 89, May 22 in Lawrence, where she was a retired teacher. She is survived by two daughters, Nancy Knox Todd, d'70, and Carladyne Knox Conyers, '69; and four grandchildren.



Rock Chalk Review BY STEVEN HILL

Snap judgment

Newly retired, Peter Thompson puts his ‘painterly eye’ to work behind a camera lens



■ Faith in chance and an appreciation for “beauty we walk past” guide Peter Thompson’s digital photography.

As an administrator, Peter Thompson left his mark on KU with big projects that made a huge imprint on Mount Oread.

During a 40-year career in which he divided his time between teaching art and serving as dean of the School of Fine Arts, Thompson oversaw construction of the Lied Center for the Performing Arts, Bales Recital Hall and a music library and rehearsal space at Murphy Hall.

After retiring in May, Thompson is focusing his energy on more small-scale projects: digital photographs that prove extraordinary beauty can be found in the most ordinary situations.

The color photographs, often closeups of utilitarian household objects—a crumpled paper towel on a kitchen counter, a dish sponge floating in soapy water—are immediately striking for their careful composition. On closer examination, the large-scale prints (which Thompson produces at home on an ink-jet printer) yield richer details.

In “Sponge #2,” for example, a yellow sponge gradually emerges from a blanket of bubbles, its edge neatly dividing the picture into halves. Look again and you notice the transition from muted to bright yellow, the contrasting texture of bubbles and sponge. Peer beyond the surface of the picture and discover depth: Beneath the suds a blue willow dish is visible on the bottom of the sink, and soap bubbles reflect the trees outside Thompson’s kitchen window.

The mundane settings make the shots all the more interesting, says Thompson, because such ordinariness counters the usual clichés about what what makes a beautiful photograph.

“Between here and the Grand Canyon are



Sponge #2, Peter Thompson

probably a couple of mud puddles worth taking a picture of,” Thompson says, noting that legions of landscape photographers spend days at the canyon trying to record pristine portraits of unspoiled nature. “Then they come home and find a jet contrail in the shot and want to commit suicide,” he laughs. “I’m much more interested in the mud puddle, partly because it’s beauty we walk past. There’s something nice about actually taking time to look at it.”

Thompson, who earned an MFA at Yale University before coming to KU in 1965, painted still lifes and portraits early in his career, then moved on to abstract art. He delights in flouting the rules of art, just as he enjoyed defying the conventions of academia, often riding to work on his motorcycle. His paintings hang in the

PORTRAIT: EARL RICHARDSON; SPONGE: PETER THOMPSON

Smithsonian Museum of Art and the Spencer Museum, and his photographs—which combine elements of realism and abstraction—have shown at the Lawrence Arts Center and the Spencer’s recent “From Digital to Daguerreotype” exhibition.

“The paper towel photograph has been the source of an intense amount of interest,” Thompson says. “I think it’s the ordinariness and to a certain extent the prettiness of it, but mostly it’s the surprise. They can’t believe it’s an ordinary paper towel. They’re not sure what I’m telling them.”

Judith McCrea, art department chair, says Thompson’s photographs are like “amazing little archeological digs” because of the domestic detail they record. But they do more than merely document ephemera.

“He has a very succinct painter’s eye that enables the viewer to see common objects that surround us in a new and startling way,” McCrea notes. “The way he approaches his subject teaches the viewer that it’s not just the choice of a subject that is important, but that the arrangement of these forms, just as pure forms, creates a whole new kind of excitement.”

Thompson had a ready exercise for students who faced difficulty finding a subject: Throw a shirt on the ground and start sketching the random shapes it forms. “The inventiveness of those shapes is so much more surprising than the kinds of things you can sit and devise,” Thompson says.

A similar faith in chance guides his photography, which he began after buying a digital camera to record the stained glass windows he designed for Bales Hall. Photographing the windows was an “eye-opener.” Documenting one art project, he began to see the possibilities for launching another.

He now carries his camera everywhere, even to the mailbox. He’s ready to shoot at any moment, because the subjects that interest him—shifting afternoon light shadowing a set of tire chains in his garage, a lone red leaf perched on the windshield of his car, footprints

melting in driveway snow—are fleeting. They aren’t the kinds of pictures one can set up.

“I truly believe our ability to discover things is so much richer than our ability to invent them,” Thompson says. “I’m a prisoner of this method, because I can’t decide this afternoon I’m going to take this picture. It’s total chance. I have to be paying attention.”

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*Averill’s book of stories
initiates “Flyover” series*

In Thomas Fox Averill’s fictional world, average people have the darnedest adventures.

A young boy and his parents pioneer a brave new world where all experience is computer generated in “The Onion and I.” A young girl mesmerizes a small town with a singing voice purer than a tuning fork in “The Musical Genius of Moscow, Kansas.” Newlyweds see their marriage transformed by visitations from a wild man in “The Man Who Ran With Deer.”

These and the other nine stories in *Ordinary Genius* are firmly grounded in realism, but Averill, c’71, g’74, the author of *Secrets of Tsil Cafe* and *The Slow Air of Ewan MacPherson*, also tints them with a sense of the fantastic. The message: Magical things happen everyday. Even in Kansas.

For that reason, the book is an apt choice to launch the Flyover Fiction Series from University of Nebraska Press. Editor Ladette Randolph will publish two to four books annually with the goal of creating a canon of contemporary fiction from the Great Plains and Midwest. Next spring will bring *Skin*, “a strange, polyphonic novel of a God-haunted Kansas” by Kellie Wells, j’86, c’89.

“I wanted the series to work against type,” Randolph says. “You

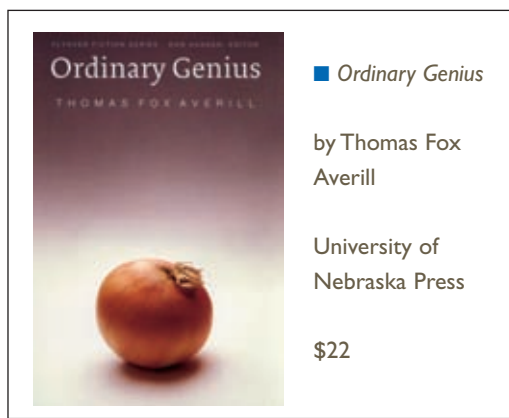
know, the writers who maybe aren’t writing about things we traditionally associate with an area. We need to hear those voices, too.”

The self-deprecating series title winks at the notion that middle-America is a cultural wasteland. A colleague coined it after Randolph issued a directive: “I said, ‘I want it to mean heartland, without making you want to puke.’ I like it a lot. It’s sassy and has a sense of humor that suggests we can laugh at ourselves, but we’re also laughing at the people who label us so dismissively.”

Averill’s book, balancing magical moments with lush, descriptive writing that captures the grit and beauty of Kansas landscapes, knocks the notion of the Great Dull Middle flat on its can. Those who bypass Moscow, a setting for small-town drama on an operatic scale, have failings of their own, he hints. “What a godforsaken place, they think. They keep driving, alone and afraid, reassuring themselves that nothing ever happens out nowhere, at the edge of Moscow, Kansas.”

Plenty happens in *Ordinary Genius*. That fits Randolph’s concept of a regional canon that’s anything but provincial.

“Part of the purpose here is to make people think about their region in ways that are more expansive,” she says. “Tom is quirky. He writes about a Kansas that not everybody immediately recognizes. It’s not stereotypical or nostalgic. And yet if you live in the region, you read these stories and say, ‘Yeah, I know these people.’”





Oread Encore

BY STANLEY HAMILTON



American and world records.

Some of the TV footage will portray how Santee began running as a schoolboy in Ashland. Depicting him in those scenes will be his grandson, Hollis Santee, a high-school junior in Wichita, middle-distance runner and Jayhawk-to-be.

Don't miss it. 

—Hamilton, j'55, author of the gangster history *Machine Gun Kelly's Last Stand*, is writing a book about Santee, centering on the runner's battles over eligibility with the NCAA and the old Amateur Athletic Union. Hamilton recently moved to Lawrence after 47 years in Washington, D.C.



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Another run for Santee

Four-minute quest to be focus of October ESPN program

It was seasonably warm and serene on campus the afternoon of May 6, 1954. Serene, that is, until a student jumped out of a low window of the Journalism Building and raced toward a passing driver, waving a piece of paper and yelling, "Wes. Wes. Stop. C'mere."

Wes was KU's Wes Santee, one of the three men considered favorites to be the first in the world to break the four-minute mile. The screaming student, the sports editor of the *University Daily Kansan*, was this writer.

I was unhappily waving a bulletin torn off the newspaper's United Press teletypewriter. Datelined Oxford, England, the news was stunning: Britain's Roger Bannister had just become the first to run a mile under four minutes.

Wes knew. Word had already spread. Although obviously disappointed, he graciously congratulated Bannister and said he hoped the two might compete head-to-head sometime, pushing the time down even further.

It was not to be, but that is another story.

The widely followed drama of the 1954 quest by the three runners—Australia's John Landy was the other—is scheduled for airing on national television Oct. 4. An ESPN crew in August spent several days in and around Lawrence interviewing Santee, d'54, and others, including U.S. Rep. Jim Ryun, j'70, a KU track superstar who would exceed Santee's records, and Dick Wilson, b'55, a member of many Santee-led relay teams that set



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