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Always a Hornet

Spending this past summer as interim president has been a great experience. As an alumnus, it always has been rewarding to come back to campus for visits. Yet, I have to say that working daily on campus to advance Hornet Nation is even better!

Given my roots, Emporia State has a special place in my heart. My mother earned a master's degree in French in the 1950s, I followed with a teaching certificate in the ’70s, and my daughter earned her master's degree in the 2000s. Later in my career, while president of Butler Community College, the two institutions partnered to create BEST — Butler/Emporia Students to Teachers, which extended our elementary education curriculum to the Butler campus in El Dorado. Now, due to high student demand, the program has expanded to a second campus in Andover.

My goal when I began as interim president was to sustain Emporia State's noteworthy forward momentum. Through the work of so many in Hornet Nation, we have been doing just that. We have continued renovations across campus based on our campus master plan. When this fall semester opened, we launched our enhanced Honors College and our graduate programs in forensic science and informatics with a concentration in nursing. Additionally, not only were our residence halls filled to capacity, but also there was a waiting list.

I am so enjoying my time on campus in my new capacity and am looking forward to meeting many of my fellow alumni at upcoming events like Family Day on Sept. 26 and Homecoming weekend, Oct. 23 through 25.

You don't have to come to campus to be involved, however. Noted below are some key ways to be actively engaged and make an impact.

You can keep up to date with what's happening on campus with our biweekly I'm A Hornet posts online at www.emporia.edu/president.

You can connect with campus and fellow alumni at campus and regional events.

You can serve the university and Alumni Association by recruiting and hiring Hornets.

You can become a valued advocate by getting involved in Hornets for Higher Ed, which keeps you up to date on legislative issues that impact us.

You can support Emporia State through Now & Forever: The Campaign for Emporia State University.

Information about all of these opportunities are online at www.emporia.edu/alumni or by calling 620-341-5440.

As always, it's a GREAT day to be a Hornet!

Go Hornets!

Jackie Vietti ’71
Interim President of Emporia State University
EVENTS 2015

October

**Kansas City Chapter Boulevard Brewery Alumni Event**
October 1, 5:30 p.m.
Boulevard Brewery, Kansas City, Mo.

**Tennis Alumni Charity Event**
October 3, 5:00 p.m.
CBAC, Olathe, Kan.

**Homecoming Weekend**
October 23 - 24
Emporia, Kan.

November

**Second Annual Veterans Appreciation Luncheon**
November 14, 11:30 a.m.
KSTC Ballroom, Memorial Union

**ESU vs. WSU Men’s Basketball Pre-Game Event**
November 21
All American Club at Eck Stadium, Wichita, Kan.

December

**Winter Undergraduate Commencement**
December 12, 10 a.m.
W. L. White Auditorium, 111 E. Sixth Ave., Emporia Kan.

**Winter Graduate Commencement**
December 12, 2 p.m.
Albert Taylor Hall, Plumb Hall, Emporia, Kan.

2016

**Founders’ Day Luncheon**
February 12, 11:30 a.m.
Webb Hall, Memorial Union, Emporia, Kan.

**Kansas City Scholarship Golf Tournament**
May 6, Noon
Save the date.

Greetings from Ireland!

On June 4-14, over forty Hornet alumni and friends traveled with the Emporia State University Alumni Association for a 10-day tour of Ireland. The trip included visits to Kildare, Knock, Galway, the Aran Islands, the Cliffs of Moher, Limerick, Killarney, the Ring of Kerry, Blarney, Waterford, Glendalough and Dublin. Plan now to “go away” with fellow Hornets on future Hornet trips! Learn more at www.travelpleasegoaway.com.
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School of Library and Information Management
SLIM offers an exciting opportunity for students, sponsoring educational trips to libraries and archives all over the world. Students have recently returned from Scotland, Bulgaria and London, with upcoming trips this year to Serbia and South Africa. Previous destinations include Paraguay, Mexico, Croatia and Ukraine, with future trips planned to Ireland and Singapore. Student participation is subsidized by the Martha Kruse Furbur Scholarship Fund and the Office of International Education, making it available to all SLIM students.

Student Affairs
Emporia State University gives students the opportunity for global education, with many taking advantage of the various study abroad programs offered through the Office of International Education. Either for a short-term, a semester or a year-long experience, students earn credits that count toward their graduation requirements. The benefits associated with studying abroad range from personal enrichment to greater employment opportunities. Students can learn a discipline from new perspectives and expand on their professional network beyond the U.S. borders.

The Teachers College
The Department of Counselor Education’s federal grant, titled “Get the Heartland Working! Training Highly Competent Rehabilitation Counselors,” recently obtained approval of their annual performance report by the Department of Education. This allows for a second year of funding beginning in fall 2015. The program currently has 10 scholars supported by the grant. The five-year grant addresses a critical shortage of qualified personnel in rural Kansas and Nebraska by making rehabilitation education accessible online.
School of Business
The fall 2015 semester will welcome a new School of Business Living/Learning Community in the freshman residence hall. The hall will feature 38 business freshmen and will be serviced by an upper classman residence hall assistant. In addition, these students will enroll in an exploratory business course designed to engage students in business opportunities while orienting them to the university and school. The students will take part in two outside-of-class activities per month led by business faculty.

Liberal Arts and Sciences – Science
Emporia State University is now proud to offer a master of science in forensic science degree, the only one offered in the entire state of Kansas. Interim Program Director Dr. Melissa Bailey recently participated in an intensive summer internship experience with the Johnson County Sheriff’s Office Criminalistics Laboratory, where she completed rotations in each of the various subunits within their crime lab (toxicology, trace evidence, etc.). This experience at one of the premier crime labs in the Midwest was very beneficial for preparing Dr. Bailey for teaching the most up-to-date, real world forensic science techniques.

Liberal Arts and Sciences – Arts
The Department of Art recently named a new chair, Eric Conrad. Remarking on the program, Conrad says, “it is thrilling, as the new department chair, to build upon our unique strengths in this department. Together, faculty and students are making professional-quality engravings, paintings, sculptures, artist books, installations, community projects, ceramics, glassware and so much more. This year we welcome three new faculty to our tightly knit community: Stephanie Lanter (Ceramics), Morgan Ford Willingham (Photography) and Mayela Cardenas Surillo (Graphic Design).”

top photo: Dr. Melissa Bailey, interim director of the MSFS program, spent her summer interning with the Johnson County Sheriff’s Office Criminalistics Laboratory in order to better understand how the program can be tailored to prepare students for the demands of the forensic science profession.
center photo: 2015 Glass Blowout with visiting artist, Janusz Pozniak
bottom photo: 2015 Print Lecture with Professor Dan Kirchhefer
Law Inducted Into the Country Music Radio Hall of Fame

Alumnus Mike Law’s on-air interview with country music star Toby Keith took an unexpected turn recently when Keith made a surprise announcement: Law would be inducted this year into the Country Music Radio Hall of Fame.

“I was caught totally off guard,” Law said. “The reaction was one of honest bewilderment. I really had no clue.”

Known as Mike Kennedy on KBEQ-FM Kansas City, Law already had collected scores of industry honors. The Hall of Fame had been only a dream.

Law’s keen ear and “gut feeling” has earned him a reputation as a hit-maker for both aspiring and established acts who bring their music to him.

He was the first to play Keith, Shania Twain, Rascal Flatts, Lady Antebellum, Big and Rich, and the Eli Young Band, among others, and counts Keith, Lionel Ritchie, John Rich, Tim McGraw, Faith Hill and Kenny Chesney among his many friends in the industry.

He’s even met a legend, after the aging rocker finished a concert in New York.

“A few of us went upstairs to the after-party and I see Mick Jagger in this flowing dress, and it looked like he had makeup on,” Law said. “It was just the weirdest thing ever.”

Law is an Emporia State University Foundation trustee.

Progress Happening All Over Campus

The look of Emporia State University is changing, thanks to renovations that align with the recently completed campus master plan.

“We have had work projects in every building on campus,” said Bobbi Pearson, executive director of campus master planning.

Projects range from large — total renovation of two residence halls — to small — adding comfortable seating and study space on all floors of Plumb Hall — as well as all sizes in between. Many of the projects are designed to provide new and modern study areas for students, created for the new ways they want to learn. These include rooms that can be used for group projects that include smart boards, cloud-based computer services and presentation screens and projectors.

A big project this past summer was renovating space in the science hall for the new master’s program in forensic science, which launched this fall.

Other projects have been outside. Curbing, grass and trees were added to Highland Drive to beautify the north side of campus next to Interstate 35.
Artificial turf
Funding from the Bill and Aloha Preston Family Trust, the Trusler Foundation and the Emil Babinger Charitable Trust covered a sizeable portion of the cost to install artificial turf on Turnbull Field at Trusler Sports Complex. The artificial surface allows softball players to focus on their game rather than needing to allow time to care for the field before and after competitions. It also reduces the number of games rained out, a benefit for student-athletes who coordinate schedules both in the classroom and on the field. For more: bit.ly/1HgrN4p

Study space
Creating an inviting and exciting place for students to learn is a key concept of the university’s new campus master plan. Throughout campus, little-used spaces are being transformed into study spaces. A recent project is on the fourth floor of Plumb Hall where a closed room was opened up, and tables, chairs and carpeting were added to create a functional space for students to use individually or in groups.

Lounge space
In another example of re-imagined space with multiple uses, the first floor of King Hall received a facelift and new furniture to encourage conversations among audience members attending plays in Bruder Theatre or seeing shows in the art galleries, as well as providing study space and gathering areas for students.

Honors College
After a year of planning, the new Honors College program launched in fall 2015. Students in the new program are enjoying their space on the third floor of White Library. Like other learning commons on campus, it features furniture that can be arranged for individual work and group projects as well as technology, including writable wall and tabletop surfaces and a printing kiosk.

Forensics lab
University workers spent the summer renovating current lab space in the science hall to accommodate the new master’s in forensic science degree program, which opened to students in fall 2015. The new space, which will also be used by the anatomy and physiology class, includes space to lock away evidence used as students receive hands-on instruction in the skills crime labs require of their employees.

Student success
Also new this fall is the Academic Center for Excellence and Success, or ACES, on the second floor of White Library. The center is aimed at providing students the tools they need for success. In this first phase, free tutoring is available in biology, chemistry, writing, psychology and English.

Plans for the next phases include expanding the tutoring options and providing “how to” college workshops on topics like time management, prioritization and study skills.

For a look at before photos of these projects as well as others, go online to www.emporia.edu/president/campusmasterplan/progress.html
Goppert Foundation Continues Support

The Goppert Foundation Scholarship Endowment Fund was established in 2009 and by 2015 had defrayed educational costs for 22 Emporia State students. This past year, the Goppert Foundation contributed $100,000 more.

Joseph A. Smith and Joshua M. Smith, chairman and vice president, respectively, of the Goppert State Service Bank, represented the family during the gift celebration at Emporia State.

“They’re very good people,” said Joshua Smith, describing the Goppert family. “They believe in education, and they like to help out young kids and see them do really well.”

The Goppert Foundation was established in 1959 by Clarence H. Goppert, an area banker and philanthropist. The Goppert State Bank — with branches in St. Paul, Walnut, Hepler, Garnett, Colony, Ottawa and Pomona, Kan. — is now owned by the Goppert family. The Goppert Foundation’s benevolent work has been carried on by son Richard, grandson Tom and great granddaughter Autumn.

Students in Sciences Benefit From New Scholarship Funds

Emporia State’s quality education, in both academics and life, prompted a Wichita couple to create the Bob Gress Natural History Scholarship Fund and the Mary Butel Science Scholarship Fund.

“I am hoping through the scholarship to perhaps give another student a helping hand to have that experience, too. It really helped me become an independent person,” Butel said.

“I felt like Emporia State helped form me to be the adult I became.”

— Mary Butel

The Gress scholarships will be awarded to students at a master’s level in biology; the Butel scholarships will be given to students pursuing secondary education licensure in the physical sciences or to an elementary education major with an emphasis in science.

Gress received a bachelor’s in biology, a master’s in environmental biology and was named a Distinguished Alumnus in 2010.

Butel received a bachelor’s in elementary education and a master’s in curriculum and instruction with an emphasis in physical sciences.
Now & Forever: The Campaign for Emporia State University Continues to Gain Momentum

*Charles Wilhite* pledged $60,000 to Football Winning Edge, Creating Champions and Campus Space & Gateway Beautification funds.

Wilhite received his bachelor of business administration in 1951 from Emporia State (KSTC at the time). He has watched costs of going to college soar since then and was inspired to help with those costs.

*Ken and Marilyn Buchele* were inspired by two causes dear to their hearts.

Marilyn worked at Emporia State for 41 years and one of her roles was director of Veterans Educational Services where she witnessed firsthand the need for scholarships for veterans. The Buchele Scholarship in Honor of Veterans was established with a $25,000 gift.

An estate gift of at least $75,000 will establish the Buchele Fund for International Travel Assistance for Honors Students. Ken’s Peace Corps experience in Brazil gave him an appreciation for international exposure.

*Laura McAntee*, a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma, earned a bachelor’s in business education and commerce in 1948 and a master of science in business in 1961 from Emporia State. She retired as a business instructor at the university.

McAntee pledged $50,000 over five years for the Edward E. and Laura Mae McAntee Accounting Scholarship, Track and Field Scholarship, and Presidential Academic Award Scholarship.

*Jane Reeble*, who received her lifetime certificate in teacher education in 1953, has made generous gifts as well as pledges both personally and through the Jane & Bernard Reeble Foundation.

Funds and projects included to benefit students and staff are the Jane & Bernard Reeble Foundation Nursing Scholarship, the Jane & Bernard Reeble Foundation Business Scholarship, Creating Champions, Emporia State University Athletic Coaches Extra Duty Compensation and School of Business Scholarship.
The Legacy of Dr. Carol Marshall

Dr. Carol Marshall served the university for more than 35 years and provided for its future upon her death on December 24, 2014, through a substantial legacy gift.

Marshall’s estate gift will provide long-term support to preserve and enhance “Black Emporia: Interpretations and Connections,” a detailed history of African-Americans in the Emporia area. Initial plans are to use the gift to promote the collection through exhibits and other outreach opportunities and to expand materials in the collection and preserve them for the future at a museum level of quality.

Marshall is credited with starting the early childhood education program in the mid-1960s and creating the early childhood special education program at Emporia State. She was involved in many other good causes, such as helping develop the Eastside Memorial Park, supporting students studying abroad and had a hand in charitable activities like the Symphony in the Flint Hills and Camp Alexander.

Remembering George Breidenthal

George Breidenthal, Jr. (BA 72 – History) of Kansas City, Kansas, passed away on June 23, 2015. A proud Hornet and dedicated fan, George will be greatly missed by all of Hornet Nation.

During his time in Emporia at KSTC, George participated in Blue Key, student government, and served as a yell leader. His passion for Hornet athletics continued throughout his lifetime. A sixth generation banker, George eventually became president of Turner Bank and later served as chairman of the board at Kaw Valley Bank.

He served on the boards for both the Emporia State University Alumni Association and the Emporia State University Foundation. An avid supporter of college athletics, women’s basketball in particular, his philanthropy has and continues to significantly impact Emporia State University. Thank you, George, for your support, loyalty and dedication to Hornet Natation.
For the second time, Frank Karnes is leading a renovation of the track at Welch Stadium. This time, however, the changes are coming through a legacy gift to the Emporia State Foundation. Karnes and Clair Hutchinson had teamed up in the early 1990s to lead a major fundraising drive to establish Zola Witten Track, which opened in 1993.

Karnes, who died in 2014, maintained a keen interest in Emporia State throughout his life. "He had very fond memories and credited Emporia State for getting his life on track, as far as his education, his work ethic and the dreams he had for what he wanted to accomplish in his life," Karnes' widow Dixie said.

Karnes' Nebraska connections brought Husker assistant Dave Harris here as coach in 1992. The program flourished, and Emporia hosted three NCAA Division II outdoor track and field championships at Witten Track.

"Our athletes benefited greatly by the new facility that both Frank Karnes and Clair Hutchinson saw to the end," Harris said. "Without them, it would not have been possible." Karnes’ legacy gift will help continue that great tradition.
## Emporia State University 2015 Homecoming Events

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<td>Class of 1965 Reception</td>
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### Homecoming musical

**“South Pacific”**

- 7:30 p.m. Oct. 22-24
- 2 p.m. Matinee Oct. 25
- Plumb Hall Albert Taylor Hall

For tickets, call Emporia State Ticket Office 620-341-6378 or toll-free 800-341-6378.
Presidential Search Moving Quickly

Knowing a quick timeline would be involved, 18 members of Hornet Nation agreed to work together to help select the 17th president of Emporia State University.

Dr. Michael D. Shonrock announced his resignation on April 9, and just 20 days later, the Kansas Board of Regents named a search committee with representatives from the Regents; Emporia State faculty, staff and students; the alumni and foundation boards; and the Emporia community. Working with consultants from AGB Search, the group was charged with forwarding final candidates to KBOR in time for an October announcement to be made. The Regents want the next president to begin work when campus reopens in January.

A profile of Emporia State and the job posting was approved by KBOR and applications came in through the summer with a deadline of Aug. 24 for the committee to begin studying the applications. Next came airport interviews when candidates were able to meet committee members face-to-face.

“Our committee knew going in that we’d be busy just as the new academic year began,” said Andy Tylicki (BSE ’92, MA ’96), search committee chair and president of St. James Academy in Lenexa.

The next step is for the committee to select finalists to come to the Emporia State campus for more interviews, including forums with faculty, staff, students and the Emporia community. The final step is to forward the top finalists to KBOR for interviews and an announcement and introduction of the 17th president on campus.

“I’m as excited as anyone in Hornet Nation to hear who our next president will be,” said Tylicki.

For up-to-date search news, go online to www.emporia.edu/presidential-search.
2015 Hornet Heritage Family

For Emporian Marvin Tajchman, giving back is easy when you’re contributing to organizations or causes that you love. When one of those loves is Emporia State, giving back includes building a family legacy along with Hornet Nation through the cousins, nieces, nephews, sons, daughters — and eventually grandchildren — who earn degrees here.

During Emporia State’s 2015 Family & Friends Weekend on September 26-27, Tajchman and his immediate and extended family will be recognized with the Hornet Heritage Award for their Emporia State ties on their Holub-Vajnar-Tajchman family tree.

Tajchman was the youngest of three cousins who graduated from the university between 1962 and 1974 — all grandchildren of Adolph and Lucy Holub of Marion County. When the great-grandchildren began planning their careers, the ties to Emporia State grew quickly.

A total of 20 Holub great-grandchildren, including spouses, earned degrees here. Factor in family members who took classes but didn’t graduate and the number continues to increase.

Tajchman first picked up a video camera in 1983. At first used mainly for family occasions, Tajchman began documenting other events that had special meaning for him. Father Kapaun Day in Pilsen, Kansas, is one of those events.

“Father Kapaun lived four miles from my dad; he was seven months younger than Dad, and he married my parents,” Tajchman explained.

His involvement has grown as a volunteer in the effort to get Kapaun canonized by the Catholic Church.

Tajchman also brings his video camera to many Emporia State athletic events. He creates videos from senior night events that he gives to parents. He traveled to St. Joseph, Missouri, for the 2010 NCAA women’s basketball championship and took “bunches of pictures.”

“There are four things I work on real hard,” said Tajchman, “Family, Sacred Heart, Father Kapaun and Emporia State.”
**Hornet Heritage History**

2001  
The Van Voris, Litchfield and Grimwood Family

2002  
The Wendling Family

2003  
The Breukelman Family

2004  
The Goldsmith Family

2005  
The Hastert, Peat and Schlobohm Family

2006  
The McGee-Hoffmans Family

2007  
The Edwards Family

2008  
The Hoelting Family

2009  
The Spencer-Smith-Brown-Hopper-LeClear Family

2010  
The Simkins-Hartzler Family

2011  
The Prophet Family

2012  
The Seacat Family

2013  
The Crumb – White Family

2014  
The Grimsley Family

2015  
The Holub-Vajnar-Tajchman Family

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*The Hornet Heritage Family* award recognizes a multigenerational family of Hornet alumni and former students with Hornet fever in their bloodlines. To nominate your family for this prestigious honor, visit [www.emporia.edu/alumni/awards/hornet-heritage-award.html](http://www.emporia.edu/alumni/awards/hornet-heritage-award.html).
Ron Thomas
Ron Thomas, general manager of Emporia’s Radio Stations, earned a 2015 University Service Citation Award because his commitment to Emporia State is as clear as his radio voice.

Thomas is the public address announcer for approximately 35 Emporia State basketball games a year, as well as conference and national events hosted by the university.

“I have had many visiting administrators and conference officials comment that he is clearly the best PA announcer in our league,” wrote director of athletics Kent Weiser in his nomination of Thomas, who also serves as master of ceremonies for fundraising and other events.

Gary Parks
Events are important to Service Citation winner Gary Parks and he knows the impact they make on students and alumni.

Mim Hiesterman, coordinator for South Central Kansas Alumni and his nominator for the award, says Parks is generous with his time, talents, and resources and calls him a “worker bee” for the events.

Parks takes a lead role in planning chapter activities for the South Central Kansas Alumni, serves on the golf and Hornet Night committees, and works at or attends many Homecoming and campus events. He represented the Wichita and South Central area on the Emporia State Alumni Board.

Parks also delivers packages to high schools and volunteers for the Teacher Appreciation Program luncheon project, which is designed to thank teachers for their service, recognize alumni and recruit students.

Mark & Pat Sevier
Mark and Pat Sevier have an incredibly strong connection to Emporia State University.

The couple turned those memories and love into what has become the “Emporia Connection” and are deserving of the Service Citation Award for being tireless volunteers and advocates for the university, according to Roy Mann, director of development at the Emporia State Foundation.

Emporia Connection began as an informal network but soon became recognized by the Alumni Association as an official chapter with a legacy scholarship that helps future Hornets.

The Seviers hoped the original reunion gathering in Emporia would draw 50 to 75 African-Americans who were connected to Emporia State and the community. More than 220 people, the largest turnout for such an event up to that time, showed up.
You’ve heard of the Hornet Nation. We’ve referred to Emporia as the Home of Hornet Nation. And you may be wondering, “What exactly is ‘Hornet Nation’?”

Hornet Nation is people – it’s respect and responsibility – it’s a culture. Hornet Nation is rooted in affinity and pride for Emporia State University. Hornet Nation is Emporia State students, alumni, faculty, staff, parents, friends and fans – past and present. Hornet Nation is you and bigger than you. We are Hornet Nation.

Being a part of Hornet Nation is not without responsibility; rather, Hornet Nation calls on us to inspire the next generation of leaders to rise to the occasion and embody everything it means to be a Hornet regardless of where life takes you following graduation.

Being a lifelong Hornet means seeing Emporia State University as a catalyst for success in our society, and it requires us to continue the strong tradition of learning by giving back to ensure an even stronger future.

It means providing opportunities and support for Emporia State students and making sure those opportunities will remain available through philanthropy and advocacy of Emporia State.

Once a Hornet, the responsibility you carry as a member of the Hornet Nation is multifaceted. To keep Hornet Nation strong, we ask that you recruit, advocate, hire and give. We challenge you to participate in all four key ways — recruit the next class of Hornets, advocate for your alma mater, hire Emporia State graduates and give to support students. Making a gift each and every year provides educational opportunities within the university to educate and develop our students into innovators who will create a better future.

Hornet Nation – together we can make an impact at Emporia State University. Please consider making a difference today.

Jordan Foutch ’15
Recent graduate who gave every year while in college
I wanted to get in the habit of giving back every year when I was attending school so I would continue to give upon graduation. As president of the Student Foundation, it was an honor to be a part of a culture shift to inspire student philanthropic giving before we graduated.

Amy Tenpenny ’09
Gives monthly by credit card
Joining Chi Omega during the second semester of my freshman year was one of the best decisions I ever made while attending Emporia State. The impact it made on me is what I hope many more will receive. That’s why I decided to give monthly to one of their scholarship funds.

Amy Sage Webb
Faculty Member who gives every year
Our students’ hard work, creativity and idealism both impress and inspire me. It’s a privilege to be able to contribute every year to a fund that creates opportunities for them and sustains valuable activities in literary arts.

Carl & Nita Prophet ’55 & ’57
Have given every year for 34 years
We believe in the student-centered focus and the educational opportunities presented by Emporia State University. What better way can we give back to our university and contribute to the future of our community and state? Once a Hornet, always a Hornet.
Passion for Emporia State Athletics Leads to Remarkable Memorial Gift

A new state-of-the-art video board greets students, staff and campus visitors to Welch Stadium this fall.

Roberta Shogren of Hutchinson led a group of donors whose gifts provided the Dennis Shogren Scoreboard to honor her late husband.

“We greatly appreciate this generous gift in support of Hornet Athletics. The video board adds a new dimension of entertainment, excitement and energy for our fans. It transform the game day experience,” said Shane Shivley, Emporia State Foundation vice president of development.

The LED video board and new audio system includes the capability for live video, custom animation with full-color graphics and up-to-the-minute sports statistics, timing and results information.

Shogren had a 35-year career as president of First National Bank in St. John. After his death in 2012, Roberta decided to honor her husband and his love for Emporia State. She did so by funding this focal point, at the heart of the Emporia State campus, that bears his name.

Shogren lettered in baseball and basketball at Emporia State. He was inducted into the Emporia State University Athletics Hall of Honor in 1988 and was known for tipping off Hornet coaches about athletic prospects he became aware of.

“Dennis would appreciate how the video board and the atmosphere it creates help to recruit students to our university and our athletic programs.”

— Shane Shivley
Lady Hornets Final Four

The Lady Hornets started the season with just four returners from last year’s 30-5 team that won the MIAA Tournament and advanced to the Sweet 16. Emporia State reeled off 11 wins to start the regular season. The Lady Hornets spent four polls as the #1 ranked team in the nation and were even featured in the New York Times after their 57-56 win at Missouri Western.

March is when Emporia State has traditionally shone the brightest, and this year was no exception. The Lady Hornets rolled to a third straight MIAA Tournament title and advanced to the Sweet 16 for the fourth straight year. They broke through to the Elite Eight by defeating then sixth ranked Ft. Hays State in front of nearly 5,000 in Hays, Kan. The Lady Hornets made their fourth Final Four in school history with a victory over last year’s national runners-up West Texas A&M. The dream season ended with a 51-46 loss to eventual national champion California (PA) in the Final Four.

Fall Sports

Football

The Hornets will look to take advantage of the favorable six home games schedule with five returning All-MIAA players, in addition to 2013 second-team All-MIAA quarterback Brent Wilson who was injured and missed the final seven games of the year. The Hornets are 23-11 over the last three years.

Volleyball

The Emporia State volleyball team is set to return four all-conference players and a total of five of seven starters from last year’s 15-12 squad. The Hornets were 11-11 in the MIAA last season, which is the tenth straight year they have posted a .500 or better record in conference play.

Soccer

The Hornet soccer program will begin its fifth season under coach Bryan Sailer this fall after going 7-7-5 last year. It was the first time in the program’s 15 year history to have back-to-back, non-losing seasons.

Cross Country

Emporia State will feature a large number of newcomers in the cross country program this fall with at least six fresh faces for the women and seven first-year runners for the men.
The Common Good: Excellence and Virtue

Emporia State University revolutionized itself and its image by adopting the “Common Good” as a guide in education. In a time where colleges are often viewed as a simple mechanism to churn out diplomas for jobs, Emporia State has committed to being an advocate for growth and progress. It is no small task for an institution to strive for greatness: when a university decides to hold itself to a higher standard, more dedication and effort becomes the norm. It is no surprise, however, that a value shift may ostensibly seem like a hollow ploy for positive publicity in a heated fiscal climate. Nevertheless, for our university, excellence is expected; it is habitual for Emporia State University students through a challenging academic environment and well-placed guidance from campus leadership to go above and beyond, but what is distinction without virtue?

This question has been asked for thousands of years and can be traced back to the beginning of civilization; humanity has always had an interest in morality. In fact, the basis of the “Common Good” and a liberal arts education stem from Hellenistic Greece. The ancient Greeks were the most progressive civilization of their time because of a dedication to democratic freedom and a strong belief in education in all fields. When you speak of Sophocles, Plato, Aristotle, or Socrates, these great people developed multiple fields, which is where the idea of “general education” courses grew from. There is obvious overlap between fields of study, but there is also immense overlap in humanity. Every individual is perfectly unique while having similarities in desires and needs: for example, everyone has an urge for food, water, shelter, education and living a life that is more than survival. We, as Hornets, have committed to helping one another whether it be monetary donations or the 15,358 hours of volunteer service from Emporia State students. And, the value of the “Common Good” reminds individuals of the connections we inherently have with one another; it is the belief that if people work together for the ends we all strive for, humanity can climb much higher than any one person ever could.

From Hornet to Hornet,
Brandon Schrader
Spotlight on Alumni

1950s
Dr. Marlow Ediger (BSE 58-Elementary Education, MS 60-Educational Administration), North Newton, will have his biography listed in the 2015 edition of Who's Who in the World and received notice that his co-authored supplementary textbook, Essays on School Issues, was published. He was also reappointed to the editorial board of Edutracks, a journal for teachers, school administrators, and the lay public.

Phil D. Kastor (BSE 59-English), Harper, was inducted into the Jefferson County Schools' Athletic Hall of Fame. He was a coach for 35 years.

1960s
Dr. Hiram L. Davis (MLS 69-Library Science), Las Cruces, NM, was the commencement speaker for the graduating class of 2013 at Missouri Valley College.

Craig C. Delich (BSE 69-Social Science, MS 76-History), Kansas City, published the book Images from the History of Wyandotte High School. The book contains 400+ color and black and white vintage photos, maps, charts, school memorabilia, floor plans, vintage ads from the period, and more.

Larry R. Longhofer (BSE 61-Mathematics; MS 71-Mathematics) and Sherryl L. (Pock) Longhofer (BSE 68-Elementary Education; MS 73-Psychology, MS 83-Counselor Education) celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 20th with a reception held in Topeka, Kansas.

Dr. Ed H. Hammond (BSE 66-Speech, MS 67-Speech), Hays, will serve as the next president of Team Kansas, an organization that works to attract companies, investments, and jobs to Kansas. Dr. Hammond also had a building on the Fort Hays State University campus dedicated to him and named in his honor.

Dr. Jim F. Hoy (MA 64-English) (FF) and Dr. Cathy (Thompson) Hoy (MA 82-Curriculum & Instruction, MLS 83-Library Science, PhD 01-Library & Information Management), Emporia, are the recipients of the Friend of the Flint Hills Award given by the Flint Hills Discovery Center Foundation in Manhattan for the significant time, effort, and resources they’ve given to the conservation of the Flint Hills of Kansas.

Dr. Charles W. McClellan (BSE 67-Foreign Language), Fairlawn, VA, professor emeritus of History at Radford University, was inducted into the Pi Gamma Mu Hall of Fame at the organization’s triennial convention in North Charleston, SC, in October 2014. Dr. McClellan was first initiated into the organization as a student at KSTC in 1966.

Dr. Merril G. McHenry (BSE 64-Biology, MS 65-Biology), McPherson, led a workshop, Introduction to Gourd Art, at the Mary Anderson Arts Center in McPherson.

Gary W. Parks (BSE 63-Mathematics, MS 69-Mathematics), Rose Hill, received the University Service Citation Award, created to recognize unique and significant service to Emporia State University.

Dr. Charles W. Sourk (BSE 69-Physical Education), Scott City, sold the physical location of his business, Sourk Veterinary Clinic, in

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order to enter a semi-retired phase as an independent vet operating out of his truck and working with western Kansas feed lots.

**Dr. Harry L. Stephens** (BA 65-Biology, MS 72-Counselor Education) (FSt), Emporia, is one of the inaugural recipients of the new President’s Award for the Common Good, which will be presented during the Homecoming 2015 Black and Gold event on October 23, 2015.

LaVon C. (Chickadonz) Walker (BSE 68-Business Education), San Gabriel, CA, retired after 30 years of teaching business education at Roosevelt High School in East Los Angeles and 10 years serving as an agent with World Financial Group.

### 1970s

**Bruce D. Cerone** (BSE 70-Physical Education), Spring Hill, FL, was selected as a candidate for induction into the College Football Hall of Fame. He played for Emporia State in 1968-69 and was a Two-Time First Team All American selection.

**Dale E. Cushinberry** (BSE 70-Elementary Education, MS 73-Counselor Education/Secondary Counseling), Topeka, was inducted into the Topeka Shawnee County Sports Council Hall of Fame, which honors past area athletes that made an impact on the Topeka community through their sport.

**Janis A. Dean** (BSE 72-Elementary Education), Washington, retired from USD 108 Washington after teaching for 43 years.

**Dr. Dan Deines** (MS 74-Business Administration), Manhattan, the KPMG Ralph Crouch Professor of Accounting at Kansas State University, was honored as the 23rd recipient of the Special Recognition Award from the American Institute of CPAs.

**Nancy L. Diepenbrock** (BSE 73-English), Wichita, retired after over 36 years of teaching at Bishop Carroll Catholic High School in 2015.

**Myron D. Graber** (BSE 75-Physical Education, MS 86-Educational Administration), Jefferson City, MO, was chosen to be the next principal at Lawrence Free State High School.

**Jim C. Harris** (BSB 70-Accounting), Lenexa, was elected as the new director to the board of Farmers Mutual Insurance Co. (FMI) at its 119th annual meeting in February.

**Jim L. Hatten** (BA 75-Biology), Cheyenne, WY, retired from the National Weather Service in Cheyenne, WY in 2010 after 30 1/2 years of service. He has spent the last two years working part time at the National Severe Storms Laboratory in Norman, OK.

**Kathy D. Hines** (BSE 71-Physical Education), Atchison, will be a 2015 inductee into the Health, Physical Education, and Recreation Alumni Hall of Honor at Emporia Stat.

**Dr. Manuel J. Justiz** (BA 70-Political Science, MS 72-Political Science), Austin, TX, celebrated his 25th anniversary as dean of the College of Education at the University of Texas at Austin.

**Charlie E. Kayser** (MS 71-Physical Education), Topeka, authored the book *A Deeper Life Primer: An Antidote to Shallow Living*, which was released in May 2015.

**Jim R. Kessler** (BSB 74-Business Administration), Emporia, was recognized as a Paul Harris Fellow Plus 3 due to his contributions to The Rotary Foundation.

**Dr. Lori (Watson) Mann** (BSE 79-Elementary Education, MS 81-Curriculum & Instruction) (CF), Emporia, associate professor at Emporia State, was awarded the Excellence in Service Award at The Teachers College Faculty/Staff Spring Semester Meeting in January.

**Dr. Mike C. Manning** (BA 71-Psychology, Political Science), Paradise Valley, AZ, was recently named in the 2015 edition of *Chambers USA: America’s Leading Lawyers for Business*, and he was listed in the Litigation: General Commercial category for the state of Arizona. He is a partner at Stinson Leonard Street LLP in the firm’s Phoenix office.

**Dr. Dick Merriman** (BSE 76-Political Science, MS 78-Political Science), Andover, will be ending his 17-year tenure as president of Southwestern College in Winfield and beginning a new appointment as president of the University of Mount Union in Alliance, OH.

**Ellis Miller** (BSE 77-Elementary Education), Hutchinson, retired after 38 years in education, all of them in USD 312 Haven in Hutchinson.

**Rob Peek** (BA 71-Industrial Education), Auburn, won the 2015 Wildlife Habitat Conservation Award in Coffey County, an award presented to individuals who have been instrumental in improving and managing wildlife habitat on their property.

**Judge Michael F. Powers** (BSE 77-Social Sciences), Marion, was named president of the Kansas District Judges’ Association for 2015-2016.

**Charles “Charlie” Rogers** (BSE 65-Physical Education, MS 70-Physical Education) and **Patricia (Parry) Rogers** (BA 70-Speech, MS 83-Music Technology Certificate), Overland Park, will celebrate their 51st wedding anniversary on August 29, 2015.

**Mark** (BA 75-Economics) and **Patricia Sevier**, Kansas City, received the University Service Citation Award, created to recognize unique and significant service to Emporia State University.

**Leanna S. Smith** (BS 75-Biology, MS 77-Biology), Levelland, TX, retired from South Plains College in May 2015 after 35 years of teaching biology in higher education. She began her higher education career as
Nuptials

Ryan Ayers (BS 01) and Julie Baer (BSE 01, MS 08), June 1, 2013
Travis Whitesides and Savannah Whitehurst (BSN 14), December 6, 2014
Wayne Logan and Sydney Oltjen (BS 13), August 23, 2014
Chad Fechter (BSB 12) and Brooke Bradford, September 13, 2014
Keith Black and Whitney Lanier (BSE 11), October 18, 2014
Caleb Francis and Katie Meredith (BSB 13, BS 14), October 18, 2014
Drew Smith (BSB 12) and Alexa Rindt (BFA 11), October 25, 2014
Jimmy Stinnett and Angela Boden (BA 01), December 12, 2014

a temporary lecturer in biology at Emporia State University.

Tom C. Trigg (MS 77-Educational Administration), Overland Park, became superintendent of Highland Park Independent School District in Dallas, TX.

Dr. Andy J. Tompkins (MS 73-Educational Administration), Topeka, retired in June 2015 from his position as the Kansas Board of Regents President and Chief Executive Officer, following 46 years of public service in education and five years as CEO of the Board.

Joyce A. Washburn (MS 75-Curriculum & Instruction), Colby, along with her husband, Dr. Larry Washburn, will be receiving the 2015 Honorary Associate Degrees from Colby Community College in recognition of their contributions made to the college and the city of Colby.

Debra L. (Stuber) Wilke (BSE 73-Art), Atchison, is retiring after 41 years of teaching art, the last 21 years of which were spent at Horton High School and Everest Middle School.

1980s

Robert “Bob” A. Ardery (BSE 83-Business Education), Harper, retired from Chaparral High School after 32 years of service as a teacher and counselor.

Doreen D. Brady (BSB 81-Accounting), Eudora, was promoted to director of Fiscal Governance at Sprint.

Andrew “Andy” R. Carrier (MS 86-Physical Education), Olathe, announced his retirement this spring after over 25 years coaching men’s basketball at Ottawa University.

Dr. Elizabeth (Kalmar) Dobler (BSE 85-Elementary Education) (CF), Topeka, a professor at Emporia State, was awarded the Excellence in Service Award at The Teachers College Faculty/Staff Spring Semester Meeting in January.

James D. Genandt (MA 88-History), Chanute, was named as the new president of Manhattan Area Technical College in Manhattan, KS.

Eleanor Hensley (BGS 88-General Studies, MS 89-Music Technology Certificate), Winchester, an Early Childhood Education instructor for Highland Community College, was selected by the Kansas State Department of Education as a member of the Kansas Advisory Committee for Career and Technical Education.

Joseph M. Hoefgen (BSE 86-Social Sciences), Long Beach, CA, was recently appointed city manager of Redondo Beach, CA, after 27 years of working in public sector management.

Greg H. Kossover (BSB 85-Accounting), Wichita, was recognized for his outstanding role as a CFO in a Wichita-area company by the Wichita Business Journal. He currently serves as CFO of Equity Banchsares at Equity Bank.

Janine (McNeil) McGlachlin (BSE 87-Elementary Education), Wichita, received a Distinguished Teacher Award from the Kansas Association of Independent and Religious Schools (KAIRS) for the Diocese of Wichita.
Ronald J. Nichols (MS 85-Physical Education), Hiawatha, was inducted into the Kansas Teachers' Hall of Fame.

Dr. Joyce M. Thierer (MLS 80-Library Science, MS 86-History) (CF), Admire, a current associate professor of Social Sciences at Emporia State, led a discussion of A Scattered People by Gerald McFarland at the Stafford County Museum Library in April.

Rhonda K. (Hitchcock) Wiens (BSE 81-Elementary Education), Meade, retired from USD 226 Meade after 32 years as a kindergarten teacher.

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Chad A. Higgins (BSE 95-Physical Sciences), Moundridge, recently became superintendent of USD 266 Maize.

Dr. Calvin Hill (MS 97-Counselor Education), Worcester, MA, was named the inaugural vice president for Inclusion and Community Engagement at Springfield College in Massachusetts.

Mitch Hixon (BSE 97-Social Sciences), Hutchinson, was hired by Hutchinson’s Historic Fox Theatre as director of development. Previously, he worked at The Hutchinson News where he was marketing solutions coordinator for seven years.

James D. Holland (BA 93-Economics, Geography), Abilene, was named Chamber of Commerce director in Abilene.

Jason L. Janzen (BSB 94-Accounting), Goleta, CA, was hired as a business tax expert at Palius + O’Kelley CPAs Inc., a Santa Barbara-based business-only CPA firm.

Dr. William “Bill” Jensen (MS 99-Biology) (CF), Topeka, an associate professor of biological sciences at Emporia State, was elected president of the Kansas Chapter of the Wildlife Society during the recent Kansas Natural Resources Conference in Wichita.

Jay P. Kennedy (BFA 94-Communication), Frankfort, was named to the Sunflower Foundation Board of Trustees. The Sunflower Foundation was formed in 2000 to support work to improve the health of Kansans through grant programs, awards, and related activities.

Bryan R. Kidney (BSB 90-Accounting), Shawnee, was hired as the new finance director for Lawrence.

Scott C. Manteuffel (BSE 95-Social Sciences), Center Line, MI, was honored by the Michigan High School Athletics Association for 20 years as a registered high school official.

Bret McClendon (BSE 91-Social Sciences), McPherson, accepted a position as principal of Elizabeth High School in Elizabeth, CO.

Bruce R. Rhodes (MS 90-Biology), Marion, retired from Marion High School after 32 years of service as a science teacher.

Ethan A. Schmidt (BA 98-History, Political Science), Cleveland, MS, recently published two books, The Divided Dominion: Social Conflict and Indian Hatred in Early Virginia and Native Americans in the American Revolution: How the War Divided, Devastated, and Transformed the Early American Indian World.

Adelyn G. Soellner (BSE 91-Mathematics), Hutchinson, was named the next principal of Wheatland Elementary School in Valley Center, effective next school year.

Dr. Kerri R. (Douglas) Thompson (BS 98-Biology), Emporia, officially purchased and became the new sole owner of the dental office, Thompson Family Dental, located in Emporia.

Bruce R. Turner (MS 94-Counselor Education), Chanute, is retiring after nine years of teaching at Chanute High School and over 40 years in education.

2000s

Bryon L. Autrey (BSE 05-Elementary Education, MS 09-Educational Administration Prek-12), Olathe, received a grant from the Olathe Public Schools Foundation in December 2014, giving his fifth graders the opportunity to construct, design, and launch a model rocket in the Spring.

Marylee (Griffiths) Battaglia (MS 08-Educational Leadership), Basehor, Early Childhood director, retired from USD 500 Kansas City after 25 years.

Seth M. Carter (BFA 09-Career and Professional Communication, Communication), Emporia, accepted the position as the new president of Colby Community College in Colby, KS.
Jason K. Black (BS 07-Biology), Odin, employee of Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks, became manager of the McPherson Valley Wetlands.

Brett L. Bruner (BSB 06-Business Administration), Hays, was named the Director of Transition and Student Conduct at Fort Hays State University. He also received the Innovative Program Award on behalf of FHSU, at the Region IV Conference of NODA: The Association for Orientation, Transition, and Retention in Higher Education in St. Louis.

Jory M. Collins (BSE 02-Elementary Education, MS 07-Educational Administration) (CSt), Emporia, ESU Lady Hornets basketball head coach, was named KBCA Coach of the Year.

Paul W. Erickson (MS 09-Educational Administration), Hutchinson, was hired as the new principal of Union Valley Elementary in Buhler.

Matthew L. Farmer (BS 08-Environmental Biology, Biology), Concordia, was awarded the 2014 Kansas Wetlands Manager of the Year Award at the 2015 Kansas Ducks Unlimited State Convention on Feb. 28, 2015, in Olathe.

Rajani Ganesh-Pillai (MBA 03-Business Administration), Fargo, ND, an Indian-American marketing professor at North Dakota State University, won the prestigious Peltier Award for innovation in teaching for using a game called “Baffa Baffa” to teach culture’s role in business and how it can affect transactions and relationships.

Brad Griffin (BS 01-Recreation), Winfield, was hired in January to become the head football coach at Southwestern College. Previously, he was the defensive coordinator at William Penn University in Oskaloosa, IA, for 10 years.

Jarrod W. Hibler (MS 09-Educational Administration PreK-12), Wichita, was hired at Council Grove High School as a math teacher.

David I. Hinton (BSE 06-Health Education, Physical Education, MS 09-Health, Physical Education, & Recreation), El Dorado, received the Kansas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance Model School Award at the organization’s convention in October. Hinton teaches at Isley Elementary in Wichita.

Amy A. Hoffsommer (BSE 01-Physical Education, English), Lawrence, a former volleyball standout at Emporia State, was named as the head coach for the women’s volleyball team at Lawrence Free State High School.

Jerod L. Kruse (BS 01-Social Sciences, MS 07-Health, Physical Education, & Recreation), Lee’s Summit, MO, was named associate head coach and special teams coordinator at two-time reigning Southland Conference champion Southeastern Louisiana University.

Dr. Jared D. Larson (BA 02-Foreign Language, Social Sciences), Izmir, Turkey, received his PhD in Political Science from the University of Delaware and accepted an assistant professorship at Gediz University in Izmir. He has also recently accepted a post-doctoral research position in the Center for Geographical Studies at the University of Lisbon, Portugal.

Jon A. Leach (BA 09-Social Sciences), Emporia, won the Phi Kappa Phi Award for Best Graduate Abstract.

Amy McAnarney (MS 00-Educational Administration), Emporia, was named assistant principal at Lawrence Free State High School.

Brad A. McCormick (BSE 01-Elementary Education), Garden Plain, was hired as the new principal of Scott Community High School, after 13 years of service to Garden Plain.

Brian A. McIntosh (BSE 00-Physical Education, MS 10-Educational Administration PreK-12), Emporia, was hired as the new head women’s basketball coach at Shawnee Mission North High School in Overland Park.

Marcus W. Miller (BSB 05-Business Administration), Topeka, recently became a group consultant for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas in the Topeka Regional Marketing Office.

Precious H. Porras (MS 04-Counselor Education), Topeka, longtime University of Kansas staff member, was named the interim director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs.

Thomas R. Resch (BS 04-Chemistry), Wichita, finished up his fellowships in Burn Care at Johns Hopkins Hospital and Trauma at University of Maryland Shock Trauma Center and returned in summer 2015 to Wichita to the Burn Center at Via Christi Hospital St. Francis.

Derrick J. Richling (BSE 04-Elementary Education, MS 06-Instructional Design & Technology), Newton, science teacher and volunteer police officer, stopped the kidnapping of a three-year-old girl and held down the suspect until help arrived, making him a hometown hero.

Marcus D. Rothchild (BSB 05-Business Administration), Abilene, was hired to serve as the finance director in Abilene.

Tami J. (Fiscus) Schepmann (BSE 05-Elementary Education), Holyrood, was recognized as a Kansas Teacher of the Year nominee. She currently teaches reading and ESL at Great Bend Middle School.

Nathan K. Teichgraeber (BSE 05-Social Sciences), Parsons, was recently hired by Council Grove High School to be their new head football coach and social science teacher.

Maria A. “Alex” Vuyk (BS 05-Psychology, MS 10-Teaching of Gifted, Special Education), Lawrence, successfully defended her PhD dissertation with distinction in May at the University of Kansas. She will begin her one-year counseling psychology internship at the Children’s Hospital of Orange County in California in late August.
2010s

Corey L. Bacon (BSE 13-Elementary Education), Emporia, was hired as the new camp program director at Camp Alexander.

Lucas A. Ball (BFA 12-Printmaking, Art), Denton, TX, is finishing a Master of Fine Arts degree at the University of North Texas. His thesis exhibition, Rituals in Rust, was on display from February 24 to April 5 at the Cedar Valley College Educational Art Gallery in Lancaster, TX.

Amy D. Barnhill (BIS 14-Integrated Studies), Salina, was named education director at Rolling Hills Zoo in Salina.

Ashley D. Beason-Manes (MS 10-Teaching of Gifted, Special Education), Tahlequah, OK, received a full fellowship for her PhD studies at the University of Arkansas. She is now ABD and accepted a position as a gifted facilitator in Lawrence, KS.

Tracy A. Bowman (MS 13-Health, Physical Education, & Recreation), Holton, was recently crowned Ms. Missouri United States 2015. She will go on to compete in the National Ms. United States Pageant on Independence Day weekend in Washington, D.C.

Erin E. Carter (MS 13-Art Therapy), Bellemont, PA, was accepted into the doctoral program at Notre Dame de Namur University in Belmont, CA.

Tony C. Dalisio (MS 11-Biology, Zoology), Waterville, ME, competed in the Branch Lake Snowshow 10k Race and took first place, earning the title 2015 Maine State Snowshoe Champion.

Brian M. Davis (BS 14-Recreation), Emporia, became program director at the Parsons Recreation Commission.

Elyse M. Espinoza (BSE 10-Health Education, Physical Education, MS 14-Health, Physical Education, & Recreation), Merriam, was named the Young Professional of the Year by the Kansas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (KAHPERD) at the organization's annual convention in October. Espinoza teaches at Shawnee Mission North High School.

Nathan Holoubek (MS 13-Biology), Cambridge, WI, is lead author of a publication in the Journal of Wildlife Management, which emanated from his thesis project in the department of Biological Sciences at Emporia State.

Dr. Abdullahi Musa (PhD 13-Library & Information Management), Nigeria, Africa, was promoted to chair of the Library and Information Science Department at Ahmadu Bello University. He oversees more than 1,000 students and continues his work to fight resistance to polio immunization in Nigeria.

Angie K. Locke (MLS 14-Library Science), Wichita, was offered a position as an instructor/reference librarian at Wichita State University.

Joanna M. S. McCloud (MLS 12-Library Science), Columbia, MD, is one of only 15 students admitted to the John Hopkins University’s Advanced Academic Program in Digital Curation.

Paul H. Mose (BFA 12-Career and Professional Communications), Emporia, received the Janean Meigs Memorial Award from the University of Kansas School of Law.

Cody J. Oates (BS 11-Recreation), Columbia, MO, was hired as the new offensive analyst for the Missouri Tigers football program in January.

Merissa A. Quick (BS 15-Crime and Delinquency Studies), Emporia, signed to play basketball professionally for Clube Juvenil Boa Viagem in Portugal.

Daniel J. Quillin (BS 11-Athletic Training), De Soto, recently joined the physical therapy team at Advanced Therapy and Sports Medicine in Great Bend.

Lindsay N. (Sargent) Ritscher (MS 14-Art Therapy), Lawrence, recently authored the children’s book Werebeast, which engages children, through metaphor, and encourages them to explore creative outlets that will help them develop the ability to express themselves in a safe and healthy way.

Kurtis M. Russell (BS 10-History), Bonner Springs, was named director and museum curator at the Allen County Historical Society.

Adam M. Schiltz (BS 13-Health Promotion), Lincoln, NE, was signed on to the Kansas City Chiefs practice squad in December as a tight end.

Thomas J. Silkman (BIS 12-Integrated Studies, MS 14-Business Education), Emporia, was honored by the Kansas Small Business Development Center by having his business, Flint Hills Music, selected as one of eight Emerging Businesses of the Year.

Benjamin R. Smith (BS 10-Biology, MS 13-Environmental Biology), De Soto, had a portion of his thesis recently published in Hydrobiologia: The International Journal of Aquatic Sciences.

Jennifer M. (Robertson) Tatman (MLS 12-Library Science), Burlington, was hired by the Coffey County Library as the new director for the Burlington Branch Library.

Dr. Ashley M. (Long) Tsakiris (MS 10-Biology, Environmental Biology), College Station, TX, co-authored the sixth publication in the primary literature to emanate from her work in the Department of Biological Sciences at Emporia State. She received her doctorate from Texas A&M University and recently acquired a position as research scientist with the Texas A&M Institute of Renewable Natural Resources.

Brianna C. Ward (MS 15-Clinical Psychology), Emporia, received the 2014-2015 Clinical Psychology Outstanding Graduate Student Award.
Current Students

Kayla Fraley (CS), Emporia, served on the National Student Nurses Association National Board of Directors as the nominations and elections chair.

Keslie D. Humburg (CS), Emporia, received the highest honor scholarship from the American Art Therapy Association, the Rawley Silver Award for Excellence, and was presented with the award at their summer conference in 2015.

Adam A. Tebben (CS), Emporia, was elected to the National Student Nurses Association National Board of Directors for 2015-2016.

Former Students

Brian Shay, Paola, a three-time All-American and the 1998 Harlon Hill Trophy winner as the top player in Division II, was inducted into the MIAA Hall of Fame in Kansas City in June.

Friends

John G. Atherton, Emporia, was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal by the United States Congress for his contributions made during World War II. He served our country as a member of the Civil Air Patrol.

Christie P. Brandau (FF), Osage, IA, a former adjunct professor in the School of Library and Information Management at Emporia State, was named as one of three Distinguished Alumni Award recipients from Osage High School in Osage, IA.

Dr. James J. Costello (CF), Topeka, the current chair of the department of Counselor Education at Emporia State, was appointed to the Governor’s Behavioral Health Services Planning Council for a four-year term.

Kent L. Frazell, Chanute, is retiring after 39 years of teaching physical education and health at Chanute High School.

Dr. Heidi E. Hamilton (CF), Emporia, associate professor in Communication and Theatre and the director of the Ethnic and Gender Studies Program at Emporia State, recently received the Ruth Schillinger Award at the Women’s History Month Reception and Award Ceremony.

Ronald “R.D.” Linsey, Lebo, was one of three individuals awarded the Coffey County Bankers’ Award for soil and water conservation made through various practices on the family farm in Lebo.

Dr. Ann M. Miller (CF), Emporia, an associate professor and the director of the Community Counseling Services Program at Emporia State, won the Dr. Mary Headrick Award at the Women’s History Month Reception and Award Ceremony.

Brandon S. Schneider, Nacogdoches, TX, who previously coached the Emporia State Lady Hornets basketball team and led the Stephen F. Austin women’s basketball team to the 2014 and 2015 Southland Conference regular-season titles, was named head women’s basketball coach at the University of Kansas.

Dr. Kala M. Stroup (FF), Lawrence, gave the keynote address at the 2015 Northwest Missouri State University’s Missouri Academy of Science, Mathematics, and Computing’s commencement ceremony.

Ron Thomas, Emporia, received the University Service Citation Award, created to recognize unique and significant service to Emporia State University.

Jeff Williams and Jeff Kitselman, Emporia, owners of Ek Real Estate, celebrated the 50th anniversary of the business earlier this year.

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Births

1. Easton Parker Spellman, son, born to Corbin and Crystal (Aguilar) Spellman (BS 03), July 13, 2014
2. Jerrigan Spencer Ayers, son, born to Ryan (BSE 01) and Julie (Baer) Ayers (BS 01, MS 08), July 31, 2014
3. Hayden William MacKay, son, born to David (BS 05) and Martha (McMurphy) MacKay (BSE 04), September 16, 2014
4. Kipton Lee Keck, son, born to Korey and Emmalee (Davis) Keck (BFA 10), December 2, 2014
5. Kathryn Sue Hughes, daughter, born to Brian (BS 04) and Meghan (Bussing) Hughes (BFA 04), December 23, 2014
6. Holter Brian Kirmer, son, born to Drew and Jessica (Ciochon) Kirmer (BSE 07), January 20, 2015
7. Cade Mac Olivier, son, born to Trenton (BS 07) and Kala (McMillan) Olivier (BSE 07), January 29, 2015
8. Savannah Dee Smiley, daughter, born to Kevin (BSE 05, MAT 08) and Stacy (Foltz) Smiley (BSE 04, MS 08), March 18, 2015
9. Henric Fischer DeWitt, son, and Greta Mae DeWitt, daughter, born to Martin and Mandy (Davis) DeWitt (BSB 12), March 31, 2015
10. Zoey Ann Norris, daughter, born to Christopher and Allison (Evans) Norris (BSE 08), April 21, 2015
11. Indy Parker Thomas, son, born to Ben (BFA 05) and Courtney (Slater) Thomas (BA 07), June 13, 2015
Emporia State Retirements

Peggy Anderson, Emporia, retired after 31 years as a program consultant in the Graduate School.

Bill Barnes, Emporia, retired after 13 years as an instructor in the School of Business.

Deborah Budke, Strong City, retired after 25 years as a custodial specialist in the Building Services department.

Connie Corcoran (MS 04-Counselor Education), Emporia, retired after 24 years as the associate director in the Financial Aid, Scholarships, and Veterans Services department.

Suzanne DeWeese, Eskridge, retired after 11 years as a clinical instructor at the Jones Institute for Education.

Dr. Thomas Eddy, Emporia, retired after 53 years as a professor in the Biological Sciences department.

Julie Elson (MS 78-School Counseling), Overland Park, retired after 4 years as an instructor in the Counselor Education department.

Dick Garvey (BA 77-Art), Emporia, retired after 35 years as the university photographer.

Loris Gilbert, Jr., Neosho Rapids, retired after 13 years as an electrician in the Morse Hall Complex.

Eva Hannigan, Emporia, retired after 25 years as a custodial specialist in the University Facilities department.

Dr. Jim Hoy (MA 65-English), Emporia, retired after 45 years as a professor in the English, Modern Languages, and Journalism department.

Art Janssen, Topeka, retired after 37 years as an assistant professor in the Mathematics, Computer Science, and Economics department.

Dan Kirchhefer, Topeka, retired after 35 years as a professor in the Art department.

Penny Mains, Emporia, retired after 24 years as a university police corporal in the Police and Safety department.

Thomas McKenzie, Emporia, retired after 6 years as a custodial specialist in the Building Services department.

Dr. Steven Neill, Emporia, retired after 13 years as an associate professor in the School Leadership / Middle and Secondary Teacher Education department.

Janice Noyes (BSN 95-Nursing), Emporia, retired after 12 years as an APRN in Student Health.

Dennis Ragsdell, Emporia, retired after 15 years as a custodial supervisor in the University Facilities department.

Dr. Michael Richard, Neosho Rapids, retired after 4 years as an associate professor in the Counselor Education department.

Dr. Jim Ryan, Emporia, retired after 23 years as a professor in the Communication and Theatre department.

Dr. Michael Shimeall (MA 67-History), Olathe, retired after 6 years as an associate professor in the School Leadership / Middle and Secondary Teacher Education department.

Deborah Sisson, Americus, retired after 10 years as a custodial specialist in the Towers Complex.

Dr. Tom Slocombe, Emporia, retired after 14 years as a professor in the School of Business.

Bill Sloyer, Emporia, retired after 24 years as a building systems tech in the University Facilities department.

Dave Sparks, Lawrence, retired after 7 years as a communication specialist in the Foundation.

Kathy Stayskal, Emporia, retired after 10 years as a senior administrative specialist in the Information Technology department.

Barb Ternes Lowery (BFA 82-Speech), Emporia, retired after 30 years as an administrative specialist in the Communication and Theatre department.

Dr. Nate Terrell, Emporia, retired after 20 years as the chair and associate professor in the Sociology, Anthropology, and Crime & Delinquency Studies department.

Dr. James Waegelein, Lawrence, retired after 8 years as a professor in the School of Business.

Cheryl Wooderson, Emporia, retired after 30 years as a public service administrator in the Business Affairs office.
In Memoriam

Catheryn I. "Kate" Weigand ’55 passed away on Monday, July 27, 2015, at the age of 98. Kate’s husband Joe “J.J.” Weigand ’34 served as KSTC’s Alumni Secretary/Alumni Director for many years.

Kate was born on November 5, 1916, in Sterling, Kansas, the daughter of Charles Ira and Zulu May (Magers) Welch. She graduated from Sterling High School.

Kate married James Joseph “Joe” Weigand on October 2, 1936, in Ellsworth, Kansas. They became parents of three children: Judith Day-Trenary (James), Arkansas City, Kansas, Francis Joseph Weigand (Nancy), Florissant, Missouri, and Kathie Clements-Abel (David), Wichita, Kansas.

Kate and Joe were both talented, dedicated musicians. Kate was a member of First United Methodist Church, Emporia, where she was a soloist in the church choir for many years. She was a second grade teacher at William Allen White School and later became the Elementary Music Supervisor for Emporia Public Schools. Kate gave private music lessons in Chanute, Lawrence, and Emporia. She also worked in Beach Hall for Frank Beach and would often recite the quote engraved on the bronze plaque located outside of Beach Hall: “Not to win a prize, or to defeat an opponent, but to pace each other on the road to excellence.”

Kate and her husband often presented music workshops for in-service sessions in nearby school districts. Kate was a music adjudicator and oratorio soloist across the state of Kansas. In addition to her musical accomplishments, Kate was an avid bridge player and belonged to several clubs in Emporia. She read widely and was a loyal fan of the Kansas Jayhawk basketball team. Kate will be missed, and Hornet Nation is certainly grateful for her many contributions.

1930

Josephine M. (Grammer) Munson (LIF 36), Junction City, Feb. 5, 2015
Alma (Crippen) Rowlands (BSE 39), Manhattan, Feb. 8, 2015
Dolores D. (Donez) Townsend (BSE 36), Camarillo, CA, April 30, 2015
Kathryn M. (Kinsey) Waters (BA 39), Kinsman, OH, Jan. 20, 2015

1940

Mary L. (Ramsey) Alden Clarke (LTC 39, BS 40), Topeka, May 10, 2015
Joyce A. (Gibbs) Courtney (BSE 46, MS 63), Emporia, March 16, 2015
Peggy J. (Block) Doyen (BSE 46), Concordia, Feb. 4, 2015
Madeline L. (Mathews) Dunn (BME 41), Manhattan, Feb. 3, 2015

1950

Dr. Robert L. Anderson (BS 50), Tulsa, OK, May 1, 2015
Phyllis E. (Todd) Blythe (BSE 50), Great Bend, May 10, 2015
John P. Boyle (BS 59), Kansas City, MO, Jan. 27, 2015
Robert W. Burch (BSE 51), Wichita, April 25, 2015
Ronald E. Coffman (BSE 58), Kimberly City, MO, April 3, 2015
Bill P. Compton (BSE 50), Wichita, Feb. 12, 2015
Jerry W. Dyck (MS 59), Salina, May 15, 2015
Anna L. Ellis (BSE 57, MS 64), Hutchinson, Feb. 25, 2015
Donald "Eugene" Enos (MS 57), Marion, March 1, 2015
Ralph Fine (BA 54), Junction City, April 24, 2015
Robert E. Gaeddert (BSB 59), Prescott, AZ, April 18, 2015
Laura E. (Warren) Johnson (BSE 58), Mesa AZ, March 26, 2015
Harry F. McLeod (MS 54), Temple, TX, March 11, 2015
Lyle H. Meredith (BME 51), Dodge City, Feb. 27, 2015
Arnita J. Miller (BSE 50), Wichita, April 2, 2013
John W. Noonan (BSB 55), Saugatuck, Jan. 15, 2015
Albert H. Ropfogel (BME 51), Naples, FL, Feb. 25, 2015
Robert J. Verschelden (BSB 59), Manhattan, June 2, 2015
Barbara A. Rohlfing (MS 60), Edgerton, MI, May 25, 2015
Glenn D. Pyle (BSB 60), Claremont, CA, April 7, 2015
Jimmie L. Poe (BSE 60), Arkansas City, May 7, 2015
Robert D. Sumners (BSB 69), Westmoreland, March 21, 2015

1960

Peggy A. Adelgren (MS 65), Wichita, May 15, 2015
James W. Bagg (BSE 64), Topeka, April 7, 2015
Oscar E. Barnes (BS 60), Kansas City, MO, May 25, 2015
Dr. Bernice “LoVelle” (Lattimore) Beaman (BA 63), Claremont, CA, Dec. 12, 2014
Cecil C. Bird (MS 65), Tucson, AZ, Jan. 15, 2015
David L. Blum (BSE 65), St. Louis, MO, June 7, 2015
Michael P. Cardenas (MS 62), Wichita, June 19, 2015
Dale D. Carpenter (MS 68), Great Bend, April 17, 2015
Gary L. Cook (BA 68), Andover, Jan. 29, 2015
Frank Crawford, Jr. (MS 67), Bel Aire, March 6, 2015
Rebecca “Beccy” Dearborn (BSE 68), Ankeny, IA, May 19, 2015
Dennis D. Doris (BSE 62, MS 68), Dodge City, Feb. 5, 2015
Gene W. Doty (BA 66, MA 67), Rolla, MO, Jan. 16, 2015
Gilberto V. Fort (MLS 65), Miami, FL, June 1, 2015
Viola M. (Davis) Gamble (MS 66), Wichita, May 25, 2015
Janey E. Hauber (BA 68), Kansas City, MO, Feb. 25, 2015
Ted M. Held (BA 60), San Antonio, TX, April 24, 2015
Patricia R. (Reid) Hollis (BSE 61), Oklahoma City, March 5, 2015
Terry L. Jochems (BSE 62, MS 70), Pratt, June 11, 2015
Jean J. (Twombly) Johnson (MLS 69), Troy, April 22, 2015
Roger L. Johnson (BSE 69), Garland, TX, May 26, 2015
Paula S. (Kuszmaul) Jones (BSE 69), Fulton, MS, Dec. 12, 2014
Delores R. (Folck) Keegan (BSE 62), Great Bend, May 23, 2015
William H. Kramer (BSE 67), Pontiac, MI, June 14, 2015
Albert J. Kress (BSB 67), Piqua, Feb. 5, 2015
Vada L. (O’Hara) Lewis (MS 62), Hutchinson, Feb. 19, 2015
W. Macy Lewis (EDS 67), Wichita, Sept. 16, 2014
Dale D. Lucas (MS 61), Larned, Feb. 27, 2015
John F. Macneill (MS 66), Omaha, NE, April 3, 2015
Loren D. Martin (MS 62), Emporia, March 29, 2015
Mary A. (Steg) Mercer (BSE 69), Shawnee Mission, April 6, 2015
Eldon H. Milburn (MS 64), Kansas City, MO, May 7, 2015
Bonita M. (Boone) Nestor (BSE 66), Hutchinson, May 8, 2015
Arlene M. (Turek) Neukirch (BSE 60), Salina, May 1, 2015
Jimmie L. Poe (BSE 60), Arkansas City, April 10, 2015
Norene M. (Dildy) Popplewell (MS 64), Topeka, Feb. 19, 2015
F. Michael Prestia (BSB 69), Kansas City, MO, May 5, 2015
Glenn D. Pyle (MS 60), Edgerton, May 21, 2015
Terry M. Reaves (BSB 66), Oklahoma City, OK, June 22, 2014
R. Ross Richards (BSE 67, MS 71), Wichita, Feb. 9, 2015
Jose F. Rodriguez (MLS 67), St. Simons Island, GA, Aug. 19, 2013
Heriberto G. "Herb" Sanchez (BA 66, MS 83), Chanute, Feb. 18, 2015
Arlen J. Simonson (MS 67), Las Vegas, NV, March 19, 2015
James R. Smith (MS 64), Gardner, May 15, 2015
Frederick V. Sturken (BSB 66), Durham, CT, Jan. 20, 2015
Robert D. Sumners (BS 69), Emporia, April 9, 2015
Harry W. Thompson (BA 61), Emporia, April 9, 2015
Verlyn E. Trueblood (BSE 64, MS 88), Concordia, Feb. 26, 2015
Ruby M. (Webb) Walliser (BSB 67, MS 73), Hartford, March 2, 2015
Jack C. Woodhead (BSB 62, MS 74), Carthage, MO, March 14, 2015
Jerry R.F. Yantzi (BSB 60), Olathe, May 4, 2015
Anne M. (Breukelman) Yoder (BSE 65, MS 68), Emporia, June 5, 2015

1970

Virginia J. Aldape (BA 70, MS 72), Oceanside, CA, June 5, 2015
Nina G. (Sloan) Bean (BSE 73), Woodridge, IL, Jan. 27, 2015
Barbara L. (Coachmen) Berryhill (MS 79), Wewoka, OK, May 1, 2015

George G. Breidenthal (BA 72), Kansas City, June 23, 2015

Doris A. (Parker) Brinegar (BS 72, MS 78), Salina, Jan. 23, 2015
Don L. Caffee (MS 72), Edmond, OK, March 7, 2015
J. Kurtiss Carlson (BA 70), Topeka, April 29, 2015
Danny D. Cline (BA 70), Emporia, May 24, 2015
Dorothy D. (Cauldwell) Dehaven (MS 70), Topeka, March 8, 2015
Douglas Dale “Doug” Donley (BSE 73, Ellsworth, May 1, 2015)
Carolyn J. (Cole) Elmore (MS 71), McPherson, Feb. 2, 2015
Deanna Y. (Tobin) Franz (BSE 74), Salina, May 2, 2015
David G. Gibson (BSB 70), Ashland, March 18, 2015

Steve F. Hanschu (BA 74, MLS 78), Emporia, April 10, 2015
Norman L. Hogan (MS 71), Cape Coral, FL, Feb. 21, 2015
Gerry W. Houghman (BSB 74), De Soto, March 18, 2015
Randall D. Janzen (BSB 72), Liberal, Feb. 10, 2015

Galen K. Kirchmer (BSB 71, MS 73), Loveland, CO, April 23, 2015
Ralph H. Larkin (BSE 72), Overland Park, April 13, 2015
Doris L. (Engle) Mason (BSE 74), Abilene, June 13, 2015
Jill (Daly) Millerskow (BSE 71), Mulvane, May 23, 2015
Ruth W. (Wichman) Moon (BSE 75, MS 80), De Soto, April 18, 2015
Delbert W. Myers (MS 75, EDS 77), Topeka, June 19, 2015
Thomas R. Myers (BA 72), Emporia, June 23, 2015
Cora L. (Tubach) O’Rourke (BSE 70, MLS 77), Iola, April 12, 2015
Alan C. Palmer (BSE 75), Snohomish, WA, March 16, 2015
Janice K. Schmidt (BSE 73), Excelsior, MN, Feb. 25, 2015
Harold W. Schwinn (BSE 71), Emporia, June 9, 2015
John P. Sheehy (BSB 73), Wheat Ridge, CO, Feb. 18, 2015
Glenda Taylor (MS 78), Topeka, June 7, 2015
Jack N. Tyner (BSE 76), Albany, OR, April 11, 2015

1980
Cherie K. (Watson) Branson (MS 82), Joplin, MO, May 13, 2015
William K. Burgoon (BS 80), Topeka, Feb. 15, 2015
Nancy M. Fischer (BSE 87, MS 91, MLS 03), Ottawa, April 13, 2015
Janet B. (McNown) Giesen (BSE 80), Anthony, March 16, 2015
Kathryn L. (Phillips) Kayser (BSE 80), Wichita, May 12, 2015
Lori M. (Walker) Kravets (MBA 88), Linwood, Feb. 27, 2015

Maynard L. Nielsen (BS 87, MS 88), Kimballton, IA, April 17, 2015
Jacquelyn L. Silberg (MS 82), Leawood, March 14, 2015
Martha A. (Dwyer) Straig (BS 87), Lawrence, May 20, 2015
Nicolei Novalis “Nick” Toews (MS 82), Whitewater, June 10, 2015

1990
Dana L. (Hassell) Conwell (BSE 92), Overland Park, Jan. 26, 2015
Cheryl L. Fields (BGS 97), Topeka, June 10, 2015

Laurel L. (Molen) McCreary (MS 90), Davenport, IA, April 6, 2015

Dr. Marjorie E. “Stoney” Stone, Wichita, April 1, 2015
Winifred A. (Kimmel) Turner, Tonganoxie, March 25, 2015
Dr. Marion P. Emerson, Emporia, Feb. 27, 2015
Eileen J. Friend, Neosho Rapids, April 3, 2015
Norbert A. Hoelting, Olpe, April 28, 2015

Russell Hurd, Mulvane, May 7, 2015
Ilda M. (Souders) Kline, Emporia, May 12, 2015

Kathleen A. (Mount) Luethke, Rossville, March 3, 2015
Joan (May) Martz, Wichita, Feb. 5, 2015
Dr. Donald K. Orban, Gainesville, FL, Feb. 26, 2015

Friends
Dr. Marjorie E. “Stoney” Stone, Wichita, April 1, 2015
Winifred A. (Kimmel) Turner, Tonganoxie, March 25, 2015
Charles E. Zahn, Honolulu, HI, April 8, 2015

Former Students
Laura (Carrender) Baird, Amarillo, TX, Feb. 19, 2015
Gloria J. (Harder) Baxter, Emporia, March 23, 2015
Laurence E. “Brock” Brockway, Belle Plaine, Sept. 12, 2014
Patricia A. (McManis) Burch, Wichita, April 20, 2015
Ann L. Dawe, Henderson, NV, Jan. 12, 2014
Hazel P. (Varelman) Deemy, Cottonwood Falls, April 10, 2015
Margaret J. (Fleming) Green, Baxter Springs, MO, June 17, 2015
Marilyn M. Hart, Emporia, May 30, 2015
Mike Hodges, Peabody, June 1, 2015
Harry E. LaCerte, Olathe, April 29, 2015
Paul E. Nye, Wichita, May 12, 2015
Mary M. (Housley) Schaefer, Emporia, Feb. 22, 2015
Gordon L. Ulrich, Iola, June 19, 2014
Myron L. Van Gundy, Reading, Nov. 11, 2014
Jan (Lovett) VanPelt, Emporia, May 24, 2015
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