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Allison Garrett
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- 22nd Annual ABATE Spring Fling Bike Show
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  Lyon County Fairgrounds
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  7:30pm
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  All Day
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- Vintage Treasure Market
  All Day
  Flint Hills Mall
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- Kansas Shrine Bowl
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AUGUST 6-13
- Pro Worlds Disc Golf Tournament
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- Great American Market
  www.emporiamainstreet.com

NOVEMBER 2-12
- All Veterans Tribute
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Advocating to Advance Emporia State and the Common Good

Recruit. Hire. Advocate. Give. These are high impact activities that advance our university, and the Alumni Association exists to build relationships that advance Emporia State University. We do that by connecting with our alumni and friends via communications and events; serving the university via high impact activities and opportunities; and supporting the university via affinity programs and giving.

Over the past several months, we’ve been implementing the Hornet Nation initiative. The project aims to inspire our alumni and friends to engage in valuable activities that serve and positively impact Emporia State University: recruiting Hornets, hiring Hornets, advocating for ESU and giving.

So what does it mean to advocate? What can you do? Serve as a Hornet for Higher Education! In addition to staying connected via the Hornets for Higher Education newsletter, Facebook page and Twitter feed, here are a few suggestions on how you can be an effective advocate:

- sign up to receive your legislators’ e-mail newsletters;
- follow your legislators on Facebook and / or Twitter;
- contact your legislators; and
- attend local legislative coffees, “Eggs & Issues” sessions and other events typically hosted by groups such as the Chamber of Commerce or League of Women Voters—introduce yourself as a Hornet and higher ed advocate and get to know legislator(s).

A strong public system of higher education is important to the future of our state and is central to ensuring the freedom of our nation. Without a strong public school system, opportunities for every citizen to improve his or her life will not exist.

As advocates for Emporia State University and higher education, you ensure that ESU’s vision is advanced—you ensure that we have the opportunity to change lives for the common good.

For more information about serving as a Hornet for Higher Education, please contact the office of Alumni Relations at 620-341-5440 or alumni@emporia.edu.
April

Track and Cross Country Alumni Dinner
April 1
6:00 p.m.
Skyline, Memorial Union

Track and Cross Country Alumni Breakfast
April 2
9:00 a.m.
Skyline, Memorial Union

ESU Relays Track Meet
April 2
11:00 a.m.
Welch Stadium

ESU KC 10th Anniversary
April 7
ESU KC, Overland Park, Kan.

South Central Alumni Planning Meeting
April 14
For more information, contact Mim Hiesterman at mimhiesterman@yahoo.com

Newberg Outstanding Senior Banquet
April 18
6:00 p.m.
Webb Hall, Memorial Union

Beta Sigma Tau Reunion / Phi Delta Theta
White Carnation
April 22-23
ESU Campus

May

Kansas City Scholarship Golf Tournament
May 6
Noon
Sycamore Ridge Golf Course
Springhill, Kan.

ESU Spring Undergraduate Commencement
May 14
10:00 a.m.
White Auditorium

ESU Spring Graduate Commencement
May 14
2:00 p.m.
Albert Taylor Hall, Plumb Hall

ESU Athletics Auction and Golf Tournament
May 26-27
Emporia, Kan.

June

Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon
June 4
11:30 a.m.
Webb Hall, Memorial Union

July

Emporia Connection Reunion
July 15-17
Kansas City

August

South Central Scholarship Golf Tournament
August 20
8 a.m.
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College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (Arts)

Memorial Union’s Staton Art Gallery Providing Lyon County with Art Showcase

Emporia State alumni John (BSE 60 – Elementary Education, MS 64 – Elementary School Psychology) and Connie (BSE 70 – Elementary Education, MS 77 – Curriculum & Instruction) Staton provided a generous gift to create the John T. and Connie S. Staton Art Gallery on the Memorial Union’s second floor. The Staton Art Gallery exhibition features student artwork from Kansas high schools and Emporia State. The Third Annual Lyon County League High School Art Exhibit was on display from February 25-March 8, 2016, and the Third Annual Emporia High School Art Show Exhibit is from April 28-May 13, 2016.

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (Sciences)

Emporia State Nursing Program Earns Multiple Awards

Emporia State University students in the Department of Nursing brought home four major awards from the Kansas Association of Nursing Students state convention in Wichita, including the School of Excellence Award, the Image of Nursing Award, the Breakthrough to Nursing Award and the Community Health Award. Six Emporia State nursing students were elected to state offices, and two were selected for offices in the National Student Nurses Association. In February, U.S. Sen. Jerry Moran toured the program, learning from students about the simulation labs they use for classroom instruction.

School of Business

BAP Fraud Workshop with the Wright CPA Group

The Emporia State chapter of Beta Alpha Psi, an international honorary organization for accounting, finance and information systems majors, and the Wright CPA Group teamed up to conduct a fraud alert workshop for not-for-profit organizations and churches in the Emporia area. The focus of the workshop was to help organizations identify certain factors that could lead to fraudulent activities and what steps they can take to prevent these potential situations from occurring in their operations. Certified public accountant and ESU alum, Tim Wright (BSB 86 – Accounting), was the primary presenter at the workshop. Wright has many years of experience maintaining good accounting and control systems. Beta Alpha Psi membership is comprised of junior, senior and graduate students who uphold a high academic performance.
School of Library and Information Management

Improving Learning for Early Career Scientists and Engineers

The School of Library and Information Management (SLIM) received a 2015 Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program grant for the project titled Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics: Information, Technology and Scientific Literacy for All Learners. Over the next three years, this grant will provide tuition, books and travel for 50 eligible participants: 25 science, technology, engineering and/or mathematics teachers and 25 librarians. The first of four courses required for the certificate will be offered in spring 2016. Dr. Mirah Dow (BSE 93 – Psychology, MLS 95 – Library Science, PhD 99 – Library & Information Management), interim dean and professor, SLIM, is project director and principal investigator, and Dr. Kenneth Thompson, professor ESU Department of Physical Sciences, is project co-director and co-principal investigator. Drs. Dow and Thompson will teach courses and conduct research focused on interdisciplinary co-teaching. SLIM also was granted continued accreditation for the master of library science program from the American Library Association.

The Teachers College

Luebbers Measured Effectiveness of Blood Flow Restriction on ESU Football Team’s Muscular Strength

To evaluate the effectiveness of blood flow restriction (BFR) on muscular strength, associate professor Paul Luebbers, Ph.D., CSCS*D, (BSE 97 – Health Education, MS 01 – Health, Physical Education & Recreation) divided the ESU football team into four groups. The experimental groups performed supplemental squat exercises (at 20% 1 Repetition Maximum-1RM) after concluding the standard strength-training workout. One group did these with Blood Flow Restriction (BFR). After seven weeks, the BFR group experienced greater strength increases compared to those who did not do the supplemental lifts or who did the extra exercise but did not use BFR. For more information, visit http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/24476782.

Student Affairs

Student Affairs has taken steps towards diversity and inclusion for all of Hornet Nation by promoting Jason Brooks (BM 09 – Music, MM 12 – Music) to the new assistant dean of students for diversity, equity & inclusion. Brooks is a campus leader and advocate for awareness, acceptance and inclusion of all people, helping students, faculty, staff and community members to experience the richness of diverse cultures, communities and societies through a culturally educated view of the world. A few diversity and inclusion initiatives held during the spring 2016 semester included the Mosaic of ESU Diversity Leadership Retreat, the Black Leadership Initiative and the Latino Leadership Initiative.
2015 Distinguished Alumni

Retired U.S. Army Col. Guy C. Beougher
BSB 1980 – Business Administration
Mc Lean, Va.
Retired U.S. Army Col. Guy C. Beougher, who received his bachelor of science in business administration degree from Emporia State in 1980, is a senior leader in the Defense Logistics Agency. He has a master of science in two concentrations: in material acquisition management from Florida Institute of Technology and in national resource strategy from National Defense University. His awards include a Superior Civilian Service Medal, a Distinguished Service Medal, and the Bronze Star.

Richard C. ‘Dick’ Hawk
BSB 1956 – Business Administration
MS 1957 – Business Administration
Leawood, Kan.
Richard C. ‘Dick’ Hawk succeeded in banking, financial management and upscale restaurant ownership. Hawk attended Kansas State Teachers College, now Emporia State University, because of a $100 scholarship. He earned a bachelor of science in business administration in 1956 and a master of science in business administration the following year. Hawk became assistant dean in the University of Chicago’s Graduate School of Education and the first director of the Minnesota State Higher Education Board.

Dr. Ilene K. Kleinsorge
BSB 1981 – Accounting
Corvallis, Ore.
Dr. Ilene K. Kleinsorge credits Emporia State University for helping her along the journey from single parent and college student working four part-time jobs to executive dean of the Division of Business and Engineering and dean of the College of Business at Oregon State University. She graduated with honors from Emporia State with a bachelor of science in business in accounting degree in 1981 and received her doctorate from the University of Kansas in 1988.
John D. McPherson, Jr.
BSB 1969 – Business Administration  
*Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.*

John D. McPherson, Jr. operated railroads since graduating from Kansas State Teachers College in 1969 with a bachelor of science in business administration degree. He later received a master of science in management degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He served in various capacities for the former Santa Fe Railroad for 25 years and was chief operating officer for the Florida East Coast Railway, LLC. McPherson also was president and chief executive officer of Illinois Central Railroad from 1998 to 1999.

Lana Scrimsher Oleen
BSE 1972 – English  
BS 1977 – Curriculum & Instruction  
*Manhattan, Kan.*

Lana Scrimsher Oleen spent her career in education and public service. The former Kansas Senate Majority Leader graduated from Kansas State Teachers College in 1972 with a bachelor of science in education degree in English. In 1977, Oleen earned a master of science degree in curriculum and instruction. Oleen was chairman of the ESU Foundation Board of Trustees and a member of the Now & Forever National Campaign Committee. She represented the 22nd District in the Kansas Senate from 1989 to 2005.

Read the full bios at www.emporia.edu/distinguishedalumni

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**2015 Outstanding Recent Graduates**

Cory F. Falldine  
BSB 2006 – Computer Info Systems  
MBA 2008 – Business Administration  
*Emporia, Kan.*

Tiffany Jervis  
BSE 2008 – Elementary Education  
MS 2013 – Instructional Design & Technology  
*Garden City, Kan.*

Dr. Yunqi ‘Chloe’ Zhao  
MS 2009 – Biology, Microbial and Cellular Biology  
*Chenggong, Kunming, Yunnan, China*

Read the full bios at www.emporia.edu/outstandingrecentgraduates
The President’s Award for the Common Good

Walter S., Evan C. and Olive Jones

Walter S. and Evan C. Jones were brothers and farmers who grew up near Lebo, Kan. Walter married Olive Taylor in 1911, and together the three operated a business partnership, accumulating land and wealth during their lifetime. Upon their deaths, a trust was established to assist residents, especially children, from Coffey, Lyon and Osage counties. Their intent was to assist with medical and educational needs.

Students at Emporia State have benefitted greatly from The Walter S. & Evan C. Jones Foundation Scholarships, grants and tuition voucher program. The monies have been used to cover the costs of items like tuition, fees and books for a maximum of eight semesters.

Scholarships are just one way the Jones Trust has been making an impact for the common good. Emporia State University has received almost $3 million in gifts through the Jones Trust since 1983. Among those are Jones Distinguished Professorship, Jones Institute for Educational Excellence, Cram Hall renovations, Jones Professorship for the Advancement of Teaching, Super Turf playing surface at Jones Field in Welch Stadium and support for the Department of Nursing.

Dr. Harry Stephens

BA 1965 – Biology
BS 1972 – Counselor Education
Emporia, Kan.

An Emporia State alumnus, Stephens is former dean of students and vice president for Student Affairs. Harry was known for his strong support of students and student life, and he worked closely with international student development. During his tenure as vice president, he coordinated the development of the Student Recreation Center and the Center for Early Childhood Education. Even after his retirement, Stephens remains active in campus Greek affairs and the Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity. Stephens is currently a member of the Emporia State University Foundation Board of Trustees.

Stephens’ service extends beyond Emporia State University. He has served as a state senator and has been active in the Emporia community, serving the Emporia Public Library, Flint Hills Community Health Center, Humane Society of the Flint Hills, Lyon County Council on Aging, Lyon County Extension Council, and the United Way. Harry was a leader in the renovation of the community’s Emporia Granada Theatre. Stephens has also served as an active board member and advocate for the Kansas Children’s Service League.
Hornet Nation Takes Steps Toward Diversity and Inclusion

A student forum and focus groups with campus and Emporia community members have sought input on how to build a better, stronger, more inclusive Hornet Nation in which all voices are heard and respected, and everyone has a sense of belonging.

Associated Student Government sponsored a student forum to give students a variety of ways to share their experiences and thoughts, through personal testimonials and writing their comments so they could be shared anonymously during the forum.

On Friday, Dec. 4, 2015, the Emporia State University Equity & Inclusion Summit: A Practitioners Experience featured Alonzo Jones of Arizona State University as the keynote speaker. The goals were to acquire insights and tools to help faculty, staff, students and community leaders be advocates for equity and inclusion in Hornet Nation and beyond.

To learn more, visit www.emporia.edu/odi/
ESU’s TAP Luncheon
Thanks Teachers, Recruits Future Hornets

The Teacher Appreciation Program (TAP) luncheon project thanks teachers for their service, recognizes alumni and recruits undergraduate and graduate students. These luncheons are scheduled in the Emporia, Kansas City, Lawrence, Topeka and Wichita areas.

ESU’s South Central TAP luncheon project is organized by South Central Alumni Coordinator Mim Hiesterman, with the help of Wichita Admissions Counselor Denelle Hurd (BSB 10 – Business Administration) and numerous volunteers in the South Central area.

“TAP thanks those in the classroom and in the building,” South Central Alumni Coordinator Mim Hiesterman said. “We invite the entire school’s support system.”

“The volunteers and I talk to the teachers in the teachers’ lounge while Hurd talks to the students. For any prospective student who’s interested in an Admissions appointment with Hurd, we coordinate her calendar at our luncheons so we can do two things at once.”

ESU’s “BEST” (Butler/Emporia Students to Teachers) program allows students to complete a two-year associate of arts degree from Butler Community College in El Dorado and continue to earn a bachelor of science degree in elementary education from Emporia State. Todd Roberts (BSE 08 – Elementary Education, MS 10 – Subject Matter Concern, Master Teacher), BEST advisor/PDS supervisor, joins Hiesterman and Hurd at TAP luncheons when available to discuss the BEST program.

For more information or volunteer opportunities, please contact the Emporia State Alumni Association at 620-341-5440 or alumni@emporia.edu.
Dr. Marjorie E. “Marge” Stone Leaves Everlasting Legacy at ESU

A recipient of the Division of Girl and Women’s Sports National Pathfinder Award and the Kansas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (KAHPERD) Honor. An Emporia State University (ESU) Teachers College Service Award winner. The first non-ESU alumnus to be inducted into the Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Wellness (HPER) Hall of Honor.

These are only a few of the accomplishments that highlight the impact of the late Dr. Marjorie E. “Marge” Stone’s lifetime achievements. Through her work and service, she impacted not just ESU but all of society.

“Dr. Stone not only had a significant impact on the direction and growth of the HPER program but also on the students. Dr. Stone was coming through a generation when physical education and athletics were separate, but not equal,” said Dr. Kathy Ermler, ESU’s dean of the Graduate School and Distance Education. “That generation went through a lot to bring them together. There were many arguments, fights and disagreements about what and who should lead, and how a professional physical education group should interact. It took tough women to get through that. While they were kind, wonderful mentors, they were also tough as nails.”

Stone supported students not only in the classroom but financially as well. In 1988, she established the Marjorie Stone Scholarship that provides renewable scholarships for students who are majoring in physical education and maintain a 3.0 GPA. Stone later committed to boost the scholarship’s impact by making a planned gift with her estate. After Stone passed away in spring of 2015 at age 89, her ultimate gift of more than $500,000 ensured that a great many future Hornets will have the support they need as they earn their degrees.

A note Dr. Stone wrote to the ESU Foundation in April of 2013 summarizes who Dr. Stone was as a human being, and the everlasting legacy she will forever have:

“I am happy to help students fulfill their dreams of achieving a higher education, and ultimately making a contribution to the betterment of society.”

—Dr. Marge Stone

And that is changing lives for the common good in action.

Stone’s professional career as a Hornet began in 1964 and ended after her retirement in 1989. During her career, Stone served in several capacities:

**Taught** as a professor in ESU’s HPER department, where her main emphasis was teacher preparation;

**Coached** ESU’s softball, women’s basketball and gymnastics teams;

**Led** as a charter member of the National Association of Physical Educators in Higher Education;

**Coordinated** summer girls’ sports clinics;

**Volunteered** in honor organizations, including Kappa Delta Pi, Phi Lambda Theta, Delta Kappa Gamma and Who’s Who in American Women;

**Played** competitively on state/regional softball and basketball teams; and

**Participated** in the Kansas Division of Girl’s and Women’s Sports.
City and County Partner with University to Benefit Students

A new collaboration with the Emporia City Commission and Lyon County Commission will bring $375,000 more in scholarship funds to benefit Emporia State University students.

Both commissions see value in the investment. “This is an opportunity to help out Emporia State… and an opportunity to bring new dollars into Emporia and Lyon County,” said Rollie Martin, Lyon County Commission chair.

Emporia Mayor Danny Giefer agrees. “ESU is a very, very valuable and important piece of Emporia and the area,” Giefer said.

The allocations from city and county budgets in December came after both governing bodies supported the university with a key proclamation. In fall 2014, both commissions declared Emporia a “University Community.” Discussions for the University Community in Motion plan began a year ago with multiple meetings among the two commissions and university representatives.

The new funds — $250,000 from Lyon County’s economic development fund and $125,000 from the city’s general fund reserve after its year-end accounting — will be added to the Recruitment and Retention Scholarship Fund at the ESU Foundation. These monies provide renewable scholarships to high-achieving students. Award amounts are determined by students’ grade point average and test scores.

“Emporia is such a great community to live, work and raise a family in,” said Shane Shivley, president of the ESU Foundation and vice president for University Advancement. “This partnership is an excellent example of that.”
Anonymous Donor Honors Sherrer with Generous Gift

An anonymous donor honored Emporia State University alumnus and former Kansas lieutenant governor Gary Sherrer (BSE 63 – Speech) with a gift of $100,000 in his name and a challenge to raise an additional $100,000 in funds for students in five campus areas.

“This anonymous donor wanted to credit the legacy Sherrer has left and continues to enhance on behalf of our university,” former Emporia State Interim President Jackie Vietti said. “The five areas, which are near and dear to Sherrer’s heart, now have an opportunity to rally their members to be part of this much-deserved recognition of his efforts.”

The unnamed philanthropist will provide dollar-for-dollar matching funds up to $100,000 for five areas – Alpha Kappa Lambda fraternity, Blue Key Honor Society, Hornet Men’s Tennis, the Emporia State Student Foundation and the recently established Future Teacher Mentorship Award. Each area is being asked to raise $20,000 among members and friends to meet the matching funds requirement.

“This honor is less about me and more about the opportunity to give deserving young men and women the support they need,” said Sherrer. “The donor of this gift shows the character of caring and humility, which should inspire us all.”

To learn more about this giving opportunity, please contact Carol Cooper, campaign manager, at (620) 341-6463 or email at ccooper@emporia.edu.

The Friedemans Stress Importance of Higher Education by Leaving a Legacy

Hornet alumna Patricia Hiss Friedeman and husband Phillip have left a lasting legacy with the Patricia Hiss Friedeman and Phillip Friedeman Scholarship Fund to support their belief in the importance of higher education and to provide students with an educational opportunity.

Patricia Hiss Friedeman, who earned her elementary education degree from Emporia State in 1958, taught primary grades for three and a half years before becoming a full-time homemaker and a mother of two sons. She later worked with the University of Kansas (KU) Endowment until 2001. Reverend Phillip Friedeman is a director of aftercare for Warren-McElwain Mortuary in Lawrence.

“When I worked for the KU Endowment for five years, I realized how important scholarships were for students,” Patricia said. “When we created our fund, we decided that beyond our children, we would help others.”

“In my opinion, teaching is one of the most important professions. We have to keep graduating teachers. When we decided to set up our trust, my thinking was that this would be a way for students to not have to struggle when coming out of school.”
A Changing Culture

The Now & Forever Campaign has never been all about the money. Your gifts have produced remarkable—sometimes unanticipated and intangible—changes campus wide. The visible evidence of your generosity has been striking. The Glendo Engraving Arts Room, the state-of-the-art Dennis Shogren scoreboard, the John Baxter Sports Medicine Complex and so many more would have been impossible without you.

Certainly, many students have been able to continue and to complete their educations because of the scholarships you helped provide.

Equally important, though perhaps unexpected, is the culture shift your gifts have helped spur.

Your tremendous support of our students has been contagious. A growing atmosphere of philanthropy permeates the campus and makes our students proud to be part of the Hornet Nation.

They’ve organized their own Student Foundation to raise funds to help fellow students in emergencies. They devote countless hours to volunteering across campus and the community.

Our students feel that need to help others because people like you have been so ready to stand up and make a difference at Emporia State. They’re giving back and creating a philanthropic environment on-campus and off.

You have shown by your actions what leadership and activism is; you have helped prepare them to make their own communities better after graduation.

You are making a difference.

Truly, it never was all about the money. And we appreciate you more than you can imagine.
Every year, Hornets like Mike Petitjean (BSE 70 – Business Education, MS 78 – Business Education) and Gwen Calcaterra (BSE 15 – Elementary Education) honor a personal commitment by making their annual gift to Emporia State. These two Hornets have never met, but both continue to uphold their annual promise to support Hornet Nation. Mike made his commitment during his senior year in 1970 and has continued to honor it ever since. Gwen started giving in her first semester at Emporia State and continued the tradition throughout all of her undergraduate years.

Now a self-employed financial advisor for Ameriprise, Inc. in Newton, Kansas, Mike has consistently supported Emporia State since graduation.

Mike said, “I made a $100 pledge, which is a lot of money during that time. Ever since then, I’ve continued to not only give to Emporia State, but support Emporia State.”

Gwen became the first to ever graduate with the distinctive gold and white honors cords of a student donor during the December 2015 commencement. These loyalty cords indicate a student has made a gift every year they attended Emporia State.

“I have given every year as a Hornet because I know my gift will help other students who may be struggling,” Gwen said. “I have definitely had my fair share of financial struggles in college. If donating even a small amount can help other students avoid financial struggles, this is something I was going to do no matter what.”

Will you join Mike and Gwen to create a stronger Hornet Nation by committing to make a gift to Emporia State each and every year?

Together we have the ability to truly make a difference in the lives of future Hornets. Make your gift online today at hornetnation.emporia.edu/givenow or simply use the form and envelope within these pages to make your annual gift.

We are Hornet Nation.

Every Hornet. Every Year.
A leader who sets the bar high for herself and those around her. Someone with diverse experience. One who genuinely listens to and cares for others. Former colleagues and students used those characteristics to describe Allison Garrett, who on Jan. 4 became Emporia State’s 17th president.

Garrett had worked nearly four years as executive vice president at Abilene Christian University, five years as senior vice president for Academic Affairs at Oklahoma Christian University and three years as associate professor of Law at Faulkner University.

Earlier, she had spent 16 years as an attorney, including two years as a U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission attorney and 10 years with Walmart Stores, Inc., where she rose from corporate counsel to vice president and general counsel of the corporate division.

She had worked closely with David Glass, then Walmart president and CEO and now president and CEO of the Kansas City Royals.

“Her leadership skills and innovative approach made a difference with the many broad and challenging assignments, but Allison always functioned with distinction and integrity in whatever areas she was assigned,” Glass said.

Other colleagues touted Garrett’s diplomatic approach to sensitive issues, her high performance standards and her wealth of knowledge gleaned from private sector, government and higher education.

“Allison wants to be the very best and for everyone around her to be the very best,” said Anthony Williams, ACU chief business services officer.

“She hires good people and lets them do their jobs,” ACU Director of Athletics Lee DeLeon added.

“She supports and gives the backing they need to be successful.”

Oklahoma Christian Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences David Lowry said Garrett had given him autonomy to do his job.

“She has a soft insistence about her when something needs to be done,” Lowry said. “Allison is never threatened by different points of view. ... She has never pulled the ‘I’m the boss’ card.”

Tamie Willis, OC library director, said Garrett was well-known for turning office meetings into “walking meetings” to view something under discussion, often pausing to greet visitors she spotted along the way.

Chukwuma “Chuck” Oputa, former ACU football player and former junior class president, appreciated her personable approach.

“She wants to promote students, and she builds relationships with people,” said Oputa, who considers Garrett his mentor. “To build the university up, she engages with everybody.”

... Emporia State University will greatly benefit and continue its excellence in higher education under her leadership.

—David Glass

Allison Garrett At a Glance

Hometown: Neosho, Missouri
Husband: Chip Garrett, married 28 years
Family: Son Ethan and wife, Danielle; daughter Tori and son Noah
Hobbies: Enjoys playing golf, although “toting the scuba gear and chainsaw makes it quite a bit of work,” she says.
Emporia State’s 17th President
Fall Preview
Basketball season just ended and spring sports are in full swing, but it’s not too early to start thinking about the fall athletic seasons at Emporia State.

Football
Fresh off a historic run to the national quarterfinals, the Hornets will open the 2016 season against the team that ended their 2015 season. Defending national champion Northwest Missouri will come to Welch Stadium on September 1 in what could be the first top 25 matchup to open a season in Emporia State history. The Hornets are set to return 14 starters, seven on offense and seven on defense, along with all of their specialists next year.

Volleyball
The Hornets will be looking to bounce back from their first losing season since 2006 when they open play this fall.

Soccer
After finishing with the second best winning percentage for a season in school history, the Hornet soccer team will be going for their back-to-back winning seasons for the first time in school history.

Cross Country
Emporia State cross country will have a pair of young teams as they try to move up in the MIAA this fall. The exception to the rule will be senior Emily Schoenfeld, a two-time All-MIAA performer in cross country for the Hornet women.

From Hornet to Olympic Hopeful:
The Josh Honeycutt Story

Former Hornet track and field standout Josh Honeycutt (BS 11 – Recreation, Coaching; MS 15 – Health, Physical Education & Recreation) is a 2016 Summer Olympics hopeful.

While at Emporia State, the Iola, Kansas, native became the 2009 indoor triple jump NCAA Division-II national champion. He also ended his Emporia State career as a six-time All American.

As a professional, Honeycutt became the 2013 USATF Indoor Track and Field national champion in the triple jump.

To become an Olympic hopeful, Honeycutt trains from four-to-six-hours per day while now living in Phoenix, Arizona. On a given day, Honeycutt’s training regimen could involve physical therapy, high-intensity sprinting, jump simulations, weight training and/or plyometrics.

Away from the track, Honeycutt wants to become an inspiration in what he calls “the Movement.”

“I see track and field as a platform to inspire other people,” Honeycutt said. “I see joy from other people becoming inspired. My movement is to empower other people on how to reach their goals.”

To learn more about Honeycutt’s journey, he can be reached at joshoneycutt@yahoo.com.

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But the 2015 season will go down as the most successful in 25 years in the MIAA and one of the best in school history.

The Hornets were picked to finish seventh in the MIAA in the preseason. When the postseason came around, Emporia State was 9-2, in second place in the MIAA and poised to make their second NCAA playoff appearance in three years.

When the playoff pairings were announced, Emporia State was listed as the seventh seed and had to go to NSIC Champion Minnesota State-Mankato for the first round. The Hornets did what no other MIAA team has done in the playoffs and came away from Mankato with a 51-49 win as Austin Morton nailed a 33-yard field goal as time expired.

After a trip to the frozen tundra of Minnesota, the Hornets travelled south to a rainy Arkadelphia, Arkansas, to take on GAC Champion Henderson State. Emporia State’s defense did not allow a touchdown as the Hornets advanced to their first NCAA Regional Championship game with a 29-3 win over the Reddies.

The post season run would end with a 38-17 loss to the MIAA Champion and eventual National Champion at Northwest Missouri.

All-American and MIAA Offensive Player of the Year Brent Wilson finished fourth in the Harlon Hill Trophy balloting for the best player in NCAA Division II Football. He was one of 16 Hornets that received some type of postseason honor. In addition, a total of 29 Hornets were named to the MIAA Academic Honor Roll for maintaining a 3.00 GPA.
Hornet alumni Pete Clarke, 74, and Carolyn Langenwalter, 78, each share the passion to run. Clarke (BSB 64 – Business Administration) won his first event at eight years old. After a decorated high school career, Clarke was a two-time, All-American Hall of Famer in cross country at Emporia State. He was a member of Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity and a U.S. Marine veteran.

In 2015, Clarke earned three top-60 USATF World Master’s Rankings within the men’s 70-74 age group. The Kingswood, Texas, resident transitions into the 75-79 age group this year and is gunning for records in the 100, 200 and 400 meters.

“Running gives me mental sharpness,” Clarke said. “It helps to mentally think through the challenges that running provides. Running also keeps my spirits going.”

Langenwalter (BSE 64 – Elementary Education, MS 69 – Educational Administration) became active by playing basketball with her third grade students until her retirement. After moving to Larksfield Place Retirement Community in Wichita, Kansas, Langenwalter gained her passion for running once she began training with Fitness Club director Amy Hall.

Langenwalter’s 2015 season included USATF World Master’s Rankings in the 75-77 women’s age group: three top-20 outdoor rankings and three top-10 indoor rankings.

Langenwalter is also a world traveler, but she doesn’t let her love of traveling keep her from her love of running. For instance, during the 2015 Hornet trip to Ireland, Carolyn found time to compete in two races on the Emerald Isle.

“Runners have to watch what they eat, walk 10,000 steps a day and do serious training,” Langenwalter said. “In order to be a successful runner, runners need to have the desire.”
Spotlight on Alumni

1940
Charles O. Todd (BSE 40-Mathematics), Pasadena, CA, recently celebrated his 100th birthday.

1950
Dr. Marlow Ediger (BSE 58-Elementary Education, MS 60-Educational Administration), North Newton, had his biography listed in “Who’s Who in the World” 2015 edition. He was also reappointed to the editorial board of Education, a journal for teachers, school administrators, and the lay public. He also authored several manuscripts and co-authored three textbooks. Dr. Ediger is 88 years old and continues to write daily.

Harold L. Thompson (BS 59-Social Sciences), Florissant, MO, was inducted into the 2015 ESU Athletic Hall of Honor.

1960
Pete S. Clarke (BSB 64-Business Administration), Kingwood, TX, two time Emporia Hall of Famer, now 74, is still active in track and field and is ranked in the top level of the U.S. Master’s Track and Field rankings for the 100, 200, and 400 meters for his age group.

Eddie D. Estes (BSE 65-Business Education, MS 68-Business Education), Dodge City, made Ingram’s “50 Kansans You Should Know” list for his accomplishments as president and CEO of the Western Kansas Manufacturing Association.

Floyd B. Hoelting (BA 68-Social Sciences, MS 69-Education), Austin, TX, retired from his position as executive director of Housing and Food Service at the University of Texas at Austin after 20 years of service and 48 years working in the higher education environment.


Richard W. Lind (BSB 62-Business Administration), Lawrence, had his paintings featured in the Chanute Art Gallery with an exhibit called “Landscape on the Road.”

Morris James “Jim” Smith (BSE 66-Physical Education), Bloomsburg, PA, retired from the moving and storage industry after 55 years in 2015.

1970
Michael S. Casteel (BA 77-Social Sciences), Fredonia, joined the staff at Neodesha USD 461, assuming the positions of U.S. history teacher at the high school and middle school, head basketball coach, and assistant football coach.

Jim H. Deister (BA 70-Psychology, MS 72-Rehabilitation Counseling), Salina, was featured in a documentary and accompanying book titled “50 Years Later, Welcome Home,” a feature about Deister, his life-threatening injuries, and dramatic rescue by Sammy L. Davis.

Judge W. Lee Fowler (BSB 89-Business Administration), Cottonwood Falls, was appointed to sit with the Kansas Supreme Court to hear oral arguments and assist with deliberations and opinion drafting for two cases in September.

Sue E. Givens (BSE 77-Elementary Education), El Dorado, made Ingram’s “50 Kansans You Should Know” list for her achievements in administration.

Debra A. Haley (MS 79-Business Administration), Durant, OK, recently retired from Southeastern Oklahoma State University.

David W. Kehre (BSE 79-Physical Education), Olpe, recently became K-12 principal for Hamilton USD 390.

Winston (BSE 64-Physical Science) and Caroline “Lee” (Mindedahl) Manning (BSE 65-Elementary Education), McLoud, OK, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 22, 2014. They celebrated by spending a day on the ESU campus with all their children, their spouses, and grandchildren.

Carolyn A. (Rosecrans) Langenwalter (BSE 64-Elementary Education, MS 69-Educational Administration), Wichita, recently placed sixth in the 100 meter and seventh in the 400 meter race in the 2015 World Track and Field Championships and is currently preparing for the World Indoor Championships in 2017 where she will compete in the 80-85 year old division.

Submissions
High-quality photographs are encouraged (jpg format preferred) and will be considered for use. Entries may be edited for clarity or length. Entries may be sent to alumni@emporia.edu or to: Spotlight Magazine, 1500 Highland St., Emporia, KS 66801-5018.
Larry L. Kennedy (BSE 75-English, MA 79-English), Meriden, retired after 40 years of teaching English, the last 33 years for Jefferson West USD 340.

Mark F. Kodack (BA 72-Speech, MS 76-Psychology), Beckley, WV, retired from Raleigh County Schools after 36 years.

Bob V. Leahy (BSB 70-Business Administration, MS 73-Business Administration), Monroe, LA, was inducted into the 2015 ESU Athletic Hall of Honor.

Joe (BME 75-Music) and Sheila (Merritt) Markley (BME 75-Music, MS 76-Music), Chapman, have recently been announced as co-directors of CL Hoover Opera House in Junction City.

Oliver D. Meliza (BS 77-Biology), Iola, retired from his position as chief medical technologist at Allen County Regional Hospital after 37 years of service.

Dawn M. (VanTuyl) Moews (BSE 73-Speech, MS 83-Curriculum and Instruction), Emporia, director of conferences and workshops for the Jones Institute for Educational Excellence in The Teachers College, is president of the Kansas Reading Association this year.

Dennis M. Nee (BSE 72-Physical Science), Lindenhurst, NY, retired after 43 years of teaching science.

Loretta J. (Wyss) Patterson (BSB 74-Business Administration), Augusta, retired from her position as director of Student Career Services at Butler Community College.

Billy D. Persinger (BSE 77-Psychology, MS 78-Psychology), Emporia, has accepted a position as CEO at Valeo Behavioral Health in Topeka.

Larry J. Powell (BSE 72-Business Administration), Salina, was named director of Economic Development for the city of Gardner.

Dr. Jim E. Reeves (BS 75-Biology), Atwood, podiatric doctor, retired after serving the community of Atwood since 1981.

Mark Q. Sevier (BA 75-Economics), Kansas City, was inducted into the 2015 ESU Athletic Hall of Honor.

Linda (Brogan) Sinnett (BSB 79-Business Administration, MBA 14-Business Administration), Lenexa, CFO of Design Resources, Inc., was honored at the awards luncheon for 2015 Women Who Mean Business.

Lee A. Spence (BSE 78-Business Administration), Hutchinson, made Ingram's “50 Kansans You Should Know” list for his accomplishments as president of Underground Vaults & Storage.

Philip C. Vieux (BSB 70-Business Administration), Garden City, retired after 33 years in office as a district judge.

John (BSE 70-Business Education) and Katrina (Morgan) West (BSE 67-Physical Education), Dighton, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 11, 2015.

Sam W. (BSE 73-Biology, MS 78-Physical Science) and Pat A. (Peterson) Wine (MS 77-Master Teacher Secondary), Madison, were honored as the 2015 Madison Days Parade Marshals.
Sister Delores “Dee” Long (MS 85-Master Teacher), Kansas City, MO, was one of 19 Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph who celebrated anniversaries of religious life in 2015. She celebrated 40 years.

Carol J. Ketterman (BSB 83-Data Processing and Information Systems), Irving, TX, was inducted into the 2015 ESU Athletic Hall of Honor.

Dr. Jeremy C. Kohomban (BS 89-Psychology), Pawling, NY, is president and CEO of The Children’s Village, which has been selected as a 2015 Angels in Adoption awardee for outstanding advocacy of adoption and foster care issues.

Brigadier General Christie L. Nixon (BS 82-Recreation), Minneapolis, MN, took command of the U.S. Army Reserve's Military Intelligence Readiness Command on August 1, 2015. The MIRC has 7,000 soldiers in units across the world.

Dr. James D. Persinger (BA 88-Psychology, Sociology, MS 90-Psychology), Emporia, was named the 2015 Roe R. Cross Distinguished Professor at Emporia State University.

Nancy A. (Thorson) Roth (BSE 89-Elementary Education, MS 96-Counselor Education), Sedgwick, is the new counselor for Valley Center USD 262.

George W. Staten (BSE 89-English, MS 03-Educational Administration), Beloit, is the new high school English teacher for Beloit USD 273.

Robert G. Swanson (BSE 89-English), Emporia, received the 2015 Greater Wichita Association of Fundraising Professionals Chapter President’s Award.

Linda K. Warner (BSE 85-Social Sciences, MA 88-History), Kansas City, is the new director of the Counseling and Advocacy Center at Kansas City Kansas Community College.

Clark A. Wedel (BSE 86-Industrial Education), Moundridge, is the new superintendent for Haven USD 312.

Dr. Patricia A. (Keller) Antrim (MLS 91-Library Science, PhD 02-Library Information and Management), Warrensburg, MO, was honored with the highest form of recognition from the University of Central Missouri, the Byler Distinguished Faculty Award, for her dedication as a skilled teacher and mentor for approximately 20 years.

Randy C. Berls (BME 95-Music, MM 07-Music Education, Vocal/Instrumental, Music), Goodland, has been selected as the Northwest Kansas Music Educators Association’s 2015 College Music Educator of the Year.

Kimberly D. (Matthews) Bray (MLS 94-Library Science), Salt Lake City, UT, has been named assistant director for the library department at the Miami-Dade Public Library System.

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Brent McCoy (BSE 12) and Lauren Muslow (BS 11), June 14, 2014
Brock Allen and Meghan Murphy (BS 07), November 1, 2014
Joshua Maguire (BSE 13) and Taylor Mason, January 1, 2015
Derek Kellison and Jaime M. Cripps (BSB 10), May 6, 2015
Clayton A. Houser (BS 11) and Randielle H. Pierson (BSE 11), June 2, 2015
Chase Casteel and Jenna Hoag (BSE 09), June 20, 2015
Joshua Klumpe (BS 14) and Lauren Sharp (BSE 14), June 27, 2015
A.J. Fitzgerald and Julie R. Dannen (BSE 15), July 3, 2015
Georgette Monaghan (BSE 75) and Rhea Jared, July 5, 2015
Aaron Lindstrom and Bethany N. McCormick (BSN 15), July 11, 2015
Jonathan L. Holsapple (BSE 15) and Megan K. Perry (BSE 15), July 11, 2015
Cristopher Gourley and Jenna Kinnett (BSE 15), July 25, 2015
Rick A. Ginter (BGS 96-General Studies, MS 01-Health, Physical Education, & Recreation), Emporia, returned to ESU to reclaim his position as throws coach for Emporia State Track and Field.
Kristy M. (Land) Hamit (BSE 99-Elementary Education), Overbrook, became the principal and district curriculum director at Scranton Attendance Center.
Dave W. Hendricks (BSB 90-Management), Emporia, became director of Development and Programs for the Kansas Masonic Foundation.
Jerilynn (Jones) Henrikson (MA 98-English), Emporia, has recently released a new book titled “Seven to One: My Life Measured in Dog Years.”
Drenda S. (Thomas) Higgins (BSE 94-Elementary Education), Wichita, is the new second grade teacher at West Elementary School for Valley Center USD 262.
Mike L. Keil (MA 99-History), Topeka, history teacher at Allen County Community College and outgoing president of the Kaw Valley Woodcarvers, has taken up woodcarving, one of the oldest art forms in history, and is working to keep this ancient practice alive. His pieces typically depict historical characters, such as Native Americans, cowboys, and frontiersmen.
Brent M. Lane (BSE 99-Social Sciences, MS 12-Educational Administration), Ottawa, is the new assistant principal at Ottawa High School.
Brandon J. Masters (BS 98-Biology), Rolla, MO, has been hired as Track & Field coach for the University of Colorado-Colorado Springs.
Jennifer L. (Keehn) McMahon (BSB 97-Management), Wetmore, recently trekked to the top of Mt Kilimanjaro in order to honor her late husband, Captain James McMahon.
Melissa M. Morris (BSB 99-Business Administration), Parsons, recently received the 16th Annual William and Allene Guthrie Van Meter Outstanding Alumni Achievement Award from the Labette Community College Alumni Association.
Kenneth G. Palmer (BSB 94-Accounting), Hutchinson, recently became plant superintendent with GBW Railcar Services in Omaha, NE.
Tarsha L. (Andrews) Rafferty (BSB 97-Accounting), Broken Arrow, OK, recently accepted a position with Macy’s, Inc. as the vice president of Production Planning at the new consumer facility in Owasso, OK.
Jeff M. Schoenberger (BSB 92-Management), Chanute, is the new sixth grade math teacher at Royster Middle School for Chanute USD 413.
Shelly A. Strickler (MS 93-Counselor Education), Colony, is the new career counselor at Ottawa High School for Ottawa USD 290.
Kenneth L. Upham (BSE 99-Elementary Education), Junction City, became principal at Morris Hill Elementary School in Fort Riley for Geary County USD 475.
Joseph L. Worthington (BME 96-Music), Cummings, recently became the high school principal for Jefferson County North USD 339.

Sarah M. (Phillips) Aligo (BFA 05-Communication), Cleveland Heights, OH, was promoted to senior director of Alumni Relations and
Development at the Case Western Reserve University’s School of Law in Cleveland, OH.

**Cameron M. Babb** (BS 07-Health Promotion, MS 14-Health, Physical Education, & Recreation), Topeka, is the new Track and Field/Cross Country coach at Washburn University.

**Jason N. Baker** (BSB 08-Accounting, Management, MBA 09-Accounting, Business Administration), Scott City, has been promoted to CEO of the Scott Cooperative Association.

**Adam R. Bowen** (BS 06-Biology), Manhattan, opened his own dental practice, Bowen Family Dentistry, in Manhattan.

**Matt T. Braden** (BFA 00-Communication), Sturgis, SD, uses his innate gift of perfect pitch, specifically the ability to hear and identify the individual sounds of an organ, to assist the organist and music director at Calvary Lutheran Church in South Dakota and provide suggestions for how to achieve better sounds from the instrument and also to better involve the congregation.


**Cory Cannon** (BA 01-Political Science), Emporia, completed a tour as the chief knowledge manager for Operation Inherent Resolve and has been hired as a knowledge management analyst for United States Forces Korea.

**Tyler Curtis** (BSE 01-English, Social Sciences, MS 04-Educational Administration), Emporia, recently completed a series of courses offered by Notre Dame’s Mendoza College of Business and earned an executive certificate in Transformational Nonprofit Leadership.

**Megan E. (Beattie) Day** (BSN 04-Nursing), Olathe, was inducted into the 2015 ESU Athletic Hall of Honor.

**Trista L. Espe** (BS 09-Crime and Delinquency Studies), The Hague, Netherlands, recently moved to the Netherlands to learn about their culture, work, and learn new languages. She is currently working at House O Orange in The Hague.

**Charla S. Heddin** (BSE 00-Psychology, MS 03-Special Education), Moundridge, was recently hired as assistant director of Special Education for Haysville USD 261.

**Randi L. (Ponton) Helget** (BSE 06-Elementary Education), Ottawa, is the new third grade teacher at Garfield Elementary School in Ottawa.

**Dr. Bill Jacobson** (MS 04-Physical Science), De Pere, WI, has successfully defended his doctoral dissertation titled “Field and Laboratory Study of Fláajökull Glacier, Iceland” at the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee.

**Natasha M. Jenkins** (BSE 07-Social Sciences), Ottawa, was recently named a Teachers for Global Classrooms program fellow by the U.S. State Department.

**Jerome D. Johnson** (BME 00-Music), Nortonville, is now the principal at McLouth Elementary School after serving as band director for 15 years.

**Sarah E. (White) Kennedy** (BSB 06-Marketing), Holton, recently joined the staff at Creative Business Solutions in Topeka as Human Resource Advisor.

**Christina “Tina” (Reilly) Khan** (MA 08-History, MS 13-Educational Administration), Emporia, is the new director of Community Corrections for Lyon County.

**Jennifer L. King** (MA 07-English), Great Bend, accepted a new position as head of the Youth Services Department at the McPherson Public Library.

**Dr. Jeff A. Kohlmeier** (BS 08-Biochemistry and Molecular Biology), Emporia, became Emporia’s newest orthodontist when he joined the Emporia Orthodontics practice upon return from his three-year orthodontics residency in Rochester, MN.

**Julie D. Looper** (BS 02-Sociology), Washington, DC, recently became senior health analyst for the National Association of County and City Health Officials.

**Kirstee A. (Stever) Lyon** (BSE 08-Elementary Education), Reading, recently became an instructional strategist at Riverside Elementary School for Emporia USD 253.

**Jordan Malone** (MS 07-Health, Physical Education, & Recreation), Mankato, MN, former Minnesota State football player, returned to MSU as defensive backs coach and recruiting coordinator.

**Amy R. (Nance) McDaniel** (BSE 01-Elementary Education), Valley Center, is the new third grade teacher at Valley Center Intermediate School for Valley Center USD 262.

**Scott M. Meitler** (BSE 01-Elementary Education), Ulysses, is the new principal at Sullivan Elementary School for Ulysses USD 214.

**Renelle R. (Christner) Mooney** (MS 07-Business Education), Russell, is now an instructor at McCook Community College in Nebraska.

**Elizabeth K. Moseley** (BSE 09-Mathematics), Emporia, is the new math teacher at Valley Center High School for Valley Center USD 262.
Ty A. Patton (BS 09-History), Towanda, was hired at McCurdy Auction in Wichita as general counsel and will be responsible for providing a resource for buyers, sellers, lenders, and title companies to navigate transactional issues, resolve potential title problems, and facilitate successful auctions.

Lori A. Puckett (MS 05-Special Education), Scranton, was recognized by the Friends of the COF Board of Trustees as an Exceptional Volunteer. She has served on the board of directors for COF for 14 years. COF is a social services organization serving people with intellectual/developmental disabilities in the Coffey, Osage, and Franklin county areas.

Shawn A. Rafferty (BSE 01-Speech, Theatre), Broken Arrow, OK, recently accepted a position at Jenks High School as the Debate and Forensics head coach.

Daniel Smarsh (BSB 08-Accounting, Management, MBA 11-Accounting, Business Administration), Dodge City, recently fulfilled all the requirements to become a certified public accountant and currently works for Smoll & Banning, CPAs, LLC.

Shanna M. Smith (MLS 09-Library Science), Mulvane, is the new library director at the Mulvane Public Library.

Tina Stillwell (MS 05-Educational Administration), Concordia, recently became the school social worker for both Valley Heights USD 498 and Vermillion USD 380.

Jacob A. Ternes (BSE 09-Physical Education, Social Sciences), Plainville, recently received the NASPA IV-West Professional Rising Star Award.

Lauren K. Turner (BSE 09-Elementary Education, MS 12-Reading Specialist/PreK-12, Master Teacher), Great Bend, is the new high school gifted facilitator for Great Bend USD 428.

Travis D. Van Vleck (BSE 06-Social Sciences), Rossville, is the new assistant high school principal for Royal Valley USD 337.

Michelle L. (McHenry) Wellington (BIS 09-Integrated Studies), Wellington, recently became an executive assistant at Exploration Place in Wichita.

Joel R. Wells (BSE 03-Elementary Education, MS 09-Educational Administration), Topeka, was hired as the new principal at Elmont Elementary School for Seaman USD 345.

Kristin S. (Erickson) Wright (MLS 08-Library Science), Overland Park, was named 2015-2016 Outstanding School Counselor of the Year by the Kansas School Counselor Association.

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Dr. Melissa R. (Swagger) Adkins (BS 10-Computer Science, Mathematics), Fort Collins, CO, received her PhD in Mathematics from Colorado State University and is currently employed as a systems engineer with Northrop Grumman in Aurora, CO.

Shelby N. Buster (BSN 15-Nursing), Hamilton, was hired as a registered nurse by Home Health of Greenwood and will provide in-home nursing care to Madison and the surrounding areas.

Mark R. Calvin (MS 12-Educational Administration), Bucklin, is the new fifth through twelfth grade principal for Bucklin USD 459.

Krista M. Diedel (BSE 15-Elementary Education), Lawrence, is the new fourth grade teacher at Lincoln Elementary School for Ottawa USD 290.

Jessi E. Divilbiss (BS 10-Athletic Training), Solomon, has been employed as a certified athletic trainer to assist Chapman High School athletes by providing appropriate pre-game preventative care and assessing injuries that occur during games.

Andrew W. Ewing (Ed.S 11-School Psychology), Pratt, became the executive director of Keystone Learning Services, an interlocal organization based in Ozawkie that works with eight districts across three counties to serve students with special needs.

Tiffany A. Fay (BA 10-History), Emporia, is the new young adult librarian at the Emporia Public Library.

Nikki A. (Schwerdtfager) Flinn (MS 13-Instructional Design & Technology), Lincoln, is the new high school business and computers teacher for Lincoln USD 298.

Jenna S. (Kinnett) Gourley (BSE 15-Elementary Education), Ellsworth, is the new third grade teacher for Lincoln USD 298.

Lindsey C. Graf (MS 10-Educational Administration), Tonganoxie, became assistant director of Special Education for Keystone Learning Services in Ozawkie.

Ambrea M. Henrickson (BSE 14-Elementary Education), Eureka, is now an elementary teacher at Yates Center Elementary School for Woodson USD 366.

Nathan S. Holoubek (MS 14-Biology), Cambridge, WI, was promoted to a position as senior natural resource research scientist (forest disturbance and fire behavior scientist) with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

Josh C. Honeycutt (BS 11-Recreation), Phoenix, AZ, ranked one of the top five triple jumpers in the United States and top 10 in the world, hopes to qualify to compete in the 2016 Summer Olympics.

Casey E. Hutchins (BSE 13-Elementary Education), Kansas City, is the new third grade teacher for Elkhart USD 218.

J.T. Jeffery (BS 13-Interdisciplinary Studies), Smith Center, accepted a new position with the Smith County Sheriff’s Department.

Natosha L. Jenkins (BSE 13-Elementary Education), Topeka, is the new first grade teacher for Osage City USD 420.
Sue Koenig (MLS 13-Library Science), Wichita, is the new library director at the Haysville Community Library.

Zach P. Lackey (BSE 11-Health Education, Physical Education), Washington, is the new health and physical education teacher; assistant high school football coach; and middle school girls basketball coach for Linn USD 259.

Daniel E. Leech (MS 14-Educational Administration), Salina, is the new high school geography teacher for Great Bend USD 428.

Anthony A. Markowitz (BSE 11-Physical Education), Emporia, recently took the reins as Emporia High School head baseball coach.

Jake R. Martin (BS 13-Recreation), Coffeyville, has been promoted to head baseball coach for the Coffeyville Community College Red Ravens.

cOlb H. May (MLS 10-Library Science), Henderson, KY, recently became director of the Henderson County Public Library in Kentucky.

Brent T. McCoy (BSE 12-Biology), Emporia, became scholarship coordinator for Financial Aid at Emporia State University.

Garrett R. Nekuda (BSE 12-Chemistry, Physics), Wakeeney, recently became the new science teacher for Wakeeney USD 208.

Kaitlin M. Peak (BSE 15-Elementary Education), Lenexa, is the new third grade teacher for Chanute USD 413.

Kristen A. Phillips (BSE 15-Elementary Education), Emporia, is the new fourth grade teacher for Centre USD 397.

Tammy L. Popejoy (MLS 10-Library Science), Manhattan, has been hired as the new director for the Clay Center Carnegie Library.

Elizabeth L. Rankin (MLS 10-Library Science), Hutchinson, is the new children's librarian at Liberal Memorial Library.

Chase J. Reed (MS 12-Adaptive Special Education), Chanute, is the new high school language arts teacher and debate/forensics sponsor for Chanute USD 413.

Rocky L. Robinson (BS 15-Communication), Sawyer, recently became the new sports writer for The Tribune in Pratt.

Tally L. Russell (BIS 11-Integrated Studies), Emporia, recently released a book, “Magnificent Midnight’s Marvelous Memories: A Loving Relationship Between a Young Woman and Her Therapy Horse.”

Miles Shirk (BA 11-Music), Emporia, became an agent at Farm Bureau in Emporia.

Anna L. Sielert (BSE 14-Biology, Chemistry), Emporia, is the new high school chemistry, biology, and environmental science teacher for Eureka USD 389.


Former Students

Mim Hiesterman (FS, CST), Wichita, South Central alumni coordinator, sported an Emporia State bike jersey when she recently completed a bike ride across the Erie Canal from Buffalo to Albany, NY.

Charles R. Ray (FS), Strong City, retired from his practice in Chase County after 40 years as an attorney.

Friends

Dr. Stephen Catt (CF), Emporia, was inducted into the KSCA Hall of Fame at the 2015 annual meeting of Kansas Speech Communication Association.

Dr. Brenda A. Koerner’s (CF), Emporia, grant proposal “The Impact of Fuel Load, Burn Season, and Fire Frequency on the Control of an Invasive Legume, Sericea Lespedeza” was selected for funding through the North Central Region Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (NCR-SARE) program. The award is $199,717 over 3 years. It was one of 11 proposals selected from a pool of 159 preproposals.

Bill and Joan Lauber (FSt), Osage City, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 25, 2015.

Steven A. Robinson (FSt), Olathe, is the new director of development at the Kansas City Baptist Association and Restoration House in Lee’s Summit, MO.

Emporia State Retirements

Tony Hall (BSB 86-Business Administration), Emporia, retired on Oct. 1, 2015, after 16 years as the web editor/writer and social network manager in the Marketing and Media Relations department.

Davonne (Hill) Lowry (FS, FSt), Emporia, retired on Dec. 21, 2015, after 30 years as an accountant in Intercollegiate Athletics.

Jan Noyes (BSN 95-Nursing), Emporia, retired on Dec. 31, 2015, after 12 years as an APRN in Student Health Services department.

Steven VanDeren, Emporia, retired on Aug. 7, 2015, after 11 years a custodial specialist in the Building Services department.

Stanley Williams, Emporia, retired on Dec. 28, 2015, after 11 years as a custodial specialist in the Building Services department.
Bristol Faith Johnson, daughter, born to Charles and Tiffany (Sellers) Johnson (BSB 09), November 25, 2014

Emmett Cole, son, born to Gavin (BSE 13) and Cassie Cole (BSB 12), March 31, 2015

Lucas James Buchholz, son, born to Chad (BSB 04) and Jessica (Linsea) Buchholz (BSB 05), May 8, 2015

Joseph David Livingston, son, born to David and Sarah (Holderbach) Livingston (BSE 04, MSE 10), May 20, 2015

Brett Leo Reinecke, son, born to Kevin and Amy (Marney) Reinecke (BS 04), June 5, 2015

Tristan Neal Weltha, son, born to Casey Weltha (BFA 05) and Beth DeBoard, July 29, 2015

Charles “Charlie” George Eimer, son, born to Adam and Sarah Eimer (BA 03), July 30, 2015

Roman Victor Tovar, son, born to Ramiro and Vicky (Ortega) Tovar (BA 10), August 10, 2015

Blythe Emerson Bulinski, daughter, born to Sean and Sarah (Albers) Bulinski (BIS 07), August 11, 2015

Cora Belle Inman, daughter, born to James and Christine (Marsh) Inman (BS 09), August 14, 2015

Lydia Martha Miller, daughter, born to Aaron (FS) and Carrie (Donham) Miller (BSE 05, MSE 10), May 20, 2015

Arthur Reed Henson, son, born to Chance (BFA 10) and Amanda Henson, September 21, 2015

Grace Louise Sladky, daughter, born to Kevin and Andrea (Gilligan) Sladky (BME 03, MM 10), September 26, 2015

Isaac Lee Rausch, son, born to Brian (BFA 01) and Melinda (Born) Rausch (BSE 03), October 23, 2015

Karlee Kaye Liggett, daughter, born to Jesse (BIS 12) and Kitty (Evans) Liggett (MS 03), October 29, 2015

Kenady Elizabeth Rincon, daughter, born to Michael (BSB 06) and Elizabeth Rincon, October 31, 2015

Griffin Carver Handy, son, born to Gary (BS 04) and Hailey Handy, November 2, 2015

Abigail Rose Cahoone, daughter, born to Kevin and Geneva (Halvorsen) Cahoone (BS 12), November 25, 2015

Brinley Grace Douglas, daughter, born to Zach (BSE 11) and Lauri (Durst) Douglas (BS 11), December 1, 2015

Harrison Ernest Townsend, son, born to Tyrone (FS) and Molly (Pannbacker) Townsend (BSE 11), December 3, 2015
In Memoriam

Those Who Have Gone Before Us
A tribute to Ethan Schmidt

Hornet Ethan Schmidt earned his undergraduate and graduate degrees at Emporia State in history and social sciences. He served as student body president, was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity and was the Newberg Distinguished Senior of his class. Schmidt earned his PhD in history from the University of Kansas.

Schmidt and Elizabeth Skolaut married in 1998, beginning their family of five. Schmidt became an assistant professor at Texas Tech University in 2005. In 2011, he was recognized receiving the President's Excellence in Teaching Award.

Ethan Schmidt joined the faculty at Delta State University, Cleveland, Mississippi, in 2012 where he soon became a respected favorite of students and faculty. He directed the First Year Experience programs. Through teaching in higher education, Schmidt served the common good until his tragic death in 2015.

President Glennen took the helm of ESU at a time when the university bore the marks of years of declining state support. He faced a $1.1 million budget cut, declining enrollments and even the threatened closing of the institution. He adopted Daring to Excel as his administration’s theme and challenged the university to succeed in academics, advising, extracurricular activities and athletics in spite of its current condition.

Twelve years later, the university was financially sound and enjoying a national reputation as a leader in teacher education reform and student retention and as an innovative marketer through its regional distance program in the School of Library and Information Management.

During his tenure as president, Dr. Glennen was instrumental in the founding of the National Teachers Hall of Fame. He has been recognized nationally for his teacher education reform efforts. He was one of six finalists for the AASCU 1992 Presidential Award for Support of Teacher Education. In 1989, he received the National Academic Advising Association’s Award of Excellence for contributions to the field of academic advising over a 20-year period. Personally, he has received the Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Portland, the Outstanding Faculty Award at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, and the University of Notre Dame Man of the Year. He was named a 1994 Kansas Master Teacher and was the 1994 recipient of the Mike Harder Public Administrator of the Year Award by the Kansas Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration.


Ethan Schmidt was engaged in professional associations and in the community through his church and public schools attended by Connor, Dylan and Brianna. Family for Schmidt was the center of his universe.

Those who have gone before can inspire and change lives.
1920
Mary E. Brainard (BS 21), Warren, MO, March 20, 1997

1930
Helen A. (Truesdell) Lovett (BS 38), Wichita, July 2, 2015
Evelyn J. (Gatz) Scheffler (LTC 39), Newton, Sept. 14, 2015

1940
Margaret A. (Whitlow) Anderson (BSE 48, MLS 65), Tempe, AZ, Sept. 8, 2014
Robert E. Bays (BS 46), Atlanta, GA, Oct. 6, 2015
Margaret Clark (LTC 39, BSE 41), Austin, TX, Sept. 16, 2015
Neysa C. Eberhard (BSE 44, MS 62), Newton, Nov. 4, 2015
Helen J. (Wallace) Handleby (BSE 46), Fort Collins, CO, Dec. 24, 2013
Forrest W. Harrison (BSE 49, MS 52), Vero Beach, FL, June 19, 2015
Barbara V. (James) Hayden (BSE 46), Lakewood, CA, June 6, 2015
Richard W. Lee (BA 44, MS 50), Newton, Sept. 14, 2015
Dorothy M. (Nuffer) McGregor (BSE 45), Lawrence, July 16, 2015
Abbie L. Miller (LTC 40), The Woodlands, TX, Nov. 27, 2015
Nadine M. (Merilatt) Mosier (BSE 48), Fullerton, CA, Nov. 20, 2015
Ralph C. Murphy (BME 41), Hutchinson, June 21, 2015
Calvin A. Polk (BSE 49), Hutchinson, July 8, 2015
Wilma M. (Berends) Roberts (BSB 46), Cherrycroft, NC, Dec. 8, 2015
Leila G. (VanGundy) Ruddick (BSE 48), Wichita, Aug. 22, 2015
Winifred “Freddy” E. (Varner) Seagondollar (BS 42), Raleigh, NC, June 29, 2015
Phyllis L. Sherwood (LTC 42), Belleville, Sept. 19, 2015
Charles L. “Chuck” Stuart (BSE 47, MS 53), Clay Center, Oct. 30, 2015
Shirley C. (Shaw) Wedd (BSE 42), Lawrence, July 15, 2015

1950
Charles A. Aldrich (BS 59, MS 60), Tulsa, OK, Dec. 4, 2015
Sherman W. Bowman (BSE 54), Wichita, Oct. 2, 2013
George R. Buckner (BS 59), Paris, TX, Aug. 6, 2015
Sylvia A. (Houser) Burnell (BSE 58), Litchfield Park, AZ, July 11, 2015
Roger E. Cartmill (BS 57, MLS 66), Gresham, OR, March 1, 2014
William L. Churchman (BSE 54, MS 58, Ed.S 64), Wichita, Dec. 2, 2015
Nancy L. Currier (BSE 54, MLS 62), Lago Vista, TX, Sept. 29, 2015
Dolores M. (Williams) Erickson (BSE 58), Scandia, April 10, 2015
John C. Fiedler (BA 55), San Francisco, CA, Sept. 13, 2015
Bill L. Freeman (BSE 53), LeRoy, Dec. 18, 2015
Jacquelyne Kim (Nichols) George (BSE 50), Beaver, UT, July 13, 2015
Nevoy G. Hettenbach (BSE 54, MS 58), Chapman, Aug. 5, 2015
Mary J. (Willhite) Jensen (BSB 51), Kansas City, MO, Aug. 15, 2015
Everett D. Kadel (BSE 50), Wichita, Oct. 11, 2015
Louis G. Laurenzana (BSE 52), San Diego, CA, Dec. 2, 2014
Squire G. Luttrel (MLS 57), Edmond, OK, Nov. 1, 2015
Myrtle O. Magnuson (BSE 59), Salina, Nov. 1, 1979
Donald G. Martin (BSE 59), Olathe, Oct. 2, 2014
Edward E. Moreland (BA 51), Dallas, TX, June 25, 2015
Orval D. Nelson (BSE 50), Emporia, Sept. 4, 2015
Rex W. Newbold (BSE 59, MS 65), Kansas City, MO, Nov. 2, 2015
Nadine A. Peine (BSE 54), Richmond, Nov. 17, 2015

1960
Erma M. Adamson (BSE 63), Wichita, Sept. 26, 2015
Clara C. Atkinson (BSE 69), Fall River, Oct. 8, 2015
Merlyn R. Bailey (BS 67), Overland Park, Nov. 2, 2015
Wilma Beckwith (BS 64, MS 70), McPherson, Nov. 29, 2015
Melvin G. Bolton (BSB 64), Wichita, Oct. 12, 2009
Larry W. Brake (BS 60, MS 65, Ed.S 69), Wichita, Nov. 2, 2015
Richard L. Burkhart (BS 63), Olathe, Aug. 5, 2015
Rose M. Cook (BSE 68, MS 81), Topeka, Dec. 5, 2015
Delbert L. Daniel (BA 63), Wichita, May 18, 2015
Donald E. Davison (MS 62), Wichita, Oct. 22, 2015
William “Bill” H. Denison (BSB 68), Overland Park, June 29, 2015
Nickolas E. Perikli (BSE 55), Cary, CA, March 16, 2014
David J. Rettiger (BS 56), Strong City, July 19, 2015
Robert M. Robson (BME 51), Baton Rouge, LA, Oct. 19, 2015
Ray S. Schenkel (BSE, MS 58), Great Bend, Dec. 15, 2012
Olive M. “Ollie” (Peterson) Schoof (BSE 55, MS 65), Council Grove, Dec. 15, 2015
David C. Smith (BSE 58, MS 60), Overland Park, Oct. 17, 2015
Gaylord E. Ukema (BSE 54, MS 58), Topeka, Dec. 7, 2015
Robert V. Vantuy (BSE 54, MS 56), Greene, IA, July 2, 2015
Lois E. (Shepherd) Wheat (BSE 58, MS 67), Strong City, Sept. 30, 2015
Merle M. Wiederstein (BSE 52, MS 59), Garden City, Sept. 12, 2015
John B. Williams (BME 57), Norman, OK, Sept. 20, 2015
John R. Zumalt (BSB 56, MS 58), Wichita, Aug. 21, 2014

LaVerna E. Dick (MS 65), Goessel, Nov. 20, 2015
Jim C. Downs (BSE 61, MS 65), Arvada, CO, July 11, 2015
Lloyd D. Dreasher (BSB 62), Worthington, MN, Aug. 25, 2015
George E. Faul (MLS 64), Dallas, OR, Nov. 3, 2015
Donald R. George (MS 65), Mulvane, July 10, 2015
Madeline J. (Briggs) Grosse (BSE 63), Concordia, Sept. 7, 2015
Patricia D. Gum (BSB 69), Manhattan, KS, July 21, 2015
Lois J. Parker (BSE 64), Buckner, MO, Nov. 19, 2014
Sharon L. (Bennett) Petty (BSE 65), Homer Glen, IL, Dec. 14, 2015
Delma (Walker) Ray (MS 63), Olathe, Oct. 3, 2015
Wayne L. Reiners (BSE 61), St. Mary’s, Oct. 12, 2015
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Judy A. Scribner (BSE 69), El Dorado, July 20, 2015
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1970

David H. Antrim (BS 71), Kansas City, MO, Dec. 7, 2015
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Janet M. (Montag) Brumm (MS 77), Mankato, MN, June 21, 2015
Dallas E. Burton (BS 72), Berryton, Sept. 18, 2015
Darrel G. Cole (MS 72), Elmore City, OK, June 17, 2015
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Ronald A. Hammel (MS 70), Clay Center, Oct. 16, 2015
David G. Hartwich (BSE 76), Wamego, Dec. 15, 2015
Jack A. Heyne (MS 76), Carson, ND, Oct. 27, 2015
Thomas H. Hull (BSB 77, MBA 87), Derby, Aug. 16, 2015
Frederick E. Johnson (BSE 74), Kansas City, MO, Aug. 5, 2015
Gary L. Johnson (BSE 77, BS 77), Wichita, Aug. 1, 2015
Joe A. Lang (MA 72), Wichita, Nov. 5, 2015
Stan L. Larrison (BSE 70, BSB 78), Coweta, OK, Nov. 25, 2015
Joseph H. Ladell (BA 72), McPherson, Sept. 26, 2015
Donna F. (Pinkston) Lewis (BSE 71), Emporia, Dec. 9, 2015
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Nancy H. (Valentine) Reusser (BA 73), Marysville, July 24, 2015
Sister Lillian Stecklein (MS 70), Wichita, Aug. 23, 2015
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Morris “Mo” William Taylor (MS 76), Topeka, Dec. 10, 2015
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Jerry L. Troxell (BSE 70, MA 89), Emporia, Dec. 13, 2015
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Virginia M. (Sacks) Williams (MLS 77), Lansing, Aug. 9, 2015
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Nancy E. House (BSE 85, MS 94), Olathe, June 19, 2014
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