

# The Spring 1998 Teachers College



### A Fond Farewell . . .

**Mr. Howard Carvaja**l, professor, Psychology & Special Education, will begin phased retirement.

**Dr. Colette Dollarhide**, assistant professor, Counselor Education & Rehabilitation Programs

**Dr. Mikel Johnson**, assistant professor, Counselor Education & Rehabilitation Programs

Dr. Glen Lojka, retiring professor, Health, Physical Education & Recreation

**Dr. Susan Scully**, assistant professor, Counselor Education & Rehabilitation Programs

Dr. Kirsten Skarstad, assistant professor, School Leadership/Middle & Secondary Teacher Education

Dr. Ronald Slaymaker, professor, Health, Physical Education & Recreation, retired as head coach, men's basketball, but will remain on the faculty.

Ms. Cindy Stein, instructor, Health, Physical Education & Recreation, head coach, women's basketball

## PROFESSOR RECEIVES ESU's HIGHEST HONOR

The chair in health, physical education, and recreation (HPER), has been named the 1998 Roe R. Cross Distinguished Professor, the university's highest honor. Dr. Joella Mehrhof, associate professor, was honored at a public reception held April 28

and was recognized during spring commencement exercises May 16 in Welch Stadium.

The Roe R. Cross Recipient is selected on the basis of teacher excellence, professional activities, fostering an intellectual atmosphere, service to the university outside the class-

room, and status as a student mentor. The award includes \$1,000 to be used for professional activities.

Dr. Mehrhof joined the ESU faculty in 1986 as an assistant professor in HPER. She has served as chair of the division since 1991.

## Inspiration for Teachers and Future Teachers

The 1998 National Teachers Hall of Fame induction activities will be held in Emporia from Thursday, June 25, to Sunday, June 28. This year's event, "Celebrating the Excellence of Teaching," will include many enjoyable activities in and around Emporia and on the ESU campus. Most activities will be open to the public either at no charge or for

a minimal fee.

The Saturday evening banquet on June 27 at 5:30 p.m. in ESU's Memorial Union Webb Lecture Hall will be followed by the highlight of the four-day event, the induction ceremony, at 7:30 p.m. in Albert Taylor Hall on the ESU campus. Open to the public at no charge, the induction ceremony provides the audience with an uplifting

and inspiring evening of presentations by the inductees and special musical performances by the NTHF Chorus, composed of students from across the U.S.

For more information about the National Teachers Hall of Fame or the induction activities, call (316) 341-5660, or visit the NTHF website at <a href="https://www.nthf.org">www.nthf.org</a>>.

## ALUMNI APPLAUSE

**Donny Forsyth (BS '90)**, Memphis TN, was selected to the **U.S.A. Triathlon National Team** in '97, competed in the World Championship in Perth, Australia, in November '97, and finished 39th in the world in the 30-34 age group.

Tiffany C. Nickel (BSE '95), El Dorado, KS, a sixth-grade science teacher at El Dorado Middle School, received the Celebration Award from USD 490 for the 1997-98 school term. After suffering a paralyzing neck-spinal cord injury in a 1996 Labor Day weekend diving accident in El Dorado, Tiffany spent time in various hospitals during her recovery and physical therapy from Sept. 1, 1996, to April 7, 1997. Since then, she has relearned how to write and feed herself and take care of all her personal hygiene. Now able to be by herself for 12 hours at a time in her own apartment, she is living independently and is back to teaching her sixth-graders.

Floyd (Stan) Standridge (MS '68), Salina, KS, guidance counselor/chair of the guidance department at Salina High School South, was named a 1998 Kansas Master Teacher and honored on April 1 at ESU along with the six other 1998 Kansas Master Teachers: Brian (Chip) Anderson, Central Junior High School, Lawrence; Candy Birch, Olathe North High School, Olathe; Janeen Brown, WaKeeney Grade School, WaKeeney; Elizabeth Cronemeyer, Tonganoxie Elementary School, Tonganoxie; Shirley Stein, Sullivan Elementary, Ulysses; and Carol Strickland, Emporia High School, Emporia.

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### **ALUMNI ACTIVITIES**

Annie Ailene Guy (BSE '52), Longford, KS, taught a total of 36 years throughout the state of Kansas. Since retiring she has cared for children in her home, quilted, and hobbled around her house

Victor E. McCabe (MS '52), LeRoy, KS, retired in '85. Sister Regina Link (BSE '54, ML '71), Leavenworth, KS, retired from St. Pius X High School in Kansas City, MO, in '97. She lives at the Mother House in Leavenworth, KS, and is in charge of the Mother House library.

John Woodward (BSE '54), Leavenworth, KS, is employed by Saint Mary College Outfront -Adult Basic Education in Leavenworth. He is working as an educational therapist at the Eisenhower VA Medical Center.

Mary Alice (Deputy) Beck (BSE '57, MLS '71), Clayton, NM, retired in '97 after 30 years in education. She spent the last 26 years as a library media specialist for Clayton Municipal Schools.

Don C. Wilhelm (BSE '61, MS '63), Brenham, TX, is the director of athletics and division chair of health and kinesiology at Blinn College in Brenham, TX. He is the NJCAA Region XIV Men's Director, NJCAA Football Committee Chairman, NJCAA Basketball Committee member, and on the Brazos Valley Sports Foundation Board of Directors. He has been at Blinn since June '94.

Ann (Barnes) Anway (BSE '62), Pebble Beach, CA, is retiring after a 36 year career as an elementary teacher in the Mesa, AZ, Jefferson County, CO, and Salinas, CA, districts. Her future plans include lots of travel with her husband and working with the local museums.

Mary L. (Johnson) Wilhelm (BSE '62), Brenham, TX retired from teaching in June '97 after 30 years of teaching first, second, and third grade. She was selected the Teacher of the Year in May '97 at Brenham Elementary.

Kathryn (Vance) Birney (BSE '62), Bucklin, KS, retired in May '97 after teaching vocal music in USD 424 for 14 years. Prior to that, she taught vocal music in Bucklin with "time-out" now and then to raise two children, both now graduates of KU.

Charles Larry Ziegler (BSE '62, BA '62), Louisburg, KS, is a retired engineer

Loretta (Scrivner) Whipple (BSE '63, MS '65), Shenorock, NY, has spent 32 years teaching in elementary schools in Yorktown Central School District

Jacob J. Barkman (MS '64), Elkhart, KS, retired in May '95 after 34 years in education. He began teaching in a one-room school in Marion County in fall '59. He served as an elementary principal for six years. His last 22 years were spent in sixth grade at Elkhart Middle School.

Roberta (Lytle) Grob (MS '64), Wichita, KS, retired from teaching in '84. Her husband, Paul, passed away 9/15/95.

Vivian (Lynd) Marshall (MS '66), Topeka, KS, married Donald W. Zimmerman in '83 (no name change). She retired from USD 501 in '85.

Judy (Sewell) Mazzarella (BSE '66, MS '83), Placentia, CA, was included in Who's Who Among American Teachers in '98. In '95 she was an associate educator in continuing education at Cal State University Fullerton and received an Honorary Service Award for LaHabra City Schools. In '93 she was a Mentor Teacher for La Habra City School District In '92 she was named a Master Teacher at Cal State University in Fullerton.

Marti (Watson) Garlett (BSE '67), Los Angeles County, CA, received her Ph.D. from The Claremont Graduate School in Claremont, CA. She is the new director of professional development for the Score @ Kaplan Educational Centers, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Washington Post Company, based in San Francisco. Her husband, Fred Garlett (BME '65), is the director of The Center for Accelerated Degree Programs at Azusa Pacific University.

Vicki (Sanders) Robinson (BSE '68), Salina, KS, married Stephen Robinson on 3/21/82.

Jack Wallace (BSE '68, MS '74), Scandia, KS, is superintendent of schools at Pike Valley USD 426. He spent 21 years as an elementary principal in Clay Center, Derby,

Patricia (Howell) "Susie Bonds" Enloe (MS '69), Wichita, KS, retired from education on 6/2/97. She taught for 31 years with the Emporia school district, the last 24 of which were spent as an elementary counselor.

Ronna (Lamoureux) Conley (BSE '72), Dallas, TX, is the director of Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation Medical Center of Lewisville. She obtained her master's degree in '83 from the University of North Texas in exercise physiology. She has two children in high school.

Cathy (Cook) Fitzsimmons (BSE '74), Dodge City, KS, is employed at the Kansas Heritage Center and volunteers for the Special Olympics.

Barbara (Ferris) Greene (BSE '74, MS '82), San Antonio, TX, is CEO of Greene & Associates, a strategic career consulting firm, and is co-author of the 1998 Texas Job Hunter's Guide. She and her husband John Greene, former ESU physical plant director, have two children, Maria and Mark.

Denise Scribner (BSE '75), Wichita, KS, returned to Wichita after working for 10 years at the Girl Scouts of America headquarters in New York. She holds the position of Older Girl Program Director for the Wichita Area Girl Scout Council. She manages all activities for girls in grades 6-12 and for girl sports, Old Cowtown Museum Living History Program, and Haunted Stroll events for girls in grades K-12.

Teresa (Gregersen) Owsley (BSE '77), Leadville, CO, is working on her master's degree in special education at the University of Northern Colorado. She is teaching special education at West Park Elementary in Leadville. CO.

Katherine E. (Miller) Bohnenkamper (BSE '77, MLS '91), Springfield, MO, married David A. Bohnenkamper on 5/29/94 at Thorncrown Chapel in Eureka Springs, AR. She was named to Who's Who in the Midwest in '96-'97 as a library science educator. From '95-'97 she was the vice president of the Springfield Area Library Association. She currently is the chair of the Reference and Information Council of Missouri Library Association and has been the historian of the Rachael Donelson Chapter of NSDAR since '94. On 5/30/97 she gave birth to a son, Daniel William.

MaryAnne (Baker) Lippincott (BSE '78), Wichita, KS, received the Citizens Justice Award in December '97 in Kansas City. Her son Jonathan, a twin, died on 4/17/94 at the age of seven in an accident caused by smoke blowing across the Kansas turnpike.

Joyce (Perry) Fitzgerald (BSE '78), Eureka, KS, is a licensed practical nurse at The Gran Villas

Patricia (Close) Walcher (MS '71), Wichita, KS, has been the library media specialist at The Independent School since August '97.

Kimberly (Heffler) Clennan (BSE '80), Topeka, KS, changed positions and now works for the division of continuing education at Washburn University

Debbie (Rexwinkle) Hanf (BSE '81), Moundridge, KS, married Scott Hanf on 7/24/82. They have three children, Amanda, born 9/8/84, Kaylee, born 10/28/88, and Rachel, born12/10/90. Debbie teaches third grade at Sunflower Elementary in Paola.

Ann (Pryor) Boyce (BS '85), Gardner, KS, married Tony Boyce on 8/31/96. She is employed at Community Living Opportunities in Overland Park, KS, as a behavioral teaching consultant.

L. Jay Peters, Jr. (MS '86), Kansas City, MO, is a licensed professional counselor, licensed marriage and family therapist, and addiction specialist.

Darrell L. Phillips (BSE '88), Shawnee Mission, KS, and his wife, Esmeralda, have been married for seven years and were expecting their first child in April '98. He is teaching physical education at Penn Valley Community College in Kansas City, MO, and is also the strength and conditioning coach for the men's and women's basketball teams

Carol (Witham) Harrell (BS '88), Moscow, KS, recently married Kevin Harrell (MS '96, Ed.S. '97) and is a special education teacher in Ulysses.

Joan (Whearty) Little (BSE '89), Holton, KS, had her first child, Kaitlynn May, on 5/3/97. She is now a stay-athome mom and leads a Growing Kids God's Way class at her church

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Pamela (Billquist) Robbins (BSE '90), recently gave birth to her third child, Paige Lucille, on 11/12/97. She is staying home to care for her three daughters, Marisa, Clare, and Paige.

Martha (Parkhurst) Cowen (BSE '90), Richfield, ID, teaches first grade at Richfield Elementary and has two children, Elizabeth, 4, and Lukas, 6.

Joan (Carley) Brewer (BSE '91, MS '94), Salina, KS, and her husband, Shawn Brewer (BSE '91, MS '93), have a daughter, Danya Jo, born 8/14/97.

Michelle (Mayleben) Lewis (MS '91), Durham, NC, obtained her Ph.D. in neurobiology in May '97 from UNC-Chapel Hill where she is a research fellow in pharmacology. She and her husband have two children. Michael Conner, born 1/30/98, and Guy, born 7/31/93.

Donna (Scott) Chenault (BSE '91), Weslaco, TX, married Christopher Chenault in '95. Their son, Zachary Daniel, was born 6/14/97. Donna earned her master's degree in education in '95 from the University of Texas-Pan American and is a certified reading specialist, currently teaching reading and English. Donna has been diagnosed with cancer.

Kristy (Anderes) Pauls (BS '92, MS '94), Emporia, KS, changed jobs in April '97 from the Mental Health Center of East Central Kansas to Kaw Valley Center as a therapeutic case manager.

Deena (Hartwick) Hilbig (BSE '92), Salina, KS, teaches third grade. Her son, Zachary Stewart, was born on 8/14/97

Jason Baldwin (BFA '93, MS '95), Highland, KS, is the assistant director/counselor of Student Support Services at Highland Community College.

Maggi (Studer) Kennedy (BSE '93), Emporia, KS, has been teaching kindergarten at St. Joseph's Catholic School for the past five years. She gave birth to a daughter, Maura Elizabeth, on 3/13/98.

Casey Wilcox (BS '93), Osawatomie, KS, works as the foster grandparent program coordinator and the vocational skills coordinator at Tri-Ko, Inc. He will graduate with a master's degree in psychology in '98. His son, Lane Michael, was born 6/24/95.

Heather (Criqui) Cress (BSE '94), Topeka, KS, is in her fourth year of teaching fifth grade at Tecumseh North Elementary. She and her husband Michael have a son, Connor, born 4/29/96.

Rena Cole (MS '95), Wichita, KS, is employed by COM-CARE-Addiction Treatment Center. She gave birth to a daughter, Peyton Marie, on 8/16/97.

Amy (Gale) Gillen (BSE '95), Garden City, KS, married Mark Gillen on 3/8/97. She is an ECSE teacher and consultant for Head Start.

Eugene Garrison (MS '95), Hays, KS, received his master's degree from Washburn University in May '97 and is a clinical therapist at High Plains Mental Health Center.

Marli Knight (BSE '95), teaches at Basehor Elementary School and will marry Stephen Brandt on 6/13/98.

Tammie Warren (BS '95), Kansas City, MO, has recently accepted a position with Sprint PCS as an analyst in the accounting department and is pursuing graduate school this spring.

Denise Ann (Akins) Garland (BSE '96), LeRoy, KS, married Brian Garland on 7/27/96. She teaches gifted children at Burlington Elementary and is working on her master's degree

Danielle Freund (BS '96), Hutchinson, KS, has been working for Stanion Wholesale Electric Company since September '97

Kevin Harrell (MS '96, Ed.S. '97), Moscow, KS, is a school psychologist and educational data analyst in Ulysses, KS. He recently married Carol Witham (BS '88) who is a special education teacher in Ulysses.

Deyna Johnston (BSE '96), Wellington, KS, teaches special education at Kennedy Elementary. She will marry Justin C. Smith (BS '96) on 7/11/98.

Amy Bowman (BSE '97), Wichita, KS, teaches sixth grade at Maize East Elementary.

Jennifer Soukup (BSE '97), Hartford, KS, teaches preschool children at ESU's Child Development Center.

Ami Younger (BME '97), Colorado Springs, CO, teaches severe needs children at the middle school level in the Fountain-Ft. Carson School District at Ft. Carson.

### NEWS FROM THE DIVISIONS

# Counselor Education and Rehabilitation Programs

• The division of CERP received two new, five-year grants from the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services, for its rehabilitation training programs. The grants, to begin in September of 1998, are for the master's program in rehabilitation counseling (\$486,402) and the undergraduate rehabilitation services program (\$352,966). The purpose of the grants is to create qualified professionals, primarily rehabilitation counselors, case managers and rehabilitation specialists, to work in various human service and rehabilitation agencies that help individuals experiencing a disability obtain and maintain employment and independence. This includes individuals who are experiencing mental illness, various cognitive and developmental disabilities, loss of vision or hearing, traumatic brain injury, spinal cord injury, and several other physical disabilities that result in mobility and vocational limitations. Among other provisions, the grants provide scholarships for students, with priority given to minority students and students with disabilities.

# Early Childhood/Elementary Teacher Education

- The division hosted the Infant Mental Health Symposium: New Directions, April 24-25. The symposium, the third held at ESU, was designed for practitioners from a variety of disciplines, with the goal of helping practitioners become more in tune with supporting the optimal development of the infant and young child within the context of the family. This year's symposium was intended for professionals who work with families in medical, educational, or early intervention settings, as well as those in private practice. Infant mental health represents a different way of looking at children and families, and is an interdisciplinary field which attracts nurses and social workers, psychologists and educators, parents and early interventionists.
- ESU, along with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and Iowa State University, sponsored a two-day conference titled The Experience of Infant-Toddler Centers in Italy: Reggio Emilia and Pistoia at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, April 20-21. From June 15 to August 15, 1998, there will be an international conference in Boulder, Colorado,

titled Weaning the Reggio Emilia Approach into the Classroom. ESU will fund the weaning project that will be completed by the participants.

• Mrs. Dee Ann Holmes received the Darrell E. Wood Service award during The Teachers College Faculty Recognition Awards in January.

## Health, Physical Education and Recreation

- The new model middle school health and physical education curriculum, 
   "Physical Focus," will be piloted this summer at ESU. Dr. Kathy Ermler and Dr. Joella Mehrhof are writing the curriculum, which will be piloted by 10 middle schools over the next year. After the initial year, the curriculum and training will be made available to all other middle schools in Kansas. This project was made possible through a grant from the Kansas Health Foundation.
- The sixth annual **TAKE AIM!** Summer **Physical Education Conference** will be held on the ESU campus on June 18-19. The conference brings national presenters to the campus for the 200 participants. The workshop can be taken for credit. Contact Dr. Joella Mehrhof (316-341-5946).

# Instructional Design and Technology

- A \$5,000 grant titled "Improving Math and Science Instruction with Technology" was awarded to the Emporia School District and ESU. The combined ESD/ESU team consisted of Gene Tibbets and John Harclerode from the high school and Dr. Jho-Ju Tu and Dr. Armand Seguin from the university. Two workshops were held at the high school on using technology, one involving using Microsoft Office and PowerPoint, the other concerning calculator-based laboratory units.
- Dr. Jean Morrow was named the Division 4 Distinguished Clinician for 1998 at the Association of Teacher Educators Conference in Dallas in February, nominated for her work with the ESU/Olathe USD 233 Professional Development Schools from 1993-97. Dr. Morrow also received the Excellence in Professional Service award for 1997-98 from The Teachers College. Additionally, she was appointed by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics to serve on the Board of Examiners of the

National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). **Dr. Jennifer Summerville** gave a presentation at the Mid America Computers in Education Conference in Salina, KS, in March. Her talk was on "Cognitive Styles, Hypermedia, and Implications for the Classroom."

## Psychology and Special Education

- The division has received final approval of its Special Education Interrelated program from the Kansas State Department of Education.
- Dr. Sheri Nowak coordinated the 1998 Winter Conference of the Kansas Student Council for Exceptional Children hosted by the division on January 31. Approximately 60 participants attended with representatives from Washburn University, Kansas State University, Pittsburg State University, and ESU.
- The workshop, "Aggression and Violence in Adolescents and Adults," will be offered for one credit hour on Saturday, June 20, and Saturday, June 27, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Contact David Gussac for more information (316-341-5317).
- Dr. Kirsten Skarstad received the Excellence in Instruction award and Dr. Ken Weaver received the Excellence in Scholarly Activity award during The Teachers College Faculty Recognition Awards in January.

#### School Leadership/Middle and Secondary Teacher Education

- Dr. Bill Samuelson was named the 1997-98 Friend of Education by the citywide Emporia Parent Teacher council for his work over the past five years for initiating, encouraging, and supporting the student peer-mediation program in Emporia.
- Dr. Cynthia Anast Seguin has been appointed by the Association for Teacher Educators (ATE) to serve a 3-year appointment on the ATE Commission on Utilizing Technology in Educational Perform
- Dr. Darren Smith was appointed cochair of the multicultural committee of the Kansas Federation Council of Exceptional Children.

## NEWS FROM THE JONES INSTITUTE FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

- The Jones Institute will offer its popular "Summer of Excellence" workshops this summer. The four workshops are designed to provide valuable information, hands-on experience, and positive insight. Participants may earn one hour of graduate college credit for each workshop attended. Credit enrollment and tuition payment will be done on the first day of each workshop. For more information, contact Beth Warren, Jones Institute, 877-378-5433 (toll free).
- ESU and the Jones Institute, in collaboration with Washburn University and the Kansas State Department of Education, have developed an Institute on School Violence. The institute is a three-phase comprehensive professional education and planning program addressing school violence prevention and intervention. The mission of the institute is to facilitate the development and implementation of an action plan for schools and communities to address issues of school violence. The year-long program provides the information, resources, and on-going support for
- schools or school district teams to develop and implement an individualized action plan. The institute will begin with a six-day residential program July 26-31, 1998, at Tall Oaks Conference Center in Linwood, KS, and will be followed by year-long implementation support, and a review symposium approximately one year after the program phase. For more information or to register, call **Linda Haze!**, Jones Institute, 877-378-5433 (toll free).
- · ESU's application to become a Reading Recovery Training Site was approved by the Reading Recovery Council of North America at Ohio State University at their meeting on April 6, 1998. Dr. Connie Briggs, assistant professor in the division of early childhood and elementary teacher education and Professional Development School faculty member, will receive training at Texas Woman's University during the 1998-99 academic year. Dr. Briggs will return to ESU in the fall of 1999 as a Trainer of Trainers, at which time postgraduate course work will be offered for Teacher Leader Training at ESU in conjunction with Kansas State University's
- doctoral program. Judy King will teach a Teacher Training class during the fall of 1998. The Teacher Training class is filled for this fall but will be offered again in the fall of 1999. For more information on Reading Recovery at ESU, contact Carlyn Strand, Jones Institute, 877-378-5433 (toll free).
- The Kansas Board of Regents Distinguished Professors Program is the topic of a study by Dr. Norene Daly, the 1998 Jones Distinguished University Professor. The study will attempt to clarify the purpose and philosophy of the Regents Distinguished Professors Program, including a consideration of its relevance in light of cultural developments since the program was first proposed by the Board of Regents and funded by the legislature in the mid-1960s. In doing so, it also will extend the historical analysis which was completed in the late 1980s. Dr. Daly, dean emerita of the College of Education at Iowa State University, will present her findings to the Kansas Board of Regents in the fall.

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