

Alumni Updates

Recent news about mathematics and economics alumni found in *Spotlight* magazine

2019

Ken Ohm (BSE 59-Mathematics), Topeka, recently published a book, “Brown Enough, A Tale of a Mixed-Race Baseball Team Summer of ‘56.”

Roy (BA 65-Mathematics, MS 67-Business Education), and **Mary Jo Gallup (BSE 65-Elementary Education, MS 70-Educational Administration)**, Emporia, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 28, 2018.

Duane & Pauline E. (Dean) Fishel (MS 76-Mathematics), Colby, celebrated 60 years of marriage on December 20, 2019.

Jesse W. Griffin (BSE 94-Mathematics, Psychology, MS 97 Health, Physical Education & Recreation), Lee’s Summit, Mo., was recently selected as the 2017-2018 National High School Girls’ Track and Field Coach of the Year by the National High School Coaches Association.

Judith G. “Judy” (Heckethorn) Noller (BSE 90-Mathematics), Marion, is a new math teacher at Marion High School.

Samantha L. Aeschliman (BSE16-Mathematics), Lindsborg, is a new mathematics teacher at Valley Center Middle School.

Michelle D. Foster (BSE 17-Mathematics), St. Marys, is the new mathematics teacher at Peabody-Burns Junior/Senior High School

2018

Bryan W. Schurle (BA 72-Mathematics), Manhattan, recently retired as a professor from Kansas State University.

Jesse W. Griffin (BSE 94-Mathematics, BSE 94-Psychology, MS 97-Health, Physical Education & Recreation), Lee’s Summit, Mo., was recently named the 2017 National High School Girls Track and Field Coach of the Year by the U.S. Track, Field and Cross Country Coaches’ Association.

Shawn F. Michaelis (BSE 99-Mathematics), Lakin, is the new Lakin High School principal.

Tricia L. Vogel (BSE 14-Mathematics Education), Clearwater, recently became the head softball coach at Washburn Rural High School in Topeka.

Aron C. Dody (BSE 99-Mathematics, Physics; MS 03-Educational Administration), Emporia, is the new superintendent for USD 417 Council Grove.

Eric C. Swanson (BSE 95-Mathematics; MS 04-Educational Administration), Russell, is the new principal at USD 503 Parsons.

James D. Meier (BA 05—Modern Language, BS 05-Economics), Hays, was recently sworn in as the mayor of Hays.

Kyle H. Edds (BS 12-Mathematics, Mathematics Dual-Degree Engineering), was recently awarded Professional Engineer Licensure, the engineering profession's highest standard of competence.

2017

James D. Holland (BA 93-Economics, Geography), Abilene, has been named the Community Development Director for the City of Abilene.

Carly T. Bowden (BSE 14-Mathematics Education), El Dorado, is a recipient of the 2017 Kansas Horizon Award.

Paul (BSE 40-Mathematics) and Margaret Miller, Wichita, recently celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary.

Jon M. Dunbar (BS 79-Mathematics), Iola, is a new high school math teacher at Central Heights USD 288.

Justin C. Smith (BSE 94-Mathematics, Physical Science), Ellinwood, is teaching mathematics at St. John USD 350.

Jamie L. Humlicek (BSE 09-Mathematics Middle Level License, English as a Second Language), Burlington, is the new Waverly High School mathematics teacher at Lebo-Waverly USD 243.