



The Teachers College



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New Teachers College Dean Named



An educator with more than 40 years experience in the profession is the new dean of The Teachers College at ESU.

Dr. Ken Weaver, currently associate dean of the college, was named to the lead position May 17, 2012. He replaces Dr. Phil

Bennett, who retires June 9.

“After a national search, Dr. Weaver’s track record as a leader having served as a department chair, interim dean and associate dean will be invaluable to The Teachers College as it continues its legacy of excellence,” said Provost Tes Mehring in making the announcement. “Ken is respected as an excellent teacher and scholar, and is actively engaged in his profession and university committees.”

ESU’s Teachers College is recognized by the US Department of Education as a one of only three models for teacher education. It recently earned re-accreditation from NCATE, the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

“Ken’s experience with accreditation in many disciplines housed within the college will position

programs well for continued recognition,” Mehring added.

“The Teachers College has sustained excellence preparing professionals and serving Kansans for nearly 150 years,” Weaver said, noting The Teachers College includes more than education preparation programs. It also includes nationally recognized and accredited undergraduate and graduate programs in mental health, rehabilitation services, art therapy, psychology, athletic training, recreation and leadership.

“As the new dean of The Teachers College, I look forward to engaging our students, faculty, staff and alumni as well as our P-12 partners in USD 253 and throughout the state, our community college partners, the business community and elected officials to create new opportunities for excellence.

During Weaver’s 26 years at Emporia State, he has taught education and psychology classes, and he has directed the Emporia State Honors Program and the 1992 Kansas Regents Honors Academy. He has served as chair of the department of psychology and special education and associate dean and interim dean of The Teachers College. In 1999, Weaver was named the Roe R. Cross Distinguished Professor.

Read the full media release at www.emporia.edu/news/

Students of The Teachers College Honored

Sixty Emporia State University students from The Teachers College received special recognition at the 28th Annual Teachers College Honors Banquet held the evening of May 4. Twenty-seven received outstanding student awards and 33 students were honored for achievement of a 3.8 grade point average or higher.

Undergraduate and graduate students were honored for excellence in their respective departments. Nine students received outstanding undergraduate student awards, 18 students received outstanding graduate student awards, and two were awarded the graduate research award for work they did together. The students honored included:

Undergraduate Awards

- Athletic Training – Emily M. Huston, Olathe
- Elementary Education – Robyn L. Myers
- Health Education – Aubrey Koeppe, Emporia
- Health Promotion – Emily Garcia, Baldwin City
- Physical Education – Tyler Goad, Mulvane
- Psychology – Kristi Gildner, Derby

- Recreation – Tegan Meadors, Olathe
- Rehabilitation Services Education – Kimberly Underwood, Emporia
- Middle & Secondary Teacher Education – Emilia Vaca, Emporia

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A Dean says Farewell

As many of you know I have decided to retire after 45 years as an educator. I started my career as a high school mathematics teacher in Illinois in 1967 and came to Kansas in 1976 to teach math and computer education at MidAmerica Nazarene University. I have been in Kansas ever since except for a four-year stint as dean at Lander University in South Carolina.



I came to The Teachers College in 2001 with plans to retire in 2008 but it is hard to leave a great place like ESU and The Teachers College so I stayed an additional four years. However, I feel it is now time to move on to the next stage of my life. It has been a terrific "run."

Even though I did not start my college career to be an educator, I could not have asked for a better career or a more wonderful group of people to work with. I have had an opportunity to touch many lives in many different ways. I am grateful for all the support I received throughout my career and an extra special thanks to The Teachers College.

Thank you also for all the well wishes, congratulations, and retirement gifts. I feel like I am leaving on a high note and that is VERY satisfying feeling.

Sincerely,
Phil Bennett, Dean of The Teachers College

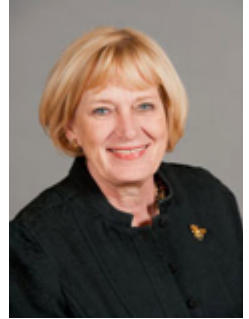
Oleen Speaks at Spring Commencement

The Spring 2012 commencement address was given by **Lana (Scrimsher) Oleen** (BSE '72, MS '77), Manhattan. She currently serves as chair of the ESU Foundation Board of Trustees.

Oleen was named a Kansas Master Teacher in 1985 and was a William Black Endowed Chair recipient. In 2006, she received the ESU Service Citation Award. She is an ESU Alumni Association lifetime member and former alumni board member.

Oleen served in the Kansas Senate from 1989 to 2005 and was the Kansas Senate Majority Leader. She has served on the ESU Foundation board since 2006. She founded Lana Oleen Consulting, LLC, and provides consulting services for higher education organizations and nonprofit foundations.

This was the university's 145th commencement. Approximately 600 students were candidates for undergraduate degrees which they received in May 2012 or will receive at the conclusion of summer classes in August. Graduate degrees were awarded to nearly 300 students.



Summer Hours at ESU

The Emporia State campus moved to summer hours on Monday, May 14, 2012.

For 12 weeks ending Aug. 3, most campus buildings and departments will be open from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays.

Most campus buildings and offices will be closed Fridays.

The campus will observe the holidays of Memorial Day (May 28) and Fourth of July. On those weeks, campus will be open three days rather than four.

In addition, certain departments will have different hours during the 12-week period. To find out more, visit www.emporia.edu/news/05/07/2012/summer-hours-announced-at-emporia-state.

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Steve Appleman (BMS, MS), El Dorado, is completing his 32nd year teaching in El Dorado. He and his wife, Susan (BME), have a son and daughter and two grandchildren. Susan is completing her 34th year of teaching.

Charles Baker (BS), Tucson, AZ, was inducted into the Sublette High School Wall of Honor in October 2011. Baker coached track, football and basketball at the high school. He also was a referee and trainer. Many of his athletes gained worldwide recognition and some were Olympians. Before his coaching career, he served in the US Air Force. He is currently living in Arizona with his wife of 63 years.

Josephine Elizabeth Bates (BS), Globe, AZ, died at the age of 92 on April 9, 2012. A long-time

resident of Arizona, she was a prominent figure in education in the state. She was named an ESU Distinguished Alumna in 1975, and received her master's from Columbia University. For 30 years she taught kindergarten in the Globe-Miami area public schools. She served in leadership positions in the Classroom Teachers Organization and the Arizona Education Association, holding every state level office in each of these groups at various times. During the 1950s she was instrumental in the desegregation of the teaching staff in the Globe-Miami schools. After her retirement from teaching, she accepted a position with the Arizona Education Association, where she served as an advocate for Arizona teachers for 13 years. Following her second retirement

she was elected to the Globe School Board, where she served for eight years, five of them as president. She was also an active member of the All Arizona School Retirees Association, in which she held the offices of state president, vice-president, and parliamentarian. Although she leaves no biological family, she is survived by hundreds of former students, and many friends.

Karen Benda (MS), Hillsboro, is finishing her 25th year teaching special education at Hillsboro High School after spending the previous five years teaching at Hillsboro Elementary School. She was named the school's teacher of the month in March 2012.

Mark Bretches (BS), Wichita, became the new director of events for Wichita Festivals in

early 2012. Previously he was the program director for the City of Great Bend.

Ryan T. Burns (MS), Topeka, is now the Immunization Program Director within the Kansas Department for Health and Environment's Bureau of Disease Control and Prevention. Previously he was a principal as part of the South Central Kansas Special Education Cooperative.

Joe R. Chalker (BS), Moran, died at the age of 77 on August 23, 2011. He started his teaching career in Westphalia, then Humboldt and Haysville. He served as principal at Campus High School in Haysville, Griffith Elementary in Wichita, La Cygne Elementary in La Cygne, and Crest High School in Colony. He also taught adjunct classes

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Distinguished Alumni to be Honored

The 2012 ESU Distinguished Alumni are: **Dale E. Cushinberry** (BSE '70, MS '72), Topeka; **Norma L. Hafenstein**, Ph.D., (BSE '79), Denver, CO; **Floyd B. Hoelting**, Ed.D. (BA '68, MS '68), Austin, TX; **Dianne H. B. Welsh**, Ph.D. (MS '84), Greensboro, NC. All four are graduates of The Teachers College. They will be honored during the Homecoming activities this fall.

Dale Cushinberry retired as principal of Topeka's Highland Park High School in 2010, capping off a career of nearly 40 years in education. He worked as a K-12 grade teacher, counselor and administrator in the Topeka school system and served seven years at Washburn University as a professor and administrator.

Cushinberry earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education, a master's degree in school counseling, and school administration certification from ESU. During his undergraduate days, he played on the Hornets basketball team and was named an All-American in 1968 and 1969. He has served on the ESU Foundation board of trustees and the ESU Alumni Association board of directors and is a member of the Athletic Hall of Honor. Former Kansas

Gov. Kathleen Sebelius appointed Cushinberry to the Kansas Supreme Court Nominating Commission, an 11-person panel assisting in filling vacant Supreme and Appellant court judge positions.

Norma Hafenstein is a faculty member of the Morgridge College of Education at the University of Denver. She is the founder and director of DU's Ricks Center for Gifted Children, a private school serving 250 gifted students preschool through eighth grade.

Hafenstein is also the founder and director of the university's Institute for the Development of Gifted Education, which provides graduate education, research, curriculum development and outreach in gifted education. The institute has hosted three national conferences on gifted education and published 12 integrated curriculum units and six monographs.

A native of Alma, KS, Hafenstein was active in A Cappella Choir and Chi Omega sorority while earning her bachelor's degree in elementary education from The Teachers College at ESU. During her professional career, Hafenstein has been recognized with a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Colorado Asso-

ciation for Gifted and Talented.

Floyd Hoelting has more than 40 years of experience in higher education administration. He is the executive director of the division of housing and food service at the University of Texas at Austin, where he manages \$1.7 billion in assets, an \$84 million annual budget, 1,200 staff providing housing, food services and student development for 8,000 students in 14 residence halls and seven dining venues, and 750 apartments for graduates and students with dependents.

A sought-after speaker and mentor, Hoelting conducted workshops and consulted for university staff and administrators on over 400 campuses across the country.

Hoelting earned a bachelor's degree in social sciences and a master's degree in educational administration from ESU. He has served as an



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for Ft Scott community College in El Dorado. Chalker was the first director of the ANW Special Education Cooperative in Iola. He ended his career as superintendent of Marmaton Valley in Moran. Upon retiring, he taught classes for Allen County Community College.

Claron Cole (MS), Garnett, died in February 2012 at the age of 98. He was an educator in Anderson County for more than 42 years, starting out in a one-room school and ending up as principal at the high school in Garnett for 20 years before retiring. He also served as principal at Longfellow Grade School, then Irving Grade School, and for 15 years at the junior high level. He served in the Army in World War II, creating programs to help those in the service who arrived illiterate. He was awarded special commendation for his efforts.

Bill Freeman (BS), LeRoy, retired from being the mayor of

LeRoy earlier this year. He served in the post for 21 years. Before coming out of retirement, he taught school and coached for a total of 36 years at Parker, LeRoy, Burlington, Osawatomie, and Lawrence high schools. He also served 12 years in the National Guard.

Arlin Paul Funk (BS), St Louis, died February 29, 2012 at the age of 43. He was a physical education teacher and a coach for 16 years. He is survived by his wife, Kimberly (Thornburg) Funk (BSE '94), and a son and a daughter.

James Theodore "J.T." Johnson, Leavenworth, died in early April 12. He began teaching in 1957 at Sumner School for three years, then three years at Lincoln, finishing at Leavenworth Union High School. He taught there from 1963-1994 and retired after 37 years of school service. He was a member of various professional teaching associations, NEA,

KNDEA, and LNEA. He served as president of the Leavenworth City Teachers Association and the Leavenworth Area Retired School Personnel Association. He was a member of the Leavenworth Advisory Board of the Council on Aging, president and a life member of the local branch of the NAACP, and a member of Sigma Phi Psi Fraternity and AARP.

Jeff Kohlman (BSE '84), Chase County, will be the superintendent of the Chase County School District on July 1. Currently he is the principal of Lyndon Elementary and Middle Schools. He has 25 years of experience in education, starting in Reading as a physical education and social studies teacher. Kohlman then taught at Kingman High School, Bern Grade and High School, and Arlington Grade School. He was an administrator at Lyons Middle School before becoming principal at Lyndon eight years

ago. He has also been a head basketball coach – for boys' or girls' teams – during his career.

Ty Piper (BSE), Montezuma, finished his first year of teaching government at South Gray High School where he also was the girls' basketball head coach. He worked as an assistant football coach at South Gray Junior High. Previously he coached football and basketball at Lebo.

Pat Powell (BS), South Haven, just completed her 28th year of teaching at South Haven. She coaches the junior and senior and high scholars' bowl teams and is the National Honor Society sponsor.

Clara N. M. Stark (BS, MS), Coffeyville, died October 7, 2011 at the age of 90. She was a teacher for 30 years, teaching in Chautauqua County, Wilson County, Montgomery County, and in Independence and Altoona-Midway schools.

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Education Expert Speaking in June



A highly sought-after and acclaimed speaker in education will be receiving a special award from the National Teachers Hall of Fame in June.

Harry Wong, author and authority in classroom management, is the 2012 recipient of the National Teachers Hall of Fame's Lifetime Achievement Award. To celebrate this honor, the Jones Institute for Educational Excellence at Emporia State University and the National Teachers Hall of Fame have arranged for Dr. Wong and his wife, Dr. Rosemary Wong, to present their workshop on "How to Be a Successful and Effective Teacher," to area teachers for a minimal cost.

The workshop will be from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, June 14, 2012 in Albert Taylor Hall, located within ESU's Plumb Hall.

The Wongs will demonstrate what effective teachers can do to improve student achievement. This workshop features common sense, research-based, non-controversial basic information, along with techniques used by effective teachers, all shared in an entertaining, easy-to-implement format.

Online registration can be found at www.emporia.edu/jones. For more information about this event, contact Lucie Eusey at leusey@emporia.edu, 1-877-378-5433, 620-341-5372.

Harry and Rosemary Wong are teachers. Harry Wong is a native of San Francisco and taught middle school and high school science. Rosemary Wong is a native of New Orleans and taught K-8, including working as the school media coordinator and student activity director.

Harry Wong has been called "Mr. Practicality" for his common sense, user-friendly, no-cost approach to managing a classroom for high-level student success. Over a million teachers worldwide have heard his message. Rosemary Wong was chosen as one of California's first mentor teachers and has been awarded the Silicon Valley Distinguished Woman of the Year Award.

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ESU Alumni Association board member. A native of Olpe, KS, Hoelting's family was recognized as a Hornet Heritage Family in 2008.

Dianne H. B. Welsh is a recognized scholar in international entrepreneurship, franchising and family business. She earned a master's degree in psychology from ESU.

Welsh has owned four successful businesses, and is president of Family Business First International, Inc., a worldwide strategic planning firm focusing on succession planning in the public and private sectors, entrepreneurial leadership, and employee reward systems.

Welsh is the Charles A. Hayes Distinguished Professor of Entrepreneurship at the University of North Carolina-Greensboro's Bryan School of Business and Economics. At UNCG, she designed a cross-disciplinary entrepreneurship program encompassing 40 courses in 20 departments, which won the US Association for Small Business, and Entrepreneurship Best Emerging Program Award in 2012, and the Global Consortium of Entrepreneurship Centers Excellence across the Curriculum Award in 2011. She is co-editor of the first comprehensive volumes on global franchising in emerging and industrialized markets.

The Distinguished Alumni Award is the highest honor that can be granted to an ESU graduate. The ESU Alumni Association awards the recognition during Homecoming, recognizing the outstanding professional accomplishments of ESU's finest graduates. Since the inception of the award program in 1960, only 215 alumni have received the award.

Homecoming 2012 will be October 8-13.

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She is survived by five sons and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Steve Traylor (BME) is finishing his first year in the music department at Hutchinson Community College where he served as director and instructor in jazz studies. Previously he taught at Central Wyoming College in Riverton, WY, where he was an assistant professor of music, director of bands and fine arts recruiter. He has performed with the Colorado Symphony and Ballet, Central City Opera, Denver Municipal Band and many jazz groups. He has performed with notable artists such as Mel Torme, Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons, Kenny Rogers, Harry Connick, and many others.

Justine Tuttle (BS), Norcatar, finished her first year teaching

first grade at Rawlins County Elementary School. Previously she taught in a head start program in Wichita. She and her husband have a daughter, Jade.

LeRoy H. Wichman (BA, MS), Fort Collins, CO, died January 30, 2012. Upon finishing his education from ESU, he moved on to one of his passions - exploring the world and other cultures, which he did as a teacher of the children of military personnel in Libya, Japan and Germany. His career spanned over 40 years, teaching dependents of military personnel overseas. He retired in 2002 and returned to the US, making Fort Collins his new home. In retirement, he devoted much time to teaching foreign students and foreign priests English. He volunteered with Catholic Charities and was active

in the Knights of Columbus.

1960s

Wanda Stallings (BA '66, MS '72), Garden City, had her watercolors displayed at the Garden City Community College's Mercer Gallery in August 2011. Her subjects include people, animals and flowers as well as scenes of the High Plains. She also had a painting included in the City of Brea Art Gallery in October in the Los Angeles area. She belongs to the Garden City Arts and the Sandhills Art Association. She is also affiliated with the Hutchinson and Hays art centers and the Wichita Center for the Arts.

Lee Ann (Gleason) Antes (BS '77), Edgerton, retired from teaching in 2009 after 32 years of service to the children of Kansas. She taught in four school districts: Atchison County

Community Schools USD 377, Topeka Public Schools USD 501, Shawnee Mission Schools USD 512, and Olathe USD 233.

1970s

Clay S. Vincent (BS '79), Havre, MT, works for Hill County Health and Planning doing subdivision planning and overseeing all the inspections for food services, pools and public accommodations.

1980s

Maureen T. (O'Connell) Alexander (BS '80, MS '81), Overland Park, is a Regional Manager for the State of Missouri - Vocational Rehabilitation Office.

1990s

Kim R. Tomlinson (BS '91, MS '93), Fort Smith, AR, is completing her first year as the academic advisor for the college

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Chloe Fischer hugs Emporia State University President Michael D. Shonrock during his visit to the Center for Early Childhood Education on the ESU campus Monday, Feb. 13, 2012.

President Visits Center for Early Childhood Education

Jungle noises and milk and cookies were part of the fun when **President Michael D. Shonrock** visited ESU's littlest Hornets.

Shonrock's visit came after a class from the Center for Early Childhood Education travelled to his office in Plumb Hall on Jan. 3 to welcome him to campus.

During Shonrock's visit on the center on Feb. 13, the president read "Walking Through the Jungle" by Debbie Harter, which was punctuated by the children demonstrating animal sounds. After the book, the crowd enjoyed Valentine's cookies and milk, along with hugs and high fives.

The CECE, located in the Butcher Education Center at 15th and Merchant, strives to provide a high quality early childhood environment for children of ESU students, faculty, and the surrounding community. In addition, CECE serves as a practicum and observation site for ESU students training to be early childhood and early childhood special education teachers.

New Director at OPES

Dr. Steve Neill is the new director of the Office of Professional Education Services (OPES). The previous director, Sue Peterson, retired at the end of the Fall 2011 semester. Neill has been a faculty member at ESU since 2002.

OPES houses many programs including teacher licensure, field experience for Introduction to Teaching, and the Family Literacy Program.

In addition, OPES serves as the liaison between ESU and school districts or other organizations for placing students (graduate and undergraduate) in laboratory experiences. OPES maintains student records for all students seeking licensure.

More information about OPES can be found at www.emporia.edu/teach/opes/.

New Executive Director Named at Jones Institute

Dr. Roger Caswell has been named the executive director of the Jones Institute for Educational Excellence at ESU.

Caswell stepped into his new role upon the retirement of Dr. Larry Clark. Clark was the head of JIEE for the past eight years.

Caswell has been with JIEE since June 2006 when he became director of the Great Plains Center for National Teacher Certification.

Before coming to ESU, Caswell was a teacher in USD 320 Wamego and USD 378 Riley County. He has more than 20 years of K-12 teaching experience, mostly at the middle school level.

JIEE is a non-profit organization partially funded by the W.S. and E.C. Jones Trust of Lyon County, Kansas. Additional funding and services are made possible through grants, contracts, and the State of Kansas.



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Lattner Student Teacher Scholarship Program

ESU's Lattner Student Teacher Scholarship Program is supported by a matching gift from the Lattner Family Foundation. Scholarships will be available to help students complete ESU's rigorous field experience teacher-education program. Your tax-deductible contribution to this effort is deeply appreciated. Please make your check payable to the ESU Foundation and note "Lattner Student Teacher Education Scholarship" on the memo line. Mail your check to:

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ESU IDT Alumna Receives National Award



Cynthia S. Johnson (at right, pictured with her husband) was awarded the Secondary Business Teacher of the Year Award at the National Business Education Association Conference, held in Boston, MA, in April. Johnson is the 35th educator to win this national award since its inception in 1978.

Johnson (MS in Instructional Design and Technology, 2003) is a secondary business teacher at Jefferson County North High School in Winchester, Kansas. She has taught computer courses the high school for 12 years and works with web design and yearbook students.

The award she received is presented annually to a secondary business teacher who made significant contributions to the field of business education by implementing creative and innovative ideas in the classroom, by involvement in department or school activities, and by participation in professional organizations.

Nominations are made by a National Business Education Association member or by the executive boards of affiliated local, state, or regional associations. After winning the regional teaching award, Johnson was nominated by a collegiate colleague from Nebraska. A panel of distinguished, anonymous judges evaluated each nomination packet to determine the award winner.

The National Business Education Association (NBEA) represents business educators from across the country and is the nation's leading professional organization devoted exclusively to serving individuals and groups engaged in business instruction, administration, and research.

Graduates Earn Horizon Awards

Two of the 2012 Kansas Cable Telecommunications Horizon Award recipients earned their degrees in 2010 from The Teachers College at ESU.

Stephanie Beardslee, a science teacher at Emporia High School, earned her bachelor of science in education in biology and earth science.

Katelyn Kennedy, a first-grade teacher at Emporia's Walnut Elementary School earned her bachelor of science in elementary education.

The Kansas Cable Telecommunications Horizon Awards are sponsored by the KSDE and the Kansas Cable Telecommunications Association. This program recognizes exemplary first-year educators. The program each year selects four elementary and four secondary classroom teachers from each of KSDE's four regions of the state.

Each teacher was informed of the award by Diane DeBacker, Kansas commissioner of education.

"It is a pleasure to offer my congratulations to the recipients of the Kansas Horizon Award," DeBacker said. "Hearing about the passion, commitment and dedication demonstrated by these early-career educators is truly inspiring. I am excited about the future for Kansas education knowing we continue to bring individuals of this caliber to the teaching profession."

These two teachers, along with the rest of the 31-member 2012 class of Horizon winners, were honored Feb. 24 during the Kansas Exemplary Educator Network state education conference.

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of education at the University of Arkansas-Fort Smith. She and her husband have two children, Emily, 7, and Benjamin, 4.

Rhonda Renken (BSE '93), Little River, is finishing her first year as a para-educator at Windom. Previously she taught for seven years at St Theresa's in Hutchinson and ran a home day care for 10 years. She and her husband, Terry (BSE '93), have five children, Tevin, Mariah, Melonie, McKenzie and Logan.

Tamara (Tammi) J. (Roper) Mitchell (BSE '94), MLS '97), Ulysses, was an elementary librarian in USD 214 for 15 years, then her position was changed to a third grade classroom teacher. Her son, Keenan, graduated high school in 2010 is in his second year at Colorado School of Mines.

Larry Stockebrand (BS), Yates Center, teacher at Yates Center Elementary was the 2011 Jump Rope for Heart Coordinator of the Year. He has coordinated the event every year for the past 31 years. American Heart Association youth market director, Sara Askew, writes "(He) continues to make a difference in the lives of his students and his community, one jump at a time." Over the years, Stockebrand and the Yates Center community have donated more than \$61,000 to the American Heart Association.

For his achievement he received the KAHPERD's Jump Rope for Heart Coordinator of the Year Award for 2011.

Stockebrand received a heartwarming letter of support from a former student who, at the age of 12, was diagnosed with a heart murmur and underwent successful heart surgery. It was Stockebrand who encouraged her and told her that - because of her previous year's participation in Jump Rope for Heart - it would be like she was jumping for her own heart.

Wayne Greenlee (MS '95), South Haven, just finished his 20th year at South Haven and his ninth year as the English and yearbook instructor. He is also the student council advisor and this year's senior sponsor.

Andrea J. (Hawkins) Wood (BSE '96, MS '07), Ellis, is a English teacher for USD 388. She and her husband have a son, James Donald Wood, born July 30, 2011. They also have two daughters, Lauren and Ava.

Kristi A. (Nightingale) Altenburg (BSE '97, MS '10), Holton, is a sixth grade teacher in USD 335 where she was named the 2012 District Teacher of the Year.

2000s

Trudy Wischropp (BSE '98, MS '05), Horton, is finishing her first year as a Title I Coordinator/Reading Specialist at Horton Elementary School. Previously she taught at Hiawatha Middle School.

Connie Allmond (BSE '99, MS '02), El Dorado, is teaching at El Dorado Middle School. She has been there for more than 20 years. She and her husband have three grown children and seven grandchildren.

Stacey Williams (BME '99), Atwood, is finishing her first

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Students Work to Build Support for NTHF

The last semester of one's senior year in college is usually spent focusing on self and future employment, but that is not the main focus of three dynamic students at ESU. Their focus is outward toward a lofty goal of helping the National Teachers Hall of Fame.

For **Beka Enoch** of Manhattan, **Holli Schletzbaum** of Wichita and **Kelsey Cowan** of Olathe, Emporia and ESU have become a meaningful part of their young lives. They wanted to give back and leave a legacy when they graduated in May.

Their goal: to promote awareness of the hall of fame and to raise one million dollars in one semester. Their plan: encourage everyone in America to honor a teacher through the "One in a Million" campaign.

"It's such a simple idea, really," explains Schletzbaum. "We can all remember teachers who have made a difference in our lives, and this is an affordable, tangible way to say thank you. So often, teachers don't receive the recognition they deserve, but they are always blamed when something goes wrong!"



The National Teachers Hall of Fame, founded in 1989, is located on the campus of ESU. Each year, a national selection committee screens the nomination packets and selects the five outstanding veteran

teachers to be inducted during ceremonies in June. There are 100 members of the hall, and the new class will be inducted on June 15 of this year.

"Anyone can help in this effort," explains Cowan. "We will place the name of the honored teacher and the comments made on the NTHF website [www.nthf.org] and in the museum. We are asking for only a \$1 minimum donation and words that will thank the favorite teacher. The form is on the website, and it will take a few minutes and a stamp to make teachers know that they have made a difference in students' lives."

"We are using all forms of media to reach America," adds Enoch. "We wanted to see if we can stir the same enthusiasm and passion that we have for this project throughout the country. We're on Facebook and Twitter, and we are seeking coverage in newspapers, magazines, radio,

Congratulations to the 2012 NTHF Inductees



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David Brock, Baltimore, MD
James Brooks, Millers Creeks, NC
Scott Charlesworth-Seiler, Crystal, MN
Glenn Lid, Maywood, IL
Deborah Tackmann, Eau Claire, WI

The five inductees were honored on Washington, DC on May 8 during a reception at the National Education Association

headquarters. They will be in Emporia June 13-15 for a series of recognition events. The NTHF was featured in a Education Week blog on May 14; read the article at blogs.edweek.org/edweek/john_wilson_unleashed/2012/05/national_teachers_hall_of_fame_is_a_gift.html?qs=National+Teachers+Hall+of+Fame

and television. We want everyone to know about the campaign."

It is an ambitious goal, but one that the young women are pursuing with positive excitement.

Schletzbaum expresses it well: "We want to make a difference and ensure the National Teachers Hall of Fame continued success in honoring teachers. Where would any of us be today if it weren't for caring teachers who have made a difference in our lives? I can't think of a better way to honor teachers than to join the 'One in a Million' campaign."

As of press time, the students' efforts had raised \$2,463. On National Teacher Day on May 8, Emporia USD 253 teachers and students raised an additional \$100 for the hall.

Shepherd Scholars Named

Two students from The Teachers College were named among the 11 newest Shepherd Scholars in early May.

Brittanie Nichole McKenna, Elementary Education, and **Kaitlin Moore**, Elementary Education & ESL will receive plaques and a \$1000-award each to recognize their achievements.

Celebrating the promise of continued academic achievement, the students are designated ESU Shepherd Scholars for their senior year during 2012-13.

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year as the new band director at Rawlins County High School. Previously she taught instrumental music for grades 5-8 in Colby and taught grades 5-12 band in Eureka.

Steve Maltby (BSE '00), Rossville, finished his first year teaching sixth grade at Rossville Grade School. Previously he taught at Madison Elementary School for 10 years.

Kristi Pugh (BSE '00), Andover, is finishing her first year teaching fourth grade at the Rose Hill Primary School. Previously she taught fourth grade for six years and special education for one at USD 394. She and her husband have twin daughters,

Brekynn and Olyvia.

Amanda D. (McDowell) Franklin (BSE '01), Lindsborg, became director of the YMCA Children Center in her hometown of Lindsborg, KS in early October 2011. She writes, "I left high school with the dream to get my degree in education and early childhood to return to Lindsborg and run a day care/preschool that would house children ages six weeks to school age."

Christi Honse Schumaker (BSE '03), Horton, is finishing her first year as a tutor/reading specialist at Horton Elementary School. Previously she taught at Jackson Heights.

Monica Countryman (MS

'04), Quinter, and husband, Toby (BSE '93, MS '06), are completing their first year in Quinter – she as a high school science teacher, he as principal – both at Quinter High School. They have three children: Kaitlyn, Brooklyn, and Kade.

Preston (BSE '05) and Lisa (BSE '02, MS '05) Scarrow, Sedan, are finishing their first year as new educators in the West Elk School District. Lisa is completing her first year as the preK-6 principal. Preston is the high school's business and computers teacher and is the assistant boys' basketball coach. They have two children, Addysin and Gannon.

Rachel (Bacon) Slusser (BSE

'05), Lawrence, is a second grade teacher in the Shawnee Heights USD 450 school district. She and her husband adopted a boy, Cameron Allen Stetson Slusser, born in October 2011.

Judy Dickman (MS '07), Hiawatha, became the Horton Elementary School principal at the beginning of the 2011-12 school year. Previously she was the Title I Coordinator/reading Specialist at the school.

Melissa Coleman (BSE '08, MS '11), Emporia, began her teaching career this academy year at Lebo Elementary School where she served as a reading support teacher. Previously she taught at

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Graduate Awards

Art Therapy – Tamara R. Schardt, Wayne, NE
 Clinical Psychology – Joshua T. Gilbertson, Wichita
 Curriculum & Instruction – Helen Kathleen Pugh, Enterprise
 Early Childhood Education – Susan D. Hostetter, Winfield
 Educational Administration – Timothy J. Swartzendruber, Hesston
 Experimental Psychology – Tamara E. Stimatze, Emporia
 Industrial/Organizational Psychology – Myles D. Louderback, Topeka
 Instructional Design & Technology – Lori E. Swim, Marysville
 Master Teacher-Teacher Reading Specialist – Susan Catherine Johnson, Leawood
 Mental Health Counseling – Derrek Danial Zietz, El Dorado
 Physical Education – Daniel E. O'Connell, Lawrence
 Rehabilitation Counseling – Elaine Dimura Reichert, Emporia
 Special Education-Adaptive – Joel Ryan Naaf, Home
 Special Education-Gifted – Jessica Asbury, Kansas City
 School Counseling – Monique Litherland, Topeka
 School Psychology – Alicia L. Smith, Salina

The 2012 Graduate Research Award went to Jason Baker, Lee's Summit, MO, and Michael Stewart, Shawnee, KS for their research conducted for the 2011 PacifiCorp Design and Development Competition. The assigned problem was to implement a training program for a small company on the handling and disposal of low-level radioactive waste. The Baker-Stewart team won the nation-wide competition, advancing over two teams of doctoral students from universities with top programs in the field.

Honored Students

The following 33 undergraduate students were also recognized for a cumulative grade point average of 3.8 or higher. These students are due to graduate or have graduated in December 2011, May 2012 or August 2012:

Admire - Audra Sundberg	Lawrence - Natalie Kay Rabiola,
Augusta - Ashley Nicole Branine,	Mallory Blair West
Breanna Marie Morrison	Lenexa - Katelyn Mona
Benton - Christine Forester	Leon - Heather Anne Gillis
Derby - Valerie Elizabeth Patterson	McPherson - Kelsey E. Bravi
Emporia - Asher A. Delmott,	Osage City - Marcy D. Allen
Lindsay R. Dorsch, Joshua	Oskaloosa - Myla Ranea
Harrison East, Tyler Goad, Jack	Heston
Jason Greever, Katherine Mosher,	Oxford - Jane Margaret Epp
Chelsea Pearson, Emilia Vaca	Shawnee - Elizabeth Lynn
Garden City - Erin Elizabeth	Stevenson
Marshal	Whitewater - Adriana Marie
Hartford - Holly Thomsen	Claassen
Haysville - Katherine E.	Wichita - Hannah McKay Foster,
McCartney	Jessica Lynne Romine, Kevin T.
Holton - Rachel DeLay	Roulhac
Humboldt - Terra D. Woods	Williamsburg - Miranda D. Renfro
Kansas City - Rosa Mae Rose	

Pictured below: Eighteen of the 33 undergraduate students recognized for cumulative GPAs of 3.8 or higher. For pictures from the honors banquet, contact Terri Weast at tweast@emporia.edu.



ESU Students Work with Middle School Students

It was wall-to-wall math games as ESU students, most of them mathematics education majors, challenged Emporia Middle School students to display their problem-solving skills in early March.

Called "Around the World in Two Hours," the event attracted students and their parents from all over the city. The project was created by the students in the Teaching Middle and Secondary Mathematics course taught by Dr. Connie Schrock.

At her station in the hallway of the middle school, ESU student volunteer Christina Poindexter gave middle school students puzzles that tested their

problem-solving skills in a fun way. They had to match, according to difficulty, puzzle-pieces of squares, triangles, rectangles, etc., in formations matching several sheets of paper.

Middle school students and their parents went through 25 math game stations, including Sudoku, Tic-Tac-Geometry with world destinations, and paying for souvenirs in Euros. The students even wound and released rubber-band cars to test distance and drag.

The evening came together with the help of more than 60 other ESU students who volunteered to help.



ESU math major Libby Mullin demonstrates how a rubber-band car works to measure distance and drag at EMS Family Math Night.

Retiring Faculty Honored

Seven faculty members receive special recognition at Teachers College Honors Banquet



Dr. Phil Bennett



Dr. Larry Clark



Dr. Eileen Hogan



Dr. Diane Miller



Dr. Sue Peterson



Dr. Jon Sward



Dr. Phil Wurtz

Dr. Phil Bennett is retiring as Dean and Professor of The Teachers College. Bennett was selected as dean of the college in 2009, taking over for Dr. Tes Mehring, who became ESU's provost and vice-president for academic affairs in May 2008. Bennett served as associate dean of college since 2001, twice filling the role of interim dean during the fall semesters of 2004 and 2006.

Bennett worked at the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) headquarters in Washington, DC during a sabbatical in 2008. NCATE is the professional accrediting organization for schools, colleges, and departments of education in the United States.

Over the course of his career, Bennett authored or co-authored grants of bringing in more than \$1,000,000. He authored or co-authored a number of articles and numerous presentations at a variety of state, regional, and national conventions.

Dr. Larry Clark retired as Executive Director of the Jones Institute for Educational Excellence in December 2011. In a career spanning almost five decades, he worked as teacher, coach, assistant principal, and superintendent.

Dr. Eileen Hogan is retiring as Professor of Early Childhood Education. She has chaired the Department of Early Childhood and Elementary Education and directed the Early Childhood Programs. Currently, she is the Professional Development School coordinator in Kansas City, KS.

She has made numerous presentations at state, regional, and national presentations and has published articles and chapters in journals such as *Multicultural Perspectives* and is co-author of the book *Essential Spanish Phrasebook for Teachers*. She served on numerous community, ESU, and Kansas State Department of Education committees including the Butler County Community College EC Board, Early Childhood IHE Kansas Task force, Board Member for the Kansas Early Childhood Apprenticeship Program, and board member for the Child Development Center. She was also a member of the Governor's task force on Early Childhood: Care, Education, & Health: Vision for the 21st Century. She authored the

proposal to create a new licensure program in Early Childhood Education Birth-K for The Teachers College, which was approved by KSDE.

Dr. Diane Miller retired as Professor of Adaptive Special Education in December. During her time at ESU, she taught nearly every graduate adaptive special education course the university offers.

Her research interests include increasing interactions with students in online courses, managing student behavior, virtual mentoring, and advocacy. She has presented at regional and national conventions and published in these areas. She received The Teachers College Faculty Excellence Awards in both Instruction and Service.

A sample of Miller's service contributions to the university, state, and nation include: President of the ESU Faculty, President, Vice-President and Current - Past President of Kansas Learning Disabilities Association, Current President of the Kansas University Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa, NCATE Program Reviewer, and textbook reviewer.

Dr. Sue Peterson retired in December as the Director of the Office of Professional Education Services (OPES), which oversees student teaching.

At ESU, she served on the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education Steering Committee and the Council on Teacher Education. She provided the leadership for preparing the college for its review by the KSDE and NCATE for the standard on clinical experiences.

Active in both the Kansas Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, Peterson just finished two years as a member of the Constitution Committee, and the Association of Teacher Educators in Kansas.

During her years as OPES Director, Peterson represented The Teachers College to public school administrators and teachers, advocating for the optimal clinical experiences for ESU's student teachers with the highest levels of professionalism and integrity.

Dr. Jon Sward is retiring as Assistant Professor of Mental Health Counseling. Sward came to ESU after having a distinguished career

including administrative and supervisory work in community mental health care, counseling services at mental health centers and correctional facilities, a private practice in mental health counseling, and a private practice in law.

Sward taught a variety of courses in the master's program in mental health counseling and served as Interim Director of what is now called Community Clinic Services. A member of several professional organizations, he served as President of the Kansas Association of Counselor Educators.

Sward made numerous presentations at state and national meetings with articles on topics as diverse as helping women with addictions and trauma, reducing dental fear, and privileged communication and confidentiality issues when counseling couples.

Dr. Phil Wurtz is retiring as Professor of Mental Health Counseling and Director of the Mental Health Counseling program. His reputation as a gifted teacher was validated by the many who have expressed their heartfelt appreciation of their professional development from taking his courses. In recognition of his teaching, Wurtz received The Teachers College Excellence in Instruction faculty award.

Wurtz served on numerous department, college, and university committees. He is a member of a number of professional organizations including the American Counseling Association and the American Association for Adult Development and Aging. Wurtz is a National Certified Counselor and a Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor and a Certified Substance Abuse Counselor in Kansas. He also is Director of Counseling and Psychological Services based in Emporia and Topeka.

His research includes similarities and differences between the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board's Code of Professional Misconduct and the American Counseling Association's Code of Ethics and comparing CACREP and non-CACREP Counseling Education Programs' admission and retention policies.

Instruction, Scholarly Activity, Service and Wood Awards Granted

Four faculty members at ESU received awards for their work this morning at The Teachers College Faculty/Staff Spring Semester Breakfast in January.

Each year, recipients are nominated by their respective academic departments and selected by a university-wide committee. Each winner receives a plaque and a monetary award to be used by the recipient for professional development expenses.



Excellence in instruction – **Dr. Shawna Shane**, associate professor in Health, Physical Education, and Recreation, is credited for single-handedly developed the highly successful online endorsement for health education at the graduate level. In her classroom, she understands differences in learning styles and uses a wide variety of hands-on, interactive and creative teaching strategies.

Serving as an academic advisor to over 150 health

and physical education majors, this past summer Shane supervised a health education candidate's student teaching in Uganda.

Excellence in scholarly activity – **Dr. George Yancey**, associate professor in psychology, has authored over 15 presentations, publications, and manuscripts under review in the past three years. As the director of the Industrial and Organization Psychology program, his current research explores how organizational values are linked to organizational performance. Because he views the research process as something integral to instruction, he engages both graduate and undergraduate students in collaborative research efforts. These efforts often result in publications for the students.



Excellence in service – **Dr. Zeni Colorado**, assistant professor in instructional design and technology, has contributed exemplary service through her leadership experience, expert technology skills, and ability to communicate effectively. She currently serves as President of the Flint Hills chapter of Phi Delta Kappa, and in 2010, was President of the Research and Theory Division of the Association for Educational Communications and Technology. This year, she is the lead conference planner for the AECT conference in Louisville, KY.



Each year The Teachers College presents the Darrell E. Wood Service Award to an individual who has supported the mission of the college in a unique or outstanding manner. This year's award went to:

Dr. Carol Russell, professor in elementary education, early childhood, and special education – Called “a definitive leader whose personality serves as a magnet to encompass others, sharing a wealth of knowledge with others with little regard to fame or prestige, Russell is an active scholar and brilliant educator. A representative of her discipline, she has served as an advocate for families with special needs children going as far as to testify to legislative and educational groups in an effort to further educate others to the unique requirements of those with special needs.



HPER Department Earns Recognition at State Convention

In late 2011, ESU's Health, Physical Education, and Recreation Department received notable attention at the convention for the Kansas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (KAHPERD):

- For her many years of service to the organization as a past president, as well as the longtime journal editor and webmaster, KAHPERD initiated the **Kathy Ermler** Technology Award. Ermler is a professor in the HPER department and ESU's dean of graduate school and distance education. Ermler accepted the initial year's award. The award will be given each year to a KAHPERD member who demonstrates creative use of technology in the classroom or profession.
- **Damon Leiss**, assistant professor, was elected the 2012-13 President of the organization. He was also awarded the Recreation Professional of the Year Award.
- **Jodie Leiss**, HPER instructor, was honored with the Vicki J. Worrell Service Award. She has served the organization in numerous ways including past president, chair of the applied strategic planning committee, member of the executive committee, and elementary section chair.
- **Peter Blanton** (BSE '04) was named the Kansas Hoops for Heart Coordinator of the Year. He teaches at Kiowa County Elementary School in Greensburg.
- HPER alumna **Jessica Stewart** (BS) was honored with the KAHPERD Young Professional Award. She teaches at Stanley Elementary School in Wichita.
- Current HPER graduate student **Kristin Gilmore** was presented with the Outstanding Graduate Major of the Year in the area of Teaching.
- ESU undergraduate **Tyler Fleming** was awarded the KAHPERD Health Promotion Major of the Year.
- ESU undergraduate student **Aubrey Koeppe** earned the Undergraduate Major of the Year in Physical Education.

For more HPER news, visit www.emporia.edu/hper/hper-news-work-

News from Departments

To stay current on the events and activities of the departments, centers and programs of The Teachers College (www.emporia.edu/teach/), visit their web sites listed below.

Academic Departments

- Counselor Educ. - www.emporia.edu/ce/
- Elementary Education/Early Childhood/Special Education - www.emporia.edu/elecse/
- Health, Physical Educ., & Recreation- www.emporia.edu/hper/
- Instructional Design & Technology - www.emporia.edu/idt/
- Psychology - www.emporia.edu/psych/
- School Leadership / Middle and Secondary Teacher Educ. - www.emporia.edu/sleme/

Centers and Programs

- Ctr for Early Childhood Educ. - www.emporia.edu/teach/cece/
- Community Counseling Services - www.emporia.edu/teach/ccs/
- Jones Institute for Educ. Excellence - www.emporia.edu/jones/
- National Teachers Hall of Fame - www.nthf.org
- Office of Professional Educ. Services (OPES) - www.emporia.edu/teach/opes/
- Online Courses (through Distance Educ.) - www.emporia.edu/distance/
- School Counselor Center - www.emporia.edu/ce/school-counseling/school-counselor-center/

Master Teachers Honored

The seven teachers named as the 2012 class of master teachers in February featured two principals, two teachers in elementary classrooms, two in middle school and one in high school:

- Shelley Aistrup, principal of Northview Elementary School and College Hill Preschool in Manhattan;
- Cindy Ehrstein, eighth-grade language arts teacher at Andover Central Middle School;
- Sandra Gonsler, second-grade teacher at Sunrise Point Elementary School in Overland Park (Blue Valley district);
- Kendra Metz, seventh-grade reading and language arts teacher, South West Middle School in Lawrence;
- Katrina Paradis, English teacher at Salina Central High School;
- Jodi A. Testa, third-grade teacher at Lincoln Elementary School in Junction City (Geary County district); and
- Marc Woofter, principal of Comanche Intermediate Center in Dodge City.

Find out more about the Master Teachers at www.emporia.edu/teach/dean/master/.

Area Alumni Receive Hopkins Awards

Four alumni of The Teachers College were among 13 Emporia teachers and support staff receiving WOW and Star Performer Awards from the Hopkins Foundation.

Members of the Hopkins family made rounds to various schools in USD 253 on May 1 to present the awards.

Megan Cox (BSE '07), a second grade teacher at Riverside Elementary was presented with Star Performer Awards and \$5,000 in the morning.

During an assembly at Emporia Middle School in the afternoon, **Jessica Knuth** (BSE '04), special education teacher; Blair Falldine (BSE '07), English teacher; and **Kelly Barrett** (BIS '04), vocal music teacher, received Star Performer Awards as well as \$5,000, \$2,500 and \$1,000, respectively.

The Hopkins Foundation has awarded Star Performer and WOW awards for teachers and support staff in the Emporia school district in excess of \$30,000 a year since 2003. Established by the E.L. and Z. Irene Hopkins Foundation, the program's aim is to recognize outstanding performance of teachers and school support staff.

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Americus Elementary and special education for Emporia USD 253 while she worked on her master's degree.

Kadon Hodson (MS '08), Arkansas City, became a technology officer at the Trust Company of Kansas in August 2011. Previously he worked as a high school math teacher for seven years, including six years at Arkansas City High School.

Dallas Roths (BME '08), Sublette, is finishing his first year as the new band teacher at Sublette. Previously he taught at Satanta High School.

Cierra Sauls (BS '09), Johnson

City, TN, received his masters of arts in school counseling from East Tennessee State University in December 2011.

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Anthony Makoski (MS '10), Glen Gardner, NJ, is a teacher at Voorhees High School where he was named the school's 2011 Teacher of the Year.

Shannon Disch (BSE '11), Emporia, is finishing her first year teaching English at Madison High School.

Jessica Wilson (BS '11), Hill City, is completing her first year as a teacher at Palco High School.

Save These Dates

Thursdays - May 31, June 7, 14, and 28, 2012

A professional Book Study in Literacy Instruction
Visit www.emporia.edu/jones/

Monday, June 11, 2012

What Teachers Should Know About Reading to Meet the Demands of the Common Core
Visit www.emporia.edu/jones/

Wednesday, June 13, 2012

Webinar Roundtable with New NTHF Inductees
Visit www.nthf.org/events/roundtable.html

Thursday, June 14, 2012

Harry Wong presents
"How to be a Successful and Effective Teacher"
Visit www.emporia.edu/jones/

Monday, June 18, 2012

5 Things Every Teacher Should Do to Meet the English/Language Arts Common Core State Standards
Visit www.emporia.edu/jones/

Tuesday, June 19, 2012

Inquiry-Based Close Reading to Prepare Students for the COMMON CORE
Visit www.emporia.edu/jones/

Monday, July 9, 2012

It's a Summer Refresher!
Reading Recovery Summer Institute 2012
Visit www.emporia.edu/readingrecovery/

TC Faculty Earn Tenure, Promotions

Faculty earning tenure and promotion

- Kirsten Limpert – Assoc Professor, School Leadership/Middle and Secondary Teacher Education
- Lori Mann – Assoc Professor, Elementary Education, Early Childhood, and Special Education
- Matt Seimears – Assoc Professor, Elementary Education, Early Childhood, and Special Education
- Jennifer Thomas – Assoc Professor, Health, Physical Education and Recreation

Faculty earning tenure

- Janet Holland – Instructional Design and Technology

Promoted to professor

- Paul Bland – School Leadership, Middle and Secondary Teacher Education
- Elizabeth Dobler – Elementary Education, Early Childhood, and Special Education
- Jim Persinger – Psychology
- Mark Stanbrough – Health, Physical Education, and Recreation

Named department chair

- Jim Costello – Counselor Education

ESU to receive federal support for Reading Recovery Program

Emporia State University will share a \$46 million federal grant with several other institutions to expand its Reading Recovery program.

The money is from a federal investing in innovation (i3) grant awarded last fall to the program's lead partner, Ohio State University, and 20 other partnering institutions including ESU.

Reading Recovery offers one-on-one reading instruction to first-graders identified as struggling with reading. The program is an early intervention program developed by New Zealand educator and researcher Dr. Marie M. Clay.

ESU received more than \$85,000 for the 2011-12 year. Over the next three years, an additional \$350,000 will be distributed to ESU. The balance of the grant will be shared with the other partners.

Dr. Annie Opat, Director of ESU's Reading Recovery Training Center, said the new funds will help the program to continue to train teacher leaders in the program method.

"For a year, teachers are enrolled at ESU to learn the Reading Recovery training model," Opat said. "They then take that education back to their school districts and work with children and often become literacy leaders."

Individual teachers can also enroll at ESU and take seven credits.

"We are training 16 teachers during the 2011-2012 year and every year after that we hope to train 20 more," Opat said.

Kansas school districts involved in training i3 supported Reading Recovery teachers include Burlington, Hays, Kansas City Stony Point South, Kaw Valley, North Lyon County, Otis-Bison, Palco, Plainville, Riverton, Scott City, and South Lyon County.

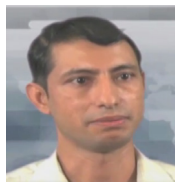
Final Videos Promoting Cross Cultural Understanding Completed

A project lasting three years finished production recently on the last two videos in its series addressing different cultures living in Kansas.

The final videos are among eight videos aimed at providing educators with additional training to help K-12 students in the migrant and English language learning population of Kansas.

All of the videos are available online to assist educators working with migrant and English language learners. In addition to the migrant families in Kansas, other videos address Bhutanese, Burmese, low-German speaking Mexican Mennonite, Mexican, Somali, Sudanese, and Vietnamese cultures living in Kansas. The videos are about 10 minutes in length and can be viewed from www.emporia.edu/jones/kmeacademy/videos.html.

The videos are the product of the Kansas Migrant & ELL Academy. KMEA is a partnership between two KS Board of Regents institutions – Emporia State University and the University of Kansas – and is funded by the KS Department of Education.



Ran Poudel (left) is a Nepali-speaking Bhutanese refugee who works as an interpreter for Catholic Charities in Kansas City.

Agostino Wol (right) is from South Sudan, which gained its independence from Sudan in 2011.



Ruth Schillinger Faculty Awarded



Professor **Gaelynn Wolf Bordonaro**, Director of the Art Therapy Program and Associate Professor in the Department of Counselor Education, was the 2012 recipient of the Ruth Schillinger Faculty Award for outstanding and sustained service to women.

Dr. Bordonaro is the 17th recipient of the award named for the last Dean of Women at ESU. The award was established in 1996 and is given to an individual who has made extraordinary contributions to the women of the university over a sustained period.

Emporia State employees recognized for service

ESU employees were honored in April during the university's Employee Service Recognition reception.

During the ceremonies, Dr. Michael D. Shonrock, ESU president, presented pins and other gifts to employees for their 10-, 20-, 30- and 40-year service anniversaries.

The following employees of The Teachers College were honored for lengths of service:

40 years

- **Stu Ervay**, Professor, School Leadership/Middle and Secondary Teacher Education
- **Cooper Holmes**, Professor, Psychology

30 years

- **Tes Mehring**, Provost/Vice President

10 years

- **Nancy Albrecht**, Professor, School Leadership / Middle and Secondary Teacher Education
- **Joan Brewer**, Associate Professor, Health, Physical Education, and Recreation
- **Gwenda Eidman**, Professional Education Services
- **Cathy Grover**, Associate Professor, Psychology
- **Shannon Hall**, Education Licensure/Certification Officer, Professional Education Services
- **Damon Leiss**, Assistant Professor, Health, Physical Education, and Recreation
- **Gary Rice**, Associate Professor, Elementary Education, Early Childhood, and Special Education

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