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Complying with NCAA Rules and Regulations

The ESU Athletics department is grateful to the many alumni, donors, fans and friends who support the Hornets each year. The most important quality an intercollegiate athletic program can display is integrity. As a member of the NCAA, ESU has a responsibility to educate administrators, coaches, student-athletes and other representatives of institutional athletic interests about the rules that could affect their association with the program. ESU Athletics strives each day to remain in compliance with the strict guidelines of the NCAA and MIAA.

You are a representative of ESU Athletic interests! As a supporter of ESU Athletics, you and your involvement are greatly appreciated by the administration, coaching staff and student-athletes. We encourage you to attend as many events as possible, introduce ESU Athletics to friends and business associates, support our fund-raising efforts, serve as a career mentor and consider student-athletes for summer employment.

However, as important as your assistance is to the program, it is equally critical to know that the university and its athletic program could be jeopardized if you unintentionally or intentionally violate NCAA regulations. Maintaining institutional control over the administration of the ESU Athletics program, including recruiting, is our highest concern.

What is “compliance”? Compliance is a fundamental requirement of ESU’s membership in the NCAA. As a supporter of Hornet Athletics, you are bound by NCAA regulations, and ESU is responsible for your actions. Failure to comply with NCAA rules could result in severe penalties or sanctions against ESU’s athletics programs and its student-athletes.

You should be aware that the NCAA PROHIBITS the following:
• Telephone calls and in-person, off-campus recruiting contact.
• Entertaining or providing tickets or gifts to junior or high school or junior college coaches.
• Purchasing meals at restaurants for student-athletes.
• Contributing to the payment of registration fees for prospects to attend sports camps.
• Mailing anything of benefit to a prospective student-athlete except personal letters.
• Paying transportation costs for prospects or their friends and relatives to visit ESU.
• Contacting student-athletes enrolled in other four-year institutions to explore the possibilities for transferring to ESU.
• Giving financial aid or other benefits (cash, gift certificates, club memberships, etc.) to prospects or prospects’ relatives or friends.
• Providing a student-athlete with a discount, payment plan, or credit on a service.
• Providing a student-athlete with professional services without charge or at a reduced cost.
• Allowing a student-athlete to use a phone or credit card without charge or at a reduced cost.
• Making available to student-athletes services (movie tickets, dinners, use of car, etc.) from commercial agencies without charge or at a reduced rate.
• Providing a student-athlete with extra benefits or services including but not limited to loaning money or guaranteeing a bond, use of an automobile, signing or cosigning a note with an outside agency to arrange a loan.

What can I do to help?
• You MAY provide off-season or summer employment for enrolled student-athletes under the following conditions:
  A) The student-athlete is paid only for work actually performed.
  B) Wages must be commensurate with the going rate in that locality for similar services.
  C) Transportation related to the job may not be provided unless it is provided to all employees in that particular job.
• You MAY provide a student-athlete or an entire team with an occasional meal (e.g. Thanksgiving, Christmas).
  The meal may be catered, but it must be provided in an individual’s home. All arrangements must be made in advance with the athletic director and head coach.

For more information, contact the Compliance Office at (620) 341-5825.
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Letter from the Alumni President

“Mrs. Kramer, my sister is going to ESU next month,” one of my sixth grade students shared proudly at the beginning of class in December. I don’t know if she saw me beaming throughout the conversation, but I felt as excited as I did my own first semester of college. As an educator, I often think about the future of my students and the educational system. Of course, I suggest attending ESU to many of my students, but more important, I want them to understand the importance of a good education and the inner motivation it takes to be successful in college. My students know that I am a Hornet. They know the colors of the university and that Corky is the mascot. I didn’t plan for that to happen, but my love for our university comes from the experiences I had as an undergraduate and continue to have as an alumna.

It has been a wonderful experience serving on the Alumni Association Board of Directors and an even greater honor to serve as Alumni Board President. The last six years have taught me much about ESU. The professors, administrators and employees of our university truly love ESU. They have a loyalty that goes beyond their desk and daily events. We also have a group of alumni who have this same loyalty. There are many alumni who give of their time, their income and their energy to make ESU a place for a new generation to call “Home.” We all wear many different “hats” in our daily lives, but I wonder where other alumni put ESU in their list of priorities. We all have memories and loyalties to certain events, activities and groups on campus. Many of us owe our livelihood to the experiences we gleaned from our university, but only a few have given back. As an alumna, I challenge you to find a way to return the experience, either through your time, income or energy. My executive committee has spent a great deal of energy making changes to involve more people in the decision-making processes of our association. We are working hard to ensure that our alumni association becomes stronger and more recognized. As a board, we are working with legislators to make a difference for our student population and we are working with area high school counselors to ensure that current information about ESU is available to all high school students. We want the communities we live in to understand the power of a degree from Emporia State University.

I hope that wherever you are in life, you take the time to remember and reflect upon the experiences you had because of Emporia State University. I encourage you to find a way to “reinvest” those experiences and pass them on to a new generation.

Jennifer (Price) Kramer
BSE 1992
Calendar of Events

University Events

Newberg Outstanding Senior/Outstanding Recent Graduate Banquet
April 11, TIME, Memorial Union Kanza Room

Celebration of the Fine Arts
May 1, 11:30 a.m., Memorial Union Skyline Dining Room

Readings & Lectures

Creative Writing:
Reading by Bart Edelman
April 21, 7 p.m., Anderson Memorial Library

For more information:
University Advancement News & Events
www.emporia.edu/saf/news
University Events
www.emporia.edu
(click on Calendar of Events)

On Stage

Amphion Concert
April 5, 7:30 p.m., Heath Recital Hall

Chamber Orchestra
April 10, 3 p.m., Heath Recital Hall

Opera Theatre: “Alice in Wonderland”
April 15-16, 7:30 p.m., Albert Taylor Hall

Percussion Ensemble Concert
April 19, 7:30 p.m., Albert Taylor Hall

Jazz Ensemble Concert
April 21, 7:30 p.m., Albert Taylor Hall

Wind Ensemble Concert
April 26, 7:30 p.m., Albert Taylor Hall

“The Importance of Being Ernest”
by Oscar Wilde
This masterpiece revolves around an ingenious case of “manufactured” mistaken identity. April 27-30, 8 p.m., May 1, 2 p.m., Karl C. Bruder Theatre

A Cappella Choir
May 1, 3 p.m., Albert Taylor Hall

Especially for Alumni and Friends

White Glove Affair
A special event for Regents Club and University Club members.
To learn more about becoming a member, contact (620) 341-5440. April 2, 6 p.m., Memorial Union Colonial Ballroom

Emporia Connection
This special reunion for ESU’s African-American alumni includes an entire weekend of events! For more information, contact Patricia White Sevier at spsevier@aol.com. April 8-10, 2005, Emporia and the ESU Campus.

Homecoming 2005
Watch your mailbox for more information later this summer! October 22, 2005, ESU Campus.

Letters

I enjoyed reading the articles about Corky the Hornet (“Corkys on Parade” and “The Legend of Corky the Hornet”, Spotlight, Summer 2004). I wanted to share with you my Corky story.

My college experience [at ESU] began in the fall of 1966 after graduating from Shawnee Mission North High School. I pledged the Phi Sigma Epsilon fraternity that fall.

As a Phi Sig pledge, I was required to be involved in two campus organizations. I can’t remember the second organization that I joined, but the first was the Union Activities Council... Of all my experiences with the council, the Homecoming Parade of 1966 had the greatest impact on my life.

Like all student organizations at that time, the Union Activities Council had a float in the Homecoming Parade...We decided that we need Corky the Hornet on the float. I was pretty nery then (still am) so I volunteered...we had constructed a papier-mâché Corky head with antennae and a black-and-gold sweatshirt with gold velvet wings.

All went well during the parade, but once it ended...everyone said we needed a Corky at the football game. I hadn’t planned on that part of the assignment, but I agreed...I put on the costume and worked with the crowd at the game...I had a great time and was asked to do it again at the next home game. I ended up being Corky the Hornet for the rest of that fall season and actually worked some of the basketball games.

That activity caused me to be tagged as “Corky” for my Phi Sig nickname and it really stuck...Being “Corky” really gave me identity, drew me in as a part of the campus and greatly enriched my college experience...To this day, my friends from that period in my life...still call me Corky.

Now I have a nineteen-year-old daughter who’s a sophomore at KU. When she was born...her mom and I made up a name, Corkrin, for our new little daughter. Her nickname would be Corki. She’s loved being Corki Albertson and she enjoyed the fact that, even though she’s a KU Jayhawk and her blood runs red and blue, she is named after Corky the Hornet.

Jim Albertson (BSB 1970), Overland Park
Art

“Public Art” class brings “In Memory” to campus

As the war in Iraq continued, artist Jean Perkins realized she was losing touch.

“Over time, I was aware that my life with all its comfortable routines continued and I noticed I thought less frequently of the magnitude of the conflict,” Perkins said. To keep herself connected, Perkins created In Memory: The Iraq War, not to make a statement for or against the war, but of the war.

The exhibit was on display on the ESU campus from October 20 through November 6. The piece was brought to campus by art and creative writing students taking a class called “Public Art.” The piece comprised barrels holding bamboo poles with pieces of fabric tied to each pole. Each fabric flag represents a war casualty. The poles are updated weekly.

While community responses were mixed, many, including a student who found her brother’s flag, appreciated the piece.

Campus

ESU receives another 10-year accreditation from the Higher Learning Commission

The Higher Learning Commission (HLC) has extended the university’s accreditation for another ten years, which is the longest period achievable for all institutions of higher learning between comprehensive HLC evaluations.

According to the report, reviewed documents and the team visit show strong institutional leadership, and appropriate governance structure, a dedicated faculty and staff, a sound physical plant, a campus culture that uniformly embraces and practices student-centeredness and collegiality and a high level of integrity in the university’s operations.

HLC is part of the North Central Association (NCA) of Colleges and Schools. NCA was founded in 1895 as a membership organization for educational institutions, committed to developing and maintaining high standards of excellence.

Bronze Corky lands on campus

Corky the Hornet is more attached to the ESU campus than ever before. Literally.

A 400-pound bronze sculpture of ESU’s beloved mascot has landed on a pedestal in front of the pillars of Plumb Hall.

The statue was cast by artist John Forsythe (BA 1975), who based the mold on Corky-creator Paul Edwards’ (BSE 1937) walnut carving, which is on display at the Memorial Union Bookstore.

Funds for the sculpture were provided by an anonymous donor who wanted to help show ESU pride.
**Campus**

**Civically engaged**

It began with a challenge. Economics professor Rob Catlett told his students that he had heard the campus would be lucky to register 200 voters before the November 2004 election.

Catlett is one of several faculty members involved with the American Democracy Project, which strives to increase civic engagement among students. Catlett’s students definitely became engaged. They took up the challenge and proceeded to register thousands of voters on campus and in the Emporia community. In addition, more than 200 students attended the Voice Your Vote rally on October 7. Elected officials, including Attorney General Phill Kline and State Treasurer Lynn Jenkins, addressed the importance of registering to vote and civic engagement.

“Student interest and involvement has been above and beyond what I expected,” said economics major Jake Plegge. “As a newly registered voter, I do not believe I am the only one who feels a new responsibility in the political decisions being made around us.”

![ASG Senator Grant Gies introduces speakers during the Voice Your Vote rally.](image)

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**Education**

**Teachers College dean goes back to high school**

After three years of double-duty as The Teachers College dean and interim president at The National Teachers Hall of Fame, Tes Mehring was ready for a sabbatical.

Mehring spent the fall semester teaching at Olathe North High School. By teaching students in the FAME and Read 180 programs, Mehring studied the impact No Child Left Behind legislation is having on disaggregated groups like special education students and English Language Learners.

Mehring couldn’t imagine a better way to observe the unique challenges these students face both in the classroom and on the Kansas Assessments.

“It has been energizing to be back in the classroom with high school students,” Mehring said. “Every day presents a new challenge and a new opportunity to touch kids’ lives.”

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**Foundation**

**Creating or updating an estate plan? Let us help you!**

Estate planning is easier than ever before thanks to three free tools available to all ESU alumni and friends.

**On the web:**
**GiftLaw** features the most up-to-date rules and regulations concerning all aspects of planned giving. It’s the perfect site for you and your financial planner.

**GiftLegacy** lets you explore the different types of planned gifts through personal stories and other information.

Access both of these resources at www.emporia.edu/saf/foundation/give.

Sign up for our Planned Giving E-Newsletter by e-mailing Linda Pease at peaselin@emporia.edu

**In person:**
The services of **John Griffin Jr., charitable estate planner**, are available to all ESU alumni and friends.

Call (620) 341-5440 to schedule an appointment.
**New DNA sequencer**

Thanks in part to an educational grant from Li-Cor, the ESU biological sciences department is the proud owner of a brand-new, state-of-the-art DNA sequencer.

Li-Cor, a biotechnology company in Nebraska, produces the DNA sequencers. Their grant paid for half of the $60,000 machine. According to biology professor Scott Crupper, the DNA sequencer will save time and money previously spent on sending samples to off-campus labs for sequencing. It will also provide a valuable learning experience: the DNA sequencer will be available for both graduate and undergraduate student use.

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**Greek Community**

**The Rose of Sigma Tau**

ESU student Sarah Phillips has been named the national “Rose of Sigma Tau” by Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity. The Grand chapter believed Phillips, a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority and an ESU Ambassador, best represented their principals of value, learning, leadership, excellence, benefit and integrity.

Phillips said that attending the National Grand Chapter conference was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. “Winning the national sweetheart is truly an amazing feeling,” Phillips said. “Sigma Tau Gamma is a wonderful fraternal organization and I am quite proud to be their National White Rose Queen.”

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**Science**

**Learning experiences for seniors 55+**

Three Elderhostel Programs for alumni and other seniors 55 and older will be sponsored during 2005 by ESU’s Office of Lifelong Learning. Each weeklong, non-credit educational program includes lectures, first-person characterizations, field trips and cultural excursions (but no assignments, papers or exams!).

**2005 Elderhostel Schedule**

- **April 3-8:** Santa Fe Trail; Kansa Indians; Prairie Pastures, Plants and People (centered in Council Grove)
- **May 8-13:** Flint Hills Ghost Towns, Prairie in Springtime, Kansas Folklore and Folk Songs (centered in Emporia)
- **October 2-7:** Harry and Ike: Great Presidents from America’s Heartland (centered in Emporia)

More information regarding enrollment, costs and program details are available at www.emporia.edu/lifelong/elder/eldhst or by contacting Elderhostel Coordinator Edward Butler at (620) 341-5625 or butlered@emporia.edu.

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**Herbert Achleitner wins second Fulbright**

The University of Belgrade asked for Herbert Achleitner, and they got him on his second Fulbright Senior Specialists grant. Achleitner is a professor in the School of Library and Information Management, and traveled to Serbia and Montenegro to lecture on information entrepreneurship.

“This is part of the effort of establishing networks between Serbian university people and Western university faculty,” Achleitner said. The Serbian society is eager to learn Western values and are accomplishing this task because of remarkable people like Achleitner.
ESU’s newest interdisciplinary major, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (BMB) will prepare students for one of the nation’s hottest fields. Graduates with this degree are in high demand around the country. In addition, Kansas has launched a major bioscience initiative through the new Kansas Economic Development Act.

BMB graduates can work on problems such as developing new therapeutic strategies to treat diseases, flight bio-terrorism, improve agricultural yields, support needs required for enhanced space exploration or solve mysteries utilizing forensic analysis.

Art with heart

Assistant Professor of Art Bryan Grove (BSE 1966) loves to teach. His passion for art and education has been recognized by the Kansas Art Education Association, which named Grove the Outstanding Higher Education Art Educator of the Year.

Grove is just as loved by his students, many of whom are preparing to be art teachers themselves.

“Watching kids involved in the creative process has always been a powerful experience for me, because it gives you insight into the way they think, they way they understand the world and create new knowledge,” said Grove.
Communication and Theatre

What can we learn from watching Oprah?

Bruce Gronbeck, the director of the Center for Media Studies and Political Culture at the University of Iowa, spoke about how Oprah Winfrey uses the medium of television to promise empowerment through personal, material and spiritual uplifting.

The annual lecture is named for George R.R. Pflaum, a former chair of the communication and theatre department who served as an ESU faculty member for more than 40 years.

Business

Need money to start a business?

Have a great business idea? If you’re an ESU student, you may be eligible for as much as $250,000 to get your business off the ground.

When entrepreneur Leslie Rudd established the Rudd Foundation in 1998, one of his goals was to support entrepreneurial activity in Kansas. According to Associate Professor Bill Smith, ESU’s faculty liaison to the Rudd Foundation, Rudd’s vision is to support the creation of businesses that will, in turn, create employment opportunities and economic growth in Kansas.

Any student enrolled in at least one credit hour at a Kansas Regents school is eligible to apply for funding through the Rudd Family Foundation Entrepreneurial Fund. As faculty advisor, Smith will review business concepts and help students through the business plan development and application submission process. The Rudd Foundation will support selected business plans by either offering loans or taking equity in the enterprise. To learn more, contact Smith at (620) 341-5345 or smithwil@emporia.edu.

Culture

Mexico City National University musicians perform for ESU

The Emporia community was treated to a live Latino music concert in September when ESU hosted “Noche de Bolero Gala Night.”

“The primary purpose of this event [was] educational,” said Assistant Professor of Spanish Marco Polo Hernández Cuevas. “The goal [was] to bring the community together, to take ESU to the town and the community around the world within our campus walls.”

The artists, maestro Jesús “Chucho” Figueroa and soprano María Teresa Montoya, are world-renowned performers who teach classical and popular piano and voice, respectively, at the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, one of Latin America’s most prestigious institutions.

Education

2005 Kansas Future Teacher Academy

Applications for the 2005 Kansas Future Teacher Academy will be available in the spring from high schools across the state. The academy will be available in two locations June 19-23: at ESU and Dodge City Community College. Thanks to funding from the Kansas Legislature and the Kansas Department of Education, a total of 50 Kansas teens took part in the 2004 academy. Students are accepted into the academy based upon their academic standing, involvement in school and community activities, and interest in exploring a career in teaching. For more information, visit www.emporia.edu/jones.
**Learning Arabic**

Interested in learning Arabic and the culture of Arabic-speaking countries? Several ESU students began learning Arabic this fall under the tutelage of Fulbright Scholar Turki Saad Al-Zahrani, a native of Saudi Arabia.

Al-Zahrani said that he is happy with the progress his students have made, despite some challenges they faced.

“I had to start from nothing because there were no resources or textbooks except my own experience and a few books that I brought with me,” Al-Zahrani said. However, “each one of my students can read, write and speak the basic things.”

According to the National Association of Bilingual Education, Arabic is one of four major international languages that are considered dominant languages. Arabic I and Arabic II are both being offered during the spring semester through the modern languages department.

**Foundation**

**Record on-campus giving kicks off annual scholarship drive**

A record-breaking 79 percent of ESU’s faculty and staff members have already given to this year’s drive for ESU’s Presidential Academic Awards scholarship program, and the community drive is underway.

“In addition to raising funds for scholarships, one of the most important aspects of the Campus/Community Scholarship Challenge is that it gives us the ability to show students just how important they are to our community. Our students can actually see that the Emporia community and ESU’s faculty and staff gave in order to make their scholarships possible,” said John Blaufuss, ESU’s Controller and chair of the ESU Foundation’s development committee.

The Presidential Academic Awards scholarship program is a vital tool for recruiting academically talented students to ESU and the Emporia community. PAAs are awarded to incoming freshmen and transfer students on the basis of their grade point averages and ACT scores.

ESU students are calling alumni and friends in the area to ask for their support throughout the month. PAA Pacesetters – donors who have pledged $1,000 or more this year – are actively meeting with alumni and friends in Emporia, Wichita, Kansas City and Topeka to raise funds for this important program.

**Math**

**Upcoming program encourage young women to explore math, science and engineering**

**MASTER IT: Mathematics And Science To Explore Careers**-Investigating Together is a one-week summer residential program at Emporia State University that will run June 6-11, 2005. MASTER IT targets girls in the state of Kansas who will complete seventh or eighth grade this spring. It includes hands-on investigations of mathematical and scientific concepts and career discussions led by university women faculty and women professionals from industry. There will be field trips and recreational activities. The charge for this summer camp is $250. Several need-based scholarships are available.

For more information on this program, contact Marvin Harrell at (620) 341-5640 or harrellm@emporia.edu or Betsy Yanik at (620) 341-5630 or yanikeli@emporia.edu.
Children celebrate WAW Children’s Book Award honorees

A candle-lit ceremony, parade and hundreds of book lovers were all part of the 52nd annual William Allen White Children’s Book Award celebration in October. Both authors were on hand to read from their books and participate in the festivities.

The first Kansan to receive the award, Andrea Warren was the favorite author among sixth- through eighth-graders for her non-fiction book, *Surviving Hitler: A Boy in the Nazi Death Camps*. The subject of her book, Jack Mandelbaum, also traveled to Emporia to talk with the children who read his life’s story.

Texan Penni Griffin’s book, *Ghost Sitter*, was awarded the prize by third- through fifth-grade students.
An artist in Arkansas. A doctor in Kansas City. A Boy Scouts of America leader in Illinois. A retired principal in Hawaii. Life has taken this year’s class of Distinguished Alumni on many different journeys, but their roots are deeply embedded in Emporia State University.

Mark Austenfeld (BS 1979)

Mark Austenfeld readily admits that he wasn’t a very good student in high school or in his early college years. In fact, he dropped out of ESU after three years thinking college really wasn’t for him. After a stint in the real estate insurance business and a job videotaping horse races, he decided to go back to get his degree.

“This time I sat in the front row, I took notes, I bought the text books, I went to class, and it was amazing. It was an academic revelation for me,” Austenfeld said during his speech at the Distinguished Alumni Luncheon on October 29. “I enjoyed being a student for the first time when I was 24 years old.”

Today Austenfeld is a urological oncologist and runs his own practice, Kansas City Urology, and teaches urology residents at St. Luke’s Hospital in Kansas City, Mo. Austenfeld credits ESU for giving him the leg up.

“I really want to thank Emporia State University and the Board of Regents for encouraging colleges like this…who encourage relatively small-town boys like me to accomplish much more than I ever thought I could myself.”
AS a child, Raymond Blackwell never could have predicted that he would receive ESU’s highest alumni honor. He credits his parents for instilling in him the idea that education is an essential cornerstone of a successful life.

“It was on my parents’ fundamental belief that my desire to first attend college, then coach and teach, was born. But let me tell you, it was my decision to play football, because you know how moms are – they don’t want their sons to get hurt,” Blackwell said.

Playing fullback taught Blackwell the importance of teamwork, a positive attitude, persistence, discipline and a strong work ethic. Pair these qualities with those he learned in class – pride and preparation – and you get a can-do leader. Today Blackwell is the regional director for the Central Region of Boy Scouts of America, which governs BSA in 15 states and serves more than two million Scouts and Scouters.

Wallace Fujii (BSE 1958, MS 1959)

Though Wallace Fujii’s parents never even attended high school, they sacrificed financially and otherwise so Fujii could leave Hawaii to attend a mainland university. Fujii had narrowed his choices to two schools – one of which was KU – when fate intervened.

“A high school teacher…asked me about my college plans. When I told him KU was one of my choices, he informed me that he was a graduate of Kansas State Teachers College and took the time to tell me more about Emporia State, and that piqued my interest,” Fujii said. He wrote to ESU for a catalog and received it a week later. “In two weeks, I was admitted. And we’re talking about the “slow boat to China” days! That really impressed me – the service ESU was putting out to receive new students.”

Fujii credits both the campus and the community for providing him with a first-class educational experience, which prepared him for a 42-year career in education as a teacher and administrator on Maui.

Evan Lindquist (BSE 1958)

Evan Lindquist moved to Emporia as a child in 1945. Even though he didn’t know what a college was at the age of eight, he kept hearing what a wonderful place Kansas State Teachers College was. He loved being a student at the lab school on campus. As the next door neighbor of biology professor John Breukelman, he was obliged to consider a career in biology, but ultimately the influence of artists like professor Norman Eppink won out.

Today, Lindquist is internationally renowned as a master printmaker, and his work graces the galleries of some of the most prestigious museums in the world. He also served as a professor of art at Arkansas State University in Jonesboro for forty years.

“I’ve just never forgotten all the great things that I have gotten from here,” Lindquist said. “I continue to carry a real warm spot in my heart for Emporia and Emporia State University.”

Distinguished Alumni Nominations

The ESU Alumni Association is proud to honor alumni who have distinguished themselves professionally or through contributions to society. Distinguished Alumni are not only honored during a luncheon, but also have the opportunity to interact and share with current ESU students. To nominate a deserving alumna or alumnus, send the candidate’s name and any available contact information and supporting documentation to the Sauder Alumni Center, 1500 Highland Street, Emporia, Kansas 66801-5018, or sacpc@emporia.edu, or fax to (620) 341-6635.
As the 2004 national election drew near, the air still crackled with a hint of nervousness. Will this presidential election be as riddled with problems as the last one? Americans wondered. Do we have to worry about terrorism? Hanging chads? Have we done enough to improve the process?
Few could have been more relieved by the relative success of Election 2004 than R. Doug Lewis (BA 1968). As head of the Election Center, a non-partisan, non-profit organization that works with election administrators to improve the voting process, Lewis found himself in the spotlight in 2000. In the 24-hour period after the election, he had requests for more than 200 interviews, and found himself granting 30 or 40 a day. CNN. C-SPAN. The Today Show. They all wanted to know – what went wrong?

The chad – dimpled, hanging or otherwise – found its way into everyday American vocabulary. Congress turned to Lewis and the Election Center for assistance in evaluating Election 2000. The two-year report resulted in the Help America Vote Act, which reforms the election process with $3.5 billion in Federal funding to modernize the process, from voting equipment to policies and procedures.

“We do disaster planning in election administration.

We say, ‘Here are all the things that can go wrong.’”
In the aftermath of Election 2000, the Election Center helped election administrators prepare for the next election as well as plan for the possible problems.

“We do disaster planning in election administration. We say, ‘Here are all the things that can go wrong. What would you do, if one of these things went wrong? Or if more of these things went wrong?’ We write a disaster plan that tells you how you’re going to respond. If a hurricane goes through Florida, are you going to hold an election or not? How? Where? What happens to you when a natural or man-made disaster wipes out your data?’

Lewis has learned from experience that you have to prepare for anything.

A native of New Orleans, Lewis came to ESU as a debater majoring in speech and minoring in business.

“The speech program in Emporia was as close to a classic education as could be found,” Lewis said. “You were so steeped in philosophy and history. And learning the ability to communicate has served those of us that went through the program exceedingly well now for all these years.”

After graduating, Lewis worked in ESU’s public relations office for two years before joining Wichita State University as the director of their public relations department. Less than a year later, an airplane crash killed 31 WSU football players and faculty members. Lewis was 24 years old. He calls it “baptism by fire.”

“It was one of those experiences where I was thrown into dealing with not only state and local news media, but national and international media. You had to be enormously careful with everything you did. We didn't have a communications plan. Some of the stuff we did was almost divine guidance. That has stuck with me powerfully all these years. The attention to detail as a result of the experience with the airplane crash is one that I have used consistently in all of my life after that.”

As Election 2004 neared, the entire election process was under a high-powered microscope. State election administrators evaluated their problems and worked on solutions. Meanwhile, the media scrutinized the system. Lewis received two dozen requests for interviews to discuss problems anticipated during the November 2, 2004 election.

“We haven’t had those kinds of increases in this generation – not since Kennedy and Nixon.”

But the election process went well.

In the meanwhile, other nations are working through their own elections processes and the carrying-out of democracy.

“We are very fortunate in America that we believe in our democratic process,” Lewis said. “We have a fundamental faith that it works and that it is honest and that it is an accurate reflection of the public will. There are many countries in the world who have no faith in their voting processes. If you don't have faith in your voting process, you can't have faith in the government that results from it. If you think the process is unfair or illegitimate, then you really can't trust the government itself. That's one of the reasons that it is fundamental that we believe in and shape the voting process where voters believe that their ballots are counted just exactly as they voted.”
It doesn’t take long to make a big difference
Jim Hirsh, 1949-2004

At ESU for only four short years before his death November 17, 2004, Jim Hirsh’s influence and leadership will resonate for years to come.

His colleagues cite Hirsh as a role model who was enthusiastic, optimistic, and committed to students and their success. Hirsh came to ESU in 2000 as the associate vice president for academic affairs and dean of enrollment management. He immediately set out to make the admissions and financial aid processes more student-friendly. Three years later, Hirsh was promoted to vice president of student affairs.

“He believed public education was open to everyone,” said Jim Williams, the current vice president for student affairs. “He was instrumental in the recruitment and retention of minority students. He worked to bridge concerns students had with policies and procedures. He assisted in strengthening such things as the honors program and leadership opportunities for students.”

Though he lost his battle with cancer, Hirsh’s dedication to education lives on. The Dr. Jim Hirsh Application Assistance Fund will cover the university application fee for students with financial need. Hirsh also requested that his body be donated to the University of Kansas School of Medicine.
ESU honored the Hornet-saturated Goldsmith family for their dedication to ESU on the field at Welch Stadium during Family Day on September 25.

The ESU/Goldsmith family history begins with brothers Wayne (BSE 1950), Wendall (BSE 1941) and William (BSE 1947, MS 1962) Goldsmith. Highly athletic, all three brothers are best remembered for their performances on the gridiron and have been inducted into the ESU Athletics Hall of Honor. The three brothers took ESU brides, and passed along their love for their alma mater and for sports. By the time Missy Lackey (FS 1991), William Goldsmith’s granddaughter, nominated her family for the award, 23 family members ranked among Hornet alumni, and 10 had participated in varsity athletics while at ESU.

ESU President Kay Schallenkamp presented the 2004 Multi-Generational Family of the Year award to the Goldsmiths on the football field during half-time – the same field on which the first generation of Goldsmiths played for legendary coach Fran Welch.

Other honored Goldsmith family members include Margaret (Clayton) Goldsmith (BSE 1966, MS 1970), Marie (Kramer) Goldsmith (FS), Glennis (Ayers) Goldsmith (BSM 1942), Jerry Goldsmith (BSB 1963), David Goldsmith Sr. (BSB 1967), Linda (Goldsmith) Whittaker (BSE 1967, MS 1969), James Whittaker (BA 1969),

**Hornet Heritage**

The many nominations received for the Multi-Generational Family of the Year award have demonstrated that ESU loyalty doesn’t have to run for many generations in order to run deep. Several families submitted histories of numerous siblings and spouses attending ESU, and other families include relatives who taught or otherwise were employed by ESU. To better honor ESU families of all types in 2005, the Multi-Generational Family of the Year award will be renamed the Hornet Heritage Award. To be considered for the 2005 award, please send your “ESU Family Tree” by **July 15, 2005** to “Hornet Heritage,” Sauder Alumni Center, 1500 Highland Street, Emporia, Kansas 66801-5018 or sacpc@emporia.edu or fax to (620) 341-6635. All entries not selected this year will be retained for future consideration. Updates to earlier nominations are always welcome!
A Baehr of a Gift

New finance chair honors professor

A new distinguished professorship in the School of Business honors a beloved professor who taught at ESU for 25 years.

Alumni Art and Dee (Wagner) Piculell have established the Dr. Herman B. Baehr Endowed Chair in Finance with a half-million-dollar gift. The endowed chair is eligible for the Kansas Partnership for Faculty of Distinction Program, through which the state of Kansas will match the earnings of the fund, thereby doubling the money available for a faculty member’s salary.

“This chair gives us a very important opportunity to attract a seasoned professional in finance,” said Robert Hite, dean of the ESU School of Business. “We have the funding we need to recruit someone who has an exceptional record in teaching and research.”

Herman Beahr began his career as a music teacher, but when music programs became casualties of the Depression, he joined the business world. He worked as an analyst in the market research division of Firestone Tire and Rubber Company in Akron, Ohio. Two years later, he was ready to return to teaching. He joined the ESU faculty in 1946.

“Herman Baehr was one of the finest people I’ve ever known,” said ESU alumnus and former faculty member Jim Kirby, Emporia. “His students appreciated his knowledge, sincerity and warmth. I’ve never met a student of his who didn’t think highly of him.”

Though Baehr retired in 1971 and died in 1982, his students still speak of the father-figure who was also a good listener.

“When we were choosing a name for this chair, a group of us who went to ESU talked about faculty members who influenced us. Dr. Baehr’s name came up over and over again,” said Art Piculell. “I took a course with him in business law and I was very respectful of the man. Dr. Baehr was a very decent person.”

Both Art and Dee Piculell graduated from Emporia State University in 1959. Art later received his law degree from the University of Kansas. The Piculells eventually moved to Oregon, where they became land developers. Today they call both Portland, Ore. and Scottsdale, Ariz. home.

In 2004, the Piculells donated land worth $500,000 to the Emporia State University Foundation to establish the professorship.

“We wanted to do this not as payback, but because we were responding to a need,” Art Piculell said. “We could [make this gift], so we did. Everyone who can, should.”
Citizens for Higher Education

on campus

Bill Hall, president of the Hall Family Foundation and founder member of the Citizens for Higher Education, addressed ESU and Emporia community members during a public forum at ESU on October 18. CHE was established by Kansas business and civic leaders in 2002.

Hall presented the following findings, based on research conducted by MGT America:

➤ State funding has not kept pace with higher education inflation and enrollment growth for more than a decade.
➤ Per-student state funding ranks next to last in the Big 12 states.
➤ Kansas tuition and fees rank near the bottom in the Big 12 states.
➤ Kansas faculty salaries are below Big 12 averages.

Hall highlighted that Kansans believe in higher education’s ability to raise our standard of living. In fact, Kansans send a higher percentage of students to college than any other state in the Big 12. In addition, Kansas as a state benefits financially from higher education: more than 6 percent of the gross state product and 8 percent of Kansas’ employed workforce come from the Kansas Higher Education Community.

Hall encourages Kansans to learn more about the impact of higher education by visiting the Citizens for Higher Education web site at www.kansashighereducation.org.

Graduate

And the 2004 Boylan Award goes to...

Agnieszka Tuszynska, an international student from Soleakuł, Poland, received the Laurence C. Boylan Award for the outstanding master’s thesis produced during the 2003-2004 academic year. Tuszynska, who received her master’s degree in English from ESU in August 2004, was recognized for her thesis, “Putting Flesh on the Radicals: The Black Female Body in Angelina Weld Grimke, Georgia Douglas Johnson, and Margaret Walker.” Tuszynska is pursuing her Ph.D. at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

The Laurence C. Boylan Award honors the creator of the graduate program and dean of graduate studies from 1958-1966.

Education

JIEE moves

The Jones Institute for Educational Excellence has a new home. The new offices, located at The Earl Center at 1601 State Street, allow JIEE’s programs to better serve the teachers and future teachers involved in them. Among the conference rooms and offices at the new location, the State Farm Insurance Company, a longtime supporter of JIEE’s national board program, funded a resource room for all of the JIEE programs. This room features materials and computing available to alumni of the Kansas Future Teacher Academy, Reading Recovery teachers, and national board certified teachers and candidates.

Advancement

Welcome gift tags Hornets

“Welcome to Emporia State! Would you like a front license plate for your car?”

Armed with screwdrivers, volunteers affixed front decorative ESU plates to the bumpers of hundreds of cars, trucks and SUVs during Move-In Day and the ESU vs. Fort Hays State football game. Alumni, University Advancement staff and students gave away more than 700 plates.

The sweetest moment? “I got to replace a KU tag on someone’s car,” said a student volunteer.

Alumni Association board member Pete Euler (BSB 1979) installs a front license plate during Move-In Day.
Passionate Kansas women

Kathryn Sommer’s new book, A Passion of Her Own: Life-Path Journeys With Women of Kansas, presents 33 passionate and enthusiastic women, including two of ESU’s own faculty members. History lecturer Joyce Thierer is featured for her passion for history, which shines through her lectures and her historical performance touring group, Ride into History. Sommer also portrays mathematics professor Betsy Yanik’s passion for math.

“It is obviously important to love what you do, but if I cannot be enthusiastic about mathematics, then I certainly shouldn’t be trying to teach this subject to others,” Yanik said. “I would like to convince people that mathematics is doable, and dare I add, fun.”

Science

Beakers ‘n’ Sneakers recognized

The goal was to introduce young girls to chemistry, but Beakers ‘n’ Sneakers earned a Certificate of Excellence award from the American Chemical Society along the way. ESU, in conjunction with the Wichita section of the ACS, created an event that brought 393 Girl Scouts to the ESU campus to earn their ACS National Chemistry Week patch. “Beakers” consisted of five activities lead by ESU faculty members and Student Affiliate members, while “Sneakers” led girls on a scavenger hunt for treasures in the Rock Garden, Geology Museum and other interesting sites on the ESU campus.

ESU faculty members Linda Landis, Art Landis, and Malonne Davies coordinated 80 volunteers to make the “Beakers” portion of the event a success.

Faculty

Math Programs for Kids

Annual Math Day brings hundreds to ESU

Armed with calculators and scratch paper, more than 700 students from 50 high schools across Kansas and western Missouri traveled to ESU for Donald L. Bruyr Mathematics Day on October 26.

ESU is the only Kansas school to host team competitions in algebra and geometry, as well as a “math scramble” that can include almost any area of mathematics. ESU students served as proctors.

Mathematics professor Connie Schrock said the participants were really enthusiastic this year. “The students who were here ranged from athletes to nerds, average to outstanding, and when President Schallenkamp said, ‘Do you love math?’ they cheered,” Schrock said.

Teachers College Newsletter online

Are you an alumna or alumnus of The Teachers College at ESU? Do you know about its online newsletter? During the 2003-04 year, the college experimented with online editions of the newsletter, with great success - more alumni notes were received last year than ever before. Distributing the newsletter this way allows the publication of more newsletters throughout the school year, keeping alumni, faculty, staff, and other interested viewers more current on the events and activities of the Teachers College. To find out more and view the Fall 2004 newsletter, visit www.emporia.edu/jones/tcnewsletter.
Student-athletes perform in the classroom

Several Emporia State athletic teams were honored for their performance in the classroom during the 2003-2004 academic year. The ESU softball team was the 11th ranked team in the NFCA Academic Team list with a 3.365 team GPA, the Lady Hornet basketball team was ranked 20th academically by the WBCA with a 3.372 GPA, and the ESU volleyball team was one of 31 teams recognized by the AVCA for a team GPA of over 3.30. Nearly 55% of Hornet student-athletes made the ESU Athletic Director's Honor Roll for maintaining a GPA of over 3.00 for a semester.

Mehus retires

Maxine Mehus retired from coaching and resigned her position as ESU’s head volleyball coach in January. Mehus has compiled a 484-232 (.676) record since taking over at ESU in 1988. During her tenure at ESU, Mehus coached Hornet volleyball players to NAIA All-American honors six times on the court and three times in the classroom.

Soccer enjoys first winning season, names new coach

The Emporia State women’s soccer team recorded their first winning season in the program’s four year history, finishing with a 10-8-2 record and a third place finish in the MIAA. Junior forward Brandie Booth (Emporia) led the MIAA with 17 goals this year and set the school’s all-time points record with 69 points on 31 goals and seven assists.

Senior midfielder Wendy Dunn (Alvin, Texas) twice tied the MIAA assists record with three in a game and holds the school’s single-season record with eleven on the year. She became the first ESU soccer player to be named first-team all-region by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA).

Ross Fogel has been named the new head coach for the ESU soccer program. One of 89 formal applicants for the position, he has spent the last four years building a program at UC-Riverside from scratch. The Highlanders were 13-2-4 in 2004 and led the Big West Conference in scoring with 45 goals in 19 games.

Record-breaking football in 2004

The Hornet football team set several records during the 2004 season. Junior wide receiver J.J. Richard (Onaga) caught 97 passes to break the ESU and MIAA records for receptions in a season. Richard ended the regular season as the top receiver in the nation and ranked 11th in receiving yards.

Senior kicker Justin Gray (Liberal) shattered his own ESU records for field goals by nailing an MIAA-record 20 kicks during the season. He now owns the ESU records for most made field goals in a game (4), most in a season (20) and most in a career (58) and holds the ESU record with 135 extra points. Gray ended the season ranked #1 in the nation in made field goals.

Senior quarterback Tad Hatfield (Riverton) set several ESU marks during the Hornets 46-43 Homecoming victory over Missouri Southern. He finished the game 32 of 52 for 460 yards and five touchdowns and led the Hornets on a six-play, 85-yard drive for the winning score with 1:33 left in the game. It was the seventh time in his career he had rallied ESU to a fourth-quarter comeback in his career. Hatfield became the Hornet’s record holder in season passing yardage, career passing yardage, career TD passes and his five TD passes tied the school record. He ended his career with 6,697 yards passing and 46 TD passes and became the first Hornet QB to throw for over 3,000 yards in a season.
Through the Years

1956  
Jean (Lane) Tawney, Topeka, retired after 16 years at Capital City School in Topeka.

1958  
Marlow Ediger (MS ’60), North Newton, has published “School Climate and Learning” in Edutracks, “Philosophy of Mathematics Instruction” in Experiments in Education, “Teacher Involvement to Evaluate Achievements” in Education, “Science Learnings of Old Order Amish” in The Hoosier Schoolmaster, and “Peace Education in the Curriculum” in Anland. He also co-authored two textbooks, School Organization and Relevancy in the Elementary Curriculum. George Gish, Tokyo, Japan, is a professor emeritus at Aoyama Gakuin University.

1959  
John Leis, Woodhaven, N.Y., retired after 33 years as assistant commissioner of children services and now owns Eleventh Mountain Farms and Vacational House Rentals in upstate New York.

1963  
David Calvert, Wichita, was appointed by the United States Access Board to serve on the Courthouse Access Advisory Committee. Darlene (Harz) Harvey, Topeka, retired from Topeka Public Schools after 39 years. Marilyn (Baker) Hinshaw (MS ’70), Muskogee, Okla., is the executive director of the Eastern Oklahoma District Library System. Mark Mersman, Chesterfield, Mo., received the Missouri Society of Certified Public Accountants Max Myers Distinguished Service Award. Gary Sherrr, Leawood, was elected to the National Bank of Kansas City board of directors. He was also appointed entrepreneur-in-residence for the Kauffman Foundation in Kansas City, Mo. Dean Thrasher (MS ’69), St. John, retired after 39 years of teaching.

1964  
Dianne (Davis) Adams (MS ’66), Derby, retired from Derby Public Schools after 32 years of teaching and is an instructor/consultant for ESSDACK at the Derby Learning Center. Ken Stuke (TC ’69), Topeka, retired from his counseling position at Seaman High School, ending his 34-year career in education.

1965  
Karen (Hind) Wall (MS ’70), Olathe, retired after 21 years of teaching in the De Soto School District.

1966  
Judith (Thoes) Gaut, Burlington, retired after 27 years as a teacher and administrator for Topeka Public Schools.

1967  
George Knittle, Olathe, has been a senior financial advisor for Waddell & Reed for 19 years and handles retirement plans for Kansas City area schools. Charles McElvan, Radford, Va., is professor and history chair at Radford University. He was presented with the College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Teaching Award. Jean (Rouland) Morford, Belton, Mo., has been promoted to chief of Farm Program Applications Certification Group for the USDA/FSA office in Kansas City, Mo. Beverly (Knight) Schneider, Ponca City, Okla., retired after 21 years of teaching first-grade for Ponca City Public Schools.

1968  
John Deters (MS ’89), Topeka, retired from Topeka West High School. Sherryl (Pock) Longhofer (MS ’73, MS ’93), Topeka, retired from her guidance counseling position after 11 years at Wanamaker Elementary.

1969  
Bailis Bell, Wichita, retired after 20 years as director of airports. John Bortka, Louisville, Ky., is a teacher at Coleridge-Taylor Montessori Elementary School. Darrel Kellerman (MS ’75), Moran, is a superintendent for Marmaton Valley, USD 256. Jim Kelly, Independence, was presented the Vision Guardian Award by the Independence Chamber of Commerce. John Maack

John Summervill (BSE 1962, MS 1963), Softball Coach Stacey Gemeinhardt and Barbara (Cooper) Summervill (BSE 1960, MS 1963) kicked off the Kansas State Fair at ESU’s annual Fan Fair event on September 10.
(MA), Ness City, judged the 51st annual Verdigris Valley Art Exhibit at the Independence Historical Museum. Stan Seidel (MS, EDS ’82), Topeka, retired from his administrative position at Topeka West High School. Suzy (Crisp) Springer (MS ’87), Topeka, retired from Highland Park High School in Topeka after 29 years with Topeka Public Schools.

1970

Brenda (Painter) Ascher, Salina, is an executive director for Central Kansas Cooperative in Education. Ann (Dunhaupt) Birney (MLS ’77), Admire, portrayed Amelia Earhart as part of the Women’s History Month celebration at Santa Fe Trail Center, Larned. Robert Hartsook (MS ’72), Wrightsville Beach, N.C., received the 2004 Spirit of Philanthropy Award from the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University. Brian Hughes, Plano, Texas, is a global call center process and training manager for Electronic Data Systems. Donna (Vickers) Peters (MS ’76), Shawnee, retired from Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools after 33 years as an elementary school teacher. Jim Peters (MS ’76), Shawnee, retired from Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools after 34 years as a middle school teacher. Mark Wilson (MS ’74), Topeka, is director of special education for Holton Special Education Cooperative, USD 336.

1971

L. Rich Farr, Topeka, retired after 24 years at Chase Middle School in Topeka. Carolyn Rottman (MS), Cedar Rapids, Neb., is a music specialist for Cedar Rapids Public Schools.

1972

Marc Galbraith (MLS), Topeka, was appointed Acting Kansas State Librarian by Governor Kathleen Sebelius.

1973

Russ Hutchins, Lawrence, is the principal of Ross Elementary in Topeka. Peggy (Grandin) Lamm, Superior, Colo., co-chaired the panel investigating the University of Colorado’s football program scandal. Paula (Browning) Rolsing (MS), Topeka, retired after teaching in Topeka Public Schools for 29 years.

1974

Nancy (Loeffler) Colley (MS ’76), Riverside, Mo., is a special education coordinator for Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools. Gerald Henderson (MS), Marion, is the superintendent for Marion-Florence, USD 408. Patrick McCreary, Hesston, is a senior cost manager for Krause Corp. in Hutchinson. Gerald Wiens (MS ’76), Marion, had photographs featured in the President’s Art Gallery at the Darbeth Fine Arts Center at Southwestern College in Winfield.

1975

C. John Baricevic (MS), East St. Louis, Ill., received the 2004 Leadership Award from Focus St. Louis. Steve Meeker, Wellington, is the principal of Clearwater High School, USD 264. David Omar (MS), Lawrence, is a home loan consultant for Countrywide Home Loans. Terry Parks, Phillipsburg, retired as master trooper for the Kansas Highway Patrol.

1976

Gary Bowne, Hickory, N.C., was selected by the North Carolina Coaches Association as the Shriner’s basketball East-West All-Star Game West Team head coach for the Summer of 2004. Nancy (Ekstrom) Hubbard, Junction City, is an elementary principal for USD 475. Tom Peterson (MS ’92), Emporia, is an environmental scientist for ESU.
Through the Years

The ESU Ambassadors celebrated their twentieth anniversary during Homecoming 2004. Pictured (left to right) are members of the original 1984 Ambassadors: Lyn Scott (BA 1987), Rueben Perez (BS 1985, MS 1989), J.D. Schramm (BFA 1985), former alumni director Dave Eldridge (BSB 1962, MS 1968) and some guy we don't know.

1977
Stan Frownfelter, Kansas City, is the president of K.C. Fluid Power Inc. Claire (Fruechting) Meredith, Bartlesville, Okla., is a project manager for ConocoPhillips. Jean Rush, McLouth, is the superintendent for the McLouth School District. Michael Savage, Elmhurst, Ill., is director of the Service-Learning Program and associate professor of kinesiology at Elmhurst College. He received a President’s Award for Excellence in Teaching in 2004. Kevin Shepard (MS ’78), Independence, is the director of special education for Tri-County Special Education Coop. John Snow (MLS), Samut Prakan, Thailand, is a lecturer for Assumption University. Tom Trigg (MS), Shawnee, is the superintendent of the Blue Valley School District.

1978
Lowell Ghosey (MS ’80), Olathe, is the director of secondary personnel for USD 233, Olathe.

1979
Donald Hapward (MA), Wichita, is employed at Wichita Collegiate School. Bob Moore, Wichita, has been recognized in the 2004 edition of the National Register’s Who’s Who in Executives and Professionals. He is the first vice-president and senior financial advisor for Merrill Lynch. Felicia (Williams) Nelson, Kansas City, is a teacher for Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools. Nedra Rogers, Lawrence, won the Langston Hughes Creative Writing Award.

1980
Paul Hawkins (MLS ’82), Hutchinson, is the new director of the South Central Kansas Library System. Julie McNickel, Carbondale, is an educational information representative for Kansas Neurological Institute.

1981
Carrie (Strathman) Jacobs (MS ’82), Leawood, is a certified retirement and health and wellness coach. Jeff Roblez, Olathe, was reappointed to the American Institute of Certified Public Accountant’s Joint Trial Board.

1982
Richard Ehinger (MS), Palmetto Bay, Fla., teaches math and science and coaches girl’s basketball at Gulliver Academy in Miami, Fla. Janice Grochowsky, CSJ (AS), Dodge City, earned a Licentiate in Canon Law from the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. She currently ministers in the Diocese of Dodge City as chancellor and director of the Marriage Tribunal. Andrea (Leonhart) Wecker, Leavenworth, teaches art at Lansing Intermediate and won the 2004 Leavenworth area Teacher of the Year Award.

1983
Tim Wolken, Colorado Springs, Colo., is the director of Parks and Leisure Services for El Paso County, Colo.

1984
Wilma (Johnson) Kasnic (MS), Muskogee, Okla., retired as financial aid director for ESU.

1985
Annette (Shawz) Antilla, North Hills, Calif., is a third-grade teacher for the Los Angeles school district. Rueben Perez (MS ’89), Kansas City, Mo., is the new assistant dean of students and director of the Student Involvement and Leadership Center at the University
of Kansas. Janet (Tinley) Walker, Cleburne, Texas, is a curriculum specialist for Cleburne ISD.

1986
Laura (Martin) Autrey (MLS), Topeka, retired after 43 years with Topeka Public Schools. Barbara (List) Fike (MBA ’88), Navarre, Fla., is an account executive for The Listener Group Inc. Immanuel Karuppumanil (MBA), Lansdale, Penn., is a partner with Grant Thornton in Philadelphia, Penn. Sheryl Leeds (MS ’01), Emporia, is the principal of Admire Elementary School in Admire.

1988
Jeff Berthot, Bryan, Texas, is a certified physician assistant and athletic trainer at Central Texas Sports Medicine and Orthopaedics. Alan Woodard, Maize, was promoted to senior vice president, commercial lending for CornerBank in Wichita.

1989
Douglas Tomlinson, Wichita, is assistant to the controller for Transitions Group. Edward West (MS ’90), Topeka, is the principal of Jefferson West High School in Meriden.

1990
Rick Larsen, Mesquite, Texas, is a photojournalist for KDFW Fox 4, Dallas. Kenneth Patterson, Bellevue, Neb., is a physical therapist at Creighton University Medical Center’s Twin Creek facility.

1991
Melanie DeMoss (MS), Olathe, is an elementary principal for USD 233, Olathe. Allen Petz (MS), Inman, is principal of Chaparral High School in Anthony. Marsha (Hatch) Reves, Olathe, is a kindergarten teacher at Sunnyside Elementary School. Jim Weishaar, Alexandria, Va., is the assistant director for accounting and finance policy for the Department of Defense.

1992
Jeff Hayes (MS, EDS ’93), Salina, is the coordinator of special education for the Central Kansas Cooperative in Education. Tim Reves (MS ’98, MS ’00), Olathe, is the principal of Heritage Elementary School. Greg Schmaderer, Adel, Iowa, is a programmer for Allied Insurance in Des Moines. John Willey (MA ’94), Shawnee Mission, is an agent with Country Insurance and Financial Services.

1993
Scott Bacon (MS), Olathe, is the new principal at Blue Valley High School. Darrin Daugherty (MLS), Wathena, is the Captain of the 2nd BN 130th Field Artillery HHS Battery in Hiawatha’s Kansas National Guard and was called to active duty in Iraq for force protection duties. Kay (McCormick) Gerdes (MBA), Emporia, was promoted to assistant comptroller of Protection One. Judy (Shields) Hudson (MS), Bloomfield, N.M., is an instructor and director of Early Childhood Education at San Juan College, Farmington, N.M.

1994
Nikki Barnes, Emporia, is a web applications developer/analyst for TCS at ESU. Laura (Hamilton) Drennon, Mission, is a senior accountant in the audit department for the Kansas City office of BKD, LLP. Russell Fine, Lawrence, is an international distribution planner for Payless Shoe Source. Mark Fox (MS), Newton, is the admissions counselor and assistant men’s basketball coach for Newman University. John Gresham (BSE ’96), Kansas City, Mo., is an instructional coach for Westport Middle Academy. Scott Snively (BSE ’02), Spring Hill, is an alternative educator at TLC Academy in Olathe.

ESU President Kay Schallenkamp (left) visited with Frank Karnes (BA 1948) and his wife, Dixie, during an alumni reception in Lincoln, Neb. on September 22.
1995
Shane Beavers, Topeka, is a member of the Leadership Greater Topeka Class of 2004. Michelle (Deatrick) Cannon, Columbia, S.C., received a dual MA in Human Resources Management and Human Resources Development from Webster University. Jennifer (Barton) Garrett, Enid, Okla., is the director of social services for Adoption Services of Oklahoma. Therese Kinney (MLS), Albuquerque, N.M., is a development research manager for the University of New Mexico. Karen Meats (MS), McPherson, is a member of the Leadership McPherson Class of 2004.

1996
Heather (Luginbill) Fangmann (MA ’03), El Dorado, is an English/creative writing teacher, KAY and NHS sponsor for El Dorado High School. She was named the USD 490 Secondary Educator of the Year. Christopher Franks, New Orleans, La., is a unit sales manager for Bankers Life and Casualty. Bill Flynn, Tonganoxie, is a senior officer for the U.S. Department of Justice. Joni (Fay) Gonzales, Topeka, is a special education teacher for Eisenhower Middle School. Pam Lewis (MS), Shawnee, is the principal of Crestview Elementary in Merriam. Susan Schank (MLS), Parkville, Mo., is the library media specialist at Southeast Elementary in the Park Hill School District. She has been awarded the FOX 4 Crystal Apple Award for Excellence in Teaching, the Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year award and was elected co-vice president of the Greater Kansas City Association of School Librarians. Sarah (Miller) Stump, Emporia, is a senior administrative specialist for the Teachers College at ESU.

1997
Kelli Edmonds, Gilbert, Ariz., is a vice president for Chase Auto Finance in Phoenix. Traci Hammes (MS ’01), Goddard, is the assistant principal at Goddard High School. Tracy (Jones) Tucker, Norwich, is a second-year resident at the University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita Family Medicine Residency Program at Wesley Medical Center in Wichita.

1998
Jennifer (Adcock) Collins, Americus, is an administrative assistant to the athletic director of the ESU Athletic Department. Kim (Smith) Glover (MA ’03, MLS ’04), Emporia, is a reference/instructional librarian for the William Allen White Library at ESU. Jim Johnson, Wichita, is a manager in the tax department of Grant Thornton. Wendy (Helsel) Just, Garden City, graduated with a Doctorate in Pharmacy from the University of Kansas School of Pharmacy and is a pharmacist for St. Catherine Hospital. Bob Kickner (MS), Auburn, Wash., is the athletic director at Green River Community College. Amy Waters (MA ’00), Columbia, Mo., is a reference specialist for the State Historical Society of Missouri.

1999
Lori (Metz) Greeson (MS ’03), Olathe, is a fifth-grade teacher at Prairie Center Elementary. Rachel (Schemm) Wohletz, Waverly, is a customer service representative for Lyndon State Bank.

2000
Tara (Watson) Barnhill, McLouth, is the center director for YES Learning Center. Todd Cartwright, Fort Scott, is a physical therapist for Mercy Hospital. Melissa Koch, Overland Park, is the owner of An Apple A Day Gifts and Cards in Olathe. Jessica Malott, Lenexa, is a teacher for De Soto, USD 232. Donald Morfitt, Emporia, is an application programmer/analyst II for TCS at ESU. Shawn Shoemaker, Emporia, is a system software program analyst for ESU. Jodi Strickler, Andover, was elected Area 2 Representative for the Kansas Scholastic Press Association.

2001
Christopher Bundy, Carbondale, is a branch manager for Wells Fargo Financial in Wichita. Brenda Carmichael, Emporia, is director of Outreach Student Services for Allen County Community College in Burlingame.

Jack Hobbs, Andover, is an associate attorney for Wallace, Saunders, Austin, Brown & Enochs. Jacob Holle, Wichita, is a teacher for Goddard High School in Goddard. Melissa Reves, Westmoreland, was awarded the Kansas Horizon Award, which recognizes exemplary first-year teachers. Heather (Smith) Snyder, Emporia, is the resource room teacher at Reading Elementary in Reading. Monica (Stuby) Spencer, Bartlesville, Okla., is a new venture/investment accountant at ConocoPhillips. Kelli (Lore) White (MA ’03), Overland Park, has poetry featured in Arizona State University’s literary magazine, Hayden’s Ferry Review.

2002
Candace Boardman (MA), Council Grove, is director of the Kansas MLS Program for the School of Library and Information Management at ESU.
Deanna (Stinemetz) Deibert, Shawnee, is a sixth-grade teacher for the Basehor-Linwood school district. Joshua Deibert, Shawnee, is a technician for the De Soto school district. Kristin Gubera (MS), Joplin, is the assistant manager for Freeman Health System’s Nutricity. Rochelle (Wilson) Kohlmeier (MS ’04), Emporia, is an admissions counselor at ESU. Heather Leverington, Emporia, is a graduate assistant at ESU.
Aaron Sinclair, Overland Park, is the banking center manager for Hillcrest Bank in Olathe. Amanda Trei, Topeka, is an elementary resource teacher. Deena (Holloway) Wilson, Emporia, is an admissions counselor for ESU.

2003
Elizabeth Barnum, Olathe, is an admissions outreach specialist/ambassador coordinator for Johnson County Community College in Overland Park. William Browning, Madison, performed the role of Count Ceprano in the Wichita Grand Opera’s production of Giuseppe Verdi’s Rigoletto. Andrea Gilligan, Paola, is the middle and high school level instrumental music teacher for Prairie View Schools in LaCygne, and a music teacher for Fontana Elementary in Fontana. Art Gutierrez, Emporia, is the microcomputer support tech I for ESU’s library. Erin Kelley, Topeka, is a Kansas Highway Patrol trooper in Shawnee County. Traci Kessler, Emporia, is an admissions counselor for ESU. Robbie Koerperich (MS), Holbrook, Ariz., is the principal at Indian Wells Elementary School.
Jennifer (Duncan) Lambert, Springfield, Mo., is a preschool teacher for University Child Care Center at Southwest Missouri State University. Jessi (Decker) Moors, Manhattan, is a financial aid counselor for Manhattan Christian College.
Nathan Padilla, Alpharetta, Ga., is a sports and camp director for the Forsyth County Family YMCA. Ashley Ross, Olathe, is a Kansas City marketing coordinator for the Lifelong Learning Department of ESU. Amy Simon, Wichita, is a marketing coordinator for the Lifelong Learning Department of ESU. Ali Sprague, Emporia, is the assistant women’s basketball coach for ESU.
Christina Sudbeck, Emporia, is a senior administrative specialist for University Facilities at ESU.

2004
Jake Akehurst (MS), Kansas City, Mo., is an education team coordinator at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Adrienne Collins, Emporia, is a graduate assistant for Multicultural Services at ESU. Falco Grehl, Wichita, is an executive team leader with Target.
Janice (Reed) Grehl, Wichita, is an executive team leader with Target.
Valerie Knight (MA, MLS), Emporia, is a program coordinator for Lifelong Learning at ESU. Lauren Loucks (MS), Emporia, is an instructor in the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department at ESU. Erin Methvin, Topeka, is an outbound team leader for Target.
Beth Nickerson, Lenexa, is a theatre and yearbook teacher at Santa Fe Trail Junior High School in Olathe. Tina (Heaton) Salmons, Americus, is a teacher for Emporia, USD 253.
Sherman Smith, Emporia, is a copy editor for the Topeka Capital Journal. Amy Wilson, Ottawa, is a fifth-grade teacher for Lincoln Elementary School.
Ready to cheer on the Lady Hornets as they challenged the K-State women's basketball team during an exhibition game on November 9 are Connie Baumgardner, University Advancement executive director Boyce Baumgardner (BS 1964), Chuck Stuart (BSE 1947, MS 1953) and Marion (Choate) Stuart (BSE 1947, MS 1966).
Through the Years


Alumni

1920's


1930's


1940's


In Memory

William Allen White Library's "Librarian Corky" awaits judging in Kellogg Circle during the second annual Parade of Corkys, part of the 2004 Homecoming festivities.


1940's


1950's

1960's
1970’s

1980’s

1990’s

2000’s

University Community
*E.L. Barnhart (RF), Emporia, August 10, 2004. Barnhart was a professor and chair of the industrial education department and later dean of administrative affairs. He retired in 1982.
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Charles B. Creager (RF), Emporia, August 1, 2004. Creager was the physical sciences department chair from 1971 until his retirement in 1984.
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E. Riddle Hall (RF), Emporia, October 12, 2004. Hall chaired the art department and co-founded ESU’s art therapy program.
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LaDene Whittington (RS), Americus, November 29, 2004.

University Friends
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Alumni are listed under the year they received their bachelor’s degrees unless otherwise noted.
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*A memorial has been established with the ESU Foundation.

Information for Through the Years may be submitted to Spotlight, 1500 Highland Street, Emporia, Kansas, 66801-5018, or sacpc@emporia.edu.

Submissions may be edited for length and clarity. Nuptials, Births and Deaths received within one year of the occurrence will be announced. Detailed obituaries for certain faculty and friends may be selected at the discretion of the Spotlight staff.
When ESU alumna and South Central Alumni Coordinator Mim (Pugh) Hiesterman (FS 1957) began her annual Bike Across Kansas trip in June, she thought it would be fun to meet other ESU alumni along the way. The ESU Alumni Association armed Hiesterman with ESU gifts and lists of alumni in each city on her journey. A contact in each town gathered alumni at the designated flagpole of a local school to meet Hiesterman. If you're interested in participating on next year’s Bike Across Kansas – Team ESU, contact Mim Hiesterman at mimhiesterman@yahoo.com.

Alumni (by city) who joined the fun include:

**Chapman:** Janet (Brown) Edwards (BSE 1972), Eileen (Windsor) Beavers (BSE 1982), John Beavers (BFA 1980), Brent Blocker (BFA 1993), Bari (McCullough) Stalder (BSE 1991), Cathleen (Cummins) DeDonder (BSE 1984), Debra (Cunningham) Quirarte (BSE 1977), Bill Muckenthaler (FS 1958)

**Lawrence:** Marcia Schulmeister, Kim Gibson (BSB 2001), Gena Clouch (BS 1990), Teresa Clouch (BS 1989, MS 1996)

**Oakley:** Dean Shoemaker (MS 1957), Laura (Binder) Bosserman (BSE 1986), Charles Marchbanks (MS 1992) with Mim

**Osborne:** Jesse Jackson (BSE 1974) with Mim

**St. Mary’s:** Front row: Warren Sickel (BME 1976), Diane (Deutsch) Sickel (BSE 1976), Paulette (Dohrman) Simecka (BSE 1969), Back row: James Yocum (BSB 1991), Cathleen (Cummins) DeDonder (BSE 1984), Debra (Cunningham) Quirarte (BSE 1977), Bill Muckenthaler (FS 1958)

**Hoxie/Hill City:** Mim and Vickie (Bane) Deines (BSE 1965)

**Lincoln:** Marion Florence (BSE 1958, MS 1970), Barb (White) Gourley (BSE 1961), Paul Kuchera (BSE 1962), Traci (Atteberry) Martin (BSE 1995)
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If this list is a valuable service to you, let me know. Your feedback is very important.
Marjorie Werly, Director, Public Affairs and Marketing, werlymar@emporia.edu
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Education: Degree __________ Grad Year __________

School/Major: __________________________________________

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Spouse’s Name: _________________________________________

Is Spouse an ESU alumnus/a? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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The first thing I look for/at when I open Spotlight is (pick one):

- My school or department.
- My classmates, in the Through the Years section.
- Athletics.
- The cover story/feature stories
- Greek life.
- New scholarships or gifts.
- Calendar of Events.
- Other: __________________

When I read Spotlight, I look for stories in the following order (please rank the topics, starting with “1” at the first thing you read. Feel free to leave some categories blank.):

- My school or department.
- My classmates.
- Books and CDs by faculty members.
- Athletics.
- Greek life.
- ESU history.
- Alumni profiles.
- New buildings or programs.
- New scholarships or gifts.
- Upcoming events.
- Special offers for alumni and friends.
- Calendar of Events.
- Other: ________________

I would like to see a story about: __________________________

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- I read the whole magazine cover to cover.
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- I skim through the entire magazine quickly and don’t look at it again.
- I don’t read it because I am not interested.
- I don’t read it because I don’t have time.

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