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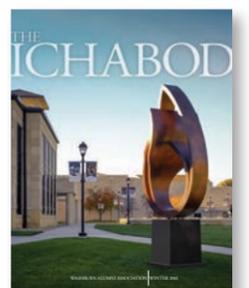
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FROM THE PRESIDENT

The 150th anniversary celebration exceeded our dreams of what it could be. The programs, activities and events turned the spotlight on our students, alumni, staff, faculty and supporters. Hundreds of people gathered to enjoy our After Hours, pancake feed, tailgate and the after-game Bow Tie Bash events. Our parade was led by grand marshal Sen. Bob Dole. The Welcome Center grand opening celebrated the University's new gathering space for students, and the beautiful new sculptures on our east and north lawns. I watched people aged 1 to 95 years getting their picture taken with Ichabod Washburn on his new bench. I believe this will be the most photographed site on the campus in the years to come. And I continue to watch from my new office window as people search for their brick in the Welcome Center plaza!

Everyone I spoke with was enthusiastic about attending the Grand Homecoming and in awe of what they found on our campus. Each person relived his or her experiences and memories. Some were sad many of the buildings they knew were destroyed by the 1966 tornado but so proud of today's beautiful campus. The most frequent comment I heard was alumni asking about faculty members who had positively impacted their lives.

We were honored to recognize many of our benefactors. There are more supporters now than ever in our history. And we are so grateful for their generosity and how it has benefitted our students, faculty and programs.

All across campus, areas devoted time and effort to make this celebration a reality. Their efforts were noticed and meaningful for our alumni and community partners. It is not possible to recognize all involved, but we are grateful for the commitment and contributions of every person who helped with celebration events. Special recognition is deserved by Drs. Denise Ottinger, JuliAnn Mazachek and Cynthia Hornberger and Julie Olson and Amanda Hughes, as members of the sesquicentennial planning core team, for their four-year efforts.

We all serve a wonderful university. We will continue to change the lives of our students in our next 150 years.

Jerry Farley



A DREAM COME TRUE

By Kathy Busch • kbusch@wufoundation.org

Rita Blitt was first introduced to Washburn in late May 2015. The Kansas City native was on campus to talk about her life's dream – a permanent home for her art.

Rita is a world-renowned, award-winning artist, painter, sculptor and filmmaker. Irwin is a retired Kansas City-based commercial property developer. Together, they have made the most significant gift to the Mulvane Art Museum in its 91 years of existence.

On Oct. 16, Washburn University Foundation held a press conference to announce that the Blitts will donate a significant portion of Rita's life work – nearly 1,000 paintings, drawings and sculptures – to the University and the Mulvane. In addition, they made a generous contribution for a stunning new art gallery addition to White Concert Hall that marks the first phase of a new performing arts venue. When completed, the venue will include the Rita Blitt Archive Gallery, a rehearsal room and an intimate recital hall that will seat 225 to 250 people, with performance space for instruction, rehearsal, concerts, small ensembles and civic events.

"Irwin and I selected Washburn as the home for my life's work because of its commitment to

the arts and its vision for the future. The Mulvane is the perfect venue to exhibit my art, a wonderful place where my pieces can live together as a body of work," said Rita. "We are thrilled to give this gift to Washburn and to the region. This is my dream come true – more than I ever hoped for."

"We are humbled and deeply honored to receive this priceless gift from one of the most celebrated artists of our time," said JuliAnn Mazachek, president, Washburn University Foundation. "Rita's generosity and vision will allow us to create a wonderful space for her art, which will continue to inspire others for generations to come."

Rita's works will become part of the permanent collection of the Mulvane, adding to its approximately 3,200 pieces.

"Rita's work is a wonderful addition to the Mulvane," said Connie Gibbons, director, Mulvane Art Museum. "This gift will have a lasting impact on the museum, our students and the art community. We are so excited to have Rita's work, to exhibit it here at the Mulvane and



Rita Blitt, and her husband, Irwin, announced they will be giving a significant portion of her life's work – nearly 1,000 paintings, drawings and sculptures – to the Mulvane Art Museum. In addition, they made a generous contribution for a stunning new art gallery addition to White Concert Hall that marks the first phase of a new performing arts venue, and they established an endowment so her work can travel around the world.



(From left) JuliAnn Mazachek, president, Washburn University Foundation; Randy Pembrook, vice president, academic affairs; Connie Gibbons, director, Mulvane Art Museum; and Rita and Irwin Blitt announce that the future site of the Rita Blitt Archive will be north of White Concert Hall.

to curate and create exhibitions that can be shared with other museums and galleries across the country.”

Randy Pembrook, vice president, academic affairs, understands what doors this gift will open to the students.

“Having Rita’s work will add another dimension to the educational opportunities we provide to our students,” he said. “They will be able to see many of Rita’s outstanding works, and hopefully that will serve as an inspiration to them.”

Rita has had more than 70 solo exhibits. Her art can be seen in the collection of the Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art, the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art, the John F. Kennedy Museum, the National Museum of Singapore and many others.

Her sculptures have been installed in multiple Kansas City locations – including one installed in November 2015 at the Hyatt Regency Skywalk Memorial in Kansas City – and throughout the world. “Confluence of Love and Learning,” the sculpture in front of Morgan Hall, is one of Rita’s works and was made possible through the support of Dale, bba ’69, and Susan Pond.

“Mulvane is truly a regional treasure, and Rita and Irwin’s generous gift will bring new opportunities to campus,” said Jerry Farley, president, Washburn University. “This is an investment in the community, an investment in the University and an investment in our students’ education. We are honored that Rita and Irwin have chosen Washburn as a home for Rita’s art.”

DANCING ON PAPER

From an early age, Rita was drawn to art. Her grandfather, Isaac Sonfus, a Russian immigrant who designed embroidery patterns for a New York firm, drew flowers at the bottom of letters he sent to Rita. She did the same when she wrote back. She later said, “Perhaps my lines continue his.”

In grade school, Rita’s teacher Ruth Ann Angstead had the class draw trees, explaining that every branch, every twig grew from the roots up. “When I drew trees, I was aware that every line I drew was from the roots up the trunk, out into the branches and twigs. Every tree was alive,” said Rita. “These lines – coming from the roots up – invoked a feeling of honesty. I later realized this was very important to me as an artist.”

In her life drawing class under John Raushenberger at the University of Illinois, Rita experienced speed drawing for the first time – a technique that would have a profound influence on her art. “I loved making quick figures sketches with charcoal,” she said. “I discovered the speed with which I draw and paint today.”

While at the University of Illinois, Rita met Irwin. They married after he graduated. Throughout her career, he has encouraged and supported her work as an artist. After the birth of their daughter Chela in 1955, Rita was torn between how much time she spent with her family and how much time she devoted to her art. In 1958, she made a decision to work on her art every day in order to develop her talent. “I owe it to myself to be the best artist I can be, while putting my family first,” she said.

Rita’s work evolved through the years, transitioning from doodles on paper to paintings to film and monumental sculpture. One of her sculptures, “Lunarblitt XVI,” or the “yellow ball” sculpture, Rita considers a pivotal work. The sculpture, part of the collection Rita is giving to the Mulvane, has a stainless

steel base with a stainless steel arc that supports a bright yellow aluminum ball that is seemingly suspended in air. When she looked at the finished piece, Rita realized the yellow ball came from a doodle on paper. “It was the essence of me,” Rita said. “I realized the doodles I had made over the years were really me.”

From that point on, she put her spontaneous lines on paper. In 1977, she began drawing with two hands at once with music playing in the background. She later wrote that she felt like she was dancing on paper.

From her early childhood, Rita’s work has been inspired by her love of family and her concern about social injustice. Her art celebrates her love of nature, music, dance and the spontaneous flow of movement.

None more so than “Celebrating Dorianna,” an amazing 12-foot painting that Rita made following the birth of her granddaughter Dorianna in 1996. “For months my sole focus had been helping to care for the new baby,” said Rita. “When I finally got to my studio and painted, I danced across the canvas with joy. Afterwards, I was stunned to see gestures reminiscent of birth revealed on the canvas. For the first time I admitted to myself that my art was influenced by my subconscious, something I had always dismissed before.”

Her most celebrated film is the six-minute “Caught in Paint,” a collaboration with the Parsons Dance Company. Rita’s words inspired a kindness program used in Kansas City schools and beyond, called “Kindness Is Contagious, Catch It.”

Rita invites the Mulvane community to view her art, films and other projects by visiting www.ritablitt.com.



“Celebrating Dorianna” is a 12-foot painting Rita made following the birth of her granddaughter Dorianna in 1996.



Jim and Linda Slattery.
Photo submitted

WORLDWIDE INFLUENCE

Slattery's reach goes global, with Washburn's help

By Jami Weisbender

Jim Slattery, bs '70 and jd '74, has a resume that reads like a dream: state legislator, six-term congressman, foreign diplomat and prominent District of Columbia attorney.

Given his big-time career, it's easy to forget his small-town beginnings. He started out, like so many Kansas-born do, as a farm kid – a first-generation college hopeful, from rural Atchison County. His parents, both passionate about education and politics, taught him the

importance of public service. Those lessons made an indelible impression on a young Slattery.

“My father got our first television for Christmas in 1959 so that we could watch the conventions in 1960 when John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon were

nominated for president. We watched from gavel to gavel every evening,” said Slattery, who recalls running home from school to catch President Kennedy's news conferences.

“As I look back on my life, one of the things that I give both my mother and father great credit for is inspiring all of us to dream, and to be able to see beyond the four corners of our farm.”

And while Slattery knew there was a wider world out there, it wasn't until arriving at Washburn that he finally got a glimpse of it. He remembers it perfectly – the day in 1968 when Lee Dodson, ba '51, then-dean of students, tendered a life-changing opportunity: a year abroad at the prestigious Nyenrode Business University in the Netherlands. The experience blew Slattery's world wide open.

“I give Washburn a lot of credit for instilling in me a lifelong interest in international affairs. It changed my life.”

Invigorated, Slattery wasted no time in putting more plans in motion. He earned his way into Washburn Law, making good on a “lifetime dream” to become a lawyer. He fearlessly embarked on a six-year post in the Kansas House of Representatives in 1973, while just a 20-something law student. He launched a real estate business, Brosius, Slattery & Meyer, with Washburn friend Jerry Brosius, ba '70, in 1977. Slattery also found time to serve in the Kansas National Guard between 1970 and 1976.

But the pull of public service – that seed his parents planted long ago – wouldn't be denied. In 1982, frustrated by sky-high interest rates and rampant inflation, he set his sights on the U.S. House of Representatives. The reason was simple: He thought he could help. His congressional team worked to rein in the federal budget, expand Medicaid for low-income children, pass important environmental legislation such as the Clean Air Act and find a peaceful end to the civil war in Nicaragua. It was a career-defining 12 years.

“Carol (Waddell) McDowell, ba '70 and jd '75, was my chief of staff for 10 years. She did a terrific job leading my team in Kansas. We were deeply committed to serving the people of northeast Kansas in every way possible, whether it was problems with Social Security,

Medicare or Veterans Affairs, or assisting farmers during the farm crisis of the 1980s.”

These days, with his congressional career behind him, Slattery is putting all that experience to work as a partner at Wiley Rein LLP in the District of Columbia, where he has represented a number of Kansas clients.

But true to form, he is also focused on public service. For the past decade, he has poured his time and his talents into an interfaith dialogue in the Middle East, Iran in particular. Slattery has spent thousands of hours on this pro bono project.

The initiative has taken him to Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Egypt, Turkey, Israel and Lebanon for what he calls “people to people diplomacy.”

“Our idea was to open a conversation about the common ground shared by Muslims, Christians and Jews,” Slattery said. “We thought that it would be interesting to talk to high-ranking Iranians about how we might build a better relationship between the United States and Iran.”

For every noteworthy line on his resume – each country visited and each office won – Slattery points to a local Ichabod who made it possible. Dodson sending him on a transformative first trip abroad. McDowell working alongside him to represent the people of Kansas. Marion McDonald, former director of financial aid, digging up any and every available job to help him afford seven years of education at Washburn.

When Slattery and wife Linda gave \$250,000 to Washburn Law's campaign for a new building, it was a tribute to the Washburn faithful who have punctuated his story. Without them, Slattery said, his life would have never been the same.

“We believe we owe the Topeka community a lot. I went to school here, I met my wife here, our children were born here,” he said. “I would not be where I am today but for Washburn University and all the people in Kansas who helped me. This gift is our way of saying thank you.” 🙏



Eugene Williams, station manager, KTWU
Photo submitted by KTWU

KTWU CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF PROVIDING VALUE TO COMMUNITY

By Sarah Towle • stowle@wufoundation.org

When Eugene Williams, station manager for KTWU, started 17 years ago, KTWU was a very community-oriented station, and the people in Topeka felt like it belonged to them.

Today, as KTWU celebrates its 50th year in operation, Williams said the station has more of a national connection because of technology, but still very much belongs to the community.

“Any time you can have a station last 50 years, it’s a testament to the community it operates in and to the people who have been associated with it,” said Williams.

Since it signed on as the first public television station in Kansas on Oct. 21, 1965, it has seen immense changes on the local and national level: transition to digital

television, financial challenges and major show premieres such as “Mr. Rogers,” “Clifford the Big Red Dog” and “Downton Abbey.”

The focus for the station now is the competition for engagement and eyes in the multi-platform environment people are accustomed to such as online streaming and a digital presence.

“KTWU has been able to provide lifetime value,” said Williams. “Many people grew up watching it and have passed it down to their children.”

Bill Shaffer, ba ’74, KTWU’s longest-serving employee with 39 years of service, has seen many of the station’s changes firsthand. As a producer for “Sunflower Journeys,” he agrees technology has offered the station the most challenges and opportunities to deliver great content.

“Technology has changed year to year, and sometimes it seems like it’s almost even faster,” he said. “I look at technology now, and I’m awestruck. Our newest camera is so small you can hardly even tell it’s there.”

Shaffer said he never expected “Sunflower Journeys” to last more than two decades, but the show has been a special part of the station’s history and growth. He no longer needs a map to travel around Kansas and is the go-to person in the office on all of the great local restaurants around the state. His favorite station memories include the Beaumont Hotel in Beaumont, Kansas, on “Sunflower Journeys” and having Red Green from “The Red Green Show” visit Topeka in 1998 to help support the station.

“Public television has a niche, and it’s going to stick around,” he said. “There are a lot of local shows on the station, and almost all of the ideas on ‘Sunflower Journeys’ are relayed to us via viewers. It’s intriguing how many they have come up with.”

Williams said the station also maintains a strong connection to the community through its volunteers, many of whom continue to come back to help with the same shows and the auction every year.

“They really get into the programs, especially when they get the behind-the-scenes experience,” he said. “Our volunteer hours are off the charts, and we are thankful to have them here.” 🙋

Highlights of KTWU’s 50 years:

Oct. 21, 1965

KTWU signs on the air as the first public television station in Kansas.

1969

“Sesame Street” premieres.

1971

Station launches its first fundraising auction, with proceeds going to purchase two portable color cameras for studio and location use.

1973

KTWU is one of six public television stations nationwide to take part in a pilot project to test closed captioning for the hearing impaired.

July 4, 1983

Station celebrates its first uninterrupted day of programming, from 6:45 a.m. to midnight. Prior to that, the station signed off for several hours in the afternoon.

1985

Construction of a tower in Lola allows KTWU to provide service to southeast Kansas.

1988

“Sunflower Journeys,” a KTWU-produced series about Kansas and its people, debuts.

1994

KTWU moves to a new building at Washburn University, where it continues to operate today.

2002-2003

Station raises \$7 million for a new broadcasting tower and transmitter to meet Federal Communications Commission requirements to switch to digital technology.

Oct. 21, 2015

Station celebrates 50 years of broadcasting.



WASHBURN NIGHT AT THE K

Sluggerrr, the Kansas City Royals' mascot, gives some advice to Ichabod on how to catch the first pitch. *Photo courtesy Royals*

Ichabod and Royals pride were on display Sept. 1 as Washburn University and the Washburn University School of Law had the first Washburn Night at the K.

The event was made possible by generous donors Advisors Excel, Midwest Health, Kuckelman Torline Kirkland Lewis, Nell Hill's, Hutchins & Haake, LLC, and Polsinelli.

Even though the Royals lost 6-5 against the Detroit Tigers, the evening was an opportunity to show off Washburn and all it had to offer people in Kansas City. Co-branded t-shirts were given to the first 10,000 people, president Jerry Farley threw out the first pitch, music

students sang the national anthem, and senior Jacob Stone stood on the Royals' dugout to sing the 7th-inning stretch song "Take Me Out to the Ballgame."

"We are fortunate to have the generous support from alumni and alumni law firms that helped us make this opportunity available to the Washburn community," said JuliAnn Mazachek, president, Washburn University Foundation. "We truly appreciate their generosity. It was a wonderful night for Washburn and ended up being a wonderful season for the Royals, so we can't wait until next year!" 🏃



Washburn Law handed out several hundred cup sleeves to the first people in the stadium. *Photo by Jeremy Wangler*

SEE VIDEOS FROM WASHBURN NIGHT AT THE K ONLINE:

National anthem video:

<http://bit.ly/WUnationalanthem>

7th-inning stretch video:

<http://bit.ly/WU7thinning>

MOMENTOUS CELEBRATION MARKS 150 YEARS



Washburn University Board of Regents, Washburn University Foundation Board of Trustees, and members of the Washburn University administration cut the ribbon for the grand opening of the Welcome Center on Friday, Oct. 23.

The four-year sesquicentennial celebration went out with a bang on Saturday, Oct. 24.

"The celebration was truly a pivotal point in Washburn's history, and the weekend was a wonderful time to get together, share memories and make new friends," said Jerry Farley, president, Washburn University, who led the surprise fireworks show during the Grand Finale. "We are happy to celebrate the history, but we are ready to pass it on to the future."

The weekend-long celebration for alumni included the grand opening of the Welcome Center, a large After Hours celebration, and the revival of the traditional bonfire on Friday evening.

In addition to the events on Friday, the Ichabod statue and almost 2,000 personalized bricks purchased from alumni, students and friends were unveiled in the plaza in front of the new Welcome Center. An Ichabod bench west of the Welcome Center and a one-of-a-kind art piece celebrating Washburn's history were also unveiled.

The statue, bench and art piece were funded through the generosity of donors.

"The two statues make it possible for everyone who enters the Welcome Center to know what we stand for and to remember that Ichabod Washburn is who made this place possible, and the future generations can build on his dream and vision of education for all," said JuliAnn Mazachek, president, Washburn University Foundation.

On Saturday, a pancake feed started the celebrations off in the morning, and former U.S. Sen. Bob Dole, ba '52, jd '52, served as grand marshal to a large Grand Homecoming Parade. While the football team lost to the University of Central Oklahoma 27-38, more than 1,000 people attended the Grand Tailgate, and hundreds of people attended the Bow Tie Bash and fireworks show to wrap up the evening.

"Washburn has the ability to change so many people's lives, and we are very excited for the next 150 years," Farley said. 🏃

GRAND HOMECOMING

FRIDAY EVENTS KICKED OFF CELEBRATION



David Manley, ba '67, poses with Mr. Ichabod after the bench was unveiled Friday, Oct. 23. Manley was one of the driving forces behind the Ichabod bench project when he was serving on the alumni board of directors. *Photo by Bruce Matthews*



Bill Sneed, bba '77, jd '80, chair of the Washburn University Board of Regents, spoke at the grand opening of the Welcome Center on Friday afternoon. *Photo by Peggy Clark*



(From Left) Rhonda Sparks, Heather Hay Huscher, ba '93, Jennifer Graf Smith, ba '93, and Clayton Funk, ba '93, get their photo with Mr. Ichabod at After Hours on Friday evening. *Photo by Sarah Towle*



Members of the Washburn University Marching Blues led After Hours attendees through campus to the bonfire, a tradition brought back for Friday night's Grand Homecoming celebration. *Photo by Jeremy Wangler*



Carol Kaufman, b ed '82, snaps a photo of a brick in the Ichabod Plaza in front of the Welcome Center. The opening of the plaza drew hundreds of people to see their personalized brick. *Photo by Sarah Towle*



(Left) Steve Howard and Gary Weckbaugh, bba '80, reminisce at Grand Homecoming's After Hours. *Photo by Bruce Matthews*



Members of Zeta Tau Alpha gathered for a reunion at After Hours during Grand Homecoming. *Photo by Sarah Towle*

See more photos of Grand Homecoming at bit.ly/washburngrandhomecoming



CELEBRATING WASHBURN 50 YEARS LATER

Centennial queen joins sesquicentennial celebrations

By Sarah Towle • stowle@wufoundation.org

Washburn University's centennial homecoming queen, Helen Badenoch Kanatzar, relived her historic moment in 1965 by traveling from Texas this fall to attend the University's sesquicentennial celebrations.

Susie Hoffmann, director, Alumni Association, and Jessica Barraclough, director, Student Activities and Greek Life, surprised Kanatzar and included her in many of the same activities homecoming queens took part in 50 years ago, including riding along in the parade and presenting flowers to the sesquicentennial queen, Catherine Stuart, at halftime of the football game.

Fifty years ago, homecoming queens weren't nominated by the many student organizations as they are today. One woman was nominated from each sorority, one woman from Benton Hall and one independent woman. The Kappa Alpha Theta sorority nominated Kanatzar in 1965.

"I happened to be taking a night class during the meeting," she said. "I came back and they said, 'We nominated you for homecoming!'"

Kanatzar was honored to be crowned queen in a momentous year for Washburn. The student body did not start crowning homecoming kings until 1975.

"I was surprised, very surprised. It just didn't even dawn on me that I would win," she said. "For me,

Washburn was like a wonderful living room – a classy living room. It enlightened me, encouraged me, and I had wonderful teachers who really opened my mind."

Kanatzar moved to Texas in 1966 right after the tornado destroyed most of Washburn's campus, and she took off on a rewarding career as an airline hostess. The regulars she served on flights included anthropologist Margaret Mead, singer Tina Turner, Lady Bird Johnson and Speaker of the House Carl Albert.

Even though she moved to Texas, she has maintained lifelong friendships with her Theta sisters. While she hadn't been back to campus for a homecoming celebration, she and her husband came back to wish Washburn well for the next 150 years.

"I wanted to come back for Grand Homecoming and see the celebration," she said. "It's exhilarating to be on campus. It's the most beautiful campus I have ever seen, because it has heart." 🏃

SESQUICENTENNIAL QUEEN, KING CROWNED

Washburn University junior Catherine Stuart, Topeka, Kansas, and senior Parker Gallion, Frankfort, Kansas, were crowned homecoming queen and king during halftime of the Washburn University football game vs. University of Central Oklahoma on Saturday, Oct. 24.

Stuart, an elementary education major, is a current member of Delta Gamma women's fraternity where she has served as vice president of finance and vice president of social standards. Her volunteer work includes Brewster Place, grocery shopping with senior citizens, Kansas State School for the Blind, the Washburn Big Event and St. Matthew's. She is a member of the Washburn Education Association, Student Alumni Association, Panhellenic recruitment counselor team and served the university as a peer educator.

A recipient of the Alumni Association, Sweet Foundation and Moor scholarships, she has also received recognition on the president's honor roll. After graduation, Stuart plans to continue her education and earn a master's degree at Washburn.

"To go to a school that has as much to offer as Washburn does and be awarded this title is something I will never forget," Stuart said. "Being homecoming

queen also inspires me to keep pushing forward and to keep striving to be the change I want to see."

Gallion, a nursing major, is currently serving as the secretary for Alpha Delta Fraternity. His volunteer work includes with the American Diabetes Association as a Diabetic Counselor, the Washburn Big Event, Meals on Wheels, Frankfort United Methodist Church, American Cancer Society, Harvesters and Helping Hands Humane Society.

A recipient of the Garvey and Richey scholarships, he is a member of Mortar Board, Student Nurses of Washburn, Community of Caring, Student Ambassadors, and he has served the university as the summer orientation counselor intern and a resident assistant in Residential Living.

"I am excited to think that I could come back at the 200th Homecoming, just like Helen Kanatzar (the 100th homecoming queen) was here to help us celebrate, and see just how many advancements Washburn will have made," said Gallion. "I cannot express how thankful I am to have been given this opportunity to represent the University that has helped shape me into the Ichabod I am today." 🏃



GRAND HOMECOMING EXCITING FUTURE

Thousands of Alumni, Friends Pay Tribute to University on Saturday



(From Left) Former Washburn football players Ken Schmanke, ba '88, Jim Bernard, ba '86, and Blake Redd, ba '94, hosted their 15th annual Rib Fest during Grand Homecoming. *Photo by Peggy Clark*

See more photos of Grand Homecoming at bit.ly/washburngrandhomecoming



Abby Mikkelsen, a senior nursing major, and her husband, Malcolm Mikkelsen, a junior biochemistry major and vice president of the Washburn Student Government Association, enjoyed the Bow Tie Bash. *Photo by Jeremy Wangler*



Lauren Frost and Frank Matande, second-year law students, enjoyed tailgating before the football game. *Photo by Bruce Matthews*



Kaitlyn Truesdell, a senior business major from Topeka, Kansas, and Forrest Evans, a senior music education major from Topeka, Kansas, rode in the parade as two of the 10 Homecoming royalty candidates. *Photo by Jeremy Wangler*



Sandy Crimmins, bba '59, Jean Trupp, Ann-Marie Brown, and Laurie Crimmins, b ed '87, show off their Washburn spirit during the tailgate on Saturday. *Photo by Bruce Matthews*



Nathalie Bonilla poses with Mr. Ichabod at the pancake feed on Saturday, Oct. 24. Chris Cakes got the crowd ready for the day by flipping pancakes in the air for people to catch. *Photo by Sarah Towle*



(From Left) Sheena Smith, ba '07, Josh Shald, ba '07, Bethany Dunham, b ed '09, Taylor Dunham, b ed '08, Jason Degenhardt, b music '09, and Kellie Degenhardt celebrated Washburn's sesquicentennial at the Bow Tie Bash on Saturday, Oct. 24. *Photo by Sarah Towle*



Sen. Bob Dole, ba '52, jd '52, served as the grand marshal in the parade on Saturday, Oct. 24 and rode with Jerry Farley, president, and Susan Farley. *Photo by Jeremy Wangler*

POLITICAL SCIENCE STUDENT RECEIVES FIRSTHAND EXPERIENCE IN BRITISH ELECTIONS

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Jack Van Dam, junior, political science major (back center), posed with other supporters and Sarah Jones (front center), a Labour party candidate, in May during his trip to the United Kingdom. He was encouraged by his professor to visit and help candidates campaign for office.

Photo courtesy of Jack Van Dam

Jack Van Dam woke up in the United Kingdom a few days before the British elections in May, turned on the television and saw a news report on deputy prime minister Nick Clegg, who was running for office. Van Dam was thrilled to see himself in the background of the shot, not believing the opportunity he had been given.

The junior political science major traveled to the U.K. at the urging of his professor, Bob Beatty, who taught a comparative politics course in spring 2015, and with the assistance of scholarships to help pay for the learning experience. Van Dam and John Shively, junior political science major, left on April 29 and spent the next 11 days getting involved in various campaigns.

"I spent the whole semester studying Nick Clegg and made a few presentations to our class," Van Dam said.

"So it was neat that the experience came full circle, and I was able to meet Clegg and work for the campaign while we were there."

The two walked 10 to 12 miles per day going door to door in neighborhoods campaigning for Clegg and Sarah Jones from the Labour Party. Van Dam said the election process is much different across the pond as candidates do a lot more door-to-door campaigning, spend less money and aren't allowed to take out television ads.

Van Dam said he was able to strike up good conversations with voters as he went to their houses, and they were fascinated by how much money is spent on American elections. He had such great conversations with voters, by the end of his time there, he was training others how to canvass from door to door.

It was heels to the ground on Election Day as they walked 20 miles, starting at 5:30 a.m. and ending around 9 p.m.

Locally, Van Dam is helping to organize the Washburn group Students for Civic Engagement and helping to run voter registration drives. He and many other Washburn students were also able to travel to Iowa in September to have dinner with seven presidential candidates.

"Americans have some important decisions to make in 2016, and it's important for them to vote," Van Dam said.

Scholarships made it possible for him to have this experience, and Van Dam said he is very thankful for the opportunities. During his time at Washburn, he's been able to travel to Estonia and South Korea on scholarships as well.

"We sit in a classroom and we are told how this works, but to go and experience it firsthand allows us to really paint a picture, and the benefits are tremendous," he said. "Scholarships were critically important to my ability to take this trip, so I'm thankful to all of the donors who make these trips possible." 🙏



Jack Van Dam, junior, political science major



Jack Van Dam (back right), junior, political science major, traveled to the United Kingdom this past summer to work the campaigns in the British elections. He was able to campaign with deputy prime minister Nick Clegg (front center), who was running for office. *Photo courtesy of Jack Van Dam*



Rick Anderson, vice president, administration and treasurer, watched as students demonstrated the new equipment in the Health Care Simulation Center. Photo submitted

HEALTH CARE SIMULATION LAB TO PROVIDE STATE-OF-THE-ART TRAINING

Washburn Tech officially unveiled its new, state-of-the-art Health Care Simulation Center on Nov. 12. This multimillion-dollar lab, built to mirror a hospital setting, will train future health care workers by utilizing the latest technology, including patient simulators that breathe, talk and even bleed.

“Our new simulation lab will provide students a safe and realistic environment to experience nursing scenarios,” said Jerry Farley, president, Washburn University. “This opportunity allows them to refine their clinical decision-making skills without adverse consequences, providing them with confidence and promoting patient safety.”

The new facility is part of the KanTRAIN project that is supported by an \$11.9 million U.S. Department of Labor grant awarded to Washburn University, which oversees the project. The funding is divided among Washburn Tech and three other Kansas colleges to support job-driven training efforts. Washburn Tech,

while working with Washburn University’s School of Nursing and School of Applied Studies, is receiving \$3.2 million of the grant to train future workers for the fast-growing health care field.

“Our new Simulation Center provides added opportunities to partner with area health care providers,” said Clark Coco, dean, Washburn Tech. “We greatly appreciate the support we have received and look forward to not only working with local professionals, but also providing highly skilled individuals to work beside them in the near future.”

The initiative is part of the U.S. Department of Labor Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training program. It is the second time Washburn University has received money from the program. Four years ago, a \$19.6 million grant was awarded to fund Technical Retraining to Achieve Credentials, with Washburn Tech providing advanced manufacturing training. 

APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR LEGACY SCHOLARSHIPS

Bow Tie Run one of many ways Alumni Association scholarships are funded each year for students with alumni relatives

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Nearly 150 runners and walkers participate each year in the Bow Tie Run. This year’s race was held on Oct. 3, 2015. Photo by Jeremy Wangler

Thanks to yearly support from donors, the Washburn Alumni Association has been granting scholarships since 1944. The Association awarded more than \$34,000 for the 2015-16 academic year to 65 students, and about the same is expected for the upcoming year.

Legacy students can apply for Washburn Alumni Association scholarships through the Feb. 15 deadline by following the link at the bottom of this page. A legacy student is any current or incoming student with a parent, grandparent, sibling or spouse who is an alumnus and a member of the Association.

“We expect to have the same amount or more to award next year, thanks to a great turnout at the Bow Tie Run,” said Susie Hoffmann, director, Alumni Association. “Interest grows every year in these scholarships.”

Delanie Atteberry, ba ’14, participated in the Bow Tie Run as a way to give back after receiving legacy scholarships. Her brother, Davis Atteberry, is attending Washburn with a legacy scholarship. The two have numerous relatives, including their parents, who are Washburn alumni.

“Knowing that I participated in an event that has assisted me, my brother and many others who require financial aid is very humbling,” she said. “The scholarship, along with others, helped me continue my studies without the added stress of loans and debt.

I was able to focus more on the reason I was at Washburn rather than on how I was going to afford to stay.”

She said her family didn’t pressure her to attend Washburn. She chose it for the majors offered and the affordability.

“In our own way, we figured out that it was the best place for us to learn and grow as a student and an individual,” she said.

Gifts to the Alumni Association, funds from the Bow Tie Run and funds generated by purchasing a Kansas license plate with the Ichabod logo all support the scholarships. The Bow Tie Run, previously called the Fun Run and Campus Walk, typically raises \$5,000 and has more than 150 participants.

“We have so much fun with the run and walk every year, and I think people enjoy knowing their support is immediately going to scholarships,” Hoffmann said. 

ONLINE

Applicants for legacy scholarships must fill out the application on the Alumni Association page by Feb. 15, 2016. Applying for scholarships through the University’s financial aid office will not qualify someone for an Alumni Association scholarship. Read more and apply online: bit.ly/legacyscholarships

ALUMNI FELLOWS

By Jeremy Wangler • jwangler@wufoundation.org

Eight alumni were honored for success in their fields during the Fellows Luncheon on Nov. 13, 2015.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

John S. Augusto, ba '91, assistant vice provost for experiential learning, University of Kansas



John Augusto was born in Hutchinson and now resides in Lawrence, where he works as assistant vice provost for experiential learning at the University of Kansas (KU). He founded and directs the Center for Undergraduate Research and directs the Center for Civic and Social Responsibility.

He started at KU in 1993 as an academic program coordinator and then worked for two years as director of multicultural affairs at Rockhurst University in Kansas

City, Missouri. He began his professional career at Washburn as an admission counselor in 1991.

Augusto is a lifetime member of the Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science. He presents every year at the Annual Biomedical Conference for Minority Students and is an elected member of the Council on Undergraduate Research.

About Washburn: "My best memory is talking to Professor Tom Averill. He gave me so much confidence and showed me how hard work can lead to success. Washburn gave me academic courage and confidence. It gave me a place to start."

SCHOOL OF APPLIED STUDIES

Dan Francis, bsw '04, msw '05, retired staff clinician and crisis clinician, Family Service and Guidance Center



Dan Francis grew up in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, and moved to Topeka after a 20-year career in the military. He retired in 2011 as a staff clinician and crisis clinician in outpatient psychotherapy at Family Service and Guidance Center in Topeka.

Francis started at Family Service and Guidance Center in 2005 as a post-graduate fellow and subsequently specialized in work with children aged birth to 6 years. He worked for two years before that in social work generalist and clinical internships at Colmery-O'Neil VA Medical Center.

He was in the military intelligence service in the United States Army from 1977-97. Among his honors were three

Meritorious Service Medals, three Army Commendation Medals, two Army Achievement Medals and the Master Instructor qualification. During his service, he was a senior and chief instructor at the Military Intelligence Corps NCO Academy from 1990-93, where he trained junior and senior NCOs in leadership and advanced technical subjects in eight military intelligence disciplines.

About Washburn: "Every class I took at Washburn contributed to the person I am today. I learned things in both general education and my specialty areas that I later used in my professional practice. While I attended and taught many undergraduate and graduate courses in military schools, I will always consider Washburn to be my alma mater."

SCHOOL OF LAW

Jeffrey R. Hewett, jd '95, CEO, Granite Legal Systems, Inc.



Jeffrey Hewett grew up in Topeka and resides in Houston where he founded Granite Legal Systems, Inc., in 2004 and serves as chief executive officer.

Granite is a legal software and discovery services company that provides project and technical consulting for large-scale

litigation in the pharmaceutical, medical device and energy industries.

Previously, Hewett worked as a practice group leader for Baker Robbins & Company. He managed litigation, records management and case management groups providing services to corporations and law firms.

About Washburn: "While in law school, I appreciated the personal nature of the Washburn learning experience. Professor Ronald Griffin took the time to discuss business concepts and make recommendations for good, practical business practices. The information continues to provide guidance and insight today."

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

James L.P. Hurd, ba music '67, professor of music, El Camino College



James Hurd grew up in Topeka and currently lives in Los Angeles where he is a professor of music at El Camino College. He teaches organ, piano and music appreciation.

Hurd has served as organist and director of music for numerous churches and organizations in

Topeka, Chicago and Los Angeles. He is currently the organist and music director at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Redondo Beach, California.

He is an active member of the American Guild of Organists and has performed all across the United States

and Europe. The First Presbyterian Church of Inglewood awarded him the status of A Living Legacy after he served as organist and music director from 1973-96.

The Los Angeles Museum of Tolerance has invited him to speak on several occasions on his experiences as a student at Monroe Elementary School in Topeka at the time of the Brown v. Board of Education Supreme Court decision.

About Washburn: "As I started taking organ lessons, I realized I would like to be doing exactly what my professor, Max Elsberry, was doing: teaching college, supervising the music and playing a big pipe organ for a large church. For what I was searching for in life, he was an excellent role model."

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

Jeff Myers, ba '87, president, The Summit



Jeff Myers, a native of Great Bend, Kansas, currently lives in Manitou Springs, Colorado, where he works as president of The Summit.

Myers started at The Summit in 2011 and directs the Christian-based program that prepares students for college.

The organization trains 50,000 students a year through 12-day intensive programs offered in three states and curriculum offered to schools and churches throughout the United States.

He has had a distinguished career lecturing on leadership and producing training materials in the field for students, churches, businesses and political organizations.

Myers has authored 11 books and delivered more than 1,500 keynote speeches and leadership seminars during the last 25 years in the United States and 12 foreign countries.

About Washburn: "I have had the privilege of influencing several million emerging leaders and not a day has passed that I have not drawn on the content, the academic skills and the leadership experiences I gained at Washburn."

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

David J. Roberts, bba '74, president, Power Sales and Advertising



David Roberts was born in Kansas City, Kansas, and lives in Overland Park where he is president of Power Sales and Advertising.

Roberts oversees a company that offers more than 185 different product lines to the premium and incentives industry. Power Sales and Advertising has 113,000 square

feet of office and warehouse space with 70 employees in Lenexa. His father started the company as Don Roberts and Associates, and David Roberts served as president until

1992 when he formed the current business.

Roberts has coached youth baseball and basketball teams and has been a board member of Blue Valley Senior Baseball and Blue Valley Northwest High School booster club.

About Washburn: "I lived all four years in the Phi Delta Theta house. We had a lot of guys who became doctors, lawyers and business professionals who took being a student fairly seriously. Several of them set a good example when I arrived as a 17-year-old freshman, and I learned how to study and prepare for class. I decided to be a business major right away."

SCHOOL OF NURSING

Manya Schmidt, bsn '78, certified nurse-midwife, advanced practice registered nurse, St. Francis Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery



Manya Schmidt grew up in Topeka and works at St. Francis Health's Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery center as a certified nurse-midwife (CNM) and advanced practice registered nurse.

Schmidt has worked for St. Francis Health since 2004 and is a professor in Washburn's doctor of nursing practice and family nurse practitioner programs. She has devoted her career to caring for women and families during and after pregnancy. She was the first certified nurse-midwife to attend hospital births in Topeka in 1994, paving the way

for nurse-midwifery care to become established in the community. Schmidt is a preceptor for many CNM and nurse practitioner students throughout the Midwest.

Schmidt has worked to deliver midwifery care in a variety of underserved areas throughout Topeka and northeast Kansas, providing direct patient care in many different local and outreach clinics.

About Washburn: "The School of Nursing provided diverse educational opportunities, which allowed me to choose a career path that best met my personal and professional goals. The concept of being a change agent equipped me with the determination to make midwifery care available to women desiring a hospital birth experience."

WASHBURN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Eric Showalter, collision repair '76, instructor of collision repair, Washburn Institute of Technology



Topeka resident Eric Showalter is a collision repair instructor at Washburn Institute of Technology.

Showalter began at Washburn Tech in 2004 when it was Kaw Area Vocational-Technical School. Prior to that, he worked for Shawnee County

Public Works as an assistant traffic supervisor for a year, and he owned and managed Mirror Image, Inc., an I-CAR Gold Class repair shop from 1991-2003.

He is a Master Certified Technician from Automotive Service Excellence and I-CAR platinum certified. He was named the I-CAR South Central

Instructor of the Year in 2012.

Showalter helped Washburn Tech start the Recycled Rides program in 2011. Washburn Tech students work side by side with industry professionals to repair donated vehicles and gift them to community members in need. The program has presented 14 cars to local residents since its inception.

About Washburn: "We are striving to become the Midwest leader in collision repair technology in the education field. Recycled Rides has been a very positive direction for us in promoting our school not only to the general public, but to businesses that hire our students. It has opened up new lines of communication, which leads to increased opportunities for our graduating students." 



HONORARY DEGREES

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Three Washburn alumni had honorary degrees conferred on them during Grand Graduation in May 2015.



EDWARD GLOTZBACH
Honorary Doctor of Public Service

Ed Glotzbach earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics and statistics in 1970 from Washburn University and a master's degree from the University of Southern California in 1989. Throughout his career, Glotzbach has served in many leadership roles in both the private and philanthropic sectors.

He retired from Information Services Group, Inc., in 2012, where he had served as vice chairman of mergers and acquisitions since 2007. Before that, he was chief executive officer and president of Technology

Partners International, Inc., a leading outsourcing advisory firm in the United States, from 2003-07. Prior to that, he had a 33-year telecommunications career with SBC Communications. He started at Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in 1970 using his math and statistics knowledge to predict traffic loads on the telephone lines. He worked his way up and later served as executive vice president and chief information officer for SBC from 1998-2003.

Glotzbach currently serves as chairman of the board for The Laclede Group and also serves on the board of directors of Christian Hospital in St. Louis. He is chair of PGA REACH, the community outreach program of the PGA of America. He is the external member of the Audit Committee at Edward Jones Financial and served on the executive board of the Boy Scouts of America in St. Louis. In October of 2012, Glotzbach was chosen by the St. Louis Business Journal as one of six Outstanding Corporate Directors of public companies in St. Louis.

Glotzbach joined Washburn University Foundation as a trustee in 2001. He has served as chairman of the board as well as chair of the executive, finance and investment committees. He also served as the treasurer and presently serves on the investment committee. He joined the Washburn Alumni Association Board of Directors in 1996 and was named an Alumni Fellow in 1998 and presented with a Distinguished Service Award in 2009. The Alumni Association named him Outstanding Alumnus of the Year in 2005, and Alpha Delta gave him the same award in 2009.

He is an avid participant in physical fitness programs and has lectured on fitness and stress management to various professional groups across the country.

Along with his wife, Julie, Glotzbach has given years of service to the Washburn community, and he has been recognized throughout his career as an accomplished leader in his industry.



WILLIAM GREINER
Honorary Doctor of Commerce

Bill Greiner earned a bachelor's degree in economics and finance from Washburn University in 1980 and has spent more than 30 years becoming a leading and respected expert in the finance and investment industry.

He is chief investment strategist of Mariner Wealth Advisors, where he oversees all investment-related matters and drives the firm's economic and capital markets outlook.

His expertise in the industry has led him to appearances on Bloomberg Television, CNBC and CNBC Worldwide. He also has been featured in respected publications such as Barron's, The Wall Street Journal and BusinessWeek. Greiner's financial expertise earned him the title of BusinessWeek's 2005 Stock Market Strategist of the Year. He is a member of the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Institute and a member of the Kansas City CFA Society.

Greiner worked as chief investment officer of Scout Investment Advisors before starting at Mariner. He was directly responsible for Scout's

global equity investment process. He started in 1999 at Scout's parent company, UMB Financial Corp., where he worked as manager of the trust investment division and was responsible for all portfolio managers. He also worked for Northern Trust Asset Management in Chicago.

Greiner became a Washburn University Foundation trustee in 2007 and has served on the board of directors since 2008. He currently serves on the investment committee. He also supports the Greiner Family Lecture Series in Economics and Free Enterprise, a Washburn University School of Business annual lecture series.

Greiner is a leading and respected expert in the finance and investment industry and a loyal supporter of Washburn University.



JEANNE HOFERER
Honorary Doctor of Public Service

Jeanne (Smith) Hoferer graduated summa cum laude from Washburn University in 1980 with a bachelor of business administration degree and received a master's degree in public

administration from the University of Texas-Arlington.

She worked at Washburn as alumni director and director of university relations from 1989-96. Prior to that, she served as regional chairperson for U.S. Sen. Nancy Kassebaum from 1980-84 and then was elected a Kansas senator from 1984-89. She managed Government Relations and Legislative Services for the Federation of State Medical Boards in Texas before she retired.

She is past chairperson for the Washburn University Foundation Board of Directors and has served on the board since 2006. She has been a Foundation trustee since 1987.

Hoferer received the Ruth Garvey Fink Award from Washburn University in 2005 and was chosen to

participate in the Nonos Women's Honorary Society. She was named the Zonta Club of Topeka "Woman of Achievement" in 1995.

Hoferer and her husband, Paul, serve as lead volunteers for the Washburn School of Law building campaign. She has also been involved in the Welcome Center Plaza Ichabod Statue initiative, 150 Forward: The Campaign for Washburn University and the Washburn Women's Venture Partners. She and Paul are longtime supporters of Washburn University and Washburn University School of Law.

Hoferer has dedicated her life to serving and improving Washburn University and the community since graduating and continues to do so. 

THREE JOIN ALUMNI BOARD

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Three alumni joined the Washburn Alumni Association Board of Directors effective Aug. 1, 2015.



Jennifer (Fenton) Cocking,
ba '04, jd '12
Atchison, Kansas

Current position: Kansas Supreme Court, research assistant to the Honorable Lawton R. Nuss, Chief Justice

of the Kansas Supreme Court

While on campus: Kappa Alpha Theta; Nonoso; Order of Omega; Editor-in-chief, Washburn Law Journal Vol. 51; Structured Study Group Leader, Women's Legal Forum

Memories: "I met my husband, Trey, bs '02, at a Kappa Sigma party my freshman year – my very first night out on campus. We started dating a couple of months later and have been together ever since."

Hobbies: Spending time with my husband and our dogs Claire and Lizzie, traveling, reading, going to the Kansas City ballet, learning to sew

Thoughts: "I am so honored to serve on the Washburn Alumni Association Board of Directors. My time as a student in undergrad and law school was so great because of the support given to me by the University and the people who were such a huge part of my life for seven years. Serving on the board makes me feel like I can play a small part in ensuring current and future students will continue to have the opportunity to experience Washburn at its best."



Ross Hendrickson, bba '93, mba '97
Chanute, Kansas

Current position: President, MRH Insurance Group, Inc.

While on campus: Phi Delta Theta, Student Alumni Association, Interfraternity Council, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Greek intramural sports

Memories: "I met my wife, Amy (Robinson) Hendrickson, ba '93, at Washburn. I attended Enjoyment of Music and met music professor John Buckner who knew every student's name on the first day of class and for years afterwards."

Hobbies: Working at the family ranch, reading, golfing, hunting and snow skiing

Thoughts: "I love my family and treasure my experiences and memories created at Washburn. I am proud of my role in helping with the successful fundraising campaign to fully renovate the Phi Delta Theta house. I'm blessed to be involved in family businesses that include insurance, cattle business of commercial grazing in the Flint Hills that dates back six generations, and management and ownership of professional commercial properties in Topeka."



Richard Vaughn, bba '88
Overland Park, Kansas

Current position: Toshiba America Information Systems, director of channel sales (U.S. channel chief)

While on campus: Alpha Delta, Topeka Morning Optimist Club, Kansas Air National Guard 1983-1988

Memories: "My fondest memory is meeting my wife, Nancy (Anthony) Vaughn, b ed '88, while attending Washburn. I was an Alpha Delta and Nancy was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha. We married our senior year and lived in the old married student housing complex. Rent was inexpensive, gas was free and there was no insulation of any kind. Thus, winters were warm, but summers were challenging to stay cool."

Hobbies: Any activity that involves spending time with my family – learning to keep, raise, train and ride horses for 4-H and the Kansas Horse Circuit Series; raising and training show cattle; coaching and watching soccer and basketball; cooking and competing in national and local BBQ competitions; and traveling nationally and internationally

Thoughts: "Nancy and I often talk about how lucky we were to attend Washburn. We developed a circle of friends that we still remain close with today. I have been blessed to be happily married for more than 28 years. I have measured my success not by any single accomplishment but through a multitude of moments, including the highlight of my career to date – being named U.S. Channel Chief for Toshiba." 🏃

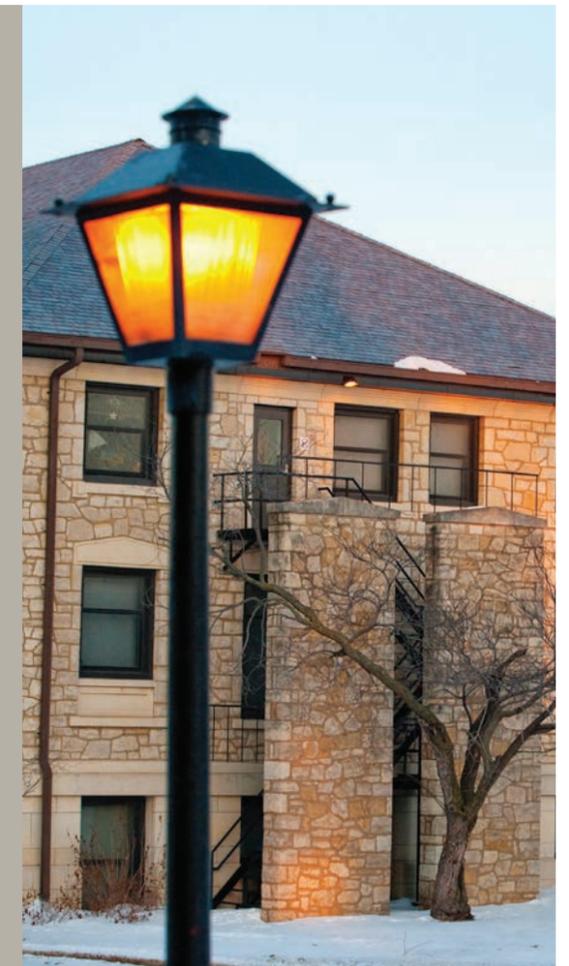
ALPHA PHI COLLECTING CONTACT INFORMATION BEFORE 100TH ANNIVERSARY

On Sept. 15, 2016, Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Phi will celebrate 100 years at Washburn University. Plans are currently underway for a grand celebration.

The chapter is working to make contact with all of its alumnae and is hoping to hold the celebration in September 2016.

If you are an alumna of Alpha Phi, please update your contact information at www.topekaaphialumnae.weebly.com by clicking on Update Your Contact Information. The organization is urging all alumnae to do this, even if the organization already has contact information, to make sure it is accurate.

If an alumna is not able to update her information online, or would prefer to update it personally, please contact Amy (Hischke) Birch at 785.633.8629.





Ryan Alexander, chair, criminal justice and legal studies department, has spent the last two years working with colleagues at Washburn and the Kansas Bureau of Investigation to develop a new forensic investigation major. The department will start having classes in the new building this spring. Photo by Earl Richardson

KBI AND WASHBURN

Collaboration key to creating unique programs

PART 1: Criminal Justice, Anthropology to host first classes spring semester

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The Kansas Bureau of Investigation Forensic Science Center opened on Washburn University's campus in November, offering multiple opportunities to students and new programs.

Many departments jumped on board to expand their programs in conjunction with the new building, and criminal justice and anthropology programs will start offering classes in the building this spring.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Ryan Alexander's calendar has been filled with appointments from potential students interested in the new forensic investigation major that specializes in crime scenes.

Alexander, chair, criminal justice and legal studies department, said it's not just students direct from high school but also from community colleges who have been interested in the program to further their four-year degrees.

"There is such a need for trained crime scene investigators in the field. Throughout the process of developing the curriculum, we consulted a number of different law enforcement agencies and we've come up with classes that will prepare the student for the career," he said. "We've got a great facility, it's state-of-the-art, it's a great investment from the University and I think something the University will benefit from."

When Alexander first heard the building would be on campus, he thought it was a unique opportunity for the department. It will be the only forensic investigation major with a crime scene emphasis offered in Kansas.

“Any time a university can team up with any agency in the field and team up in the true sense of a really strong partnership that’s not just lip service, it’s great,” he said. “We’ll do research, share our findings, share some resources. We’ll have agents come in and speak in class, and our students will work there as interns. That’s a true partnership.”

Alexander and his team set out to make forensic investigation a unique piece of the forensic science arena. Forensics is split into two parts – the identification and collection of evidence at the crime scene, and the analysis of that evidence. Most programs in the country only focus on the analysis.

The collaboration creates not only a hands-on education but also a pipeline to a potential career for students. The University purchased much of the same technology KBI uses, so the students will already have quite a bit of the training it takes to work at crime scenes. Students who complete internships will have already been put through much of the vetting process once they start looking for a job.

“The University has not cut any corners in investing in this program,” Alexander said. “We are very appreciative of that investment by the school, the state and KBI. It’s going to make this program top notch.”

A new program director will be hired and charged with reaching out to current law enforcement agencies to see what type of training Washburn can provide them.

“This will help out a lot of medium and smaller police departments and their officers,” Alexander



Mary Sundal, associate professor, anthropology, displays some of the skeletal cast parts that will be used by students in the new lab space. Photo by Earl Richardson

said. “They might not have the time and resources to have someone specifically be a crime scene technician, but if you have some people who have a general knowledge of identification and collection, then it will certainly help out.”

ANTHROPOLOGY

“Fast and furious” is an accurate description for how the sociology and anthropology department has been moving for the last two years to develop a new forensic anthropology major in conjunction with the new KBI building.

“A light bulb went off for us that we should be involved in this,” said Mary Sundal, associate professor, anthropology. “We previously taught a

forensic anthropology course that is required for the forensic chemical science major, but we saw this as an opportunity to expand our program significantly.”

After hearing of the program, they spent an entire weekend writing a proposal on the strengths of the anthropology program and why it should play a part in the initial footprint of the partnership. Their hard work turned into developing the first bachelor’s-level forensic anthropology concentration in Kansas.

“The folks at KBI really recognized what anthropology could offer and helped pave the way for it,” said Sundal. “There aren’t very many bachelor programs for forensic anthropology in the United States, so this is something unique we can contribute.”

KBI currently doesn’t have a forensic anthropologist on staff, and Sundal believes it’s one of the reasons the agency was drawn to include the program.

“One of the things KBI was so interested in was to partner up with us to teach current law enforcement about preservation of evidence and what to do when you find human remains,” said Cheryl Childers, chair, sociology and anthropology department.

Sundal said the forensic anthropology field is growing partly because of media attention.

“Unfortunately, you have these natural disasters or the excavations of mass burials, and we need people to identify who these individuals are,” she said. “It’s unfortunate to have a need for forensic anthropologists, but it is growing.”

After graduating with the new forensic anthropology degree, students can move into careers working in a medical examiner’s office, law enforcement agencies or historical museums.

To make up the major, six classes were created, and a new faculty member will be hired in the fall to expand the program. Childers worked with the chair of the biology department to have a structured biology minor for the students to enhance the natural science aspect of the degree. The anthropology program will share lab space with the criminal justice department at the new building and, outside of the lab, there will be a special dig site.

“Forensic anthropology will really have two major contributions to forensic science overall,” Sundal said. “The first is the lab analysis of trying to determine who people are and how they died. The second is excavation methods: how you preserve it, how you excavate it properly and how you maintain the evidence.”

Childers said they will have six total skeletal casts and numerous other bones to teach students.

“With the new lab set up, we’ll have four tables large enough to lay out a skeleton, and then a digital camera will be above one of the tables so the professor can project the bones onto the whiteboard,” Childers said. “It’s a lot of hands-on work.”

Sundal said it’s always written on her class reviews that students want more time and experience with the bones, and this new lab and program will afford them that opportunity.

“The anthropology program has been wanting a real lab for a long time, and this will be much better for the students,” said Childers.

Both agreed one of the most exciting aspects of creating the program was to see so many different departments coming together to create new programs in the building.

“It was exciting to work with people across campus to see what classes we can cross-list between majors and opportunities to team-teach classes,” Sundal said. 🚶

NEXT ISSUE:

See Part 2 in the KBI series on how the biology, chemistry and computer information sciences programs jumped on board to offer more student opportunities.

ONLINE: Learn more about the programs at washburn.edu/forensics.



RIPPLE EFFECT

New student housing to create new dynamic on east side of campus

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After four years with campus housing stretched to maximum capacity, Washburn will be ready to welcome almost 350 students to the new Lincoln Hall in August.

While construction on the new housing and dining center is moving along, Washburn is ready for the energy that comes with more students living here. When the Living Learning Center opened on campus almost 15 years ago, University officials started seeing a transformation in student life as more people were attending activities and becoming involved in student organizations.

Lincoln Hall, named in honor of President Abraham Lincoln and Lincoln College, which was the University's moniker before it was named after

benefactor Ichabod Washburn, will be located behind Stoffer Science Hall. It will add a new dynamic to the campus' east side with student housing, the new Kansas Bureau of Investigation building and the future School of Law building.

In addition to having a housing wait list the past four years, the University has seen an increase in the number of international students and more inquiries from Washburn Tech students about living on campus. All of these factors led University officials to conclude more housing was key.

Denise Ottinger, vice president for student life, thinks the new residence hall will interest more science and nursing majors as well as athletes wanting to live closer to where they study and practice.

"It's always exciting to have more residents on campus," said Ottinger. "It will be a pebble in the pond on that east side, and the ripple effect will result in more activities, especially in the evening."

Mindy Rendon, director of residential living, said residential living at Washburn tries to adopt a good small town mentality no matter which residence hall people live in.

"We are going to do our best to get to know you, give you opportunities, hold students accountable and get everyone to do their part in our community," she said.

Rendon said the University sought student approval and advice on many aspects of the new building including room configurations.

The hall will have multiple room configurations that range from two to six beds per suite. The hallways will also have two-story gathering lounges for more people. The spacious new living center will have a dining facility larger than the one in the Memorial Union that the University hopes will become the destination spot for a bite to eat after a game. Rendon said the different lounges were very important to the students and contribute to creating a better community atmosphere.

"If a student walks by a lounge area after class and sees other students hanging out and studying, it's harder for them to just go back to their room, set down their backpack and be alone," she said. "It's about opportunity and availability – if you see someone else doing it, you could join them."

Building those connections allows for a better campus experience for students and results in higher retention rates and graduation rates for students.

"We try to make sure students know there is someone here who cares if they get involved and how they are doing in classes," Rendon said. 🏃



BY THE NUMBERS:

Number of beds in Living Learning Center – 400

Number of beds in Lincoln Hall – 350

Total number of students who can live on campus after new residence hall – 1,000

Square feet of new residence hall – 96,510

Square feet of new dining hall – 17,701



DRIVEN TO CARE

Washburn softball player earns doctor of physical therapy, now in position to help elite athletes

By Jeremy Wangler • jwangler@wufoundation.org

NFL players trying to return to training camp without being reinjured. Olympic hopefuls desperate to get healthy in time to qualify. Injured high school athletes worried they'll lose their college scholarship.

Nicole Perkuhn, bba '11, aas '11, has seen all these situations since starting in June as a doctor of physical therapy at Colorado Center of Orthopaedic Excellence (CCOE), a clinic that treats elite-level athletes, including Olympians from the Colorado Springs Olympic Training Center.

Perkuhn grew up in Topeka and pitched on the Washburn softball team from 2006-10. She graduated with a double major in business marketing and management, an associate's degree as a physical therapist assistant (PTA), and a certificate in leadership. She earned her doctor of physical therapy last May from Wichita State University.

A lingering history of injuries gave Perkuhn an interest in physical therapy. She was president of Washburn's Physical Therapist Assistant Club and she did a study abroad in China her senior year. Perkuhn

used her business and health care skills to study the differences in health care professional development between the United States and China.

"The experience solidified that I wanted to be in a profession to help better the lives of others," Perkuhn said.

During her final semester at Wichita State, Perkuhn completed a clinical rotation at CCOE, and they offered her a permanent position. They told her this would be an opportunity to work with and learn from some of the most renowned clinicians in the world while treating elite-level athletes.

"The Center's well-established standards and expectations have set a precedent of excellence in the orthopedic world, and I am grateful to be a part of their visionary efforts," Perkuhn said.

She takes pleasure in the relationships she develops with each patient and the uniqueness of each case she encounters.

"One develops a lot of character when you go through adversity," Perkuhn said. "Physical therapy doesn't solely encompass physical healing. It's

Nicole Perkuhn pitched for the Lady Blues softball team while earning several degrees. After earning a doctor of physical therapy from Wichita State University last year, she started working at the Colorado Center of Orthopaedic Excellence. The Center treats elite athletes including Olympians. Photo by Gene Cassell



dealing with the mental, emotional and spiritual elements as well."

There is also a sense of urgency when working with elite-level athletes.

"Athletes may be directly under our care for a brief period of time before returning to the city where they're training," Perkuhn said. "You'd be amazed at the elements necessary to return an athlete to sport. An essential component is thorough and effective education."

Back at home, no one was surprised about Perkuhn's success.

"Nicole was determined to do what she was being drawn toward," said Jean Sanchez, assistant professor, allied health. "This is the culmination of everything she's worked so hard for."

Perkuhn still recognized her need to continue to learn and grow.

"Experience, it is said, is the thing you often get just after you need it," she said. "Continued mentorship

post-graduation was very important to me, and I believe the Center will help me continue to develop professionally."

And there were some things she had to learn on the spot.

"I had to Google what a skeleton was in Olympic competition," she admitted. "That's one of the many exciting attributes of my job: constantly researching and expanding my knowledge."

She quickly educated herself on the needs of her head-first, ice sledding patient. She'll be ready to treat many other athletes as the 2016 Summer Olympics approach.

Perkuhn is in a position to improve the lives of others and grow as a physical therapist.

"At the Center, the mission isn't just about returning an athlete to sport," she said. "It's about providing them with the ultimate opportunity: to represent their country." 

Chris Jones coached his first season at Washburn in the fall of 2015 after spending two seasons as an assistant coach at Fort Hays State University.

Photo by Scott Storman



SEEING THE FIELD

New coach has big vision for Ichabod soccer program

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Chris Jones was ushering soccer players off the field in Hays, Kansas, in the summer of 2015 when he got a call from the 785 area code. Lightning strikes delayed a camp he was hosting so he figured parents were checking on their children.

The call was actually from Washburn athletic director Loren Ferré offering Jones his first head coaching job.

“My emotions were all over the place,” Jones said. “After I sat back and let them calm down, it became an easy choice.”

Jones accepted, and on July 10, Washburn introduced him as head coach of the women’s soccer program. He had less than two months before the team that went winless the year before would play its first game.

Jones spent the previous two years as assistant coach at Fort Hays State University while earning a master’s in health and human performance. He earned a bachelor’s in sociology in 2013 from the University of Oklahoma while coaching the men’s club soccer team. Before that, the Tulsa, Oklahoma, native played goalkeeper at Northeastern State University from 2007-09.

“Being a goalkeeper, you can see the whole field,” Jones said. “As a coach, you have to see the whole field and be able to adjust and move people around.”

Jones originally wanted to become a teacher, but his work with the Sooners got him interested in coaching.

“I realized teaching may be what people saw me as being good at, so why not teach the game I love,” Jones said.

Washburn soccer, in its 13th year, has had success with a conference title in 2006 and NCAA tournament berths in 2006 and 2008.

“The women are excited and motivated to show that last year is not who they are,” Jones said. “Their mindset has been totally reset.”

The Ichabods made dramatic improvements. They went 5-9-5, doubled their goal output from a year ago and made the MIAA tournament with a sixth-place finish.

“They put pressure on themselves to get that first win,” Jones said. “Once we got over the hump, it really changed the tide. It’s a tough conference from top to bottom. You have to bring it every week, especially late in the season when there’s a battle to get into the conference tournament.”

Ferré knew things would turn around after the first couple wins.

“Sometimes it’s as big a mental hurdle as it is a physical hurdle,” he said. “I love Chris’ energy, enthusiasm and knowledge of the game. He has a passion for bringing this program back where it was.”

After a whirlwind summer, Jones is excited to have a full off-season to recruit and build his program.

“We can’t just settle for a good player,” Jones said. “We need great players who will help us build this team in the long run.”

The Ichabods doubled their 2014 goal output this year and nearly cut in half the number of goals they allowed under first-year coach Chris Jones.

Photo by Scott Storman



QUICK START

Chris Jones was hired in early July at Washburn, and he had his first practice a month later. On top of that, he had commitments to summer camps he still had to keep.

“It was hectic getting stuff set up on the road,” he said.

Jones coached the Ichabods to dramatic improvements on both offense and defense. The 16 goals they scored was twice as many as last year. They allowed just 22 goals, nearly half the 41 they gave up last year.

July 10

Announced as head coach at Washburn

July 13

First day at Washburn

Aug. 10

First practice

Sept. 3

First game

Cameron Babb was named the head coach of Washburn's revived track and field and cross country teams last summer. He will spend the winter and spring building rosters and scheduling meets for the 2016-17 season. Photo by Gene Cassell



GETTING ON TRACK

Washburn chooses Topeka native to revive track and field, cross country teams

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In August, Washburn hired Topeka native Cameron Babb to lead the restoration of men's and women's cross country and indoor and outdoor track and field. The sports were discontinued in the early 1980s.

Babb was head coach for two years at Limestone College (S.C.) and then assistant coach last year at West Texas A&M before coming to Washburn.

"I was prepared to move all over the country before getting to coach close to home," he said.

Babb was a multi-sport athlete at Santa Fe Trail High School in Overbrook. He wanted to compete in track and field in college, so that ruled out Washburn. He went to Emporia State University (ESU) and competed from 2003-07, specializing in jumps and the decathlon.

He earned a bachelor's degree in health promotion from ESU in 2007 and a master's degree in health, physical education and recreation in 2014.

"Cameron brought the experience and knowledge to be a great coach," said Loren Ferré, Washburn athletic director. "He competed in our conference while at ESU and knows the level of athletes you need to succeed."

Cross country will start practice in August. Track and field will start in September. Many of Babb's student-athletes will be seeing their first collegiate competition. That won't bother Babb. All freshmen are like that.

"When I got to college, I was used to winning at almost everything," he said. "Our athletes are going to be young and used to finishing near the top. When they get to college, everybody's good. They might get whooped in the first couple meets."

The wide range of events track and field and cross country offer may give other Washburn sports a recruiting boost.

"A number of our coaches have lost student-athletes to other schools because they wanted to compete in track and field and another sport," Ferré said.

Craig Schurig, head football coach, has players who can excel at the runs, jumps or throws involved in track and field.

"We'll be able to get the dual-sport high school athletes who didn't want to give up the chance to do both," Schurig said. "We've lost those kids in the past."

Track and field individuals or relay teams qualify for the postseason during regular season meets and then score points for their team in the NCAA championship. Teams qualify for the cross country championship, but top runners are also invited if their teams don't qualify.

"If we get a few top-notch individuals, we'll be able to put ourselves in a national meet," Babb said. "Once we put enough pieces together, I think we'll be able to finish in the top few in the conference and place in the NCAA." 

SIX SPORTS, ONE COACH

Cameron Babb will be coaching six different sports when his first student-athletes come to campus this fall. Cross country starts in the fall, indoor track and field occurs in the winter and outdoor track and field takes place in the spring. Washburn will field men's and women's teams in all three sports.

CROSS COUNTRY

Men compete on a five- to six-mile course and women compete on a course about three miles long.

INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD EVENTS

60 Meters, 60 Meter Hurdles, 200 Meters, 400 Meters, 800 Meters, Mile, 3000 Meters, 5000 Meters, 4x400 Meter Relay, Distance Medley Relay (1200, 400, 800, 1600), High Jump, Pole Vault, Long Jump, Triple Jump, Shot Put, Weight Throw, Pentathlon, Heptathlon.

OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD EVENTS

100 Meters, 200 Meters, 400 Meters, 800 Meters, 1500 Meters, 3000 Meter Steeplechase, 5000 Meters, 10,000 Meters, 100/110 Meter Hurdles, 400 Meter Hurdles, 4x100 Meter Relay, 4x400 Meter Relay, High Jump, Pole Vault, Long Jump, Triple Jump, Shot Put, Discus Throw, Hammer Throw, Javelin Throw, Decathlon, Heptathlon.



CLASS NOTES

Submit your news online at washburn.edu/alumni-notes, post it on Facebook at [facebook.com/washburnalumni](https://www.facebook.com/washburnalumni), or email wualumni@washburn.edu. The deadline for the spring 2016 edition of the magazine is Feb. 1. Any class notes received after the deadline will be published in a later edition.

1950s

Paul Brady, ba '51, jd '56, Atlanta, Georgia, was inducted into the National Multicultural Western Heritage Museum Hall of Fame on July 25 in Fort Worth, Texas. He was the first black federal administrative law judge and worked for the government for more than 30 years before retiring. Brady is a Navy veteran and received an honorary doctor of laws degree from Washburn in 2004.

1960s

Bill McDonald, b music '67, Topeka, was inducted into the Topeka Shawnee County Sports Council Hall of Fame in June. He led Topeka High School to two state golf championships and was a three-time All-American golfer while at Washburn. McDonald has won several city and state golf championships in Michigan and Kansas. He was a middle school and high school counselor, elementary teacher and instructor at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan. McDonald was a member of Sagamore and Phi Mu Alpha at Washburn.

1970s

Berneice (Faye Smith) Albright, bsw '75, Texas, was inducted into the Seaman High School Hall of Fame in Topeka. She worked for Washington Dental Service, Morris Magnet Inc. and PRC Environmental Management.

John Caton, jd '73, Buhler, Kansas, was elected president of the Kansas School Attorneys Association. He is a partner at Martindell Swearer Shaffer Ridenour LLP in Hutchinson and Cimarron. Caton was editor of the Washburn Law Journal.

Richard Euson, jd '74, Wichita, Kansas, received the Distinguished Government Service Award from the Kansas Bar Association. He has been the Sedgwick County counselor for 34 years. Euson was an intern in the law clinic at the Washburn University School of Law.

Ron Keefover, ba '71, Topeka, received an honorary membership from the Kansas Bar Association. He retired in 2013 after more than 30 years as the education-information officer in the administrative office of the Kansas Supreme Court. Keefover was a member of the Kaw yearbook and Washburn Review staff.

Paul Maricle, ba '76, jd '79, Denver, Colorado, is an attorney focusing on business and corporate law, international business and commercial transactions at Coan, Payton & Payne. He is a member of Phi Delta Theta.

Sally Pokorny, ba '75, jd '78, Lawrence, Kansas, received the Jennie Mitchell Kellogg Achievement Award from the Kansas Women Attorneys Association in July. She is a judge in the 7th Judicial

District Court and formerly served as assistant district attorney in Shawnee County, as well as county attorney in Montgomery County. Pokorny is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta and Phi Alpha Delta. At Washburn, she was a member of Phi Kappa Phi and the Kaw yearbook staff.

Patricia Riley, jd '77, Topeka, received the Outstanding Service Award from the Kansas Bar Association. She is a partner at Weathers, Riley and Sheppard LLP.

Lana Rings, ba '70, Arlington, Texas, is the interim director for the Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence at the University of Texas at Arlington. She is an associate professor of German in the Department of Modern Languages. Rings was a member of Phi Kappa Phi and Who's Who Among Students at American Universities and Colleges at Washburn.

Terry Robinson, ba '78, Topeka, Kansas, has been elected president of the Kansas Building Industries Association and is a Kansas representative to the National Home Builders Association.

Thomas Rodriguez, ba '72, Henderson, Nevada, retired after a 42-year career with the Clark County School District. He served as the executive manager of the diversity and affirmative action programs the past 23 years. In 2013, Rodriguez published his seventh book, "The Bottoms: A Place

We Once Called Home." In 2014, he published his eighth book, "Raising Hell and Making a Difference."

Randy Schrick, bs '73, Atchison, Kansas, retired in December after 42 years at Midwest Grain Products Inc. His titles at MGP included vice president of production and engineering, plant manager, corporate director of distillery products manufacturing and corporate vice president of operations. Schrick is a member of Phi Delta Theta.

Steve Taylor, ba '75, Flower Mound, Texas, retired as vice president of Bank of America on Sept. 8 after more than 44 years in the banking industry.

Gregory Waller, ba '70, jd '72, Wichita, Kansas, received the Outstanding Service Award from the Kansas Bar Association. He is a judge in Sedgwick County and a trustee of the Washburn University Foundation. Waller was a member of Sagamore and an intern in the law clinic at Washburn.

Thomas Wilds, bba '77, Plano, Texas, is the president of BancorpSouth Market in Dallas, Texas. He has worked at multiple banks in Texas during his 37-year career.

1980s

Kyle Bryson, jd '88, Tucson, Arizona, was appointed to presiding judge of the Pima County Superior Court. He previously served as a probate

judge, court commissioner and judge pro-tempore. Bryson was an intern in the law clinic at the Washburn University School of Law.

Kurt Budke, b ed '84, was posthumously inducted into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame in June. Budke, a longtime successful coach at several junior colleges and universities, died in a plane crash in 2011 while serving as the head coach at Oklahoma State University. The native of Salina was a graduate assistant coach at Washburn and also coached women's basketball at Trinity Valley Community College in Texas and Louisiana Tech. Budke played basketball at Washburn.

Gerald Butters, ba '83, Aurora, Illinois, recently published a book "From Sweetback to Superfly: Race and Film Audiences in Chicago's Loop." Butters is a history professor at Aurora University. Previous publications include "Banned in Kansas: Motion Picture Censorship, 1915-1966."

Natalie Camacho Mendoza, jd '89, Boise, Idaho, was appointed as the director of the Office of Police Oversight in Boise. She is an attorney with a private practice, Camacho Mendoza Law.

Christopher Gomez, bba '89, Mitchell, South Dakota, is the men's and women's golf coach at Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell. He previously was the head women's golf coach at Wichita State University and an assistant golf professional at the Heart of America Golf Academy in Kansas City.

Mary (Teller) Halleran, bas '86, Emporia, Kansas, is the crisis services director at SOS Inc. She was a clinical instructor at Emporia State University and residence services director at Emporia's

Plumb Place. Halleran was a member of the Corrections and Criminal Justice Association and Residence Hall Association at Washburn.

Jeff Jochems, bba '88, Ozark, Missouri, is the president of the Richwood Valley Campus for the Ozarks Technical Community College. The Pratt Community College Foundation honored Jochems as its 2015 Outstanding Alumnus of the Year during the spring. Jochems played baseball at Washburn.

Glenn MacNeill, jd '83, Malone, New York, is the acting district attorney in Franklin County in New York. He was an intern in the law clinic at the Washburn University School of Law.

Oanh Pham, bsn '88, Shawnee Mission, Kansas, is a registered nurse at the Shawnee County Medical Center.

Zackery Reynolds, jd '82, Fort Scott, Kansas, received the Diversity Award from the Kansas Bar Association. He has a private practice and is a fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers.

Mayo Schmidt, bba '80, Las Vegas, Nevada, is the chief executive officer of Hydro One Inc., the province-owned electronic transmission utility of Ontario, Canada. He played football and participated in track at Washburn. Schmidt is a member of the Washburn University Board of Trustees.

Anita Tebbe, jd '86, Olathe, Kansas, received the Distinguished Government Service Award from the Kansas Bar Association. She is a professor of law and chairwoman of the Department of Legal Studies at Johnson County Community College. Tebbe was an intern in the law clinic at the Washburn University School of Law.

Debra Villarreal, bba '82, Dallas, Texas, was named in the 2016 edition of "The Best Lawyers in America." She is an attorney at Thompson & Knight LLP. Villarreal was a member of the Accounting Society at Washburn.

Jeff Wagaman, ba '84, Topeka, is a deputy sheriff in the reserve division of the Shawnee County Sheriff's Department. He is the executive director of the crime victims compensation division for the Kansas Attorney General's Office. Wagaman was a member of the Washburn Review staff.

Patrick Walsh, jd '87, Lyndon, Kansas, is an attorney at Burns Burns Walsh and Walsh PA. He was granted membership into the American Association of Premier DUI Attorneys.

Karen Warner, bba '83, mba '89, Dallas, Texas, is a tax partner at Deloitte Tax LLP and a member of the company's national multistate tax services practice.

1990s

Paul Davis, jd '98, Lawrence, Kansas, received the Outstanding Service Award from the Kansas Bar Association. Davis is a partner at Fagan Emert and Davis LLC and served for 12 years in the Kansas House of Representatives.

Jessica (Bourquin) Domme, ba '99, jd '07, Tecumseh, Kansas, was named to the Jayhawk Area Council Boy Scouts of America's 20 Under 40 list. She works in the Kansas Attorney General's Office and was a member of the Women's Legal Forum at Washburn University School of Law.

Cody Foster, ba '99, Topeka, recently announced his backing of a new Cyrus Hotel in downtown Topeka. The hotel is named after Cyrus K. Holliday,

one of the founders of Topeka. The boutique hotel, which will have 79 rooms, a restaurant, a courtyard, a rooftop garden area and space for events, is tentatively scheduled to open in fall 2017. Foster and his wife, Jennifer (Van Leeuwen) Foster, ba, '98, have two children, Dylan 10, and Ella, 7.

L.J. Leatherman, jd '92, Topeka, received the Outstanding Service Award from the Kansas Bar Association. He is a partner at Palmer Leatherman White and Girard LLP. While at Washburn, Leatherman was an intern in the law clinic and a member of the Association for Public Interest Law.

Chris Maddox, bba '90, Loretto, Minnesota, is the chief marketing officer for GWG Holdings Inc. He previously worked as vice president and head of marketing communications for Columbia Management. He is a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon and was a member of Washburn Student Government Association.

Steven Mongeau, ba '94, ba '95, Stockton, Kansas, recently moved back to Kansas after living in Los Angeles. He purchased Stockton motels and hotels and re-branded them as The M Motel.

Jan Sawyer, ba '90, Fort Collins, Colorado, is the special event coordinator for the City of Fort Collins.

Jill Schmidt, ba '91, Marysville, Kansas, is the docent at the Marysville Pony Express Barn Museum. **Ernie W. Webb III**, ba '98, Overland Park, Kansas, is a communications coordinator at Metropolitan Community College, where he directs the marketing and communications at the Business and Technology campus. Webb previously worked as media relations

specialist at the Washburn Alumni Association and was editor of The Ichabod alumni magazine.

Todd Wheat, bs '93, Quinton, Alabama, a lieutenant with the Alabama Department of Corrections, is now the northern region recruiter for the state.

BIRTHS

Robin (Kruschinska) Moser, ba '99, Topeka, and Scott Moser, bba '11, adopted a son, Benjamin Neil, born April 12. She recently returned to the Washburn Alumni Association as assistant director. She is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta. While attending Washburn, she was a member of Washburn Choir, Campus Activities Board and Washburn Student Government Association. He is an accountant at Berberich Trahan & Co. and was a member of student media at Washburn.

2000S

Samantha (Parks) Angell, jd '00, Salina, Kansas, is a partner at Achterberg, Angell and Craft. She was a member of the student division of the Kansas Bar Association and International Law Society, as well as an intern in the law clinic at Washburn.

Dennis Bohm, bba '04, Apex, North Carolina, is a financial adviser at Steward Wealth Strategies and is a Dave Ramsey Endorsed Local Provider for investing in the Raleigh area. He is a member of Kappa Sigma and was a member of the Washburn Student Government Association.

Justin Bravi, bs '06, McPherson, Kansas, is an assistant public defender at the Salina Regional Public Defenders Office. He previously

worked as a Seward County prosecutor. Bravi is a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon and was a member of the Washburn Student Government Association.

Brian Carman, jd '05, Wichita, Kansas, is an attorney at Stinson, Lasswell & Wilson LC and was granted membership into the American Association of Premier DUI Attorneys. He was an intern in the law clinic at Washburn.

Karli (Bartlow) Davis, ba '06, Topeka, is the director of alumni relations for the Washburn University School of Law. She previously worked as the director of communications at the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law.

Brett Durbin, bs '03, Topeka, was named to the Jayhawk Area Council Boy Scouts of America's 20 Under 40 list. He is the founder of the Trash Mountain Project.

Billie Jean (Bergmann) Graham, bba '09, Topeka, was named to the Jayhawk Area Council Boy Scouts of America's 20 Under 40 list. She is the disbursement and expense assurance manager at Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway and a member of the Washburn Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Pete Hoeller, jd '05, Colleyville, Texas, is an attorney at Gonzalez Saggio & Harlan LLP. He was a member of the Moot Court Council at the School of Law.

Cindy Holt, bas '00, Topeka, retired as shift commander from the Topeka Fire Department. She was one of the city's first female firefighters and served as battalion chief before being promoted to shift commander.

Kymm Hughes Ledbetter, bfa '00, Topeka, and her business, Prairie Glass Studios, was recognized by the Kansas

Small Business Development Center. The center named the studio one of its small business successes for 2015.

Justin Jacquinot, bba '00, mba '02, Topeka, works at Security Benefit. He was a member of Sagamore, Blue Key and the golf team at Washburn. **Jamie Karasek**, jd '04, McPherson, Kansas, is the chief deputy county attorney and interim county attorney for McPherson County. She previously worked as a research attorney with the Kansas Court of Appeals and assistant district attorney in Shawnee County. Karasek was a member of Moot Court Council at the Washburn University School of Law.

Caleb May, ba '06, is director of the Henderson County Public Library System in Henderson, Kentucky.

David Page, jd '00, Wichita, Kansas, is a federal administrative law judge with the Social Security Administration. He previously worked as McPherson County attorney, assistant McPherson County attorney, municipal judge for the City of Lindsborg and Windom and prosecutor for the City of Newton. Page was a member of the Christian Legal Society at Washburn.

Sarah Shipman, jd '05, Topeka, is the secretary of administration for the State of Kansas and an adjunct instructor at the School of Law. She was editor of the Washburn Law Journal.

Jamie Stafford, ba '06, Topeka, was named to the Jayhawk Area Council Boy Scouts of America's 20 Under 40 list. She works at Key Staffing.

Tiffany Strohmeier, ba '09, Topeka, was named to the Jayhawk Area Council Boy Scouts of America's 20 Under 40 list. She works at

Barry's Drug Center/Dunne's Pharmacy.

Junior Treto, ba '03, Denver, Colorado, was promoted to director of events, communication and culture at Teach for America. He is a member of Phi Delta Theta and was a member of Campus Activities Board, Student Alumni Association and Washburn Student Government Association. Treto also was a student ambassador at Washburn.

Krystal Wiltz, ba '08, Topeka, was named to the Jayhawk Area Council Boy Scouts of America's 20 Under 40 list. She is an adjunct professor at Washburn and works at Home Depot.

Nick Woolery, bpa '08, Baytown, Texas, is the interim public works director for the City of Baytown. He was listed among Baytown's 20 Under 40 and became president nominee of the Baytown Rotary Club. Woolery was a member of Learning in the Community, WU Bigs, the International Politics Club, Washburn Student Government Association and the Christian Challenge at Washburn. He also was a Bonner Leader at Washburn.

Eryn Wright, jd '08, Salina, Kansas, is general counsel for the Salina School District and was elected to the board of directors of the Kansas School Attorneys Association in June. She was on the board of editors and the articles editor for the law journal. Wright was the editor of Family Law Quarterly.

BIRTHS

Richard Budden, bba '09, jd '12, Merriam, Kansas, and **Samantha (Greif) Budden**, bsn '11, a girl, Harper Renee, on June 9. Richard Budden is an associate attorney at

Shamberg, Johnson & Bergman. He is a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon and was the executive editor of the Washburn Law Journal, as well as a member of the Accounting Society and Catholic Campus Center. Samantha Budden is a registered nurse in the emergency department at St. Luke's Hospital. She is a member of Zeta Tau Alpha and was a member of Bod Squad, WU All Green, Catholic Campus Center, Women's Golf Club and Alpha Lambda Delta.

Jason Degenhardt, b music '09, Topeka, Kansas, and Kellie (Brubaker) Degenhardt, a boy, Owen Michael, on Aug. 18. Degenhardt is an adjunct instructor in the music department at Washburn. **Gina (Burdick) Stewart**, bs '09, mba '14, Tonganoxie, Kansas, and Ryan Stewart, a boy, Mason Michael, on April 10. Gina was recently promoted to director of information management, analysis and reporting at the Washburn University Foundation. She earned her green belt in Lean Six Sigma in 2014.

2010S

Hannah Boos, as '12, bhs '14, Lancaster, Kansas, is a physical therapist assistant at Atchison Hospital. She was a member of Alpha Lambda Delta. **Marie Campbell**, jd '11, Topeka, is an attorney at Joseph, Hollander and Craft. She previously served as the Shawnee County assistant district attorney. Campbell was an intern in the law clinic at the School of Law. **Dustin Crook**, jd '12, Topeka, is an attorney in Topeka and owns Crook Family Farm. He

served in the Army in Iraq. Crooks was a member of the Environmental Law Society. **Courtney Kasl**, as '13, bhs '15, Topeka, Kansas, is a development specialist at the Washburn University Foundation. At Washburn, she was a phonathon caller and supervisor and a member of the Physical Therapist Assistant Club and Wellness Club. **Courtney Kelley**, jd '15, Tulsa, Oklahoma, joined the firm of Hall Estill Attorneys at Law. During law school, she served as a staff writer for the Washburn Law Journal, as well as secretary for the Oil, Gas and Energy Law Society. In addition, she received the Joe Rudd Scholarship from the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation during her second year of law school. She will practice primarily in energy and natural resources. **Chris Locke**, bsw '14, Topeka, is a case manager at Positive Connections. He was a member of Black Student Union, Washburn Social Work Association, Psychology Club, Learning in the Community and the American Medical Student Association. **Darin McCollum**, jd '10, Blue Springs, Missouri, is an attorney at Gonzalez Saggio & Harlan LLP. He was an intern at the law clinic and a member of the Washburn Law Journal staff. **Ben Moser**, bba '13, Topeka, won the Topeka Golf Association stroke play tournament in June, shooting a 74 in the first round, followed by 72, 68 and 71. The former Washburn golf star defeated fellow alumnus Justin Jacquinot, bba '00, mba '02, and current Washburn student Ronnie McHenry.

Tammy Patterson, msn '11, Reading, Kansas, is the owner and primary medical provider of Osage Family Care in Osage City. **Kasha (Koch) Rebant**, bs '12, Sabetha, Kansas, is an occupational therapist at STARS Inc. physical therapy group. She is a member of Zeta Tau Alpha and was president of the sorority while at Washburn. **Kelsey (Lewis) Rinehart**, b ed '14, Topeka, is an English teacher at Washburn Rural Middle School. She played volleyball at Washburn. **Kathryn Silvers**, ba '14, Lawrence, Kansas, is in her second year in the Educational Leadership and Policy Study Program through the School of Education at the University of Kansas. She is a graduate assistant for the School of Engineering Student Success Suite and an intern-academic counselor for KU Athletics. **Tia Stovall**, b ed '14, Topeka, is an elementary education teacher in the Topeka Unified School District. She played soccer at Washburn and was a member of the Leadership Institute, Student Athlete Advisory Committee and the Running Club. **Britta Tjaden**, ba '10, Smolan, Kansas, is pursuing a master of business administration degree at Kansas State University. She is an office manager at Ameriprise Financial Services in Lindsborg, Kansas. Tjaden was a member of Alpha Lambda Delta. **Bryan Walker**, jd '10, Arlington, Virginia, is an attorney at Gonzalez Saggio & Harlan LLP. He was an intern in the law clinic.

Nathan Wellendorf, ba '15, Lawrence, Kansas, received his insurance license and works for PMA Washington National Insurance, where he is an account manager. **Michael Wilhoite**, ba '10, Topeka, signed an exclusive rights free agent tender contract with the San Francisco 49ers in June. He will be a restricted free agent after the 2016 season. Wilhoite is a starting linebacker for San Francisco and had 87 tackles and two interceptions last year in his first full season as a starter. He started 18 games during the past two seasons and began 2015 as a starter. Wilhoite was an all-conference football player at Washburn. **Kenneth Yates**, ba '14, Topeka, Kansas, participated in Miami University's Earth Expeditions global field course at the Bahia de los Angeles UNESCO World Heritage site located on the Sea of Cortez for his master's program. Yates is an enrollment and outreach specialist at the Shawnee County Health Agency.

WEDDING

Robert Angell, ba '10, Gardner, Kansas, and Catherine Bender, in August. He works in insurance.

FRIENDS

Tom Averill, professor, English, writer-in-residence, published "A Carol Dickens Christmas: A Novel," one of 15 books on the Kansas Notable Books List. **Louise Williams**, coordinator of Institutional Research, Washburn Institute of Technology, received a Data Quality Award in June from the Kansas Board of Regents. 🏆

IN MEMORY

1930s

Marjorie (Beard) Lovewell,

ba '37, 100, San Francisco, California, on Sept. 21. She taught in a one-room schoolhouse outside of Overbrook, Kansas, was an assistant kindergarten teacher at Lincoln School in Topeka, Kansas, and taught at Harveyville High School for one year. She married F. Mark Garlinghouse on Nov. 18, 1939, and became an active supporter of his career with AT&T. The family moved from Topeka to New York, New York, and then to St. Louis, Missouri, in 1950, and back to the New York City area in 1965. Following his passing in 1982, she married Joe Lovewell, Topeka, Kansas. They retired to San Francisco, California. While at Washburn, she was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority.

1940s

Jane Byrd, ba '46, 92, Palm Desert, California, on Oct. 5. She taught high school and was later a substitute teacher. While at Washburn, she was a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority and the synchronized swimming team. **Cathryn (Wyler) Chapman**, ba '48, 90, Colorado Springs, Colorado, on Sept. 24. She was a member of the Delta Gamma sorority. Survivors include her husband, **Harold Chapman**, bba '50, Litchfield Park, Arizona. **Paul Clayton**, ba '49, jd '51, 90, Glenwood, Illinois, on April 21. He was an attorney and owner of Paul Clayton and Associates. **Norma (Krenkel) Hatch**, ba '44, 93, Harrison, Arkansas, on Aug. 14. During World War II, she worked in the war effort, later working for Braniff Airlines in Dallas, Texas. After moving to Harrison, she

worked at Turney Wood Products and Bank Credit Life Insurance Co. as a bookkeeper. **Marjorie McElhenny**, ba '43, 94, Lenexa, Kansas, Oct. 6. She worked at the former Menninger Foundation in Topeka as a secretary for more than 25 years. While at Washburn, she was a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority and Nonoso. **William Sellen**, ba '45, 91, Fort Scott, Kansas, on June 14. He was a large group representative for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas. Sellen was a member of Pi Gamma Mu, the Review and the Kaw while at Washburn. Survivors include brother Albert Sellen, ba '49, Coralville, Iowa.

Laura (Steppe) Semler, ba '49, m ed '68, 78, Topeka, on Oct. 19. She taught high school biology and home economics and then grade school until retiring in 1989. Survivors include her daughter **Cheryl (Semler) Mitchell**, as '88, Auburn, and her granddaughter **Haley Mitchell**, ba '11, Auburn. **Richard Snyder**, ba '49, jd '49, 91, Atlanta, Georgia, on June 10. He served in the Army during World War II and in the Korean Conflict. Snyder received a director commission into the Army's Judge Advocate General Corps and was a military judge in Vietnam before retiring with the rank of colonel. He was a chief judge for Hawaii, Japan, Okinawa and Southeast Asia, deputy general counsel and general counsel for the State Corporation Commission of Kansas and worked for the Georgia Court of Appeals. Snyder was a member of Delta Theta Phi.

1950s

James Bell, ba '50, 86, Phoenix, Arizona, on July 22. He joined the

Air Force during the Korean War and served four years in Special Services at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida. After being honorably discharged, he returned to Kansas for a teaching position at Emporia State Teachers College. In 1966, he moved to Tempe, Arizona, to become a professor in the College of Education at Arizona State University, where he taught for the next 25 years before retiring in 1990.

Martha (Maynard) Brown, ba '51, 87, Topeka, on July 15. She was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta. Survivors include daughters **Suzanne (Brown) McIntosh**, bba '87, Fort Worth, Texas, and **Sarah Brown**, attendee, Topeka. **James Caplinger Sr.**, ba '53, jd '53, 86, Topeka, on June 28. He served as a judge advocate in the Air Force and was Kiowa County attorney before a long career in Topeka. Caplinger was appointed securities counsel by Gov. George Docking in 1958 and was the assistant general counsel for the Kansas Corporation Commission. He had a private practice, James M. Caplinger Chtd., and co-founded the State Independent Telephone Association. In 1997, The James M. Caplinger Chair on Administrative Law was established at the Washburn School of Law. Caplinger was a member of Phi Delta Theta and Delta Theta Phi. Survivors include sons **James Caplinger Jr.**, jd '82, Topeka, and **Mark Caplinger**, bba '82, jd '85, daughter **Sharon Caplinger Keyes**, jd '84, Colorado Springs, Colorado, and brother **Robert Caplinger**, jd '52, Kansas City, Missouri. **William Furlong**, bfa '50, 93, Topeka, on Oct. 11. He served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Wichita during World War II. He was president of General Printing

and Paper Company in Topeka before leaving to start Label Supply Company in Auburn, Kansas. He retired in 1985. Survivors include daughters **Judy (Furlong) Cripps**, ba '74, Topeka, and **Susan (Furlong) Zimmerman**, b ed '76, Overland Park, Kansas, and sons-in-law **Bryce Cripps**, bba '74, Topeka, and **David Zimmerman**, bba '76, jd '79, Kansas City, Missouri. **Dale Graham**, bba '50, Carrolton, Texas, on Dec. 4, 2014. **Kenneth Huske**, ba '52, law school attendee, 89, Topeka, on Oct. 17. He served in the United States Army during World War II from 1944 to 1946. He served as a reservist in the Army and Air Force until he retired with the rank of master sergeant in 1986. Survivors include his daughter **Debra Huske-Davies**, ba '75. **Wilma Jones**, ba '50, 88, Tulsa, Oklahoma, on Oct. 14. She was co-owner of Jones Radio & Electric before working at the University of Texas, Dallas, where she was head of the accounting department. While at Washburn, she was a member of the Zeta Tau Alpha sorority. **Albert Kovac**, ba '50, jd '51, 89, Kansas City, Kansas, on Oct. 22. He practiced law for 56 years and served as Kansas City, Kansas, police court judge from 1953 to 1956. He retired in 2007. **Ralph Kauffman**, bba '58, 83, Savannah, Georgia, on July 26. He served in the Air Force during the Korean Conflict and worked at Pfizer Laboratories for 35 years, including 20 as director of international sales and training. Kauffman was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon and the Association of Business Students. Survivors include wife **Pat Kauffman**,

attendee, Savannah, Georgia. **Phillip Leon**, jd '58, 84, Wichita, Kansas, on Aug. 17. He practiced law in Wichita. Survivors include his son **David Leon**, jd '91, Wichita. **Manuel Mendoza**, jd '58, 84, Bloomington, Illinois, on June 25. He served in the Army Reserves, achieving the rank of sergeant. Mendoza worked at the Topeka State Hospital before a 43-year career with State Farm, where he worked as a field claim representative, claim superintendent, divisional claim superintendent, general claim superintendent and senior counsel. He was a member of Delta Theta Phi and the first Mexican-American to receive a law degree from Washburn. Survivors include daughter **Lisa Mendoza**, jd '84, Topeka, and son **Marcos Mendoza**, jd '89, Austin, Texas. **Benjamin Ramos**, ba '53, 89, Excelsior Springs, Missouri, on Aug. 12. He served in the Navy and taught at Iowa Community College, Washburn and Albuquerque Technical Vo-Tech. **Ann (Colvin) Rolley**, ba '56, 81, Topeka, on Nov. 5. After marrying, she and her husband, Alan, traveled during Alan's Air Force career, before returning to Topeka. She owned The Westboro Collection, a gift and accessory store in Topeka. She and Alan were civic and business leaders in the community. While at Washburn, she was president of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. Survivors include her husband, **Alan Rolley**, bba '55, Phoenix, Arizona. **Simon Roth Jr.**, jd '51, 88, Hays, Kansas, on July 17. He served in the Navy during World War II and had a long career in law. Roth was a county attorney, county counselor and judge of the Ellis County Probate and Juvenile Court. He was a member of Delta Theta Phi. Survivors include son **Douglas**

Roth, jd '78, Wichita, and daughter **Denise (Roth) McNickle**, jd '82, Wichita. **Charles Snyder**, ba '54, 84, Bowie, Maryland, on Oct. 11. He served in the United States Air Force for 20 years, with tours in Korea and Vietnam, before retiring as a major in 1974. He was appointed to the Tulsa Hall of Fame for his role in historic renovation of the 100+-year-old Mayo Hotel in Tulsa, Oklahoma. While at Washburn, he was a charter member and president of the Washburn chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon. He is survived by his wife, **Bonolyn (Kinney) Snyder**, ba '55, Bowie, Maryland. **George Thompson**, ba '54, 86, Topeka, on July 23. He served in the Army in World War II and was a social worker at Osawatomie State Hospital, Youth Center of Topeka and Kansas State Reception and Diagnostic Center. Thompson also was the warden of the Kansas State Vocational Training Center and Topeka Correctional Facility and director of recruitment and minority affairs for the Kansas State Department of Corrections. He was a member of Kappa Alpha Psi and student council at Washburn. Survivors include sister-in-law **Goldie Brown**, ba '64, Atchison, Kansas. **John Towner**, jd '58, 84, Pittsburg, Kansas, on July 28. He was a military police officer before practicing law for more than 35 years in Pittsburg. Towner founded a law firm, later merging with another firm to form the Law Firm of Wilbert and Towner.

1960s

Gary Baker, ba '61, 76, Tulsa, Oklahoma, on July 28. He began his career at WIBW-TV in Topeka. He moved to Tulsa in 1966 to work for Phillips Advertising Agency, where he rose to the position of president of that firm, directing the work of its five offices located in

Oklahoma, Texas and California. With colleague Jerry Anderson, he formed Anderson Baker Advertising in 1974. **William Birch**, jd '64, 81, Topeka, on June 27. He served in the Army before working as president of Association Services Corp. Survivors include son **Michael Birch**, bs '90, Denver, Colorado, and daughter-in-law **Amy (Hischke) Birch**, b ed '92, Topeka. **Theda (Retschlag) Clark**, b ed '65, 81, Burlington, Kansas, on July 25. She was a teacher in Topeka, Carbondale, Lyndon and Wathena before working as a counselor in Doniphan County and at Burlingame High School. Clark also was an outreach coordinator for Allen County Community College. **Sandra (Ellis) Greenwell**, ba '66, 71, Topeka, on June 8. She was a social worker, contractor and contract administrator for the Kansas Department of Transportation. **Wayne Grindol**, jd '62, 92, Beloit, Kansas, on July 21. He served in World War II before working as a coach, teacher, banker, and attorney and for the Kansas Highway Patrol. Survivors include sister-in-law **John Hawn**, bba '65, 78, Topeka, on June 30. He worked at Hawn Petroleum in McPherson, Kansas, and for State of Kansas Retirement System for Public Employees for 28 years before retiring. Hawn was a member of Alpha Delta, Washburn Review and Young Republicans. **Carol (Stephens) Harrison**, b ed '64, 70, Olathe, Kansas, on Aug. 22, 2012. **Patrick Heniff**, ba '68, 68, Yorkville, Illinois, on Aug. 1. He was vice president of Lattice, Inc., a patient safety software company for hospitals. His professional career as a senior sales executive in the health care industry lasted more than 40 years. The first 27 years were with Addressograph Farrington Inc., later acquired by Datacard. Survivors include his wife, **Karen**

(Howard) Heniff, b ed '70, Yorkville, Illinois, and his brother, **Raymond Heniff**, bba '67, Wheaton, Illinois. **Barry Hiatt**, bba '67, 73, Manhattan, Kansas, on Sept. 11. **Beverly (Bailey) Hightower**, b ed '65, 72, Westport, Connecticut, on June 8. She was a teacher in Westport Public Schools, including kindergarten and first grade. Hightower also directed Mother's Day Out Cooperative. She was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta, Washburn Belles, spirit squad and student council at Washburn. **Jack Kinney**, bba '60, Hermosa Beach, California, on Sept. 28. He served for four years in the United States Navy on an aircraft carrier during the Korean War. He spent his career in real estate as a broker and later as a developer. **Lorraine (Fraker) Long**, b ed '63, 85, Topeka, on Aug. 11. She was an elementary school teacher in Topeka and a member of Kappa Alpha Theta. Survivors include stepdaughter **Marne (Wasson) Fischer**, bba '91, Topeka. **Antonia (Martinez) Miller**, m ed '63, 91, Toledo, Ohio, on Nov. 27, 2014. **Mansfield Miller**, m ed '63, 91, Olathe, Kansas, on Dec. 1, 2013. **Richard Mills**, ba '65, Edgemont, Arkansas, on Sept. 11. He served in the United States Army. While in Kansas, he worked as a juvenile probation officer, served as director of rehabilitation services for the Capper Foundation and as executive director of the Community Resources Council. In 1973, he relocated to Orlando, Florida, where he served as the executive director of the Human Services Planning Council. He retired in 2000. **Royce Muzingo**, ba '60, 78, Overland Park, Kansas, on Sept. 24. He worked for 30 years in various administrative capacities for

the Social Security Administration. While attending Washburn, he also served in the National Guard. Survivors include his daughter **Sheree (Amos) Lovich**, ba '85, Topeka.

Monte Ramskill, bba '63, law school attendee, 75, Burlingame, Kansas, on Nov. 8. He worked delivering fuel to local farms and was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Burlingame. While at Washburn he was a member of the Alpha Delta fraternity. **Michael Rooney**, ba '64, 74, Sun Lakes, Arizona, on May 31. He worked in higher education for 42 years.

Daniel Stoops, ba '56, jd '58, 81, Flagstaff, Arizona, on June 15. He was a partner at Magnum, Wall, Stoops and Warden and was the president of the Flagstaff School Board. Stoops was editor of the Washburn Law Journal, a member of the debate team and a member of Who's Who Among Students at American Universities and Colleges. Survivors include wife **Kathryn (Piepmeier) Stoops**, ba '56, Flagstaff, Arizona.

Ward Summerville, bba '61, jd '67, 76, Bradenton, Florida, on Nov. 7. He was an attorney for the U.S. government in Kansas City and the District of Columbia, and served as a law clerk to a U.S. district court judge in Wichita, Kansas. He served as a managing partner of Spengler Nathanson in Toledo, Ohio, before retiring to Florida. **Roger Viets**, jd '63, 78, Mesa, Arizona, on Sept. 26. He practiced law during his early career and then went into the banking business in Wichita, Kansas. In 1978, he moved to Wyoming, where he resumed practicing law and launched a new career in drug and alcohol abuse counseling before retiring in 2000. Survivors include his brothers **Gilbert Viets**, bba '65, Indianapolis, Indiana, and **Robert Viets**, ba '65, Mequon, Wisconsin.

Mary Wortman, b ed '68, 91, Topeka, on Nov. 9. She taught elementary education in Topeka for more than 25 years before retiring in 1987. Survivors include son **Todd Harmon**, ba '79, jd '82, Topeka, daughter **Rhonda Otto**, b ed '75, Topeka, son-in-law **Douglas Otto**, aa '89, Topeka, and granddaughter **Lisa Otto**, ba '07, Topeka.

1970s

Thomas Brown, bba '73, 76, Valley Falls, Kansas, on July 16. He served in the Army Reserves and was vice president of the Kendall State Bank, where he worked for nearly 50 years. **Geronimo Dominguez**, ba '73, 63, Kansas City, Kansas, on Dec. 6, 2014.

Robert Doyle, ba '71, 72, Naples, Florida, on June 19. He served in the Army during the Vietnam War before working in industrial relations with Mason & Hangar-Silas Mason Co. Doyle also worked for Dunn & Bradstreet, the Phillips Petroleum Co. and Derby Refining Co. He was the owner of A-TECH Paving before retiring in 2010. **Carol Ann Dressler**, ba '78, 62, Mission, Kansas, on Nov. 6. She worked at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas, and the University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City, Kansas, for more than 25 years in administrative positions. She then went to work for Celeritas Works in Overland Park, Kansas, before retiring in September 2015. Survivors include her niece **Wendy Dressler**, ba '01, Topeka. **Michael Dutton**, jd '79, Olathe, Kansas, on Nov. 5. He was a litigation attorney at Wallace Saunders Austin Brown & Enochs for 32 years. **Constance (Gwinner) Farmer**, b ed '74, 64, Stewartsville, Missouri, on July 15. She was a sixth-grade teacher and worked in real estate for nearly 40 years.

Farmer was a member of Phi Kappa Phi. **James Forsee**, bba '73, 71, Shawnee, Kansas, on May 19. He served in the Army during the Vietnam War before working for the Johnson County Appraiser's Office. **Edna (Lee) Hodges**, jd '73, 77, Topeka, on July 23. She was a lobbyist and worked for the American Civil Liberties Union before working as a legal investigator and as an associate professor at the School of Law. Hodges also worked in the legal and finance divisions of the United States Coast Guard.

Rodney Hosford, bba '72, 71, Tallahassee, Florida, on April 15. He served in the Army during the Vietnam War. Hosford was an author, certified public accountant and executive recruiter for Management Recruits Inc. **John Ingenthron**, b ed '71, 69, Meriden, Kansas, on July 12. He worked for the Kansas Neurological Institute, Parsons State Hospital, North Dakota State Hospital and Kansas Department on Aging. Survivors include brother **Michael Ingenthron**, bba '79, Grantville, Kansas, and brother-in-law **Steven Hiebsch**, bba '79, Topeka.

G. Lester Jordan Jr., ba '74, 66, Topeka, on June 25. He was a social worker. Jordan was a member of the International Club, Phi Kappa Phi and the Kaw staff. Survivors include sisters **Julie (Jordan) Friedstrom**, b ed '73, Topeka, and Jenny (Jordan) Hejtmanek, b ed '73, Edwards, Colorado, and niece **Emily (Friedstrom) McGee**, ba '01, Topeka. **Anthony Kotich**, jd '73, 69, Topeka, on Oct. 20. He practiced law for more than 42 years. He was an officer with the United States Marine Corps and recipient of the Navy Achievement Medal. He was a part-time Washburn business law and labor relations instructor from

1988-2015. He was the nominee for the Kansas Democratic Party as Attorney General of Kansas during the 2014 election. Survivors include his daughters **Victoria (Kotich) Carpenter**, ba '98, Topeka, **Annie Kotich**, bba '98, ba '12, Lenexa, Kansas, and **Rachel Kotich-Verthein**, aa '13, Topeka. **George Landon**, bba '72, mba '84, 65, Topeka, on July 31. **Dolores (Bouska) Lewis**, bba '78, 83, Topeka, on July 18. She was the vice president of administration and treasurer at Washburn for nearly 20 years. **Donald Lobmeyer**, ba '74, bba '74, 71, Garden City, Kansas, on July 7. He was a member of Delta Sigma Pi. **Henrietta (Rapp) Moser**, m ed '71, 94, Round Rock, Texas. She was a teacher in several school districts in Kansas.

Jeanne (Lindstrom) Moss, b ed '79, 58, Windom, Kansas, on June 28. She was a manufacturing engineer at Certain-Teed Corp., and worked at Blount Industries in Kansas City, Missouri. Moss played basketball and softball at Washburn. **David Norman**, ba '73, 69, Topeka, on July 11. He worked for the Kansas State Department of Transportation for 35 years before retiring in 2010. **Cheryl Randall**, ba, '78, m ed '87, 67, Topeka, on Nov. 13. She taught school in the Paxico and Harveyville areas for many years. She also worked for the Department of Education. Survivors include her sister **Rebecca Standiferd**, ba '84, Topeka, sons **Scott Mercer**, ba '96, Topeka, and **Stephen Mercer**, bba '08, Topeka, daughter-in-law **Shawna Mercer**, ba '05, Topeka, and brother-in-law **Cary Standiferd**, jd '73, Topeka. **Victor Raymond**, bba '78, 68, Topeka, on Oct. 24. He worked as an electrician and later as an auditor for the State of Kansas and

the United States Department of Defense. Survivors include his son **Scott Raymond**, jd '02, Topeka, and his daughter-in-law **Amy (Shreffler) Raymond**, jd '02, Topeka. **Ronald Roerig**, jd '77, 67, Emporia, Kansas, on Oct. 9. He practiced law in Emporia for more than 20 years.

Twila (Kinkade) Stapel, bsw '72, 84, Topeka, on July 10. She was a social worker and retired from Let's Help. Survivors include brother **Gary Kinkade**, bba '73, Brownwood, Texas, and grandson **Kyle Stapel**, certificate in certified nursing aide '13, Topeka. **Joseph Sullivan**, ba '72, m ed '76, 88, San Antonio, Texas, on March 26, 2014. He was a teacher in the Topeka Unified School District. Sullivan was a member of Phi Kappa Phi.

Betty Tibbs, ms '70, 86, Wichita, Kansas, on Oct. 16. She taught school and retired from teaching kindergarten at Colvin Elementary School in Wichita, Kansas. **Dixie (Hummer) Toelkes**, bas '78, Topeka, on June 30. She was a special education teacher at Seaman High School in Topeka and served in the Kansas Legislature for six years.

Richard Wall, bba '71, 67, Kansas City, Missouri, on Aug. 22. He had a distinguished career in commercial finance at Borg-Warner, True Value, CIT and Boeing, where he reached the position of director. While at Washburn, he played football.

Mary (Moser) Wasson, ba '74, 89, Lawrence, Kansas, on June 2. She was director of Internal Affairs for the Kansas-National Education Association for 30 years before retiring in 1996. Survivors include granddaughter **Elizabeth Stuewe**, jd '13, Chicago, Illinois, and son-in-law **Paul Stuewe**, ba '72, Lawrence. **Daniel Wendt**, bs '76, bs '78, 62, Topeka, on Oct. 31. He worked as a medical laboratory technologist

at Stormont-Vail HealthCare for 32 years. Survivors include his niece **Jessica Wendt**, bba '10, Topeka. **Philip Winter**, jd '70, 71, Admire, Kansas, on July 2. He was an attorney and a farmer. **Sarah (Stuber) Young**, bs '76, law attendee, 89, Topeka, on Oct. 15. She worked at Boeing in Wichita, Kansas, before she and her late husband moved to Topeka. Survivors include her daughters **Heather Young**, jd '82, Oak Creek, Wisconsin, and **Rachel (Young) Welch**, bsn '91, Topeka, sons **Franklin Young**, ba '87, Topeka, and **Ralph Young**, ba '93, Olathe, Kansas, and grandson **Adam Welch**, bs '07, Topeka.

1980s

Bonnie Artzer, aa '88, 75, Topeka, on Aug. 15. She worked at Mulvane Art Museum and as an administrative assistant for the Topeka Fire Department. **Marty Artzer**, ba '86, 52, Topeka, on July 21. He worked for UPS for 34 years before retiring and owned a taxidermy company. Survivors include daughters **Chelsea Artzer**, b ed '11, Topeka, and **Caitlyn Artzer**, a current Washburn student; brother **Dennis Artzer**, bs '73, Topeka; sisters **Beth (Artzer) Burrell**, ba '77, Topeka, and **Mary (Artzer) Tiernan**, ba '99, Topeka; brother-in-law **Dean Burrell**, bba '75, Topeka; and sister-in-law **Nancy Artzer**, attendee, Topeka.

Keyton Barker, ba '80, 87, Granada Hills, California, on Sept. 26. He served 22 years in the United States Army, including several tours overseas before receiving an honorable discharge in 1969. He also served as the Equal Employment Opportunity compliance officer for the State of Kansas. While at Washburn he was a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity. Survivors include daughter **Renda (Barker) Bolden**, ba '90, Shawnee, Kansas.

James Bransten, jd '81, 70, San Francisco, California, on June 6. He was a comedian before a long career as an attorney in California. Bransten was an intern in the law clinic at the School of Law. **John Braun**, jd '80, 64, Colorado Springs, Colorado, on Nov. 20. After passing the bar in 1980, he clerked for Kansas Supreme Court Justice Kay McFarland. In 1981, he graduated from the American Graduate School of International Management (Thunderbird) at Arizona State University. In 1983, he passed the Colorado bar and opened a private law practice specializing in family law in Colorado Springs. Throughout his law career, he contributed many hours of pro bono work. Survivors include his brother **Mark Braun**, jd '86, Topeka.

Deanna Feltes, bba '86, 63, Salina, Kansas, on Sept. 18. She worked for KPL and Kansas Gas Service, the Internal Revenue Service, and USDA/NRCS prior to her retirement. She also served in the U.S. Army Reserves. **Lloyd Hull**, jd '85, Topeka, Oct. 7. He worked for Methodist Youthville in Dodge City, Kansas, and as a social worker in McPherson, Kansas, for Social and Rehabilitation Services.

After earning his law degree, he served as a Governor's Fellow in 1985 under John Carlin. In 1986, he was employed by Social and Rehabilitation Services Central Office in Topeka as a staff attorney until his retirement in 2010. Survivors include his son **Matthew Hull**, ba '08, jd '12, Topeka. **Kayle Lawrence**, ba '85, 54, Topeka, Kansas, on Sept. 9. He was a Systems Analyst for the State of Kansas. He retired in 2008 as a systems administrator for Disability Determination Services. **Marilyn McMulklin**, bba '89, 76, Topeka, on July 3. She worked at U.S. Soil Conservation Service,

where she was named secretary of the year. **Joyce Stenger**, bba '88, 74, Friendswood, Texas, on July 29. She worked at Goodyear before serving as a technical writer. Stenger also owned Configuration Control Crew, a company that wrote, edited and evaluated documents. **David Stubbs**, ba '84, 57, Overland Park, Kansas, on Oct. 16. He worked at WREN Radio, broadcasting sports for Washburn. He then served as a Shawnee County Sheriff's deputy reserve officer and also as the captain of the Bel Aire Police Department. Following his law enforcement career, he held the executive regional director positions with the American Diabetes Association. Most recently, he worked for the Shawnee Mission Medical Center Security Department and as an officer with the Louisburg Police Department. Survivors include his brother **Bruce Stubbs**, bba '88, jd '92, Wichita, Kansas. **John Swarts**, jd '84, 74, Fort Scott, Kansas, on March 23. He served in the Army and was the Bourbon County attorney. **Dennis Wycoff**, bba '82, 65, Manhattan, Kansas, on Sept. 13. He served in the United States Army.

1990s

Kathleen (Moxley) Clark-Corbin, as '92, ba '97, 59, Eureka Springs, Arkansas, on Nov. 7. She is survived by her mother **Margaret Bradshaw**, bs '89, Topeka. **Kenneth Conley**, as '93, 64, Hot Springs, South Dakota, on July 4. He served in the Army, achieving the rank of sergeant first class, before retiring in 1990. Conley worked as respiratory director at the Clay County Medical Center in Kansas and at Veterans Administration hospitals in Spokane, Washington, and Hot Springs.

Steve Cowen, msw '97, Lawrence, Kansas, on Oct. 12, 2014. He spent his career serving clients at Burt Nash Community Mental Health Center, the Housing Authority and the Veterans Administration in Lawrence and Topeka.

Jeffery Gleave, jd '93, 62, Monroe, Utah, on Oct. 19. He practiced law in Richfield, Utah, and worked for the Internal Revenue Service from 2005 to 2015.

Donna (Manuel) Heath, aa '99, 65, Topeka, on Sept. 28. She worked as a paralegal before her retirement. Survivors include her daughter **Tera Randall**, bsn '00, Spring Hill, Kansas, and daughter-in-law **Dawn Graf**, bba '98, Silver Lake, Kansas.

Nancy Logan, b ed '91, m ed '05, 71, Topeka, on June 10. She was a special education teacher in the Topeka Unified School District for more than 20 years after serving in the Air Force.

Brian Naab, ba '90, 47, Round Rock, Texas, on Oct. 8. He was a community volunteer and a baseball coach and umpire. Survivors include his wife, **Carey (Emmott) Naab**, ba '92, Round Rock, Texas, and his sister **Cindi Weilert**, bb '93, aa '94, Holton, Kansas.

Laura (Reichle) Riddle, aa '90, bba '91, 53, Butte, Montana, on July 7. She worked in hotel management and for the Montana University system. Survivors include father **Kenneth Reichle**, ba '66, Atchison, Kansas.

Dennis Schlarman, ba '93, 55, Onaga, Kansas, on Feb. 6, 2014.

Ellen Tracy, jd '92, 79, Lawrence, Kansas, on Oct. 2. She practiced law with the firm Martin, Pringle, Oliver, Wallace & Bauer, L.L.P. in Wichita, Kansas.

Patricia Watridge, aa '96, bas '97, Topeka, on Oct. 12. She served as the battalion secretary for the 541st Maintenance Battalion

Commanding Officer and Battalion.

2000S

Sharon Davison, ba '04, Topeka, on Sept. 16.

Patrick Laird, ba '02, 39, Tecumseh, Kansas, on Aug. 1. He worked in surgical research at the University of Maryland and published several papers on optimal heart bypass procedures. Survivors include father **Charles Laird**, ba '64, Tecumseh; brother **Tim Laird**, ba '87, Melbourne, Florida; uncles **Gregory Laird**, bs '74, Topeka, and **Mark Laird**, ba '78, m ed '85, Topeka; aunt **Linda Laird**, ba '65, Topeka; and sister-in-law **Suzanne Laird**, b ed '90, Clive, Iowa.

2010S

Garrett Keen, aa '10, 50, Topeka, on July 25. He served in the Army and was a veteran of Desert Storm, receiving several honors, including the Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Commendation Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, Bronze Star, Service Ribbon, Oversea Service Ribbon and three Bronze Service Stars. Keen achieved the rank of sergeant. He worked at Goodyear and the Topeka Veterans Administration Medical Center.

FRIENDS

Andrea Burton, 48, Topeka. She taught education in the College of Arts and Sciences. Survivors include her husband and former assistant professor **Russell Burton**, msw '13, Topeka.

Bruce Carolan, 61, Dublin, Ireland. He was a visiting professor at Washburn Law from 2008-2009.

Hannelore Dawson, 88, Topeka, on May 18. She worked in the library at the School of Law.

Merle Hill, 89, Sarasota, Florida, on Oct. 1. He served as vice

president at Washburn for four years.

Mary (Allen) Jones, 74, Topeka, on June 29. She was a secretary in the Department of Social Work for more than 25 years.

Norman Koester, 68, Topeka, on July 19. He worked for 25 years in Washburn's Information Technology Services department.

Robert McCaig, attendee, 88, Koloa, Hawaii, on May 9. He served in the Air Force during World War II and the Korean Conflict, achieving the rank of second lieutenant. McCaig managed the family HVAC business and owned the Washburn View Shopping Center in Topeka. He was a member of the Washburn University Foundation Board of Trustees.

John McMahan, 75, Topeka, on Nov. 1. He worked as a campus police officer at Washburn.

Susan Moore, 85, Allentown, Pennsylvania, on April 26. She was a director of three preschool child development centers in New York, New York, and the director of volunteers for Brooklyn's Prospect Park. Survivors include husband

Donald Moore, ba '51, Allentown.

Bonnie Peterson, 71, Lawrence, Kansas, on April 8. She was an assistant professor of nursing at Washburn. Peterson was a nurse in Kansas City and taught at Avila University before working as an administrator in several hospitals. Survivors include husband **Oscar Peterson**, jd '72, Lawrence, Kansas.

C. Imogene (Ransdall) Quinlan, attendee, 89, Topeka, on Aug. 13. She worked for the Kansas Highway Commission and in the office of governors Edward Arn and Andrew Schoepel. Quinlan was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha. Survivors include sister **Dena (Ransdall) Fink**, attendee, Media, Pennsylvania, and cousin **David**

Nelson, bs '66, Cross Junction, Virginia.

Christine (Walters) Renbarger, 67, Topeka. She worked at Washburn in the Registrar's office.

Irving Sheffel, honorary doctor of humane letters '87, 98, Topeka, on May 18. He was a vice president at the Menninger Foundation. Survivors include granddaughters

Alexa (Cocolis) Scarlett, ba '02, Prairie Village, Kansas, and

Miranda Madden, bsn '10, Topeka; stepdaughters **Sara (Shelton) Cocolis**, b ed '76, m ed '93, Prairie Village, and **Mary (Shelton) Madden**, ba '76; and sons-in-law **Timothy Madden**, bba '78, Topeka, and **Angelo Cocolis**, bba '70, Prairie Village. **Katherine Smith**, 85, Topeka, on May 5. She worked at Mabee Library.

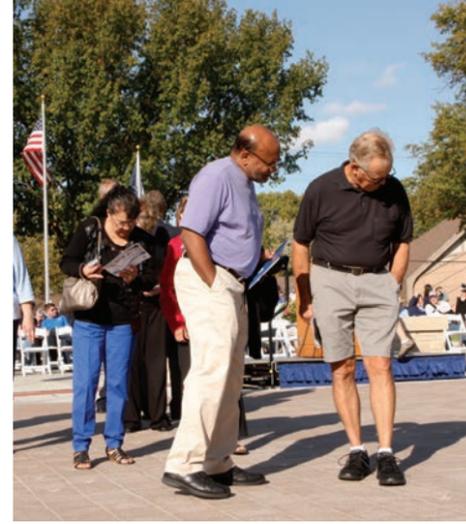
Louis Smith, attendee, 88, Boise, Idaho, on Oct. 23. He taught business administration and marketing at Washburn. Survivors include his wife **Francis (Hall) Smith**, ba '51, ba '69, Boise, Idaho, and sister **Narra (Smith) Asher**, ba '51, jd '53, Walnut Creek, California.

Elon Torrence, 98, Topeka, on Nov. 11. He was a Friend of the Mulvane Art Museum. Survivors include his son-in-law **Steve Tallen**, ba '89, Topeka.

Donald Watson, attendee, Topeka, on Sept. 28. He played football while attending Washburn and was a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. Survivors include his sons **Paul Watson**, bba '83, Goddard, Kansas, and **Matthew Watson**, bba '96, Fort Worth, Texas.

Susan Winner, student, 36, Topeka, on July 17. She was a senior pursuing a degree in criminal justice. Winner served in the Marines. Survivors include father

James Winner, bba '71, Topeka. 🏠



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ALUMNI TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES



Twenty-nine alumni and friends enjoyed a fall cruise visiting various ports of call in Italy, Montenegro, Croatia, Slovenia and Greece.

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GERMANY, AUSTRIA AND SWITZERLAND: MAY 22 - JUNE 1, 2016

Join us in the spring on what will undoubtedly be another fantastic trip as we travel to Germany, Austria and Switzerland – and spend a morning on Lake Como in Italy.

Spend two nights each in Munich, Zermatt and Lucerne and one night each in Innsbruck, St. Moritz and Lugano. Along the way, visit nearby cities of Salzburg, Oberammergau, Fussen and Como. Cost is \$3,775 per

person (double occupancy) and includes airfare, hotel, tours, eight breakfasts, one lunch and two dinners. Trip is fully escorted with an English-speaking guide, and Susie Hoffmann, alumni director, will travel with the group.

For a detailed itinerary and registration form, visit the Alumni Association website: washburn.edu/alumni-travel.

CUBA: FALL 2016

Susie Hoffmann, alumni director, recently traveled to Cuba with our travel agent and a dozen other alumni directors from universities around the country to learn more about a travel program to Cuba. Consequently, we plan to schedule an alumni trip there next fall. The trip will include visits to Havana, Cienfuegos, Trinidad and Santa Clara. Once the dates are finalized, we'll begin promoting the trip. In the meantime, if you have any interest in traveling with us to Cuba, please contact Susie at susie@washburn.edu.

The price has yet to be determined, but it will be in the neighborhood of \$5,800 per person (double occupancy), which will include round trip airfare between Miami and Havana, hotels, tours and most meals.

Although diplomatic relations are changing between the U.S. and Cuba, open travel between the two countries is still restricted. Our travel agent holds a People-to-People license from the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC), authorizing registered travelers on this educational exchange program to visit Cuba.

MORE INFORMATION ON OUR TRIPS

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