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Leadership Southwestern wishes the college "Happy 125th Birthday" in the 2010 Homecoming parade. *Photo by Tyler Gaskill.*

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Little Builders cut the ribbon to their new preschool facility during Homecoming. More on page 10. *Photo by Carly Budd '12.*

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT



*Dear friends,*

I was recently watching the big horse race in which Zenyatta just missed completing her racing career with an undefeated record. I'm not a big fan of horse racing, so I was

surprised both by how exciting it was to watch that dash down the homestretch and by how bad it felt to see Zenyatta lose by a nose. Then it came to me why I was taking it personally: Oh yeah, Mabee Challenge.

At this writing we aren't quite there on our push to claim a Mabee Foundation challenge grant of almost \$1 million. We've got until mid-January to get it done. I can almost hear the announcer yelling, "And down the stretch they come!"

If you have been interested in the college's stadium and auditorium projects and would like to help, now is the time. Naming and memorial gift opportunities are available for both projects, so you can make a gift in honor or memory of another person or just associate your name with these

important facilities. Pledges can be paid over a five-year pledge period, and firm pledges count toward meeting the Mabee Challenge.

Any giddyup you can offer will be gratefully received. Thanks for all you do for Southwestern!

*Best regards,*

*Dick Merriman*

Dick Merriman, *President*



## ADMINISTRATION VIEWPOINT



I love it when alumni who are back on campus comment on how much the college has improved over the years. With 125 years of Southwestern making a positive difference in the world, it is only right that the college itself would

be a high-functioning, quality improvement organization. To understand how the college not only gives students the Builder spirit, but is building every day, I need to start with our commitment to planning. For over a decade the college has maintained a consistent, continual process of planning, executing, and evaluating. With each new assessment come new plans to be implemented and then reviewed.

The college uses five-year goals, three-year directions, and department unit plans with one-year steps to focus and prioritize energy and resources. All college employees have personal performance goals linked to the college plan and these are reviewed and refocused annually. Every three years the President appoints a Futures Task Force and the

college gathers input from a wide variety of stakeholders. A Planning Council meets yearly and provides the trustees a status report on the Strategic Plan. In the fall all trustees and college employees receive a booklet with the current plan and updated metrics related to our goals.

There are lots of reasons for the new buildings, new academic degrees and programs, expanded and improved services for our students, and growing influence in the region and beyond, but one of the keys is disciplined and continuous planning. Part of being a Builder is having a vision of improvement, but right after that, you need a plan.

Thanks for being a Builder and for helping to build a better Southwestern College.

*Sincerely,*

*Steve Wilke*

Steve Wilke, *Vice President for Planning and New Programs*

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Dick Merriman

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# New graduate degrees provide flexibility

Three new graduate degrees, two on campus and one online through Professional Studies, have been added at Southwestern College.

A Master of Arts in Music with emphases in performance or in music education and a re-structured Master of Science in Leadership will begin their first classes in January, and the Professional Studies Master of Arts in Theological Studies enrolled its first students in September.

Each of these degrees is structured to make it accessible to persons who are employed full-time.

The music degrees, for example, combine online classes with classes that require participation on campus. The two emphases are specifically structured to their audiences: Music performance degrees have a higher number of on-campus classes to ensure maximum contact with professors, and music education has a lower number of on-campus classes.

"We've been very deliberate in structuring these programs so that they are complementary to a musician's career goals," says Timothy

Shook, chair of performing arts. "For example, the music education emphasis can be completed in four summers, in one dedicated academic year, or over five years, and this is compatible with the public school calendar. The music performance emphasis provides a valuable experience by teaching classes at the same time students are applying this information in such fields as community music school, in a performance ensemble, or in a school, studio, or church."

The leadership degree, which had been offered as a fifth-year program on campus, now has been restructured as a project-based degree. Participants receive all materials at the start of each course, complete the requirements at their own pace, then spend a five-day residency on campus at the conclusion of the class. Work is tailored to the specific interest and employment needs of the participants.

The degree format has been successfully used in executive MBA programs around the nation, says Cheryl Rude, chair of social sciences. "We believe this format will be an exciting innovation in leadership studies, a way

for persons who are employed in a variety of positions, from education to non-profits to business, to strengthen both their leadership knowledge and their professional credentials."

For learners who prefer an online master's program, Southwestern College Professional Studies now offers a Master of Arts in Theological Studies (MATS) degree, a research-based degree in Christian theology. All classes in this degree are six weeks in length.

"This degree is designed to serve those who seek to build on the academic preparation in religion gained in their undergraduate studies," says Matt Thompson, assistant professor of religious studies at Southwestern. "The program provides preparation for doctoral studies in theological

disciplines; for service as a staff pastor of education in a church setting; for teaching at a Christian high school, Christian preparatory academy, a Bible institute or college, or as an adjunct at liberal arts colleges, universities, or seminaries."

"It is open and accommodating to learners from all Christian traditions," Thompson adds.

Applications and course enrollment for these new graduate degrees at Southwestern College Professional Studies are currently being accepted. For more information on the campus degrees in music and leadership, see [www.sckans.edu/graduate](http://www.sckans.edu/graduate). Details on the Master of Arts in Theological Studies is at [www.southwesterncollege.org/graduate](http://www.southwesterncollege.org/graduate).

## Collegian 'Best in Show' at national media convention

The *Collegian* student newspaper received national recognition recently. The *Collegian* was named a four-year non-weekly Convention Best of Show winner during the National College Media Convention Oct. 28-31 in Louisville, Ky. The Best of Show competition is held at all conventions and workshops sponsored by the Associated Collegiate Press.

Read *Collegian* stories online and see other media efforts at [www.SCupdate.org](http://www.SCupdate.org).

Only publications and broadcast teams with students in attendance at the convention are eligible to enter the contest. Paige Carswell, editor-

in-chief, and Lea Shores, managing editor, represented the *Collegian* during the convention. The Best of Show award signifies overall excellence among the attendees and entries.

Five other non-weekly student newspapers were also named Best of Show winners during the convention. The number of entries and places awarded may change from year to year, usually corresponding with overall attendance.

Best of Show entries for print publications consist of one issue of a newspaper from the current school year.

Stacy Sparks is faculty sponsor of the *Collegian*.

## Miltonvale UMC endows scholarship

The Miltonvale United Methodist Church has shown its support for United Methodist higher education by endowing scholarships at Southwestern College and Kansas Wesleyan University. College president Dick Merriman joined KWU president Fletcher Lamkin in Miltonvale last spring to thank the Miltonvale congregation and receive an initial contribution for the scholarship fund.

A second contribution from the north-central Kansas congregation has increased the scholarship endowment to \$10,000. Eligible recipients include both current and prospective

students, with first preference given to a student from the Miltonvale United Methodist Church, next preference to a student from Miltonvale, and third preference to a student from Cloud County.

"We're grateful to the Miltonvale congregation, and particularly to Mr. and Mrs. John Foster, for their commitment to supporting United Methodist higher education. We attract many students from that part of Kansas and appreciate this help in supporting students who want to study at Southwestern," says President Dick Merriman.

## Give SC at Christmas!

Christmas is just around the corner – why not give your kids, grandkids, or other high school or middle school age students in your life a gift they will remember their entire forever?

Southwestern offers many different summer camp experiences such as the Rotary Leadership camp, Adidas tennis camp, summer music festival, Green Team camp, high school volleyball camp, middle school cheer camp, SC

tennis camps, and athletic training camp.

For any camp registration given as a Christmas or birthday gift, a gift certificate for the camp and a camp brochure will be sent to the person buying the gift to be presented at the time they choose. More information on individual camps (dates, schedules, and costs) can be found at [www.sckans.edu/other/camps-and-conferences/](http://www.sckans.edu/other/camps-and-conferences/) or by contacting Julie Headrick at 620-229-6141 or [julie.headrick@sckans.edu](mailto:julie.headrick@sckans.edu).



### Class of 1960

FRONT ROW (L TO R): Fanny (Vaughn) Martin-Dahlk, Beverly (Davis) Root, Yvonne (Osgood) English, Billie Day, Lois Hoyt-Berry, Mary Lou (Bauer) Martin.

SECOND ROW: Sandra (Woodard) Manning, Sue (Murrell) Robinson, Annamarie (Burford) Young, Mari (Waite) Wallrabenstein.

THIRD ROW: Judith Charlton, Donna (DeWitt) Clark-Williams, Maurine (Zeigler) Hogue, Donnis (Pettigrew) Whaley, Larry Williams.

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BACK ROW: Jerry Kellum, Mike Starnes, Harlan Rittgers, Sandra (Focht) Glenn, C. Larrie Scott, Bob Palmer, Ike Kobay, Ralph Hanna

# Ties between college, city prompt donation

**W**arren and Colleen Andreas have been married for a long time, but that doesn't mean they agree on everything.

Until a few weeks ago, for instance, Colleen wasn't sure she was ready to make a substantial contribution to the Great Performances auditorium project. Warren had been convinced for several months that being part of the performing arts upgrade was essential.

Colleen had moved to Winfield from Sherman, Texas, when she and Warren married in 1984 (both Colleen and Warren were widowed) but her family moved around when she was a child so she doesn't feel she had a true hometown.

During Homecoming 2010 the theatre department presented a dramatic recreation of the 1950 fire that destroyed Richardson Hall. Colleen was deeply affected by the images in *The Richardson Fire Project: The Pillars Stand*.

"I have friends whose families have lived here in Winfield for three or four generations, but I don't really have a 'born' place," she explains. "I had never felt part of that Winfield history until I saw *The Pillars Stand*, and really felt the connection between the college and community."

The fact that city residents raised \$300,000 toward the renovation of the fire-ravaged Richardson Hall made an impression on this Southern belle, and the next day she decided to join Warren in his pledge to auditorium renovation.

Warren already knew about the impact the Richardson crisis had on Winfield. He moved here in 1954, just four years after the fire. "I came here right out of law school, and it was the best move I ever made," he says.

Eventually he became the college's counsel, representing Southwestern's legal interests for two

decades. This position gave him some insight behind the scenes of the college's operations, but even with this position Warren didn't fully appreciate the full spectrum of the college until his retirement ended this professional relationship.

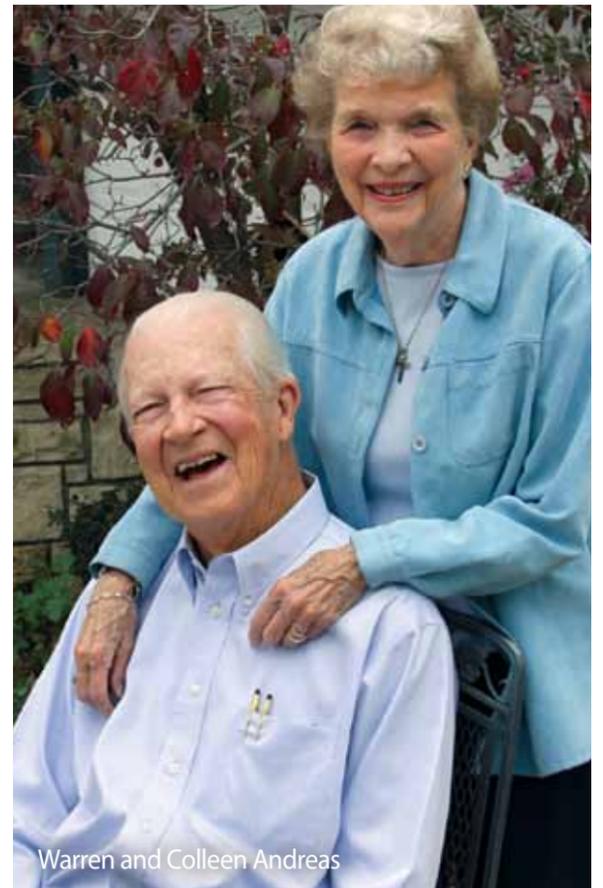
"I had always wanted to be on the board, but of course, as long as I was the legal counsel, that wasn't possible," he explains. "Once I retired, and was asked to be part of the Board of Trustees, I accepted immediately. And I thought I knew a lot about the college, but until I was on the board, I didn't realize how much I didn't know."

One thing most people don't know is how much financial assistance the college offers each student at SC, Warren points out, with nearly all of Southwestern's students receiving some kind of financial aid. (An increase in scholarships, which are supported by the college's endowment, is another of the Great Performances goals. Warren has endowed a scholarship and continues to contribute to this fund.)

What he did know, though, is that the college was on the road of continuous improvement. As the 20th century came to an end, facilities upgrades had brought many of SC's outdated trouble spots into era-appropriate shape. Two exceptions to this upgrade were the college's most important public venues – the auditorium and the stadium – where maintaining had not kept up.

Warren knew first-hand from his involvement in theatre projects that Richardson was no longer an adequate performing arts space. He is a leader in the local community theatre as well as performing in Horsefeathers and Applesauce summer dinner theatre, and as a guest artist in college productions. He played Charles Schulz in SC's *Peanuts*, and was Felix Unger as half of *The Odd Couple*.

A professionally-trained musician, Colleen had



Warren and Colleen Andreas

encouraged their participation in church and community music, and the Andreas rarely missed a major college music or theatre performance. Attendance at concerts and plays in other area facilities provided a unfavorable comparison to the shabby drama and music performance facility on campus.

They became more and more aware of the shortcomings of the Richardson space. But it wasn't until Homecoming, when they attended *The Pillars Stand*, that the couple made their final decision on a gift for the campaign. Their contribution would be earmarked for the auditorium.

"The auditorium is the face of the college, and we need to put our best face forward," Colleen says.



## ALUMNI NEWS BRIEFS

### Homecoming wrap-up

A special event at 2010 Homecoming was the live auction of the exclusive 125th anniversary quilt, "Gathering Memories," made by **Connie (Wells) Hittle '73**, **Donna (Wacker) Homan '80**, and **Janice (Schechter) Rhodes '67**. The top bidder of the quilt was **Steve Alford '65**, and the money raised goes toward student scholarships.

Also at Homecoming this year, an online auction was held with 13 different items. Each of the auction items was donated by alumni and friends and the total raised was \$3,055, all for the Richardson Auditorium renovation. Thanks to all who took part in this fund-raising effort.

If you were in one of the reunion year classes at Homecoming this year, please remember to say thanks to the class hosts for your class who were among the 42 volunteers who helped make the reunions such a great success this year.

### Mark your calendar

The dates for Homecoming 2011 are Oct. 7, 8, and 9, and reunion classes will be years ending in 1 and 6. The weekend celebration will include

the wrap-up of Southwestern's 125th Anniversary. We hope to see you then.



### SC history DVD now available for purchase

The exclusive 125th History of Southwestern College DVD is now available for purchase. This DVD includes old photos, vintage video, and period music of Moundbuilder history from 1885 to the present, including antique glass slides made into a video of the alma mater, sung by the Southwestern A Cappella Choir. Cost of the 125th DVD is \$20 each, plus \$1.50 for shipping. To order, call the alumni office at 620-229-6334.

### Nomination deadlines

Nomination deadline for both the 2011 Athletic Hall of Fame and the 2011 Natural Science Hall of Fame is May 1. If you know of outstanding alumni of Southwestern College who

should be considered for recognition, please send in their names and details of their accomplishments.

Nomination forms for either Hall of Fame may be obtained by contacting the office of alumni programs at 800-846-1543, ext. 6334, or nominations may be submitted online on the alumni website, [www.sckans.edu/alumni2](http://www.sckans.edu/alumni2).

### Founders Day to honor Hall of Fame inductees

Southwestern College is proud to announce honorees who will be recognized over Founders Day weekend, April 15-16, 2011, at four halls of fame.

On Friday, the Leaders in Service Hall of Fame for the Social Sciences will honor **Kris (Lange) Cheatum '59** (dec.), **Forrest Robinson '44**, and **Jim Shultz '61**.

On Saturday, the morning Fine Arts Hall of Fame ceremony will induct **Dean Angeles '67**, **Joe Sims '51**, and **Gordon Young '49** (dec.).

In the afternoon, the Business Hall of Fame will recognize **Larry Jarvis '39** (dec.), **Mike Lewis '74**, and **Bob Jewell '77**. Ron and Cindy Pray/Pray Stone will be recognized with the Business Builder Award.

The final event, the Educators Hall of Fame, will induct **Lynn (Watkins) Felts '77**, **Yvonne (Osgood) English '60**, and **Lonnie Howerton '69**.

Other events for the weekend include a theatre production of "Almost Maine" in Messenger Auditorium and a historical presentation by Jerry Wallace, former SC archivist, of "The Story of Southwestern College: Its Beginnings". For more information, contact [susan.lowe@sckans.edu](mailto:susan.lowe@sckans.edu) or 620-229-6334.

### You, too, can cook like a Moundbuilder

In recognition of a century of good cooking and eating by Southwestern College students and alumni, the alumni programs office has compiled a collection of recipes from alumni, students, friends, and current and former faculty and staff of SC.

The cookbooks (each more than 450 pages) are available for purchase on campus and online for \$25 per book, or three books for \$70. For shipping and handling, please add an additional \$5 per shipment/address. To order, call the alumni office at 620-229-6334 or visit [www.sckans.edu/cookbook](http://www.sckans.edu/cookbook).



## Enter stage right

**V**olunteers moved tens of thousands of theatre costumes from two off-campus houses into their permanent home on campus Nov. 6. The move is the first step in converting the maintenance shop into a theatre tech facility. Roger Moon, director of theatre, says the inventory has been built over 60 years of seasonal productions, Horsefeathers and Applesauce shows, and contributions from community members.

“We receive classic suits, difficult-to-find sizes of shoes, retired wedding dresses and formals, and distinctive coats, hats, ties, and other accessories,” Moon says. “We keep the best, what we can, and pass the rest on to second-hand clothing stores. We use, reuse, and reuse again.” Allyson Moon and student workers organize and maintain the collection which is rented to area schools, theatres, and other organizations, in addition to use by SC for academic and summer productions.



The theatre tech facility is a component of the Great Performances Capital Campaign. For more information how you can be a part of this campaign, call Mike Farrell at 620-229-6286, or e-mail [mike.farrell@sckans.edu](mailto:mike.farrell@sckans.edu)



# 2010 HOMECOMING





# A GRAND KICK-OFF



## WITH BALLOONS AND FIREWORKS AND PERFECT WEATHER,

Southwestern College's 2010 Homecoming Oct. 1 and 2 was both recognition of important milestones and a glorious kick-off for a full year of celebration at SC. From the dedication of the Richard L. Jantz Stadium to the beginning of the college's 125th year, and from new rocks on the Mound to smiles and hugs all over campus, this homecoming was one of both reminiscing and looking forward. It was a grand kick-off.



## 1920s

**Marjorie Bare '29** celebrated her 106th birthday on Aug. 17, 2010.

## 1950s

**Raymond and Virginia (Chism) Nichols '50 '53**, celebrated 60 years of marriage on Aug. 27, 2010. They met while attending Southwestern College and were married at the United Methodist Church in Anthony. Raymond retired as a teacher and coach at Winfield Public Schools in 1988. Virginia retired in 1993 from the Human Resources Department at Binney & Smith. Raymond and Virginia are the parents of **Cindy (Nichols) Lake '74**, **Steve Nichols '76** and Deambre (Nichols) Stevens. They have seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

**Marilyn (Powers) McNeish '54**, Winfield Chapter CU of the Kansas State Chapter of the P.E.O. Sisterhood, was honored as a 50-year member of P.E.O. during their 108th annual convention held in Wichita June 11-13, 2010.

## 1960s

**James "Jim" Dean '63** retired after 45 years of practicing law, all but two years of this time in Denver, Colo. During his years of practice he primarily represented small businesses and cooperative organizations. He also represented New York investment bankers, obtained payment for a class of creditors that were to be excluded from what was then Colorado's largest bankruptcy in history, developed a system for and helped obtain legislation permitting access to raw milk in Colorado, helped develop a cooperative program for persons with severe mental disabilities to obtain and manage their own health care programs, wrote one of Colorado's industrial revenue bond statutes and other legislation, and served as a writer of a nationally recommended new statute for cooperative organizations. He has been named to *Who's Who in America* and *Who's Who in the World* for many years and is the recipient of numerous awards.

**Don Hapward '68**, coach of the Wichita Collegiate girls golf team for three seasons, reports that the girls participated in the 3A state golf tournament held at The Course at Stoneridge, Great Bend. They also qualified individually by finishing in the top 10 at the Pretty Prairie regional.

## 1970s

**Bob Strano '70** was inducted into the athletics Hall of Fame at Southwestern College on Nov. 13, 2010. He served as Leavenworth's activities director for 21 years and is well known for many contributions to the community.

**Margaret (Newell) Anderson '72** was honored as a 50-year member at the Golden Girl Luncheon during the 108th annual convention of the Kansas State Chapter of the P.E.O. Sisterhood. The convention was held in Wichita June 11-13, 2010.

**Dana Smith '76** was presented a plaque at the Fall Counselors Convention at Emporia State University by the Kansas School Counselor Association on November 4, 2010. The plaque read "In Grateful Appreciation For Your Many Years Of Dedication and Diligence To The School Counseling Profession." Smith has been a school counselor for 27 years, 24 years in Pretty Prairie Schools.

**Mike "Bear" Bishop '77** left the corporate world after 33 years to fight a second round of prostate cancer and work on getting his Atlanta, Ga., house ready to sell. The cancer has been beaten and he and his wife will put their house on the market in the spring of 2011. Mike will now start a new career splitting his time between green jobs and education.

**Melissa (Moberg) Geubelle '78** recently retired after 32 years of teaching. Thirty of those years were at Foyil Elementary School (Foyil, Okla.) and 28 of those were in second grade.

## 1980s

**Tom McNeish '83** attended SC from 1979 to 1981 before transferring to KU to complete a BS in computer science and then to WSU for his MBA. He was elected to a four-year term on the Winfield city commission in 2001 and since has been re-elected twice. He served as mayor in 2003-04, and is again serving as mayor in the '10-'11 term.

**Merle W. "Henny" Krug '81** has accepted a position at Total Energy Fabrication in Blackwell, Okla., as project manager for this growing fabrication facility. He had been employed for 30 years at Fluid Kinetics in Winfield, 20 years as plant manager. He continues to live just outside of Winfield.

**Craig Anderson '82** received a promotion to president of regional banking for UMB Bank. He oversees more than 90 UMB locations and 900 employees in Kansas, Arizona, Colorado, Oklahoma, Missouri, and Illinois.

**Ann Leppke '84** has accepted a teaching position at Peabody Public Schools. Her new position includes overseeing the success center, teaching horticulture classes, coaching junior high volleyball, junior class sponsor, and sponsor of the new adventure club.

**Tom Mukalo '89** is now a media specialist for Alliance Media.

## Ken Hiebsch: Objective, fair trustee

**Ken Hiebsch '43** died Oct. 23, 2010. He practiced civil law for 49 years in Wichita, earning the prestigious A rating from the Bar Association. He was granted an Honorary Doctorate in Law from Southwestern College in 2001. He served on the Board of Trustees at Wesley Hospital and Southwestern College, also serving as chairman of the board at SC. "At a time when many said 'no' to the role of university or college trustee, Ken said 'yes,'" President Emeritus Carl Martin eulogized Hiebsch. "A lay professional from Wichita was welcomed by the Southwestern trustees who were primarily from business leaders from Winfield and Wellington and clergy. Trustees and faculty soon came to see Ken as objective and fair. In those days there was an annual conversation between the board and the faculty about salaries and compensation. The faculty asked that Ken be involved because they liked the way Ken treated them. Trustees learned to cope with his passion for his opinions (it was really a stubborn streak). Trustees also came to accept his occasional 'unusual' comments and were grateful that Southwestern was one of his passions." He left that role, at age 79, because of trustee term limit policies he helped create. Ken is survived by his wife, **Vena (Condit) Hiebsch '46**, his children, Carl, Marcia, and **Stephen Hiebsch '70**, and their families.



**Pat Powell '89** is celebrating 27 years as a teacher at South Haven schools. She is currently teaching seventh grade reading and eighth grade social studies. Pat also coaches senior and junior high school Scholar's Bowl teams, and is the National Honor Society sponsor.

## 1990s

**Paul McDonald '91** received the Distinguished Toastmaster award in July 2010. The Distinguished Toastmaster award recognizes communication and leadership skill.

**Michelle Kincaid '95** is an early childhood education teacher at Munson Primary in Mulvane, Kan.

**Chris King '96** recently completed his national written and practical testing to become a Nationally Registered Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic Specialist (NREMT-PS). He completed training through

Southeastern Community College in West Burlington, Iowa, and was hired by Davis County Hospital in Bloomfield, Iowa, as a paramedic and ER technician.

**Amy McWhirt '96**, director of academic preparation for the Department of Humanities at Cowley College, was named the school's Endowed Chair on Aug. 12, 2010. Amy has been at Cowley for the past seven years, and in her current position is responsible for ensuring that the curriculum used by the college in developmental English courses is the most effective for students. As Endowed Chair, she plans to implement innovative practices for transforming language instruction.

**Michelle Calvert '97** and her family recently moved back to Kansas. Michelle is working as a radiologist at the Wichita Veterans Administration Hospital and her husband, Mauricio

## Let us call you sweethearts

Did you marry your Southwestern sweetheart? Are you looking for the perfect way to celebrate Valentine's Day? Have you always thought it would be great to renew your wedding vows?

Then mark your calendar for **Saturday, Feb. 12, 2011**, at Southwestern College.

As a part of Southwestern's 125th anniversary celebration, we are having a special day for Builder couples with lots of romantic ways to celebrate Valentine's Day. The day will include a chocolate reception, the marriage renewal ceremony, and a romantic dinner with your valentine, all for only \$50 per couple.

Participants must pre-register and pay by Jan. 10, 2011. Visit [www.sckans.edu/125th](http://www.sckans.edu/125th) for more information or registration form.

### Moundbuilder Marriage Decade Hosts:

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Shane '99 & Sara (Montgomery) Batchelder '99	ksnbatch77@yahoo.com
Caleb '07 & Leah (Rankin) Hartman '07	leah.hartman@sckans.edu



Herrera, is a new doctor at the Arkansas City Clinic.

## 2000s

**Tracy (Stapleton) '00** and **Jarrold Robson '00** have relocated to San Antonio, Texas, where Tracy is a civilian ob-gyn nurse practitioner at Lackland Air Force Base. (see also Births)

**Travis Hastings '03** recently released his second studio album, "Something Beautiful Emerging." This album was inspired by the loss of Travis's brother and is an album of comfort and hope. Travis is currently the head worship arts pastor at Grace Community Church in Montrose, Colo. His wife, **Claire (Myers) '04**, also recorded with Travis on this project, which is available on iTunes.

**Cornel Hubbard '04** is in the law program at the Southern University Law Center in Baton Rouge, La., beginning the fall of 2010.

**Amanda Ginther '04** and Morgan Moore were married on Aug. 15, 2009. Amanda is currently a physician assistant at the Hutchinson Clinic.

**Lacy (Mohler) Cleveland '05** completed a Master of Arts in Biology from Emporia State University this past summer, and is now working on a Ph.D. in biology education at the University of Northern Colorado.

**Rachel (Wilder) Niehoff '05** accepted a position as the director of annual giving for The Washington Chorus. She enjoyed her previous position in fund raising for the Shakespeare Theatre Company in Washington, D.C., but is happy to be returning to the music world.

**Julie (Sapp) '05** and **Peter Purin** (H&A alum) recently moved to Shawnee, Okla., where Peter is a music theory faculty member at Oklahoma Baptist University.

**Brett Annis '06** and Katie Miller were married on June 25, 2010. Brett is employed at Williams Companies in Tulsa, Okla.

**Jason Kearns '06** graduated with a master's degree in physician assistant studies from Wichita State University in July 2010. He passed the national board certifying exam in August and

## Athletic Hall of Fame



The 2010 Athletic Hall of Fame ceremony was held Nov. 13 in Stewart Field House. This year's inductees were Randy Rowley '84, Ann Currier '84, Mike Kirkland '82, Carrie Plumley '00, and Bob Strano '70. Gary Langley '61 was unable to attend.

is now practicing with an orthopedic surgery group in Parsons, Kan.

**Jason Maisog '08** and **Kourtney McLeland '09** were married on Dec. 27, 2009 and honeymooned in the Philippines. The Maisogs currently live in Liberal, Kan., where Jason is a sixth grade teacher, wrestling and soccer coach and youth pastor at the First United Methodist Church. Kourtney is employed by El-Kan Drugstore.

**Garett Addler '08** recently graduated from Grand Canyon University with a Master of Science in Leadership, emphasis on disaster preparedness and crisis management.

**Marisa Neptune '09** has accepted a position as the resource teacher for third and fourth grade students at Marion Elementary School. Although her job is located at MES, she is employed by Marion County Special Education Cooperative.

**Julie Wilke '09** is case manager for the Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Cowley County school-based program.

## 2010s

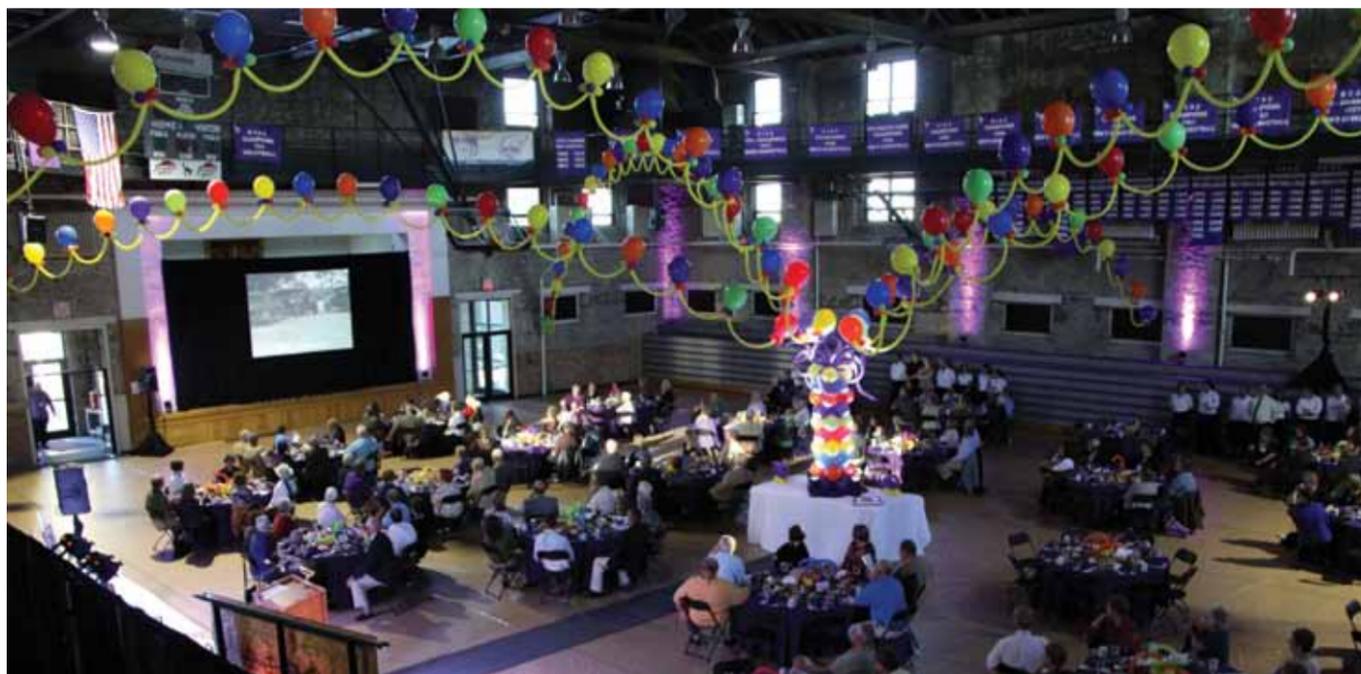
**Kristin Piston '10** has accepted a position as a special education teacher for Bentley Primary in Bentley, Kan.

**Rene Schwan '10** and **Aaron Duell '11** were married on May 29, 2010. Aaron is currently studying for his Bachelor of Arts degree in philosophy and religious studies at Southwestern College.

**Lacy Dawn Underhill '10** married Tyler Hamilton on Oct. 9, 2010, at Woolaroc.

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## Homecoming Alumni Dinner

A spirit of celebration permeated the 2010 Homecoming all-class dinner Oct. 1. Highlight of the evening was presentation of awards to special recipients: Tom '59 and Mari (Waite) Wallrabenstein '60, Alumni Award; Brian Robinson '05, Young Alumni Award; Jeff and Stephanie Weeast, Ambassador Award.

## FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENT

**Tracy Frederick**, associate professor of speech, presented "Mosaics of Motherhood: Feminism as Choice-making" at the 2010 Organization for the Study of Communication, Language, and Gender conference in Tampa, Fla., Oct. 15. **Michelle Dreiling '09** presented: "Constructing Feminist Identity" at the same conference. Dreiling wrote this paper for an independent study course in her senior year.

**Nili Luo**, professor of early childhood education, presented at the National Association for the Education of Young

Children 2010 Annual Conference. Her topic was "Understanding How to Support Children Who Are Adopted From China: What Teachers Can Do."

**Dick Merriman**, president of the college, is the author with Russell L. Hanson of "Henry Adams and the Decline of the Republican Tradition," in *A Political Companion to Henry Adams*, Natalie Fuehrer Taylor, ed., University Press of Kentucky, 2010. Merriman also was author of an essay published in the prestigious *Chronicle of Higher Education*, "The College as a

Philanthropy. Yes, a Philanthropy." The article can be found at <http://tiny.cc/pj6xn>

**Matthew Thompson**, assistant professor of religious studies, has a chapter in a book that came out in September: "Eschatology as Soteriology: The Cosmic Full Gospel," in *Perspectives in Pentecostal Eschatologies: World Without End*, ed. by Peter Althouse and Robby Waddell, Pickwick Publications, 2010.

**Amy Yan**, system analyst, co-presented "PowerCAMPUS Self-Service Integration Development" at SunGard Higher Education Summit. The presentation

was one of the highest rated sessions and selected to deliver to all PowerCAMPUS schools via WebEx as part of the SunGard clients innovation initiative. Yan is also serving as a member of Community Source Technical Review Board. This committee partners with SunGard higher education in a process that reviews and recommends custom modifications built by the colleagues for inclusion in PowerCAMPUS baseline. Yan also led a workshop "Explore Windows 7" at SIDLIT. SIDLIT is a regional conference for faculty and staff involved in instructional technology to share expertise.

# Professor, student collaborate on Chicago Center project

Phil Schmidt and Ashley Holloway '08 talked about the Chicago Center for Urban Life and Culture (formerly known as the Urban Life Center) even before she was a Moundbuilder.

"He recruited me at scholarship day, the semester before my freshman year," Ashley recalls. "We sat around tables and he asked me about the programs I was interested in. I was interested in photography and journalism, and he said, 'But if you come here, you could go work for Chicago Center.' That was his selling point for me to come to Southwestern."

Holloway never had a class with this legendary history professor while she was an undergraduate, but now the professor and the student have collaborated on a book that celebrates the center's 40th anniversary. The book was the brainchild of the longtime director Scott Chesebro and became a project shared by the entire center staff.



Schmidt spent his spring 2009 sabbatical semester interviewing persons who had participated in Chicago Center programs. He traveled all over the nation conducting interviews with these former participants, but when it was time to write up the interviews, he ran into a problem.

"I'm most accustomed to academic writing, and after I wrote these profiles, my wife read them and said 'They're boring!' I had to agree with her," he says with a laugh. He turned the profiles over to Holloway, a communications major at Southwestern now working as executive assistant at the center, and she massaged the profiles into final shape.

"This was a good opportunity to see a professor for who they really are, and not a lecturer," Ashley says. "On campus he had a reputation of being a grammar Nazi, and he talked very freely about that reputation and laughed about it. I think Phil and I developed a friendship by my not being his student, and seeing his process of growth – seeing him vulnerable outside of his realm."

The result was not only a book, but a new relationship that enriches both the professor and the pupil.

"It was a joy," Holloway says. "I see what it means to be a Builder in a totally different way."

## Science Hall of Fame

SC's Natural Science Hall of Fame new members Nov. 13. This year's inductees were Harold L. Taylor '42 (deceased, whose award was accepted by David Hudson) and Douglas J. Fort '86. Charles Maddin, Southwestern College trustee and longtime member of the Natural Science Advisory Council, received the Servant Leadership Award.



## BIRTHS

A boy, Andrew, born in July 2010 to **Kenny '81 and Amy Mossman**.

A daughter, Gianna Herrera, born Sept. 16, 2010, to **Michelle Calvert '97 and Mauricio Herrera**. Gianna has two older sisters, Gabriella (7) and Genevieve (2).

A son, Griffin James Tiner, born Feb. 7, 2010, to **Jubal Tiner '88 and Tara McDonald-Tiner**. He has a sister Olivia (5). Grandparents are **Jim Tiner '52 and Marjorie (Wright) Tiner '56**.

A girl, Grace LeeAnn, born May 18, 2010, to **Sean and Angie (Fogo) Moulton '95**.

A son, Apollo Moses, born Sept. 1, 2010, to **Antonio and Audrey (Prose) Barron '00**. Apollo has two brothers, Malachi (7) and Micah (5).

A son, Dylan Jay, born Oct. 24, 2010, to **Ryan and Dana (McDorman) Krause '00**. Dylan has a sister Rylee Lynne (3).

A daughter, Delaney Nicole, born May 20, 2010, to **Jarrod and Tracy (Stapleton) Robson '00**. (see also *Alumni Notes*)

A daughter, Blakely Sue, born Oct. 25, 2010, to **Jeff and Brooke (Youle) Lowe '01**. Blakely has a sister, Avery Jane (almost 6) and a brother, Tucker George (3). Grandparents are **Dena (Tucker) Youle '70 and George '74 and Susan (Richardson) Lowe '95**. Great-grandparents are **Newt and Doris (Warner) Richardson '63**.

A son, Logan Edward, born Sept. 10, 2010, to **Lewis and Lisa (Reynolds) Kuchar '02**. Logan has two brothers, Lucas (age 8) and Landon (age 3).

Twin daughters, Katherine Anne and Layla Mae, born Aug. 13, 2010, to **Eloy and Andrea (Carlson) Mendoza '06 '08**.

A son, Macklin Joseph, born Sept. 8, 2010, to **Aimee and Nathan Campbell**. Aimee is financial aid counselor on the main campus.

## DEATHS

**Ethel Lucile (Holcomb) Borgelt '36** died Aug. 20, 2010, in El Dorado, Kan. She was 97 years old.

**Margaret (McIntosh) Wilson '40** died on Aug. 7, 2010, at the age of 91. Margaret left a legacy of music in the states of Kansas, Michigan, and in Indiana, where she had started a music program at the adult care home where she lived. She is survived by many family members, including sisters **Ruth (McIntosh) Clair '39**, and **Janice (McIntosh) Korchak '45**.

**Margaret "Maggie" (Bartholow) McPeek '50** died on July 9, 2010. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Jim McPeek '50**. She is survived by two daughters, **Mary McPeek-Henderson '81** and Erin Barnhart, and a son, James Patrick.

**Halsen Ray Hamill '55** died on Aug. 29, 2010. He attended Southwestern College on a football scholarship in 1951 and transferred to WSU. His wife, **Genevieve Donna (Patterson) Hamill '55**, preceded him in death.

**James D. Hittle '61** died Sept. 4, 2010. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Bonnie, and two children.

**Jassendra Kent '00** of Kissimmee, Fla., died Aug. 15, 2010.

## DEATHS OF FRIENDS

**Mildred L. Schuyler**, formerly of Winfield, died Oct. 3, 2010. She is survived by her husband **David Brooks '60**, Ann Arbor, Mich.; a daughter, **Peggy (Schuyler) Brooks '62**; and her son, **Michael Schuyler '63**.



## Learning Center

SC's littlest Builders have moved from a portable building behind the education center to a freestanding building in downtown Winfield, a gift of **Newton and Doris '63 Richardson** and **Leonard '50 and Eleanor Richardson**. The Richardsons were thanked at a Homecoming ribbon-cutting, and director **Brooke Winters '09** welcomed Little Builders on their first day in their new surroundings Nov. 8. The building will allow for expansion of education programs to additional age groups.

# Leonard Laws: Teacher, Scholar, Artist

Dr. Leonard Laws, emeritus professor of mathematics at Southwestern College, died Sept. 8, 2010, at age 92. He taught at SC for 34 years, and his 7 a.m. stats class became legendary among generations of students. He also served at various times as dean of men, director of teacher education, acting registrar, director of summer school, and chair of the natural science division. A gifted artist, Dr. Laws sculpted the Heritage Rock on the lower campus (below). His book, *Stories From the Life of Leonard S. Laws*, can be found in the archives located in the Deets Library. This excerpt is from that book.

## The Draft Lottery

At the time of the first lottery I was a professor of mathematics and statistics at Southwestern College in Winfield, Kansas. On the days before the lottery, I was teaching a course in probability and had shown my students several methods for testing randomness. ...

I made a broken line graph of the results, plotting the draft numbers on the vertical axis with the days of the year on the horizontal axis. A random drawing would give a plot jumping back and forth across a central horizontal line in an irregular fashion, but this plot went downhill with January having more high numbers and December getting more low numbers. It obviously was not random! Since all of my students would be interested in the results, I made a transparency of the graph and projected it on the screen in the classroom. Then I asked them to test it for randomness, different ones using the different tests that we had been talking about. All tests came out with the same result – it was not random! The students were greatly excited about it because they all had draft numbers.

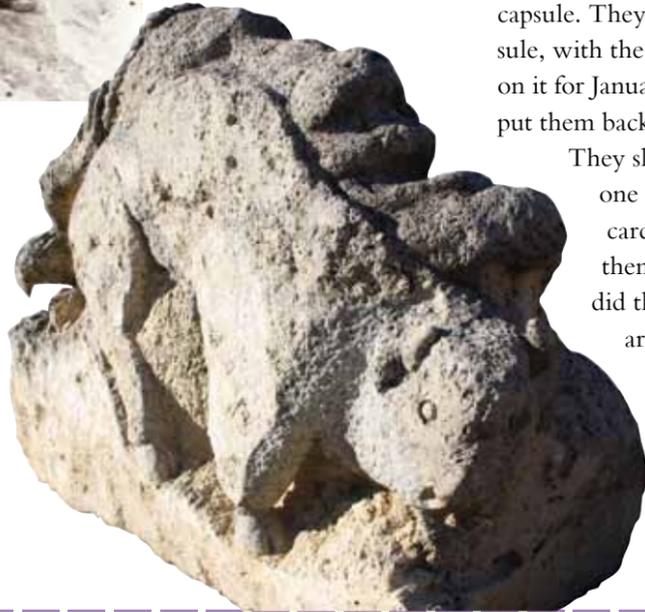
I told the students the data showed the capsules holding the days of the year must have been layered in the “fish bowl” and stirred around, but

not mixed up and down before being drawn off the top. They said that the capsules were in a packing box when brought to the bowl. The box was opened and tipped up, dumping the contents into the bowl. Then a paddle was used to stir them around before they were picked out – one at a time – off the top.

After class I went to the student union for a cup of coffee. While there a student, Bill Stevens, identified himself as a reporter for the college newspaper and said he had been talking to one of my students about our testing the outcome of the lottery for randomness. He asked my permission



to write it up for the student paper which would be published in about a week. I gave him permission – providing he let me proof it before it was printed. He was back in about an



hour. As I feared, he had written that I had proven the lottery to be unfair. I pointed out to him that “fairness” had nothing to do with it – we had only proven that it was not random. So he changed it and I thought no more about it until I read the *Wichita Eagle* on the morning of Dec. 8.

A front page article in the Dec. 8, 1969, *Wichita Eagle* proclaimed “Winfield Professor Believes Lottery Unfair to Men With Late Birthdays.” It then identified me by name and by college – and rewrote what the young reporter had written. It was not only in the *Eagle* but hit the Associated Press. It was also on the TV news, but no one interviewed me. Instead of contacting me, they interviewed better-known statisticians at MIT and Harvard who, by then, had run the same tests and had reached the same conclusion. It was not random!

Later revelations showed that [draft organizers] had removed the empty capsules from the shipping box they came in and after stuffing them, put them back into the box. They were most concerned they might miss some day, so they were extra careful to get each and every day of the year into a capsule. They made a slip for each capsule, with the month and day number on it for January, stuffed them, and put them back into the packing box.

They slid all January capsules to one end of the box and put a cardboard divider in to hold them in place. Next they did the same thing to February, and so on until they finished December’s days. With all capsules in the packing box separated by month,

they removed the inner partitions and closed the box, sealing them in. On the way to the vault where they were to store them, they turned the box end for end to mix them, but a packing box is designed to keep its contents from moving around.

On the evening of the drawing the box was removed from the vault, brought to the “goldfish bowl” – it was upended, dumping the capsules into the bowl. Here is where chance played a part. The capsules fell from the upended box starting with those at the top end, and finishing with those at the bottom end.

In this instance, January’s capsules fell in first, followed by February and so on through the year, with December’s falling in last. Putting a paddle in might dislodge a few, but stirring it round and round did not change the layering. So drawing capsules off the top gave mostly December days at first. They were assigned the lowest numbers. This continued until the January numbers at the bottom were all drawn – and given the highest numbers. If the box had been emptied the other end up, December would have had the high numbers.

By the end of the year some of the best statisticians in the world were employed in Washington, D.C., at the Bureau of Standards. They were given the task of assuring Draft Lottery 2 was random, and they did an excellent job. The next year’s presentation had a clear plastic cement mixer-type drum with spiral plastic blades for swirling the capsules between each individual drawing. The operators were so anxious to show randomness they bounced the last capsule around before drawing it!



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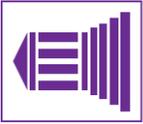
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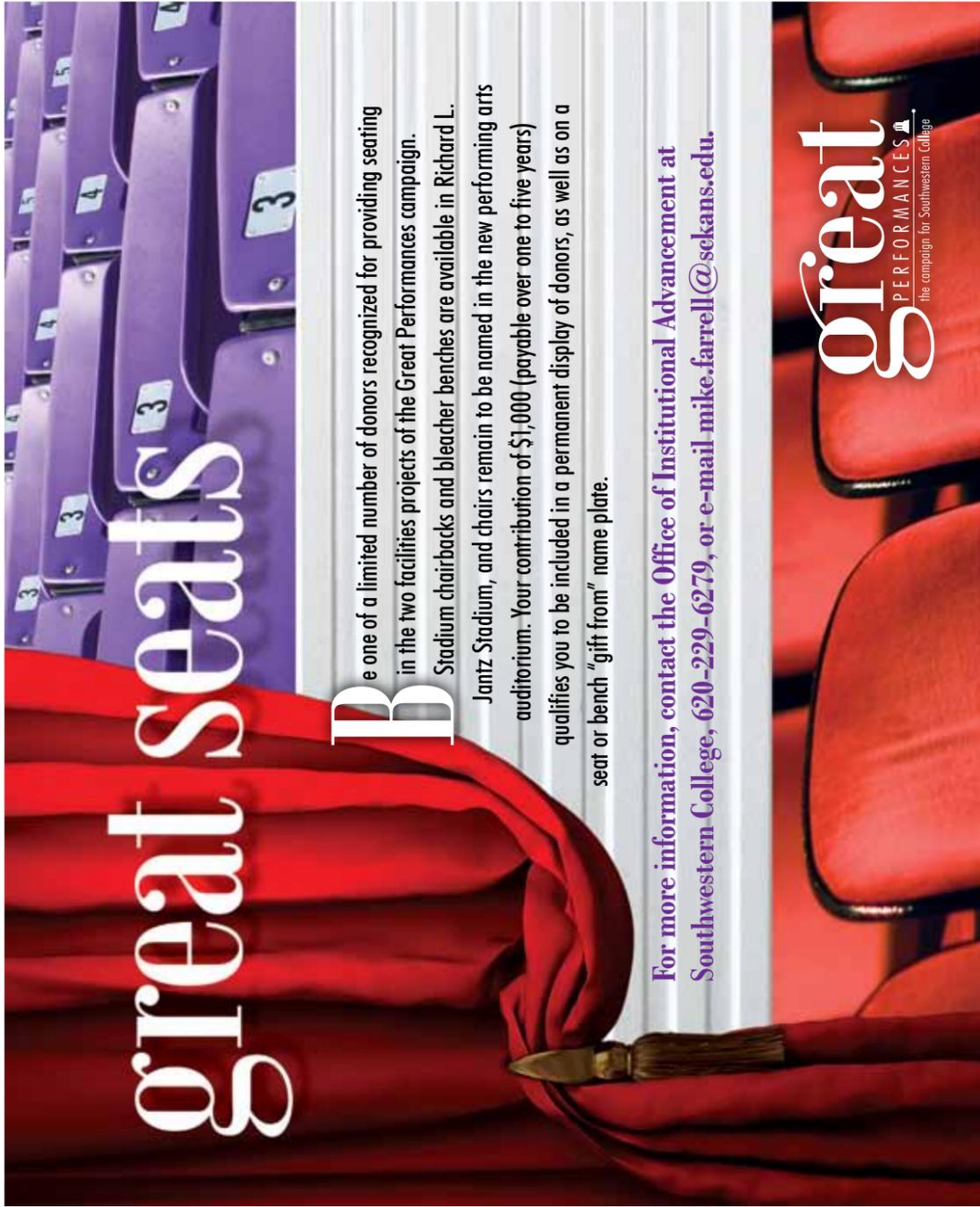
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