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# 5 Questions With the President

President Brad Andrews usually pens a letter to alumni and friends of college to open each issue of the *Southwesterner*, but the communications staff suggested an interview for this edition and he excitedly obliged.

**Q** You have been at Southwestern for more than two years now. What are your fondest memories so far?

**A** Three memories come immediately to mind. My first Moundbuilding ceremony, August of 2015, six weeks after my first official day on the job was eye-opening. It was a beautiful evening, golden sunlight bathed Christy Administration Building and the 77 Steps. I watched our students spend an hour reciting our traditions, casting their rocks on the Mound, and singing the "Alma Mater" together. They were not fidgeting with their phones or looking at their watches, waiting to leave. They were fully engaged. Watching those students, our students, as full participants in this ceremony on a beautiful late summer evening, I knew I was at a special place.



Brad Andrews, President

The second memory that jumps to mind was quite moving for me personally. This moment occurred as I was on the stage of the Richardson Performing Arts Center during my inauguration ceremony in April of 2016. I will never forget the incredible performance of the choir, led by Dr. Brian Winnie, as they sang "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" accompanied by the organ and some great string musicians. That was the most moving musical performance I have experienced in my entire life. I will always treasure this memory.

The third moment that stands out occurred just a few weeks ago during our opening convocation. Looking out over the auditorium, seeing an almost full house consisting of our faculty and our students, I could literally see and feel the energy, the vitality, that comes from great momentum in enrollment. As we ended the convocation, over the wonderful and powerful sound of the organ, I could hear the voices of our student body singing. This student body has great strength and great potential.

**Q** Speaking of students, we welcomed the largest class in the history of SC. Did you see that coming?

**A** Absolutely. When we ask students why they have chosen SC they often say something along the lines of "It just felt right," or "I just knew SC was for me." That feeling is really the product of many factors, especially their interactions with Builders during their campus visit.

As we increase the number of prospective students coming for campus visits, we are bound to have this level of enrollment success. Students and their families see exactly what all of us see: an amazing college, a supportive campus community, an exciting and meaningful four-year experience. As we have for 132 years, we continue to focus on recruiting excellent students who will become amazing Moundbuilders. I have every confidence that we will continue this level of momentum in our enrollment efforts.

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## Q How is Southwestern doing financially? How does our future look?

A Our budget is tight, but we are fine. Times are tough for all small, private, non-urban colleges. Some colleges will close in the coming years, some will struggle, many will survive, and a few will thrive. At Southwestern we are not immune from the significant challenges and headwinds facing all colleges.

Ultimately, two things matter, two things will determine which small colleges survive and thrive. The first is spending every dollar wisely in service to the mission of a quality educational experience. The second factor is momentum in undergraduate enrollment. At Southwestern College we are fully focused on both. We know how to get the most out of every dollar invested in this college, and we have trends in enrollment that are both remarkable and sustainable. Students and their families are choosing to invest in Southwestern and that is, ultimately, the only sign that matters regarding the health of SC. I am very bullish on the future of SC. It is a place worth investing in.

## Q Is it true that you like to run marathons? Why?

A Yes, I'm a runner. I try to run a marathon every year or two; this year I will complete my 10th Chicago Marathon. I train every morning, heading out at 5 a.m. Of course there are the health benefits, however my runs have really become a time to focus my thoughts. My neighbors may think I'm crazy as I often talk to myself while I run, and typically I'm talking about Southwestern.

## Q One last question: Who is your favorite SC alum?

A OK, that is a totally unfair question, and I refuse to answer it! Truthfully, one of the great joys of serving in this position is the opportunity to meet so many wonderful Builders from across the nation and across the generations. For instance, I was recently in Kansas City and had the opportunity to have breakfast with my friends Jim and Bette Farney. They shared their story about the fire in Richardson Hall in 1950 and their pride in the resilience we showed as a college. The image of Jim and Bette joining their fellow students, two days after that devastating fire, carrying books to the basement of Stewart to create a makeshift library – this is the Builder spirit. These stories, these people – I love being a Builder!



Students joined President Andrews on Aug. 18 for “Keeping the Spirit,” a BuilderFest activity that harkens back to a tradition which first began in 1918. Though the logistics are slightly different, the premise of the tradition remains largely the same as students apply a fresh coat of white paint to the “SC” rocks west of Richard L. Jantz Stadium.

# Head of Kansas college group affirms SC's direction



By Matt Lindsey, President  
Kansas Independent College Association

Higher education institutions, and those who care about them, are in a time of significant turmoil. Crisis may be too strong a word, but we certainly feel a sense of urgency about our choices, that we are at a crossroads.

Demographic shifts, severe economic pressures on institutions and on middle-class and low-income families, and public conversations about the business model of higher education in general – and private colleges in particular – are all part of our new reality. An increasing number of small private colleges have closed in the last few years, and Moody's Investor Services recently projected that yearly closings may triple in 2017 and beyond.

The Ivy League colleges, Stanford, MIT, Duke, and others and have the enor-

mous financial resources and national brand names to weather the storm. But colleges of more modest means like Southwestern must respond more strategically and display the type of adaptive leadership that helps everyone address the tough choices and change

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the trajectory of an institution, as well as addressing the potential losses that may be a consequence of those changes.

President Andrews, the Board of Trustees, and everyone invested in Southwestern are demonstrating this sort of leadership. Without sacrificing the traditions and values inherent in being a Moundbuilder,

the changes I see at SC position the school to address the threats that could jeopardize the non-profit college experience for current and future students. Your leadership is recognizing that to thrive in the future we will have to husband our resources carefully, evaluate everything we do with an eye toward student success, and be unafraid to cast aside past approaches that are not bearing sufficient fruit.

I know that a private college experience can yield enormous dividends for students. Our ability to provide personal attention to each student, to foster a lifetime of purpose and learning, and to build stronger connections to community are unparalleled. My hope is that Southwestern College is showing the way for its peers to be healthy and thriving when this era of turmoil has passed.



# Summit explores question of God's call

**W**endy Mohler-Seib wanted to make sure this article does not refer to the Summit Youth Academy as a church camp. Call it an “experience,” call it “a unique week,” simply call it “Summit.”

For the 37 rising juniors and seniors who were on campus during the end of July, Mohler-Seib says, the Summit was a life-changing seven days. These teens from Kansas, Nebraska, and Oklahoma (and one from Mexico) focused on only one question:

How do you hear God speak to you, and after God speaks, how do you respond?

The exploration turned out to involve not only the students but dozens of Southwestern faculty, staff, alumni, and friends who were mentors on the spiritual journey. Mohler-Seib, a 2001 graduate of Southwestern, attended Princeton Theological Seminary and now is an ordained United Methodist minister. She became the first full-time Summit director soon after the Lilly Foundation announced it had



ABOVE: Summit disciples gather to write the name of a place God moved in their lives during a noonday prayer service. BELOW LEFT: Conner Snell (l) and Bridger Turner (r) add mulch to the Legacy Garden Works community garden in south Wichita as part of a service project during the Summit. BOTTOM: Rev. Molly Just explains the Wesleyan concept of justifying grace during classroom time.



awarded Southwestern's Institute for Discipleship a five-year grant of more than half a million dollars to establish a program focusing on vocational discernment in the context of faith and career.

Although 92 colleges and universities received funding through this grant (Southwestern was the only school in this region), each was expected to be intentional in following its own faith traditions to carry out the mandate. Southwestern, with its Institute for Discipleship and well-established Wesleyan roots, was perfectly poised to craft the Summit Youth Academy.

Three dozen participants (formally called Summit Disciples) were nominated to attend, each paying only \$200 of the \$800 enrollment cost. The remainder of the enrollment was underwritten by the Great Plains Conference of the United Methodist Church, the Lilly grant, and by the local churches that nominated the disciples. All of the youth were involved in a local church and all but four were United Methodists.

Days were divided into time spent in small groups and prayer, time spent in elective classes, and time spent in service.

Their experience, Mohler-Seib says, was one that was completely representative of Southwestern College.

“Part of the ethos of the college is that everyone can be celebrated, that everyone's gifts matter,” she says. “We didn't bring in a ‘ringer’ with a big

name to be the superstar speaker of the experience. Instead, we put together a team of extraordinarily gifted people – worship leaders, alumni, scholars with diverse leadership styles.”

Teaching in the Wesleyan tradition, these leaders encouraged the disciples to hone their call-and-response abilities.

“When we talk about calling, this is not necessarily about a calling to ordained ministry,” Mohler-Seib emphasizes. “(The church) needs lay people in every profession – the thought of grooming every person to be a pastor makes me sick to even think about.”

One roundtable included an FBI agent, a construction company owner, a zoological architect, a real estate developer, a farmer who also owned a small business, and a financial adviser. All discussed how they were living out their calling in their day-to-day lives. Other elective classes were taught, just as they would be taught during the academic year, by Southwestern professors.

Small classes, authentic worship,

and service were representative of how Moundbuilders live their lives. “One of the things we say is ‘You do you,’” Wendy reflected, “and we did SC well.”

At the end of the week a girl approached Mohler-Seib with thanks.

“I think I hear from God, but I wanted confirmation,” the teen said. The week had helped confirm her decision on a career choice, and her determination to live out her Christian calling in that non-church setting.

Now an online Bible study will keep the 2017 Summit disciples connected as they finish their high school years, and Mohler-Seib is already recruiting for next year's Summit. Her goal is 60 disciples, with enrollment capped at 65.

“We're sincere in our desire to help people hear and respond to God, as disciples and in the world, no matter what their careers,” she says.

The next Summit will be July 22–28, 2018. For more information, see [summityouthacademy.org](http://summityouthacademy.org). Explore [institutefordiscipleship.org/the-summit](http://institutefordiscipleship.org/the-summit) to learn more and see more photos from this event.



## Where did you hear God speaking to you during the Summit?

“I heard God by meeting awesome people and opening up to everyone and just having a blast! I will be coming home so inspired.”

– Janna Busker, Maize, Kan.

“I heard God everywhere this week. In the Summit guides, fellow youth, and the teachers as well. Whenever I heard God I tried to respond to him like what He told me. I'm not good at pottery. I accepted that. LOL.”

– Molly Chitty, Gypsum, Kan.

“I heard [God] through the speakers at Summit 101, through adults when they would give me advice or say exactly what I needed to hear. I responded by praying over the advice and considering everything they said.”

– Arianna Jacobson, Fremont, Neb.



# Hayward gift leads to campus gateways

A promise made more than half a century ago is transforming the face of Southwestern College, as an nearly-forgotten intention has been honored.

In June 2016 President Brad Andrews received a letter from a Kansas native who now lives in Canyon, Texas. Jack Hayward introduced himself as the son of G.L. Hayward.

“My father passed away September, 1965, in Elkhart, Kansas,” the letter read. “At the time of his death he was in communication with your college about financing some project.”

Even though Jack Hayward did not know what project his father was working on with then-President Orville Strohl, he was determined to carry out his father’s wishes for a campus improvement. The result is the “George and Inez Hayward Gateway to Success” which now welcomes visitors to the west entrance of campus. The two gateways and a larger insti-

tutional sign are found at the opening of Kirk Drive, and large signs that indicate boundaries of the Southwestern College campus are in place at the Warren Avenue and Fowler Avenue corners of College Street.

Constructed of limestone that matches existing college buildings, the five lighted signs have flower beds built around their bases creating a prominent welcome to campus.

“The Hayward Gateway to Success and accompanying monuments are a wonderful addition to our campus and the story about how they came to be is truly touching,” said DeAnn Dockery, vice president for institutional advancement. “We are grateful for the addition of these monuments which demonstrate the vision of the Hayward family and embolden the entry to our beautiful campus.”

Both George and Jack Hayward had been bankers in Elkhart, and Jack followed his father’s lead in generosity

to educational institutions. Jack and his wife, Helene, were recipients of the West Texas A&M University’s Pinnacle Award in 2005, recognizing not only their financial contributions to the university but also their efforts to support WTAMU in the community.

“A strong commitment to philan-

thropy makes such a difference in this world,” said President Brad Andrews. “Jack and Helene Hayward embody the reality that our college, our future is made better by families and individuals who understand the ways in which philanthropic gifts can create impact for generations to come.”



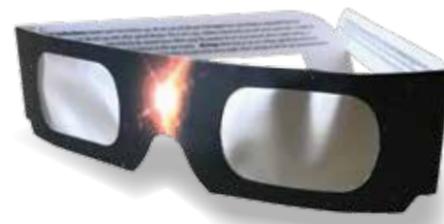
## Jim Farney Center upgrades training facilities

Artificial turf flooring, new weights, and fitness equipment have upgraded the training space in the Jim Farney Center. Coaches schedule the space for conditioning and weight training sessions for student athletes. The space is also open for use to non-athlete students, faculty and staff.



## Eclipse-watching party shines on first day of class

Bob Gallup, professor of mathematics and physics, organized an SC eclipse viewing party on Aug. 21, the first day of class on campus. More than 200 students, faculty, staff, and community members gathered in front of Deets Library. There they waited for the eclipse (which was 90% complete over Winfield) and learned about the historic solar event. Gallup and a team of astronomy-loving students and faculty set up a variety of demonstrations that explained the science behind the eclipse. The group used a telescope to project the image of the eclipse for safe viewing, and provided personal eclipse projection cards and eclipse glasses.







## 1940s

**Dick and Mary Brummet '42 '47** of Winfield celebrated their 72nd wedding anniversary in July 2017.

## 1960s

**Russell O. Vail '63** did a medal sweep by winning the gold in the shot put, silver in the javelin, and bronze in the 5000m race walk in the 75-79 age group at the Open and Masters Outdoor Track and Field State Championships on June 10, 2017, at Olivet College, Olivet, Mich. He was to compete at the Michigan Senior Olympics on Aug. 20, 2017.

## Walt '68 and Adele (Snedeker)

**Racker** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Easter Sunday at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Topeka. Their three grown children, Andrew, Kim, and Hilary, planned the event and sent them off for a week-long musical tour in Ireland. The Rackers are both retired and still live near Tecumseh, Kan., where they spend their days in the ongoing restoration of their Civil War-era stone house, and find lots of time to read, between frequent visits to their grandchildren.

## Vernon and Susan (Jones) '71

**Dennett, Burden** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 1 at the Burden United Methodist Church. They were married July 1, 1967, in Atlanta.

## 1970s

**Doug Gilbert '78** completed six weeks in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, as part of the Fulbright Specialist program in June 2017. During the grant period he worked with the University of Finance and Economics in several areas of capacity building including developing programs to improve faculty qualifications and teaching methods, and implementing online learning for several programs. The experience of working in an independent country, which transitioned from a Communist system in 1990, was truly exceptional.

**Lyle Weinert '78** was re-elected president of the USD 465 (Winfield) school board. He is starting his 12th year on the board, and his sixth as president.

**Frank Davidson '79** has retired with 26 years of service to the Casa Grande Elementary School District in Arizona. 20 of those years he served as super-

intendent. In May, the mayor of Casa Grande read a proclamation from the city and an auditorium at Casa Grande Middle school was named in his honor by the school board. In his years of service, Frank has received numerous awards, including the Raymond Sterling Kellis Leadership Award from the Arizona School Administrators. He was recently inducted into the Greater Casa Grande Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame. Frank was a 2014 inductee into the Southwestern College Educators Hall of Fame.

**Connie (Feste) Wooldridge '79** recently moved to Chapman, Kan., after receiving an appointment as the pastor for the Chapman United Methodist Church.

## 1980s

**Kristina (Dutton) Kammerer '84** received her master of science in organizational development (MSOD) from Abilene Christian University this spring and was a member of the Alpha Chi National College Honor Society.

## 1990s

**Phil Moorhouse '92** received a master of education in special education from Averett University in May. He is now special education department head in the Richmond (Virginia) Public Schools.

**David E. Pawlowski '92** has accepted a new position as the business administrator with the South Brunswick, N.J., school district.

**Dr. Bryan Dennett '92** and **Dr. Bryan Davis '93**, medical partners in Winfield's Family Care Center, were featured in an Aug. 17 *New York Times* article on health care titled "A Start-Up Suggests a Fix to the Health Care Morass." Their practice is using a new start-up health care software which is seen as potentially groundbreaking for reducing the cost of health care while improving how patients are treated.

**Jay Leach '94** recently accepted the position of plant quality manager for the 3M Tape Manufacturing plant in Knoxville, Iowa. Jay is responsible for the quality management system, analytical testing of finished tape products, and coordination of employee training. Jay and his wife, Paula, son Payton and daughter Maggie have relocated to Pella, Iowa.

**Susan Lowe '95**, long-time Southwestern College alumni director, has recently published a coffee-table book of her poems, *A Well-Versed Life*, now available through the Moundbuilder Market. The book can be ordered at moundbuildermarket.com.

## 2000s

**Dr. Ali Wait '02** has completed her fellowship training at Loma Linda University, and will be starting a position as a vascular surgeon with Hon-

orHealth medical group in Scottsdale, Ariz., this fall.

**Sara Friesen '03** has accepted a new position at Prairie View's east Wichita office. As an APRN, Sara provides medication services to adults. She is board certified with ANCC, and goes to Prairie View with more than 30 years of experience. "I believe people are not their illness – each individual has a unique story to share," said Friesen, who has been recognized by the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), at both the local and state levels, as "Provider of the Year" for her high-quality, patient-centered care and establishing genuine relationships with vulnerable populations, as well as strengthening the community's awareness of mental illness.

## 2010s

**John Badley '11** is teaching English (American Literature and composition) at Archbishop Curley High School in Baltimore, Md. After Southwestern, John went on to earn an M.Div. from Duke University Divinity School. In addition to his role as English instructor at Curley, he serves as the varsity tennis coach and freshmen class co-moderator.

**Katie (Bipes) Morrison '12** has accepted a position with Sunflower Ob-Gyn, PA of Winfield. This position comes after she received her bachelor of science in nursing from Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore.

**Jessica Arnoldy '16** is one of four students to have earned a full-ride scholarship from the Army Health Professions Scholarship Program at the University of Missouri – St. Louis College of Optometry. Each year the Army offers the F. Herbert Armed

Forces Health Professions Scholarship Program (HPSP). The award carries a multitude of benefits in exchange for the commitment to service. The benefits include full tuition reimbursement, a monthly stipend, officer's pay during academic breaks, and being commissioned as an officer in the U.S. Army.

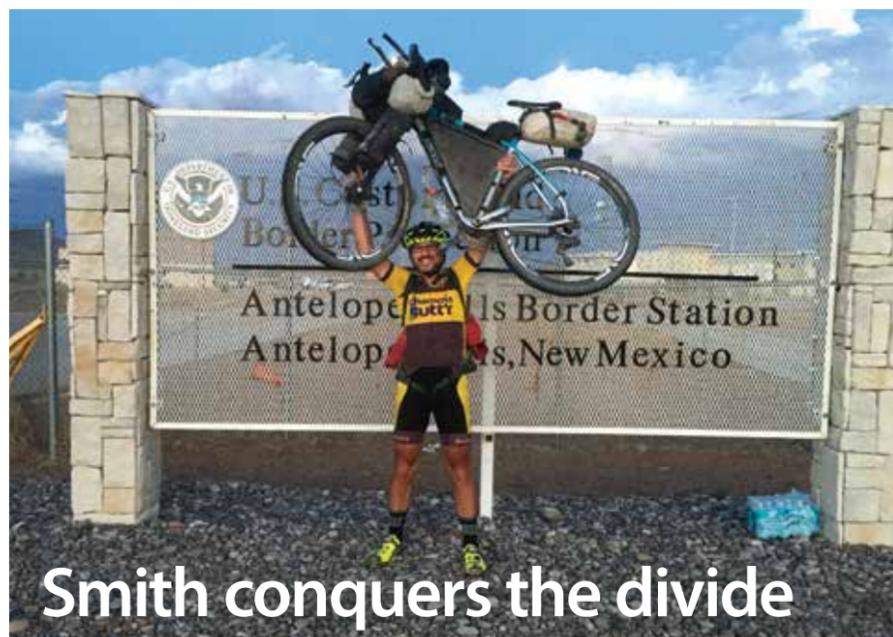
**Janet Doud '17** is now assistant principal at Wellington High School. Before earning her SC doctorate in May, Janet held the position of ESL district coordinator for the Goddard school district.

## IN THE COMMUNITY

Southwestern College was well-represented during the July 5 meeting of the Winfield Rotary Club. **President Brad Andrews** presented the program. Other Builders recognized included two new members, Betsy Drennan and **Madeline Norland '83**. In addition, the late **Don Drennan '52** was recognized for having more than 54 years of perfect attendance prior to his death – the longest of any member in Rotary District 5690.

## NOTES ON FRIENDS

**Julie Voelker-Morris**, former staff member of Southwestern and alumna of the Horsefeathers & Applesauce Summer Theatre group, has been awarded the Williams Council fellowship and Instructional Grant at the University of Oregon. Julie is a senior instructor of the arts and administration program in the School of Architecture and Allied Arts at UO where she teaches courses in arts and culture management as well as in comics and cartoon studies, first-year programs and common reading.



## Smith conquers the divide

An interview with Bobby Smith '89 was featured Summer 2017 issue of the *Southwesterner*. Smith, who works as a computer specialist at SC, took on the Tour Divide in June and completed the 2,745 mile ride through the Rocky Mountains in 28 days. Before embarking on the adventure Smith set two goals: First, to finish the ride in under a month, and second, to encourage friends and fellow alumni to support the Builder Fund. "It was a wildly amazing experience and one of the most challenging things I've ever done," said Smith. Read more about Smith's ride and see the map of his ride route at [sckans.edu/BuilderOnABike](http://sckans.edu/BuilderOnABike). Smith would like to remind readers that there is no time like the present to make a gift to the Builder Fund or to take on an adventure of a lifetime.

Make a gift in honor of Bobby's successful ride at [sckans.edu/builderfund](http://sckans.edu/builderfund).

## BIRTHS

A daughter, Charlotte Mya, born May 30, 2017, to **Andrew '09** and **Heather '10 (McFall) Manley**. The Manleys live in Salina.

A son, Keaton James, born March 16, 2017, to **Joseph and Katie (Timmer) Yeisley '12 '09/'12**. Keaton has a big sister, Lillian.

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

**Bill DeArmond**, professor of film and mass communication, is author of several recent publications. “Very Like A...” has been published on *The Voices Project* and can be seen at [thevoicesproject.org/poetry-library.html](http://thevoicesproject.org/poetry-library.html). This is the second time this year he has been published on this website (“Certitude” was the previous submission) and given the lead-off poem. Both of these were also included as “Lessons From the Teacher” given honorable mention by Kansas Voices. “Ego” was selected for publication on [descap.com](http://descap.com), a website that “seeks to return to pure, albeit absurd, humor without the political or social commentary.” His story “The Old Man in the Tree” was released

in *While the Waves Crashed* as well as included in the anthology *Nothing Lasts* published by Scars. His story “Wearing a Dead Man’s Bones” appeared in *Dark Gothic Resurrected* magazine. His story “Mirror Image” made the final round of the MiFi Writer’s Group. His story “The Dream Within a Dream” will be published in the October 2017 issue of *Pinyon Review*.

**Joseph Goodson**, assistant professor of philosophy, had several summer accomplishments:

- Gave a presentation titled “On the Character and Conditions of Race, Racism, and White Supremacy” at the Institute for American Religious

and Philosophical Thought in Chattanooga, Tenn., in June 2017.

- Published “Kant and the Nature of Doctrine: A Rule-Theory Approach to Theological Reasoning” in the *Journal of Scriptural Reasoning* (June 2017).
- Stayed at the Chicago Center, which partners with SC to give students opportunities to learn and live in Chicago, during the first week of July.

**Matt O’Brien**, head men’s basketball coach, led his team to the bronze medal in Klagenfurt, Austria, coaching for Team USA in the United World Games.

Photographs by **Stacy Sparks**, associate professor of journalism, are on display at the Plymouth Art Gallery at Plymouth Congregational Church, 202 North Clifton Ave., Wichita in August and September. The exhibit is titled “Contemplation” and includes 40 images selected from nearly 7,000 photographs.

**Brian J. Winnie**, director of choral activities and voice, presented a session at the 8th Estill World Voice Symposium in Quebec, Canada, titled “Horse Before the Cart: Revitalizing the Choral Warm-Up With Estill.” He also published a peer-reviewed article in the *Voice & Speech Review Journal* titled “Bridging the Gap Between Classical and Contemporary Vocal Technique: Implications for the Choral Rehearsal.” He will be the guest conductor of the Pioneer League Middle School Honor Choir and North Central KMEA District Mixed Honor Choir this fall.



### 40 Under 40

**Patrick Lee**, assistant professor of accounting, has been chosen again as one of “40 Under 40” influential leaders in accounting by *CPA Practice Advisor*. This is Lee’s second consecutive year for this honor, which is selected by one of the industry’s most respected publications. Lee is one of only two educators on the list. He told the magazine, “Being an educator is part of what I am doing to make a difference in the profession, our community, and our world. The leaders of tomorrow are the ones in the classroom right now. They grew up in a society where technology has ruled the world and they are the ones that will propel the world into the future. As an educator, I have a front row seat and a front row impact on the future. Each day, I try to impact society by helping our students navigate the future of the profession, their community, and the world.” Lee also has a YouTube channel with more than 80,000 views and 900 subscribers, and sits on the board of directors for the Kansas Society of CPAs.

### SC welcomes new faculty

**Jonathan Beachy**, mathematics instructor. He holds a master of science degree in mathematics from Wichita State University, a master of divinity degree from Goshen Biblical Seminary, and a bachelor of arts degree in physics from Goshen College,

**D. Jason Knowles**, visiting instructor of communication, digital arts, and new media. He holds a master of fine arts degree in digital filmmaking from the University of Central Arkansas, a master of science degree in instructional design and technology from Emporia State University, and a bachelor of general studies degree with a major in digital filmmaking and computer production from the University of Kansas.

**Aruni Malalasekera**, assistant professor of chemistry. She holds a Ph.D. in organic chemistry from Kansas State University and a bachelor of science pharmacy special degree from the University of Colombo, Sri Lanka.

**Huabo (Mark) Lu**, assistant professor of computer science and digital arts. He earned a master of science degree in computer networking from Wichita State University and a bachelor of engineering degree in computer science and technology from Beijing Forestry University.

**Suzanne Webb**, college writing instructor. She holds a Ph.D. in rhetoric and writing and a master of arts degree in digital rhetoric and professional writing from Michigan State University. She also holds a bachelor of arts degree in creative writing from Wichita State University.

## IN MEMORIAM

**Lois V. (Akers) Biby ’40**, died July 10, 2017. She was a math teacher for many years. She and Ted Biby married in 1944; he died in 2007. Following her teaching career and raising her children, Lois enjoyed quilting, painting, gardening, canning and freezing. Survivors include her children, **Carol, Roger ’70, and Parke ’74**; a sister, **Ruth ’45**; a brother, **Ward ’51**; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and many other extended Builder family members.

**Philip Dale Moore ’43**, lifelong resident of Wellington, died at his home July 7, 2017. He was a retired insurance agent for New York Life. He served in the Army Air Corp during World War II from 1942 – 1945. He married **Rheba M. Helm ’44**; she died in 2008. Phil enjoyed fishing and traveling in the RV with Rheba. Survivors include his children, Mindy Byington of Park Hills, Mo., and **Tim Robertson ’73** and his wife **Sharron ’73** of Peabody, Kan.; four grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

**Hal D. Wilcox ’49** died June 5 in Arkansas City, Kan. Survivors include his

wife, **Neva ’60**; and children **Wiley ’78 and Cathy ’78 Wilcox**.

**Jess Miranda ’50** died July 23, 2017. He received a bachelor’s degree from Southwestern in physical science education, and a master’s degree from Indiana State University. Jess was a US Navy Veteran who proudly served in World War II and the Korean War. Jess had a prestigious coaching career of 30 years, coaching both baseball and basketball, with 20 years at Albuquerque High School. Jess and Isabelle enjoyed attending the annual USS Antietam ship reunions. His retirement years were dedicated to following the activities of his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Jess is survived by his wife of 64 years, Isabelle; his son, Phil; his daughters, Sara Sanchez, and Tena Chavez; 10 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren

**Merle Elmer Cales ’52** died Feb. 21, 2017, in Joplin, Mo., at the age of 94. He attended school for two years at a one-room country school before moving to Winfield. While in high school he participated in basketball, baseball, and tennis. He graduated from Winfield High School in 1940 and at-

tended St. John’s College. While playing baseball, the manager of a semi-pro club from Cessna Aircraft in Wichita asked him to try out for the team. He played semi-pro baseball in both state and national tournaments. He married Wilma Thomason in 1943. Shortly after their marriage he was drafted into the army and spent 2½ years in the South Pacific. After returning home he received his bachelor’s degree in education from Southwestern College and his master’s degree from Western State College. He spent 37 years in the education field before retiring and moving to Bolivar, Mo., in 1987. He was a member of the United Methodist Church and served as a lay leader and lay minister. He was preceded in death by his wife of 68 years, Wilma; four brothers and a grandson. He is survived by two children, five grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

**P. Clifton Edens Jr. ’52** died Dec. 11, 2016, followed by his loving wife Jenevieve (Jenny) Edens ’52 on June 2, 2017, in Winfield. They are survived by their son, **Paul Clifton Edens III ’78**.

**William A. (Bill) Glass ’53** (see following page)

**Verne E. Sweaney ’53** died July 6, 2017. After high school he enlisted in the United States Air Force. He later graduated from Pittsburg State University with a bachelor’s degree in accounting. He and his wife, **Juanell (Carter) ’69**, lived in Cedar Vale where Verne worked for the USPS as a rural mail carrier for 30 years. After retiring, he was a bus driver for U.S.D. 285 in Cedar Vale and worked on his farm. He was a Chautauqua County commissioner for 12 years, had his private pilot license, and was a member of the Amateur Trapshooting Association. Survivors include his wife, **Juanell (Carter) ’69**; a son, Craig; three daughters, Judy Ochs, **Cindy Call ’79**, and Jane Stout; nine grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

**Pat “Mimz” Cook ’54** died June 23, 2017, in Mesa, Ariz. Residents of Craig, Colo., for 53 years, Pat and her husband, Larry, would have celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary on Aug. 12. Pat worked as a telephone operator while attending Southwestern College. She earned a degree in elementary education and met Larry, who was attending Emporia State Univer-

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sity. After both graduated, Larry was deployed to Japan in Army Counterintelligence, and Pat began her teaching career. For 16 years Pat was a well-respected and loved elementary teacher in Craig. She also taught and mentored teachers in training. Pat's other occupation was serving as the "mother" of Cook Chevrolet for over 50 years, as she and Larry worked together to build a successful family business. Pat enjoyed skiing, boating, reading and watching sports. Her favorite destination was their cabin in Hahn's Peak, Colo., where her children, grandchildren and friends gathered. Pat is survived by her husband, Larry; their two children; and many grandchildren.

**Patricia (Farney) Radley '56** died June 26, 2017. She is survived by her brother, **James Farney '53**; a daughter; a son; a niece; and four grandchildren.

**George Francis (Bill) Williams '58** died April 1, 2017, in Hutchinson. Bill attended Southwestern on a football scholarship. He married **Marilyn Taylor '57**; she died in 2005. They spent their early married life in Winfield, and moved to Hutchinson in 1963. After working at Consolidated Manufacturing for 32 years, Bill retired in 1998. Bill loved God, his family, fishing at Roaring River State Park, and watching sports, especially K-State football. Bill is survived by two daughters, Lora Le Rawlins and Martha Campbell; seven grandchildren; two sisters and a brother.

**M. Jean Black Martin '59**, died in Denton, Texas, on June 7, 2017. She is survived by her daughter, Laura Martin, and her son, Kevin Martin.

**Jerry Wilcoxon '59** died in May near Winfield, Kan. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis.

**Carson Clifford Conaway '60** died on June 13, 2017. As a toxicologist and research scientist, Clifford served at the Institute of Cancer Prevention and taught at New York Medical College. He contributed a chapter on esters in *Hamilton and Hardy's Industrial Toxicology, 2015* (an industry standard) and had many other scientific publications. He worked over 18 years in basic research on the mechanisms of carcinogenesis and dietary approaches to cancer chemoprevention. He was passionate about playing the cello and performed many times at the church and, proudly, in his daughters' weddings. Clifford is survived by his wife Yang-Ming Yang; daughters Christin Jolicoeur and Jessica Conaway; three grandsons; and three sisters, **Martise Cooper '62**, Carolyn Hesser and Janette Sheldon.

**John David Fritzlen '60** of Higgins, Texas, died July 3, 2017. After attending Southwestern College, John continued his education at Oklahoma State University, where he received a bachelor of science degree in accounting. John farmed and ranched in both

## Glass' maps led refugees to safety

**William A. (Bill) Glass '53** died June 27, 2017, in Bellingham, Wash., with his family at his side. Bill led a life full of intellectual pursuits, travel, hobbies, family and friends. He studied physics/chemistry and math at Southwestern, then served in the US Army Intelligence Service as a photo interpreter and analyst in Austria, mapping escape routes for refugees leaving their war-torn countries after World War II. On his return, Bill continued his graduate work while teaching at Emporia State College and at the University of Kansas. In 1963, Bill and his family moved Washington where he began his career at Battelle Memorial Institute Northwest as a physicist, manager, assistant director of research and chief scientist. After his retirement in 1992, Bill continued to work as a consultant at Battelle. Bill enjoyed woodworking, wine-making, stained glass work, writing, reading, camping, and travel. He was also a carpenter/electrician/plumber, building a cabin in the Cascade Mountains as well as a winter home in Yuma, Ariz. Bill and his wife, Jeanette, traveled extensively in Europe, with frequent return trips to St. Gilgen, Austria. Bill had an affinity for flying small airplanes and learned to fly before he got his drivers' license. When he was dating Jeanette he would fly over her



house and tip his wing, then she would go to the airport to meet him. In 2009 Bill was inducted into the Southwestern College Natural Science Hall of Fame for his pioneering work as a physicist. Bill is survived by his wife Jeanette (Giles) Glass; daughter Peggy Paxton; daughter Coni Turner; son Scott Glass; four grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

Winfield and Higgins. In 1972, John married Ruth Marie. They combined the families and moved to the ranch in Higgins, where the now-large family worked together raising cattle and farming. John also established his accounting and financial planning business. Later in life, he began raising registered Quarter Horses. John served as Lipscomb County commissioner, president of the Lipscomb County Farm Bureau and the Higgins school board. John is survived by his wife, Ruth; sons, John Scott and Mike Lee; stepsons, Buck Waite, Shane Waite, and Audie Kim; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

**Joellyn J. Bishop '62**, Salina, died June 29, 2017. Joellyn was born Nov. 11, 1940, in Scott City, and spent her formative years in Leoti. She attended Southwestern College, until she turned her focus onto being a mother and homemaker. Survivors include sons Ty Wood and Fritz Wood; stepdaughter Teri Bishop; stepson Craig Bishop; and seven grandchildren.

**Jean Aubigne (Way) Rodman '67**, Oxford, died June 14, 2017. She was 92. She graduated magna cum laude from Southwestern College with a teaching degree. In 1944, she married Vonie Beeman Jr. in Bangor, Maine. She married Richard Rodman in 1961 in Ellsworth, Maine. Jean taught in Belfast, Maine; Oxford; and Welling-ton. She enjoyed traveling, quilting and reading. Jean was a member of Eastern Star, Walnut Valley Quilters Association, the Oxford quilting group, and the Oxford First Baptist Church. She

married Ray Edwards on Sept. 12, 2009, in Oxford. Jean is survived by her children, Judy Franklin, Sally Martell, and Joseph Beeman; stepchildren, Wayne Rodman, Donald Rodman, Janet Carrington, Jim Edwards, and Donna Wolf; many grandchildren, step-grandchildren, great-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren.

**Mildred L. Speer '70**, Arkansas City, died July 3, 2017. Mildred graduated from Southwestern College and received her master's degree in education from Oklahoma State University. Mildred taught school in Newkirk, Okla., for 23 years as an elementary teacher and later as a special education teacher. Mildred married Jack Speer in 1951. She was a member of the St. Paul United Methodist Church. Mildred was a 4-H leader, and she and Jack raised small farm animals and had an apple orchard. Survivors include a daughter, **Susan Schmitt '77**; a son Barry Speer; a daughter-in-law Patty Cox; a brother Dan Marrs; 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren..

**Joyce Elaine (Cockrum) Baughman '75** died July 22, 2017, at her home in Hugoton, Kan. Joyce worked alongside her husband at the Animal Health Center for over 30 years. She volunteered in the community as a 4-H project leader, community club leader, extension council member and secretary. She served eight years on the Stevens County Hospital and Long Term Care Unit board as trustee, secretary, and president. She was preceded in death by her parents **Darius '40 and June Cockrum**. She is survived by a host of

Builder family members including her husband, **Gary Loyd Baughman '75**; sisters **Carolyn Baylor '64** and **Nancy Murray '72** and a brother, **Darrell Cockrum '66**. Also surviving are children and grandchildren,

**Lonnie Mills '77** died Nov. 27, 2016. He was a teacher at Circle Middle School in Benton for many years. Lonnie received his bachelor's degree in education at Southwestern College and his master's degree in special education at Wichita State University. He was an avid antique collector and enjoyed auctions and sales where he would find pieces to add to his collection. He was a member of the Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Wichita and a member of the church choir. Lonnie is survived by his brother, Clayton Mills of Cunningham.

**David Newman '85** died June 11 at his home in Winfield. He is survived by two brothers and a sister.

**Stephen Hogan '04** died Nov. 22, 2016. He was a teacher at Wichita West High School. He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Bonnie; two children and three grandchildren.

## IN MEMORY OF FRIENDS

**John Brazle**. Winfield, longtime friend of Southwestern, died July 2. John was widely known for his work as owner of the Winfield Livestock Auction. He is survived by his wife, Diane; his children Justin Brazle and **Jayna Bertholf (Business faculty)**; his brothers Gary Brazle, Frank Brazle and sister-in-law **Kathleen Requa Brazle '69**; sisters Mildred Snyder and Reba White; and five grandchildren.

**Cynthia "Cindy" Kelly** died April 25, 2017. She is survived by her husband **John Kelly '84**.

**Bruce Kline**, longtime friend to Southwestern, died Aug. 4, 2017, at his home in Kettering, Ohio. In 1970, Bruce married **Leora Martin '66**. The family later moved to Dayton, Ohio, where he earned a doctorate in clinical psychology at Wright State University School of Professional Psychology in 1982. Dr. Kline founded Bruce E. Kline Psy.D. and Associates, in Dayton. He was a clinical professor at The School of Professional Psychology, Wright State University. As a member of the Dayton Opera Chorus for 28 years, he sang in 80 operas with his last performance as recently as February 2017. Survivors include his wife, **Leora (Martin) '66**; and brother-in-law **Carl Martin '60**.

**Don Potter**, longtime friend of Southwestern, died June 18 at Cum-bernauld Village in Winfield. He is survived by his companion, **Nianne Mohlstorm '59**; his children; two brothers; 10 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

# INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT



**Notes From the Dole Center**  
DeAnn Dockery, Vice President for Institutional Advancement

## LOCATION: Stir & Bustle Coffee, Deets Library. TIME: An August Afternoon

My head is spinning, and it isn't the caffeine in my latte. Things are on the move at Southwestern. August has ushered in the new academic year with the largest freshman class in the history of the college, the construction of the beautiful new Hayward Gateway to Success, a baseball team, and the opening of Stir & Bustle.

Attending my fourth Moundbuilding ceremony,

I was again struck by the uniqueness of the symbolic act of adding a rock to the Mound. In that moment, there is a connection to place and alma mater that

travels back 132 years and simultaneously forward into the future. Alumni, faculty, staff, friends joined today's students to say, "This is our place."

An alumna wondered what had happened to the rocks when the Mound was moved from its original spot to its current location. She was delighted to hear that they are all there, even hers from 50 years ago, creating the deep base to the tip of the iceberg we can see today. That seems to me a fitting analogy for the impact of the Southwestern experience – a core foundation supporting all that is yet to come.

# HIGHLIGHTED FALL SEMESTER EVENTS



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## September 23 Bruce DeHaven Day

Southwestern College will celebrate the lifetime and achievements of the late Bruce DeHaven '70 as Moundbuilder football takes on the McPherson Bulldogs at Richard L. Jantz Stadium. A special recognition will be made during halftime of the game. Learn more about Coach DeHaven at [sckans.edu](http://sckans.edu).

## October 6-8 Peter and the Starcatcher

SC Theatre will produce *Peter and the Starcatcher*, an upended story of how a miserable orphan boy becomes the

legendary Peter Pan in Richardson Performing Arts Center. Call the SC box office for tickets (620) 221-7720. See the full theatre schedule at [sckans.edu/theatre](http://sckans.edu/theatre).



## October 21 Explore More Day/ Audition Day Home Athletic Events

Hosted twice annually by the Office of Admission, Explore More Day is an opportunity for prospective

college students to learn about the education and experience Southwestern College has to offer. In addition to the many Explore More Day activities planned, in the afternoon the Division of Performing Arts will be hosting an audition day, SC will take on Bethany in football, men's and women's soccer takes on Friends, and cross country will host the NAIA Midstates Classic. Alumni and friends of the college are encouraged to share information with high school seniors or juniors about Southwestern College and opportunities such as Explore More Day. Learn more about recruitment events at [beabuilder.com](http://beabuilder.com) and see the full schedule of SC sporting events at [builderssports.com](http://builderssports.com).

## October 27-29 Homecoming Weekend 'Rock the Mound'

Join us for the Homecoming parade, class reunions, a home volleyball match, a reunion of the 1967 undefeated Moundbuilder Football Team,

a Campus Ministry reunion, a production of *The Fourposter* performed by generations of Campus Players, football versus Bethel, and so much more. See the full schedule of rocking events at [sckans.edu/homecoming](http://sckans.edu/homecoming).

Saturday morning activities also include induction of the 2017 Athletic Hall of Fame recipients. The ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. in Smith Dining Hall. Inductees include Mike McCoy '76, Whitney Corley '05, Rico Marquez '06, Steve Hobus '78, and Ray Nichols '50 (Meritorious Service).



## November 11 Natural Science Hall of Fame

2017 inductees to the Natural Science Hall of Fame include Bradley L. Weigle '72, Ernest W. Reid 1916, James A. Anderson '62. All are invited to celebrate the accomplishments of these incredible Builders.

For more information please call (620) 222-1135 or email Charles. [mckinzie@sckans.edu](mailto:mckinzie@sckans.edu). Learn more about the SC halls of fame at [sckans.edu/hof](http://sckans.edu/hof).

## December 3 WinterFest

The annual campus Christmas celebration of WinterFest will take place in Richardson Performing Arts Center at 3 p.m. as talented student musicians and alumni perform music of the Christmas season.

## December 3, 6 & 7 Eagerheart

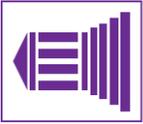
SC's annual Campus Player Christmas play by A.M. Buckton will be performed in the Helen Graham Little Theatre. For tickets contact the SC box office at (620) 221-7720.



# STIR & BUSTLE

President Brad Andrews officially cut the ribbon opening Stir & Bustle Coffee in Deets Memorial Library to the campus and community at an event organized by the Winfield Chamber of Commerce on Aug. 24. Southwestern hosted the monthly Chamber Coffee event and showcased the new space in the library, which has already proven to be a popular study spot on campus. Stir & Bustle is named for a line in the college's "Alma Mater" and will be managed by the college's food service provider, Fresh Ideas. A menu full of espresso drinks, pastries, and light lunch items including sandwiches and salads is available. Community members and alumni are invited to become "regulars" at the shop.

**WEB FEATURE** See a 360° image of the sleek new Stir & Bustle coffee shop space at [sckans.edu/stir&bustle](http://sckans.edu/stir&bustle)



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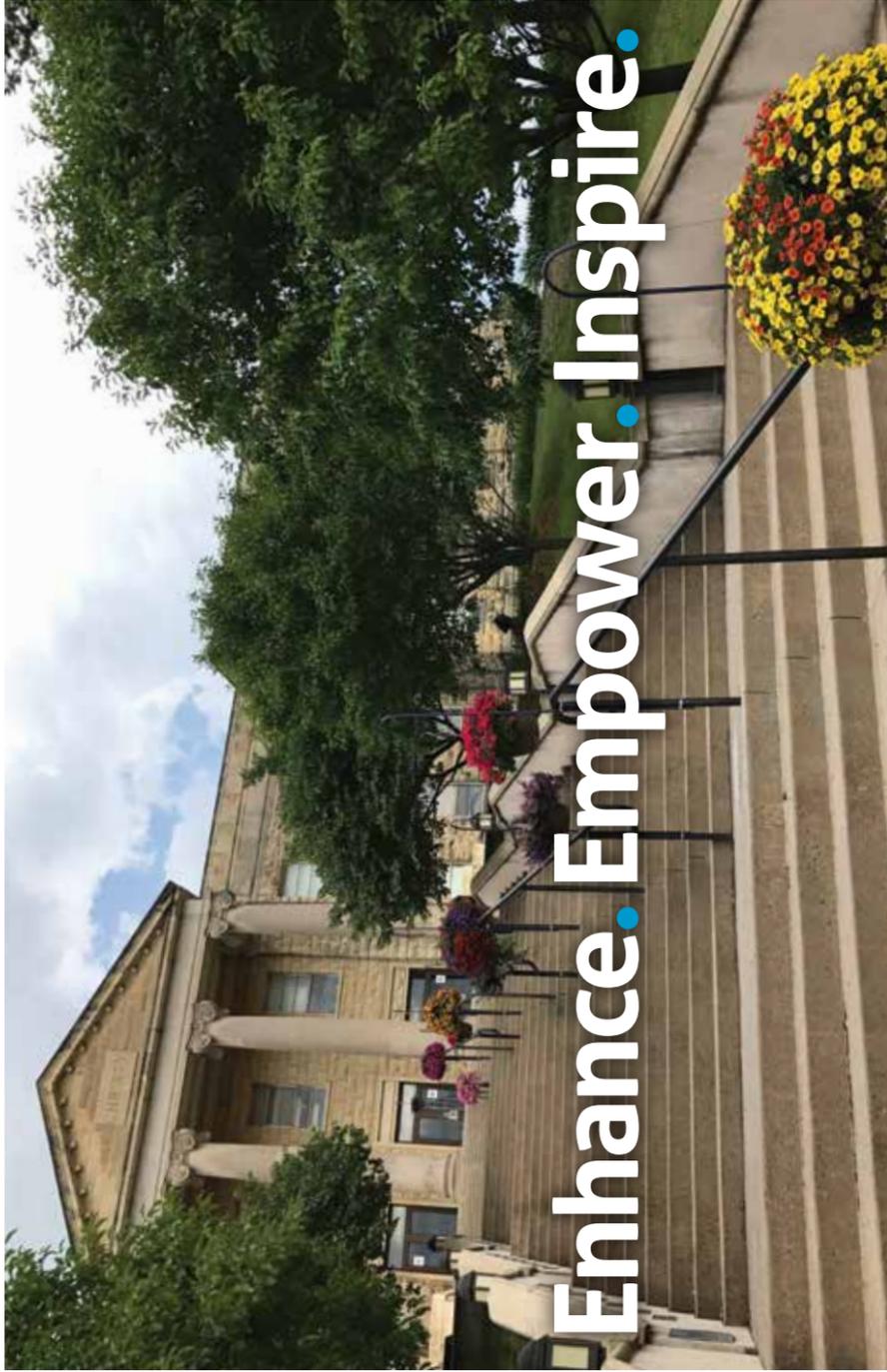
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