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Lauren Kilmer's creative abilities ranged from heavy oil exploration equipment to this violin, one of 14 he has made. Story on pages 4-5. (photo by Sara Weinett)

From the **President**



In November about 75 alumni and friends attended the "Southwestern Celebration" at Crestview Country Club inWichita. At the Wichita gathering I took a page from David Letter man's book and presented my Top Ten list of things we can celebrate about Southwestern. Here it is:

Number 10: We've got a football team that gave us a thrilling, heart-stopping, KCAC championship season. They didn't hurry and they didn't overdo, frequently winning by a point or two, and often in the final 10 seconds of the game.

Dick Merriman

Number 9: International students. We have 38 students from 15 countries on campus bringing a wonderful diversity of experiences and cultures to our campus.

Number 8: Enrollment is up. We have nice full residence halls on campus and we have nice full classrooms in Wichita.

Number 7: Graduate study in business. We have some fairly high hurdles yet to jump with the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, but we are working to introduce a graduate degree in business.

Number 6: Gifts to the college. Giving to the college was up very nicely last school year, particularly among alumni, and we expect an even better outcome this year.

Number 5: A big gift to the college. Lauren and Richard Kilmer have finalized their commitment to give \$1 million to Southwestern to create an endowment for string music.

Number 4: Videoconferencing. The college is in the process of linking its four campus sites, which will allow us to more effectively share faculty and administrative talent.

Number 3: Religious ferment. We have a wonderful environment at SC for the exploration and expression of religious faith. We often have 90 to 100 students at voluntary weekly chapel services. And we've had a lively discussion of science and religion this fall related to the state Board of Education and evolution.

Number 2: Laptops. This fall we became the only college in a multi-state region to provide laptops to each member of the freshman class. In four years, all our residential students will have these machines.

Number 1: The number 1 thing we are celebrating is an ambitious plan for involving alumni and friends in the life of Southwestern College. We want to involve you in creating a network of contacts that will help us identify and recruit students, help students with internships and job placement, provide advice to the academic programs of the college, and provide advice to me about the future direction of the college. We will be working with alumni from our Professional Studies Centers to understand the kinds of programming and involvement that will meet their needs. Alumni travel tours, concerts and lectures, and much more will be happening soon.

Two other things you can celebrate about SC: It is yours and always will be, and it is a wonderful college that is true to its high ideals and is doing great things for people.

Best regards,

Benk Marcomar_

From the Alumni Director



Fellow alumni, you surprised me. I expected about 250 of you to accept my invitation to campus for Homecoming '99 Reunion Weekend. More than 500 of you came. I apologize for having to scramble for more iced tea and dessert at Saturday's picnic and for the unbelievably tight quarters at both our reunion classes' breakfast and the Friday welcome luncheon. SC athletics director Bill Stephens '63, commenting on the Homecoming football game, said it was the largest crowd he's ever seen at Sonner Stadium.

Pam Cockayne '81

The Homecoming parade was long and fun, with alumni walking in it for the first time. Over 60 golfers participated in Friday's scramble and as many in Saturday's fun run/walk. The 1999 Reunion Class Challenge brought more than \$90,000 for the annual

fund. Class agents and other alumni leaders were recognized, old friendships were rekindled, and the student body experienced first-hand the value of alumni relationships to their college. As you know, 'the more the merrier' and we certainly had both!

We're going to do it again. I cordially invite you to Homecoming 2000. The date is Oct. 13-15. Classes ending in a five or a zero will be honored during reunion. These classes and their agents will conduct the 2000 Reunion Class Challenge. Watch your mailboxes and the SC Web site, <www.sckans.edu>, for Homecoming 2000 information. And phone your friends and classmates. If you need numbers, let me know at 316-221-8334 or < pcockayn@sckans.edu>.

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Southwestern College has been named one of 100 honor roll colleges in the nation in The Templeton Guide: Colleges That Encourage Character Development. It is the only school in Kansas to be so recognized, joining such institutions as Dartmouth College, Yale University, Notre Dame

University, the United States Air Force Academy, and the United States Naval Academy.

The guide is published by the John Templeton Foundation, a Pennsylvania foundation that encourages public awareness of education's role in the development of character.

In addition to its placement in the honor roll, two of Southwestern College's programs were singled out as exemplary programs in character development. Leadership Southwestern is one of the 40 top student leadership programs in the country, and Discipleship Southwestern is one of the 40 best programs designed to foster spiritual growth.

Dick Merriman, president of Southwestern College, was pleased by the college's inclusion in the honor roll, say-

ing "We don't live and die with all the college rankings that are around today, but this is a very important validation of our quite intentional educational focus on character development."

The Templeton Guide is designed for students, parents,

and educators. It contains profiles of 405 programs in 10 categories, as well as the 100 honor roll colleges. In all, more than 300 four-year public and private colleges across the country are included.

In addition to institutional information included, students were quoted on the importance

of SC's programs in their own lives.

Kyle Woodrow '99, president of the Student Government Association last year and now a student at Princeton Theological Seminary, was quoted: "SC has greatly impacted my life. Everyone here challenged me to find my role in ministry outreach teams and other organizations and programs. SC gives all students the chance to explore their niche and develop into 'responsible citizens in a world without boundaries."

Leadership student Angela Tran '00 summarized Leadership Southwestern's philosophy: "A good leader accomplishes, but an excellent leader influences."

And a freshman summarized his experience with the discipleship team:

"Our Bible study has taught me a lot about how to be a Christian leader. Through our team experiences, I've started to see how big God is."

More information on the Templeton guide is available on the group's Web site—www.collegeandcharacter.org.



ohn Nelson, senior split end from Lenora, is a Burger J King Scholar Athlete, nationally recognized for his contributions on and off the football field. Shown here with his parents, David and Donna (left), and sisters, Alena and Amber, Nelson was honored during halftime of the Oct. 23 Homecoming game when Burger King officials presented the general scholarship fund a \$10,000 gift in Nelson's name. A biology major, Nelson has maintained a 4.0 grade point average while playing football, participating in the Big Brothers/ Big Sisters program, and being in Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Student Activities Association.

Books for Belarus

WhenAnatoly Mikhailov brought his daughter, Natalya, to Southwestern College for the usual parental send-off, they had more at stake than the average freshman/parent separation. The two had arrived in the United States from Minsk, Belarus, and distance made the parting more poignant. Southwestern staff members were looking for their arrival, though. A connection had been made earlier through trustee David Swartz, former U.S. ambassador to Belarus. Swartz had worked with Anatoly Mikhailov, first rector (a position comparable to president) of The European Humanities University in Belarus, while serving in that country, and later helped raise funding for the university's success. The Mikhailovs' arrival was of twofold benefit to the college: It would mean enrolling Natalya (whose cultural background would bring diversity to campus), and also would establish a relationship with her father (a specialist in the philosophy and culture of Germany, and a man with experience at the United Nations who is transforming higher education in his country).

fessor of philosophy at SC, found himself offering his services to a fellow philosopher.

What would Mikhailov need most at his university, Sheppard asked?

Major gifts to the college during the past few months will affect a variety of programs at Southwestern College beginning with the fall semester.

We're especially pleased because these gifts show a commitment to excellence across disciplinary lines," says Paul Bean, vice president for institutional advancement. "We try to emphasize to students that it's the generosity of our donors that makes the high quality of their Southwestern experience possible."

In addition to the \$1 million gift from Lauren Kilmer and Richard Kilmer to enrich teaching of string music at Southwestern (profiled on pages 4 and 5 of this publication), individuals and corporations have made a variety of special gifts:

• The Dow Chemical Company announced a gift to the college of \$126,390 to fully equip the chemistry laboratory in the Beech Science Center. The gift was made in honor of Etcyl and Ruth Blair '47 '47, recognizing the contributions the Blairs have made to Southwestern, to Dow

"The response has been outstanding," says Sheppard. "Books for Belarus has given us a valued connection to this university that is rising to meet the challenges of a country's transition from the Communist past.

Chemical, and to the community of Midland, Mich. "We are delighted to have the opportunity to learn about your success and to make this investment in honor of two people, Ruth and Etcyl Blair, of whom we are very proud," said Jerold E. Ring, Dow director.

• A gift from the AldenTrust of \$40,000 will be used to purchase additional science equipment.

· A teacher hall of fame will be established to honor graduates of Southwestern College, thanks to a \$44,000 gift from the estate of a 1927 graduate. Marjorie Smith, who died in 1998 at the age of 94, had taught high school mathematics at Lyons and Dexter for 20 years.

• A grant from the William T. Kemper Foundation will help Southwestern College implement plans to offer videoconferencing at the school's four campuses. The \$20,000 grant, presented by Commerce Bank's Mark Utech, will be used to buy equipment for use in the main Winfield residential campus, as well as for sites in downtown Winfield, East Wichita and West Wichita.

• A bequest of more than \$180,000 from the estate of Gordon E. Young '49 will partially endow a scholarship for students with interest in music. Young, a noted organist and composer, received an honorary doctorate from SC in 1964. As a composer, he left a legacy of nearly 1,000 published musical works, including renowned "Prelude in Classic Style." · A gift in kind from Nortel Networks will enable SC students to access the campus network through wireless technology. The \$7,012 contribution of a server and PC cards is located in Memorial Library.



Soon Andy Sheppard, assistant pro-

The answer was simple: Books.

With a main goal of establishing a system of education comparable to the best European and American traditions, while simultaneously developing the best native traditions in the humanities and social sciences, theology, art, economics, and law, the college needed books.

Thus was born Books for Belarus.

Thanks to the work of Andy Sheppard and with a major contribution of 100 boxes donated to Swartz by Lawrence University, Books for Belarus is ready to ship approximately 120 boxes of scholarly volumes to the Belarusian library.

Books have come in from all sides, the result of word of mouth and with the help of free advertising in a Lutheran publication (one of Sheppard's connections). One man sent his deceased mother's entire philosophy library of Harvard books. Professors on campus have given generously, too, particularly Dan Daniel, professor of English, who donated several boxes to the effort.



Phi Delta Theta Honor

Chapters from across the nation have adopted a document initiated by Southwestern's Kansas Zeta chapter of Phi Delta Theta.

"Three Principles to a Better Man" was co-written by senior Chris Ford and Jay Wilson '96 with the help of the local chapter's executive committee. It was presented at the fraternity's national leadership conference and calls for self-evaluation by looking to the founding principles for direction.



Lauren Kilmer sits on a couch in his son's Austin, Texas, home. Lined up on the cushions next to him, like well-behaved children, are four highlypolished violins. Sun from the autumn morning glints off their curves.

Mr. Kilmer is absolutely still as he (and, it seems, the violins) listens to the music coming from the strings of still another violin. This one is being played by Richard Kilmer, a professional violinist and Kilmer's son.

As the notes float down on his shoulders, Lauren Kilmer watches his son as he has so many times in the past. The impromptu concert is a tribute to him, the man who made each one of the violins in the room (14 in all). It's a tribute to Richard's own skill and dedication in honing his talent. And it's a tribute to Lauren's wife, Mazie Barnett Kilmer, whose own playing had Richard begging for lessons when he was only three years old.

The father and the son, creator of the instruments and creator of the music, are never long without the memory of Mazie.

Now their devotion to the music that has shaped this family will live at

Southwestern College as well. A \$1 million gift from Lauren Kilmer and Richard Kilmer announced during Homecoming '99 will honor Mazie Barnett Kilmer, 1932 graduate of SC (shown at left). Mazie toured nationally with SC's violin choir; the gift will endow a program to renew the teach-

ing of string music at Southwestern. "Mom had a wonderful time at Southwestern and talked about the college a lot," Richard explains. "We

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know the money will be well used. It's one of the very most positive things we could do."

In some ways, the million-dollar donation was only the latest in a series of improbable steps that have been the foundation of the Kilmers' lives. It was somewhat improbable, for example, that Lauren and Mazie would have married at all.

He was a mechanically-talented kid who grew up on farms and in grain elevators throughout the state of Kansas.

Lauren Kilmer's eyes gleam when he talks about the very first invention he remembers successfully completing.

"It was a double-crankshaft go-cart," the 90-year-old Tulsan looks over his shoulder into the past. "Dad let me use his tools, and there was lots of stuff around, so I just built one. I wanted to see how things were made."

Despite a rural lifestyle that did not encourage leisure, every Saturday afternoon the family would gather around the primitive radio and listen to broadcasts of the Metropolitan Opera.

Mazie Barnett, meanwhile, was growing up in a different atmosphere. A gifted musician, she was studying violin while her musically-talented sisters practiced the piano in their Winfield home.

Although her training was musical, and his was more technical (a degree in industrial arts from Pittsburg State University), when they met in Offerle, where she was teaching school, they were surprisingly well matched.

"We courted for two years; we'd go for long walks in the country," Lauren recalls. "I remember walking around the section with her and we'd talk about our lives, everything."

Their son, Richard, explains their marriage as one of compatible talents.

Mazie, for example, had perfect pitch. Given the name of a note, this schoolteacher could hum its correct pitch.

Lauren Kilmer, on the other hand, has an uncanny knack for being able to do precise measurements using only his eyes and hands. He often won bets with his fellow machinists by predicting the exact size of a piece or part without using a micrometer.

These abilities are both what Richard calls "a special kind of memory."



Life was not always easy for the couple, in spite of their obvious talents. They married in the depth of the Depression, and set up housekeeping in circumstances Lauren discreetly describes as "rugged." The town where Lauren found his first job had no sewer system, no water system, but "she put up with it because we were together."

Lauren's extraordinary skills as a machinist quickly surfaced, though, and they moved to Tulsa within a few years. He worked for Oklahoma Iron Works, taught in a vocational program as the nation prepared for war, was a shop supervisor at Stanolind Oil and Gas Co., then spent a decade at the Well Surveys company. It was during the mid-'60s, when he was working for Sinclair, that for the first time his technical skills merged with his creative capabilities to produce a marketable result.

At that time oil companies were making their geological surveys by drilling and dynamiting, a method that was both economically and ecologically costly.

"Someone thought if they could drop a big weight on the ground, it would make signals that they could measure," Lauren recalls. "I said I knew how to do it a better way, so they told me 'Okay, do it.'"

The result was the Dinoseis, which encapsulated and detonated gases into a chamber, providing a short and sharp impulse onto the ground. The invention revolutionized how geologic surveys were conducted, and the Kilmer name became legendary in oil exploration.

With this hugely-successful invention to his credit, backing began to come in for other of Lauren's creations: instruments to measure the human eye and manufacture hard contact lenses (co-invented with a Tulsa opthalmologist Dr. Eugene Reynolds), the intrastromal ring for insertion in the cornea to correct myopia (with Dr. Reynolds), 12 patents for a string-type lawn edger he sold to Black and Decker—in all, some 45 American patents and hundreds of foreign patents.

It seems he could build anything. After he retired Richard gave him a book, *How to Build Your Own Stradivarius*. The result was 14 concert-quality violins. Professional violinists said his construction methods were impossible; the violins prove otherwise.

The creativity in the Kilmer family wasn't limited to Lauren, though.

Richard, born a few years after the family moved to Tulsa, began showing his incredible musical talent at an early age, almost as soon as he could sit up to listen to his mother play.

"I started asking for a violin when I was three, but my mother thought I was far too small. So when I was $4\frac{1}{2}$, a former Winfield neighbor in St. Louis found a $1/16^{\text{th}}$ size violin in a music store and sent it to my mother," he recalls. "I still have it, and it actually has a very sweet sound."

From this moment Richard was hooked. He seldom had to be reminded to practice, he never rebelled against performing, and the applause from countless audiences reinforced his determination.

Mazie didn't feel she should be teaching her own son but she was tireless in pursuing the finest musical education available ("I went through practically everyone in Tulsa who pretended to be a violin teacher") and served as his personal concert manager.

"I was totally immersed in music," he says now. "Dad insisted I take math and sciences courses so that if I ever rebelled I could go into engineering, but I never rebelled."

And always, behind his accomplishments, was Mazie.

"She was a formidable woman when it came to her child," Richard says, "but she was making it possible for me to do what I wanted to do. She was a perfectionist, and not always easy to live with, but a healthy backstage mother."

The ambition paid off when, at age 16, Richard was accepted to the prestigious Eastman School of Music. He discovered that not all of his classmates had been so supported—horror stories were common of students who had to fight controlling parents for the right to study and play music. "I thought, 'How extraordinary—I never had to do that!'," he says.

Today Richard's talent and yearning for excellence have given his musical resume an enviable cosmopolitan cachet. He toured Eastern Bloc countries for three months even before graduating from Eastman. He studied with Arthur Grumiaux at the Royal Conservatory in Brussels and with Szymon Goldberg in Amsterdam.

During 15 years living in Amsterdam he played with several orchestras, as well as with the famed Amati Quartet and with the Mendelssohn Trio. "By then I had done what there was to do in Holland," so he moved on to become the co-concertmaster in the Jalapa Symphony Orchestra in the state of Veracruz, Mexico.

Four years later, he was ready to be back in the United States. Today he's principal second violinist of the Austin Symphony and concertmaster of the Laredo Philharmonic.

But he's carrying on the legacy of his mother. Remembering Mazie Kilmer's influence in his own life ("she could have had a good career as a musician") and how she funneled her energies into furthering his career, he now is devoting much of his time to teaching and coaching young string players with talent.

And the endowment the Kilmers have made in honor of the woman who was the center of the family will ensure that Southwestern does the same.

Story and photos by Sara Severance Weinert



Richard Kilmer's concert violin is a 1672 Francesco Rugeri. Both Richard and Lauren credit Midhael Wilder, professor of music at SC and chair of the performing arts division, and Ronnie Jenkins (abow, left), Southwestem's director of major gifts, for making arrangements for the Kilmer Endowment. "Ronnie has reinforced our feelings for the school, and Michael is extremely impressive in so many ways—a superb musician and a superb administrator," Richard says





HOMECOMING















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The official theme for Homecoming '99 was Cruisin' Around SC. The unofficial theme, for more than 500 alumni at a couple dozen events, must have involved smiles. The weekend was an unprecedented success, from the coronation of Shane Alford and Joanna Moss as Homecoming royalty, to a parade in which alumni walked alongside floats, to a thrilling overtime victory over Bethany, to the first Homecoming running of the BuilderDash. For more of our Homecoming scrapbook, check out the SC Web site at www.sckans.edu.



-1920s -

Harry Dunn '23 was 100 years young on Sept. 20, 1999. Cards or notes will reach him at WesleyTowers,3705 Asbur y Dr., Hutchinson, KS 67502-2226. Harry was a member of the 1920-21, 1921-22, and 1922-23 basketball teams that were state champions (this was before there were separate conferences in the state; the Moundbuilders were first over every other higher education institution in Kansas!). The 1920-21 team went on to be third in the nation; the 1921-22 team went on to be second in the nation. Harry was an attorney and state legislator. He wrote and helped pass the living trust law in Kansas in the early 1950s. He remains a counsel to the law firm Martindell, Swearer and Shaffer, the successor to the firm Martindell, Carey, Hunter, and Dunn.

—1930s -

Frances (Coe) Pickett '33 writes that she has joined a fitness-over-50 class and notes, "It is amazing what exercise can do to return one to health." She would be happy to hear from others of her era.

—1940s —

Phillip and Jane (Owings) Chastain '46 '56 celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a family vacation in Holiday Island, Ark. The couple was married Oct. 2, 1949, in Dodge City Phillip was a United Methodist minister for 42 years. Jane was coordinator of volunteer services at Wesley Medical Center for 13 years. They are now retired.

Wesley Davis '48 and his wife, Jean, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a dinner at The Tiffany House Restaurant in Hutchinson. The couple was married Sept. 1, 1949, in Springfield, Mo. Wesley is a retired United Methodist minister having served in the KansasWest Conference. Jean was a schoolteacher for the Hugoton schools.

Lowell and Enola (McClaren) Gish '49 '48have been busy in the past three years. In June 1999 Lowell retired a second time after teaching four years at Haskell Indian Nations University. At Haskell he assisted in the establishment of the school's elementary education program. In August 1998 Enola and Lowell celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Dur ing 1997 Enola retired after coordinating and organizing 25 annual quilt shows at the Baldwin City Maple Leaf Festival and Lowell became the 15th inductee into Baker University's Faculty Hall of Fame.

Lois (Dryden) and Clyde Vasey '49 '51 have returned home after a year of volunteer service in Alaska.

—1950s —

Herbert and Rowena (Taylor) White '51 '51 celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at Silverplume, Colo, with their family. The couple was married Sept. 3, 1949, at the First United Methodist Church in Sterling. Herbert is a retired optometrist. Rowena is a homemaker.

Don and Vesta (Baker) Fulghum '52 '50 celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a Panama Canal cruise and other family activities. The couple was married Aug. 14, 1999, in Garden City. Don is retired from Colorado College, where he was business manager for 34 years. Vesta is also retired, having taught high school music and private piano.

Duane Harms '53 was co-tour guide for a recent Keenage Karavan to Colorado. Organized by the Kansas West Conference of the United Methodist Church, the tour visited the Dodge City Boy's Home, the Navajo Mission Center in Farmington, N.M., and the Four Corners Navajo Church. Additional stops allowed the group to ride the narrow-gauge railroads and visit MesaVerde. **Jack Harris '57** was the bus driver and participants included **Herbert** and Lorraine (Lowrey) Morton '63 '64.

Don Haneke '55 was featured in the Feb. 3, 1999, edition of the *Saratoga News* Saratoga, Calif. A music director for 37 years, he has taught at grade levels from junior high through community college, including eight years at San Jose State University. He is presently full-time director of the Dan Haneke Chorale. The 24-member choir gives six concerts a year and has produced several CDs and tapes.

Jack Harris '57 (see entry for Duane Harms '57)

Mooydeen (Thayer) Frees '60 is employed as a nurse manager of medically complex unit at Drake Center, a regional rehabilitation facility in Cincinnati. She was ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons in the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Ohio on Oct. 30, 1999.

Larry Wade '61 has retired after 31 years in the field of education. During the past 20 years he has been superintendent of schools in the Haviland and Inman school districts.

Herbert and Lorraine (Lowrey) Morton '63 '64 (see entry for Duane Harms '53)

GlennWooddell '63 is a producer/host for NPR— Radio Catskill. His program, "Radio Free Kansas," is currently running on Internet radio. "America's Heartland—Kansas" can be accessed by going to the Kansas Info page and hitting "America's Heartland." Or search "Radio Free Kansas" or RFKS or Tafcom Media, etc., or go to <www.wjffradio.org>. Contact him by e-mail at <glenn97@catskill.net>.

Kay (McDermeit) Harris '67 is director of allied health at Northeastern Oklahoma College in Miami, Okla.

Jon Brown '65 has been appointed principal at Gridley. His wife, Judy (Fairchild) '63, is a K-8 counselor at Lyndon.

Jeannine (Lentz) Foster '66 and her husband, Ed, former professor of education at Southwestern College, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a trip to Spain. The Fosters were married Nov. 4, 1949. Jeannine worked in several downtown Wichita businesses as a secretary and later taught elementary grades in Oxford and Winfield for 24 years. Ed was an elementary teacher and principal in public schools in Sedgwick, Hesston and Winfield for 14 years. He taught at Southwestern for 24 years. Both Ed and Jeannine retired in 1990.

Steve Kaufman '66 will retire from public school education at the end of the 1999-2000 school year. He is in his 34th year in education and his 22nd as principal at Soda Creek Elementary School in Steamboat Springs, Colo. Steve started his teaching career in Newton in 1966. He also taught in Winfield and was an assistant football coach at Southwestern during an undefeated season.

Vickie (Gould) Robbins '69 was honored as the first Employee of the Month at Presbyterian Manor, Arkansas City. She is a CRA at that facility.

<u> — 1970s –</u>

Nel Holmes '70 has been appointed pastor of the Hugoton United Methodist Church. She began her duties there Aug. 1, 1999, having ser ved Wellington



The Builder heritage is strong for Winfield volleyball recruit Casey Bailey (shown seated third from left). When Casey signed Oct. 7 to play for Southwestern, she was joined by her parents, Kerry and Shelley (Drennan) Bailey '86 '83 (back, center); her grandparents, Bill and Nancy (Priddle) Drennan '58 '59 (back, left); her uncle and aunt, Jeff and Shari (Drennan) Wampler '85 '89 (back, second and third from right); her great-uncle, Jerry Drennan '61 (front, left), and her great-grandmother Virginina (Kenrich) Drennan '33 (front, right). Clyde Priddle (front, second from left) represented his late wife Vesta (Gray) Priddle '30 and her sister Dorothy Gray. Another aunt and uncle, Brian and Stephanie (Drennan) Hoberecht '92 '92, live in Dodge City and were unable to attend. Volleyball coach Julie Murphy is shown with the family. Casey's great-great-grandfather, C. M. (Claude) Gray graduated from SC in 1897 and served 25 years on the college's board of trustees.

Gage Overall '72 has continued a family tradition by being the chief executive officer of the Stock Exchange Bank in Caldwell. Two relatives, Monroe and Charles, had previously served in that capacity Additionally six other relatives have worked in the bank including Gage's three children, Alissa, Megan, and Chris. Gage is also president of the USD 360 school board; director, Stock Exchange Financial Corp; director, Sumner County Youth Services; director, Caldwell Development Corporation; active in the local Presbyterian Church; member of the finance committee, Sumner County Hospital District # 1; and director, Caldwell Chamber of Commerce. The Stock Exchange Bank is the oldest bank in continuous service in Sumner County.

Lomalyn (Gagnebin) Bement '73 and her husband, Doug, have returned to Idaho where Doug is a project engineer for FMC Corp Their son, Bret, is a junior in high school and Lyn teaches Spanish as an adjunct faculty member at Idaho State University.

Ray Rhodd '73 has completed the retirement ceremony from active duty and will retire on Dec. 1, 1999. He has accepted a position with Logicon, Inc, and on Nov. 1, 1999, began working on the OPFOR (Opposing Forces) team of the battle command training program at Fort Leavenworth.

Michael Allen '74 has been named director of the Center for Conservation Biology at the University of California — Riverside. In September 1999 he received one of the nine Chevron Conservation Awards for 1999. The ChevronAward is the nation's oldest conservation prize.

Richard Thomson '74 is a student atWichita State University this fall. He also works as an educator/ advocate in the mental health field and has begun diaconate training at First MCC (his home church) inWichita.

Jan (Widler) McClung '75 is the new district secretary for the Winfield District of the United Methodist Church. She is working with **Diane (Helsel)** Watters '65, district superintendent.

Terri (Pulaski) Ryman '76 was selected by the Internal Revenue Service as one of only 50 Electronic Return Originators to be recognized at a special awards banquet in Dallas. Only one ERO was chosen from each state, based on criteria that included accuracy (percentage of returns accepted by the IRS the first time they were transmitted), e-file percentage of total returns (must have been at least 90%), and a low rejection rate. The purpose of this award was to recognize excellence in the IRS e-file program and to demonstrate that IRS e-files work well in all kinds of tax practices. As a small firm filing between 100 and 2,000 returns annually, Terri's film, Southwest Tax & Accounting, met all of the expectations that the IRS has of EROs.

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Vijay Sherring '79 recently presented a slide show on campus. Titled "Around the World With Vijay in 45 Minutes," the emphasis was on wildlife, but included images of cultures, festivals, and people in India, Nepal, the Galapagos Islands, Ecuador, Kenya, Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Borneo, Thailand and other countries. These are just some of the areas and sights that have been encountered on trips Vijay had led through his company,Vijay's Exotic Safar is.

Linda (Voth) Coleman '80 was recently promoted to director of human resources for Marconi Precision Aerostructures in Wellington. She and her husband, **Erle '92**, are kept busy at home by their sonsAustin (16),Ty (14), and Shawn (10).

-1980s -

Jerre Nolte '80 helped kick off the Winfield United Way campaign. Playing Bob Barker in a version of *The Price is Right*, Jerre asked questions with a United Way theme. His sidekicks were Ned Graham '61 and Teresa Krusor, wife of Mark Krusor, for mer adjunct instructor in business law at Southwestern College. Contestants included Mike Ledy '70, Mary (Briscoe) Jarvis '87, and Cathy McClurg '97.

Randy Rivers '80 has been appointed superintendent of schools for USD 329 (Mill Creek Valley), Wabaunsee County. His wife, Kristy (Gentz) '82, will be teaching English and history at Mill Creek Valley Junior High School.

Paul Homan '83 is now admission financial planner at Southwestern College. Paul comes to Southwestern via First National Bank and Donna's Designs. He will be working with students and their parents as they examine their financial aid options.

Julie Humphries '84 began teaching language arts at Mulvane Middle School in the fall of 1999. A former employee of the *Mulvane News*, she had been teaching in the Wichita school district for the past five years.

Jeff Thompson '84 has been elected president of

CORRECTIONS

An obituary printed in the Fall 1999 issue should have read: **"Lynn Allison '58** died May 1, 1999. An attorney, U.S. Bankruptcy Court trustee, and former Kansas Legislature representative, he was 64. Survivors include his wife, Carol." Our apologies to his family.

Dawn Uplinger '97 and Sean Greb were married June 5, 1999. Our apologies for incorrectly citing her class year.

The names of Orland Kolling's daughters were inadvertantly omitted from the tribute printed in the last issue. Our apologies to **Elizabeth Buckley '79** and Annette Weaver, and to Dr. Kolling's brother, Harold Kolling.

The *Millennium Connection* that listed donors to Southwestern College included two errors: 1960 class agents are **Vere English** and **Yvonne English.** Art and Cindy Neely '85 '86 both qualified for the Moundbuilders giving level. First United Methodist Church for four years.

Kay (Parker) Whitmore '71 and Warren Racker were married April 22, 1999. College sweethearts, they were married 30 years after meeting. Kay is retired and enjoying being a homemaker. Warren is retired from the military where he taught overseas. He is now working for Amari Garage Doors.

Darnell Jones '72 is currently a state trial court judge, living in Philadelphia where he has lived since graduating from the American University Washington College of Law in 1975. In addition to being a full-time judge, he is an adjunct law professor at the University of Pennsylvania School of Law and at the National Judicial College in Reno, Nev. He teaches law students how to be trial attorneys, and judges how to be better judges in the fields of evidence law and death penalty law. Darnell has been published by Matthew Bender Co. in various areas of law. His wife, Evelyn, is an interpreter, civic organizer, and mother. They have a daughter who is recently married and will graduate from medical school in May 2000; another daughter, who will graduate from the Medill School of Broadcast Journalism in May 2000; a son who attends the Philadelphia High School for the Creative and Performing Arts (singer); and 11-year-old twins (boy and girl).

Waynette (Schoch) Detter '78 was recently named a chief officer of MacGregor Medical Association. The association is a multi-specialty group of 200 physicians with 17 locations in Houston. In Waynette's new assignment she oversees human resources, training and education, marketing and public relations, customer relations, call center operations, and service improvement.

Doug Gilbert '78 and his family have returned to the United States after 11 years in Switzerland. He has taken a position as regional practice manager for Cogos Consulting, Inc. Cogos is a software development and consulting company that has software the Kansas Society of Health-System Pharmacists.

Michael Rausch '86 is a doctor at the new Augusta Family Practice. He is board certified in family practice and sports medicine. His wife, Suzanne, operates Dance Etc Studio in El Dorado. They have two daughters.

Callie (Gaede) Seaton '86, her mother, Helen Marie Allen, and her daughter, Liz Seaton, displayed their art work together this past summer at the Sugar Hill Gallery, Hancock, Maine. The show, titled "Three Generations," was organized by Liz, who is now working on a doctorate in art history at Northwestern University.

Jeff Jarnigan '87 has changed careers and is now the computer manager for the Labor Arbitration Institute in Northfield, Minn. He coaches football (now more as a hobby) with Gerald Young '84 who is defensive coordinator at Carleton College. Jeff coaches the defensive line and runs the special teams for Carleton as well."We are having fun coaching together for the first time," Jeff writes.

Marjorie (Hall) Bicker '88 had an art exhibit during the month of October 1999 at the Winfield Community Center. The exhibit included 17 paintings and 15 reproductions of murals Marjorie has painted. Several of her murals are in private homes but others may be viewed year-round in the Winfield area, including the Coca-Cola mural at 9^{th} Ave and Loomis St., a painting of early Winfield at 208 E 5^{th} Ave., and the restrooms at Island Park.

Paula (Phillippe) Hicks '88 reports that she is now working for Gabriel Communications inWichita. Paula is in the sales department as a sales support representative.

Pat Kinney '89, his wife, Sheila, and their daughter, Courtney (4), have moved from Waco to McKinney, Texas. Pat has left Raytheon and now works as an aerospace and defense consultant for SAP, a German-based ERP software company. SAP is the fourth-largest software company in the world. Pat would like to hear from some of his classmates. He can be reached at <patrick.kinney@sap-ag.de>

Teresa LeVelle '89 has composed a musical selection for soprano saxophone and string quartet. It was written for a colleague at Texas Tech University (Lubbock). The piece, "The Shadowlands," will be premiered at the World Saxophone Congress in Montreal during the summer of 2000.

Suzanne Underwood '89 has finished a master of arts degree at the University of Nebraska— Lincoln. She is currently an academic advisor at the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond.

-1990s-

Randy Ceynar '90 was named Will Rogers Elementary School teacher of the year in Edmond, Okla. This honor was achie ved after only one year of teaching in Edmond. Randy had previously taught in Wichita, where he had been recognized as one of the district's distinguished first-year teachers, Carter Elementary School's teacher of the year, Wichita National Education Association teacher of the year finalist, and Golden Apple Award nominee

Marilyn Denny '91, a member of the faculty at Cowley County Community College since 1988, has been appointed associate dean of instruction at that institution. She will be responsible for a variety of tasks including interdisciplinary team teaching, adjunct faculty development and retention, working with technology in the classroom, and faculty leadership and professional development. She had previously been teaching in the school's business and service technology department.

Sharon (Westhoff) Ellis '91 has accepted the position of site sourcing leader at G.E. Engine Services at Strother Field, Winfield. Additionally, she has attained CPM (certified purchasing manager) accreditation.

Emily (George) Ringer '91 has moved to Ketchum, Idaho, where her husband, Steve, has accepted an accounting position with AquaVie Beverage Corp. Emily is a stay-at-home mom. (see also births.)

Greg Campbell '92 is editing and producing for WDWB, channel 20, Detroit. WDWB is the WB affiliate in the Detroit area.

Aaron Murray '92 was evacuated from Peace Corps Uganda due to political and military instability. He is now the environmental education coordinator at YMCA Camp Greenville, N.C., in the Blue Ridge Mountains of the Appalachian system.

Kelli (Godsey) Osen '92 has accepted the position of manager of Rainbow Credit Union, Winfield. Her husband, Charles '94, is heard on radio station KKLE, Winfield—Arkansas City as "Curt Caden" announcing news, sports and weather. They have four children, Chastity, Daelor, Avery, and Riley manager of the WalnutValley Farmers Market, cofounder of the First National Bank Coffeehouse Music Series and co-chairperson of the Winfield Town Night committee. Previously regional editor at the *Winfield Daily Courier*, Seth is employed at Creative Community Living as director of development and public relations. In that capacity he has written a successful grant to fund a dental clinic for people with disabilities and made a successful request for \$100,000 in tax credits to assist capital development and endowment.

Kelle (Goertz) Thompson '93 has been elected a district director of the Kansas Society of Health-System Pharmacists.

Bryan Kiser '94 and Jennifer Telfer were married Sept.4, 1999, at West Side Baptist Church in Emporia. Bryan is a loan officer for F.T. Mortgage in Wichita. Jennifer teaches fourth and fifth grades.

Terry Quiett '94, coordinator of academic technology at Southwestern College, opened a Nov. 1 concert featuring Vance Gilbert. The event was dubbed "The Hair Concert" as both performers are easily recognized by their long locks. The concert was a part of the FNB Coffeehouse Music Series.A few days later Terr y was honored with an on-campus CD release party Nov. 4 in the Biblio-Tech Coffee Corner at Memorial Library. Terry has just released his debut CD, Paperdoll Spokesmen, on S3 Records, an independent record label. The CD contains 15 original songs composed by Terry and recorded in Wichita at Sixth Sense Studios. The album was co-produced with well-knownWichita musician Gooding. For more information on Terry, including gig dates and sound files, check out his Web site at: < www.sixthsensestudios.com>

Irene Tillman is network copy coordinator and a newswriter for television station WCIU, channel 26, Chicago. WCIU is the Chicago WB affiliate

Michael Toler '94 met Angela Sage '95 while they were students at Southwestern. After the 1998 Homecoming football game at Southwestern he proposed to her at the top of the 77. Angela said "yes," and eight months later, on July 24, 1999, the couple was married at the First United Methodist Church in Sedgwick. Angela is a third grade schoolteacher for Enterprise Elementary School and Michael is the purchasing agent for Enterprise Rent A Car in Wichita.

Dory Hamburg '95, former administrative assistant in the academic dean's office at Southwestern College, is now electronic banking center manager at First National Bank of Columbia, Mo. She is involved in all facets of the bank's e-commerce, from setting up new accounts and tech support to server interface with the bank's host provider. FNB is in the process of in-house alpha testing a new Internet banking product that will be released before the end of the year. Dory is also on the advisory board for Central Methodist College Telecommunications Center, a computer/telecommunications center located on the campus of CMC. The center is funded by Southwestern Bell for the purpose of increasing PC literacy and providing a hands-on learning environment. She teaches classes from time to time and has put together some "Intro to Computer" classes for her banks Regency Club members (50 and older). "Needless to say I have been traveling to NewYork on a regular basis for the last three years for Zac's academic progress through the USMMA," she adds. (see Zac Mathews '99)

Rhoda (Hain) MacLaughlin '95 is the new director of library services at Renn Memorial Library, Cowley County Community College. For the previous two years she had managed the elementary and high school libraries at Unified School District 285 (CedarVale). **Eric Andreas '97** is now working for Winfield IGA. This store is the second IGA in Winfield for which he has worked. (He worked at the former Wheeler's IGA for 18 years.) He has been in the grocery business for 26 years performing various duties.

Steve Butler '97 is Cowley County Community College's newest m usic instructor. He teaches music theory, piano ear training and sight singing, and accompanies the Concert Choir and Cowley County Singers. He previously served as praise and worship director for ArtsAlive at First United Methodist Church in Wellington, and as associate pastor for music/Christian education at the First Baptist Church inArkansas City.

Sean Quinlan '97 recently received his commission as a naval officer after completing Officer Candidate School (OCS) at Naval Aviation Schools Command, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla. During the 12-week training program Sean received extensive instruction on a variety of specialized subjects including navigation, ship handling, engineering, naval warfare and management. He also completed a demanding daily physical fitness program that involved running, swimming, and calisthenics.

Ashlee Alley '98 is working with Kara Adams '02 at Winfield First United Methodist Church. They are leading a group of middle and high school youth interested in dancing to contemporary Christian music.

Christopher Asmussen '98 and Stacy Schaar wer e married July 24, 1999. The wedding took place in Kardatzke Chapel at Central Community Church, Wichita.

Carmen Doramus '98 received a master's degree (summa cum laude) from West Virginia University in August 1999. While at WVU she was an assistant to the athletics compliance coordinator and senior women's administrator. She also worked with the Pittsburgh Steelers and Pittsburgh Pirates organizations. She now is at the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) in Cleveland for a 10-month internship in sports administration. Her main undertaking will be NACDA's annual convention to be held in Orlando, Fla., but she will also maintain information needed to complete each issue of the NACDA magazine, work with the NationalAssociation of Athletic Compliance Coordinators (NAACC) and the National Association of Athletic Development Directors (NAADD) organizations, correspond with athletics administrators, and perform other day-to-day office tasks.

Lindsay Holzrichter '98 has taken a position as an assistant admission manager with Presidential Classroom in Alexandria, Va. Pr esidential Classroom is an educational organization that brings together high school students from across the country for a week of seminars, discussions, and meetings with the nations most influential leaders. Lindsay spent the summer of 1998 as an intern with the program. She had been employed as a crisis and inpatient case manager at Horizons Mental Heath Center in Hutchinson.

Jennifer (Russom) Love '98 finished first in fighting (sparring) and third in forms competition at the U.S. CentralTae Kwon Do Association's eighth annual Oklahoma championship. She was representing WhiteTiger Tae Kwon Do of Winfield.

Aritha (Swaim) Par is '98 attended the 1999 World Fitness IDEA in Las Vegas. Over 3,000 top fitness professionals from more than 60 countries gathered for sessions on such topics as tai chi, cardiokickboxing, current controversies in exercise, movement that matters for seniors, and Pilates. Aritha is a health promotion consultant for Healthways at WilKaren Freeman '99 is attending Des Moines University — Osteopathic Medical Center.

Zac Mathews '99, a senior at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA) in Kings Point, N.Y., is serving as regimental commander, the highest midshipman officer position at the federal maritime college. In this position Zac is the senior midshipman of the 935-member regiment. He is responsible for implementing the policies of the academy's administration and overseeing the regiment's morale, military drilling, and personal training relating to social and military etiquette. He also supervises the freshman (plebe) class. He is assisted in his duties by a staff of regimental, battalion, and company officers, all midshipmen. Zac is a member of academy's varsity cross country and track teams. He spent parts of both his sophomore and junior years at sea, training aboard U.S. merchant ships, as well as on U.S. Navy and U.S. Coast Guard vessels. During his sea period Zac traveled to Alaska, Hawaii, Japan, Korea and China. He also did an internship at the Coast Guard Air Station, San Diego. Zac plans to enter the U.S. Coast Guard when he graduates from the academy in June 2000. At that time he will receive a bachelor of science degree in marine transportation and a merchant marine third mate's license. If accepted by the Coast Guard he will pursue a career as an officer in its rotary-wing aviation program.

Eric Roseberry '99 has accepted a position with Prudential Securities as a financial advisor. He recently passed the Securities and Exchange Commission General Securities Representative exam.

Tim Young '99 has accepted a position as M.I.S. manager of Femco, Inc. in McPherson. Femco manufactures rollbars and weather protection for the farm industry. Tim has also opened a model train store in Newton. The store is called L & S Trains.

-2000s-

Chris Bumgarner '00 was sworn in with the Kansas Bureau of Investigation on Sept. 28, 1999. He is a special agent working on a task force out of the Great Bend office. He was formerly a deputy sheriff with the Cowley County Sheriff's Department for four years.



It probably will never be known how many Southwestern alumni can claim ties to the school today because of the determination and belief of J.C.Witter. First SC's dean of men and then direc-

Leroy Worley '92 and Wendy Brenn '94 were married July 3, 1999, in Bristol, Va. Leroy is teaching at BristolVirginia High School and is the head coach of the cross country and track teams. He will be finishing a library science degree from East Tennessee State University next semester and will be looking for a librar ian position soon. Wendy completed a two-week course at Southeastern Trust School at Campbell University in North Carolina this past summer (three weeks before their wedding!) and is now working as the assistant trust officer at First Bank & Trust Co. in Abingdon, Va. She has been with the bank for $4 \frac{1}{2}$ years and in the trust division for two. Additionally she teaches eight piano students and one vocal student on Saturdays. Besides all this, Leroy and Wendy have been very involved in their church.

Jody Watkins '92 and Robb Suiter were married Oct. 16, 1999. Jody is teaching ninth grade physical science and coaching cross country, track and junior high school basketball at St. John.

Seth Bate '93 received the Winfield First Citizen Award for August 1999 from First National Bank of Winfield. His activities include secretary/treasurer for the Winfield Downtown Association, membership on the Art in the Park publicity committee, co-

CurtisWheatley '95 recently graduated from Logan College of Chiropractic in St. Louis. He purchased an existing practice in Cheney, and has established Wheatley Chiropractic Clinic. He treats sports injuries and work accidents as well as having a general family practice. Because of special additional training he can also offer acupuncture.

Joanna Kessinger '96 and James Bycroft were married June 5, 1999. James works for Future Systems in Grenola, and Joanna is a stay-at-home mom for their adopted daughter, Jamie.

Mark Masarik '96 is working for NEC, America, in Irving, Texas, as a systems engineer.

Jory Taplin '96 reports that he is now living in Salina, and has started his second year as an environmental chemist with Continental Analytical Services.

Tonya Edelman '96 married Shawn Phillips, Tonganoxie, on July 31, 1999. Tonya teaches third grade at Aubur n Elementary School in the Aubur n Washburn school district in Topeka and is pursuing a master's degree in educational administration at Washburn University. Shawn teaches eighth grade science in the RoyalValley school district near Topeka. liam Newton Memorial Hospital in Winfield.

Stephanie Sharp '98 reports that she is closing in on one year with Missouri Senator John Ashcroft's Washington, DC., office She is a correspondent for the issues of foreign affairs, defense, international trade, and agriculture. Additionally, Steph is in the final year of her master's program and will graduate in May 2000 with an MA in international affairs, major in international security policy.

Uly Wright '98 is working for Galaxy Builders Ltd. at Eagle Mountain Lake in Fort Worth, Texas, building luxury apartment buildings. He will be moving to Austin, Texas, with the same company within the next few months.

Melanie Dauster '99 and Andy Smith were married June 26, 1999. Melanie is employed at Doll Chiropractic in Manhattan. Andy is attending graduate school at Kansas State University.

Teresa (Swoyer) Davis '99 has accepted a position as an emergency response technician with the Office of Environmental Management for the Ponca Tribe of Oklahoma. She is presently working on a federal grant to develop an emergency response program for the Ponca Tribe

tor of admission for a total of 22 years Witter died Sept. 2, 1999. The Rev Preston Price, Garden Grove, Calif., recalled this SC stalwart:

"There are several stories of DrWitter getting out of his car and waiting for a tractor to come to the end of a field row to talk to a young man about the college," Price says. "In the early form of women's empowerment and liberation, he talked parents into letting their daughters come to college—not so they could meet a man, but so they could develop their own potential as citizens."

After retiring from Southwestern and moving to Newton, he traveled the state raising funds for United Methodist Youthville.

Witter's survivors include his wife of 67 years, Thelma, a son, William, and a daughter, Maridene. Memorials indude Southwestern College. Joe and Donna Avery celebrated their 50th wedding anniver sary with an "at home" reception hosted by their children and grandchildren. They are planning a millennium trip to South and Central America to visit four of the foreign students who have lived with them during the past 27 years. Joe is retired, having worked a total of 44 years with local industries such as New Era Mill, Rodeo Meats, and Total Petroleum. Donna is manager of Strother Field Airport/Industrial Park and chairs the Cowley County Community College Board of Trustees.

Quentin Bennett, pastor at Tisdale United Methodist Church and director of the seven-church Sunflower Parish for the past five years, has been appointed to First United Methodist Church, Wellington. He began his duties as senior pastor there Oct. 3, 1999. His wife, Tisha '98, is pastor of Grandview and St. Paul United Methodist Churches, Arkansas City Their daughter, Arvilla '03, is a sophomore at Southwestern College

Bob and Betty Commons celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception at the American Legion in Emporia. Bob was a school administrator for Quincy, Lebo, Meade, Cottonwood Falls, and Americus districts for 39 years, retiring in 1990. Betty is a homemaker.

Katherine Cook died Sept. 27, 1999. A longtime resident of Garden City, Kan., she was 99. Survivors include her husband, Arthur, and two daughters.

Ray Coombs died Sept. 17, 1999.

Jeff and Meredith Gannon are the parents of a daughter, Grace Elizabeth, born Sept. 13, 1999. Jeff is pastor of Chapel Hill United Methodist Church, Wichita.

Ernest "Bill" G olightly died Oct. 29, 1999. A retired farmer and Sumner County Highway Department employee, he was 87. Survivors include his wife, Louise.

Larry Hatteberg was the 1999 recipient of the Grover Cobb Award for Broadcasting Service. This award recognizes long-term and continuous service in the field of broadcasting in Kansas. The recipient is chosen annually by the faculty of the radio-TV sequence in the William Allen White School of Journalism and Mass Communications at the University of Kansas. Formal presentation of the award took place Oct.6, 1999, at the Kansas Association of Broadcasters dinner in Manhattan. Larry is managing editor of KAKE News, channel 10, Wichita.

Herbert Hawk died Oct. 12, 1999.

Richard Holes, attorney and retired Kansas Supreme Court justice, died Sept. 4, 1999, at the age of 76. Survivors include his wife, Gwen.

Stewart and Anna (Seaton) Huntington are the parents of a daughter, Evelyn Hallowell. Born Oct. 28, 1999, she weighed 7 pounds 8 ounces and was 1934 inches long. She joins a brother, Charles Holton (3).

Irma Johnson, mother of Louise Schuppener, died Sept. 17, 1999. A former resident of Rockford, Ill., she was 78. Irma taught public school music in Minnesota, Michigan, Illinois, and Manitoba, Canada. She was also active as a duo-pianist with her husband and as a church musician. Her last position was as director of music and co-director of A Classic Chorale at Bethesda Covenant Church in Rockford.

Winnie Killough died Sept. 18, 1999. A retired registered nurse, she was 81.

William McBee died Sept. 19, 1999, as the result of injuries received in an airplane accident near Atlanta, Kan. The owner of McBee Trucking, he was 53. Survivors include his wife, Toni.

Calvin Miller died Aug.26, 1999, at the age of 77. A resident of El Dorado, Kan., he was a retired Skelly, Getty and Texaco production and planning supervisor. Survivors include his wife, Jeanne.

Everett Moore died Sept. 3, 1999, at the age of 81. The retired president of the Home State Bank, Longton, he had been active in his community and had served as state representative from the 76th District. Survivors include his wife, Ardis, and a son, Kim '71.

Herbert Nagel died Sept. 22, 1999. A farmer and retired Beech Aircraft Corp. and Learjet employee, he was 80. Survivors include his wife, Ida Coombs-Nagel, and a granddaughter, Sara Montgomery **'00**.

Lois Pierce died Aug. 26, 1999, at the age of 78. Survivors include her husband, Fred.

Kenneth Robuck died Sept. 27, 1999. A retired CessnaAircraft Co. and L & S Machine Co. quality control inspector, he was 79. He was also a Halstead (Kan.) municipal court judge for 30 years. Survivors include his wife, Leona, and their son, Kenneth Robuck Jr. '64.

Charles and Estelle (Hunter) Schmidt celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a family gathering in Branson, Mo. The Schmidts are retired farmers. Charles now drives a bus for USD 405, Lyons, and Estelle is a secretary for Ricedco, Lyons.

Inez Shaw died Oct. 12, 1999. A retired Knutson Manor Nursing Home medical aide, she was 80.

Mary Taylor died Oct. 18, 1999. A for mer teacher and retired Cheney (Kan.) High School secretary, she was 85. Survivors include her husband, Robert, and a son, **Thomas '68**

Harold Thompson, retired wholesale-retail meat business employee and former schoolteacher, died Aug. 29, 1999. A resident of Winfield, he was 88. Survivors include his wife, Shirley, and a son, Wallace '71

Marilyn Williams died Sept. 14, 1999, at the age of 64. She began her career as an elementary school teacher. Later she was a facilitator for the Navy in the NSAP program and the Navy drug and alcoholism program, both at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center and Glenview Air Base. She then worked for several years doing physical therapy for a chiropractor. Survivors include her husband, Greg.

The latest in Moundbuilder sports **1** coverage is available to SC alumni through the e-JINX Sportsline service. Sportsline is offered by Southwestern in cooperation with the Winfield Courier and provides e-mail football and basketball updates to those who contribute specified amounts to the SC athletic fund. For more information contact Kieran Jarvis, assistant Phonathon coordinator, e-mail at <kjarvis@sckans.edu>.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Martha Butler, professor of nursing and director of the nursing program, has been elected chairperson of the nominating committee of the Kansas State Nurses Association. The KSNA is the professional organization for registered nurses in Kansas, representing more than 27,000 RNs.

Scott Dalrymple, assistant professor of business and director of the business administration program, is author of "Building Wichita: The History of Star Lumber & Supply Co.," to be published in December byWichita State University's Center for Entrepreneurship.

Michelle Rosell, assistant professor of psychology, will present two papers at The National Institute for the Teaching of Psychology (NITOP) conference Jan. 2-5 in St. Petersburg Beach, Fla. The presentations are based on class activities she developed with colleagues. In the first activity students first work with contrasting bits of folk wisdom and gradually begin working with actual psychological theories. In the second activity students create a three-dimensional origami model of the brain for use in studying.

James Strand, professor of music, will give his retirement organ concert March 16, 2000. He will be in Oberland April 1 and 2 for workshops and a "Three-Ring Circus" (harpsichord, clavichord, and organ concert) on Sunday afternoon.

Michael Wilder, professor of music and chair of the performing arts division, attended the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM) conference in Chicago Nov. 19-23. The music program at Southwestern College joined with this organization in 1929. Wilder was invited to participate in a workshop designed to train visiting evaluators for the

Robert Bassford has joined the staff of the Professional Studies Centers. He is a performance development specialist in the organizational development department of Bombar dier Aerospace-Learjet.

Lee Becker, former adjunct instructor in art at Southwestern College, had a show during the month of September at the Carnegie Arts Center in Goodland. Included in the show was a large collection of watercolors, lithographs, and mixed media works. Some of the works reflected her impressions of India where she took part in an art and cultural exchange. Lee presently lives in Lindsborg, and maintains her studio there.

Dan Bowker, director of safety and security at Southwestern College, recently performed old-time rock and roll, country and western music, and kids songs during the morning assembly at FrancesWillard School in Arkansas City. The performance and visits to some of the classrooms to talk about music were done as a favor to his granddaughters, who are students at the school.

Michael Cartmill, instructor in modern languages and director of the modern language program, and his wife, Joan, are the parents of a daughter, Sara Julia, born Sept. 2, 1999. She weighed 7 pounds 31/2 ounces. She joins a brother, Tomas (41/2).

Cecil Findley, former professor of religion at Southwestern College, is newly employed (part-time) as campus minister for the Wayland Houses. The Houses are an intentional Christian community of 22 residents

Ed Foster (see alumni notes for Jeannine (Lentz)

Gary Funk, director of corporate and foundation relations and formerly head of the education department at Southwestern College, has decided that the commute from Springfield, Mo., has become too much and resigned his SC duties effective Oct. 31, 1999.

Juletta Gall, financial aid assistant at Southwestern College, is participating in the Big Sisters/Little Sisters program. She was recently matched with Candice Cox, an eighth-grader at Arkansas City Middle School.

Lewis Gilbreath was awarded First National Banks First Citizen Award for September 1999. While at Southwestern College Lewis served as dean of students, director of admissions, and director of development until retiring in 1988. He then served as director of marketing for CumbernauldVillage before retiring again. He is married to the former Dorotha Ahlerich.

Leslie Grant, former recruitment coordinator in the admission office at Southwestern College, has agreed to replaceTana McKee as the admission counselor in charge of transfer students.

Dory Hamburg '95 (see alumni notes).

Larry Harp, former head custodian at Southwestern College, reports that he is now managing the AmeriSuites in Topeka. His wife, Debbie, is busy taking care of their home, including homeschooling their two children.

Paul Homan '83 (see alumni notes).

Michelle Howard, admission counselor at Southat the end of tern College, left the college

vember 1999. She has accepted a position with U.S. Surgical.

Leonard Laws, former professor of mathematics at Southwestern College, and his wife, Janet, share a longtime love of storytelling. Their interest in the subject was piqued by Elderhostel programs at Oklahoma State University. Along with Sharon Olmstead the Laws founded the Walnut Valley Storytellers, now in their second year. Leonard and Janet have attended Winter's Tales events in Oklahoma City and the National Storytelling Festival in Jonesboro, Tenn.

Tana McKee has decided to leave the admission office to pursue a full-time career as a mother of two. Tana's last day was October 29, 1999.

Terry Quiett '94 (see alumni news).

Bobby Smith '89 (see births).

Steve Vann, for mer tennis coach at Southwester n College, and his wife, Jennifer, are the parents of a son, Bryan David. He was born Aug. 8, 1999. Steve was recently honored by the Winfield Recreation Commission for 10 years of full-time service.

HeatherWelch has joined the staff of Southwestern College as student services coordinator and recruiter. She will work at both the EastWichita and West Wichita Professional Studies Centers. For merly, Heather was involved in marketing for Godfather's Pizza. She is a graduate of Tabor College.

J. C. Witter '31 (see deaths).

Leroy Worley '92 (see alumni notes).

accreditation process that will occur in conjunction with the conference.

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Charlie Shrader '74 and his wife, Sue, are the parents of a son, Seth Jeremiah. Born Sept. 25, 1999, he weighed 8 pounds and was 20 inches long. He joins four brothers and four sisters. His grandmother is **Yvonne Shrader**, former natural science secretary at Southwestern College.

Sherry (Wadleigh) Hendricks '81 and her husband, Robert, are the parents of a son, Robert "Bobby" Jean III, born July 10, 1999.

Rick Horn '82 and his wife, Lee, announce the birth of their third son, Samuel Alan. He arrived Sept. 14, 1999, weighing 7 pounds 14 ounces and was 19.5 inches long. The new arrival was welcomed home by older brothers Andrew Gary (3½)



The biggest big check presented during Homecoming '99 belonged to the class of '74. Their gift of \$19,926 was tops among the reunion honor classes. The honor class challenge will be repeated during Homecoming '00 festivities Oct. 13-15, 2000. and William Richard (2). The proud grandfather is former Southwestern debate coach **Gary Horn**.

Sandy (Williams) Owens '82 and her husband, Bob, are the parents of a daughter, Hannah Rose, born Sept. 29, 1999. She weighed 8 pounds 2 ounces and was 20½ inches long. She has a sister, Alexandra (7), and a brother, Adam (5).

Susan (Estep) Anderson '83 and her husband, Timothy announce the birth of their daughter, Kaitlyn Coleen. Born July 7, 1999, she weighed 9 pounds and was 20 inches long.

Sonya (White) Loyer '84 and her husband, Bruce, announce the birth of their son, Rex Alan. Born Sept. 1, 1999, he weighed 8 pounds 3 ounces and was 22 inches long. Sonya is a phar macist withAmerican Pharmaceutical Services and does nursing home consultations. Bruce is an electrical engineer with AMD and designs computer chips.

Donna (Hovey) and Bobby Smith '84 '89 are the parents of a daughter, Emma Marie. Born Aug 25, 1999, she weighed 6 pounds 6 ounces and was 20 inches long. She joins a sister, Dreianna (4½).

Jeff Jarnigan '87 and his wife, Elizabeth, have added a third child to their family. Emily was born March 11, 1998. She joins older sister Mary (5) and brother Jack (3). (see also alumni notes)

Julie (Unruh) Toon '90 and her husband, Tim, are the parents of a daughter born Oct. 21, 1999. She weighed 8 pounds 3 ounces.

Shelli (Simunek) Jacobs '91 and her husband, Joe, announce the birth of a son, Jackson Rudy Born June 10, 1999, he weighed 9 pounds 5 ounces and was 21¼ inches long. He joins a sister, Baylee (2).

Emily (George) Ringer '91 and her husband, Steve, announce the birth of daughter, Erica Anne, born Mar. 16, 1999. Weighing 8 pounds 10 ounces, Erica was 21¾ inches long. Waiting to greet her at home was big sister, Kate (2½). (see also alumni news) **Joanne (Kough) Ging '93**and her husband, James, are the parents of a son born Aug. 25, 1999. He weighed 7 pounds ½ ounce.

Rachel (Biddle) and Troy Rhodes '93 '00 announce the birth of their son, Caden David. Born Aug. 26, 1999, he weighed 6 pounds 15 ounces and was 19½ inches long. He has a sister, MaKayla Diane (6).

Jake and Melissa (Pickerign) Bodine '95 '96 are the parents of a son, Coby Michael. Born Sept. 26, 1999, he weighed 7 pounds 15 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Brandon Haynes '95 and his wife, Lisa, are the parents of a son, Tr istan Ryan, born Oct. 6,1999. He joins sisters Lezlee Kay, Logan Ashley, and Mack enzi Fallon.

Kevin McCarrell '95 and his wife. Terri, are parents of a daughter, Keira Jordan, born May 15, 1999. She weighed 7 pounds 7 ounces. A graduate of the social work program, Kevin and his family are living in Canada where he is working in counseling.

Billy and Jennifer Morris '95 '95 have a new baby girl, Antoinette "Toni" Maxine BornAug. 8, 1999, she weighed 6 pounds 8 ounces and was 20 inches long. She joins a sister, Alexandra (5).

Lance Rhodd '95 and his wife, Ashely, announce the birth of their son, Noah James. Born Aug. 26, 1999, he weighed 9 pounds 4 ounces and measured 19 inches. He joins a sister, Kathryn Elizabeth (5).

Jodie (Buechner) Stanley '95 and her husband, David, announce the bir th of their son, Joel Philip. Born Aug. 27, 1999, he weighed 8 pounds 5 ounces and measured 19½ inches long. He was welcomed home by a brother, Nathan Davis (1½). Joel's grandmother is Lannie Buechner, formerly with the nursing department at Southwestern College.

John Wacker '95 and his wife, Jennifer, are the parents of a daughter, Meagan Paige. Born Sept. 22,

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1999, she weighed 7 pounds 7 ounces and was 19½ inches long.

Steven and Audra Howe '96 '96 are the parents of a son. Born Sept. 26, 1999, he weighed 8 pounds 3½ ounces.

Amy (Clift) Rademacher '97 and her husband, Scott, announce the birth of their son, Avery Scott. BornAug. 21, 1999, he weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces and measured 20½ inches.

Christopher and Jessie (Brass) Fisk '00 '99are the parents of a daughter born Sept. 30, 1999. She weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces.

Buffi (Stafford) Hernandez '01 and her husband, Ryan, announce the birth of their son, Tanner Matthew. Born Sept.7, 1999, he weighed 9 pounds 10.8 ounces.

Robert Suttles '01 and his wife, Jamie, are the parents of a son, Traiton Andrew, bor n Sept. 30, 1999. Weighing 8 pounds 3 ounces, he joins a brother, Garrett Cole (2½).

<u>DEATH</u>

Charles Winter '26 died Aug. 16, 1999. He first taught at the University of Oklahoma and then accepted a full-time research position at the Merck Institute for Therapeutic Research. During his tenure at Merck he authored more than 100 scientific papers and lectured at international scientific meetings in the USA and abroad. Survivors include his wife, Greta.

L.Hobart Young '26 died Aug. 8, 1999. A minister, farmer, teacher, and businessman, he was 98. He joined the ministry at Morland-Studley-Penokee and later served Brewster, Natoma-Pleasant Plains, and Burton. A resident of Dodge City at the time of his death, Hobart claimed Macksville, Kan., as his hometown. His wife, Gladys, preceded him in death.

Walter Bynum, '29 died Sept. 5, 1999, at the age of 98. His first career was as a Methodist minister. He served churches in Zion, Elcon (Butler County), Hesston, Wichita, Whitewater, Dalton (Sumner County), Mount Carmel (Sumner County) and Grandview (north of Winfield). He left the ministry in 1941 for health reasons, but later served 14 years as superintendent of schools in Winfield. In 1969 he retired from that position and, with his wife, Wilma, ran Bynum's Paint, Wallpaper and Hobbies in Winfield until his final retirement in 1979. Survivors include his wife, Wilma, and his daughter, Norma (Bynum)West '56. **Lucille (Cooper; Lepper) Clark '33**died Sept. 17, 1999, at the age of 87. A resident of Stratton, Colo., since 1946, she had retired after teaching in Liberal and Kismet (Kan.) and Stratton.

Marie Collier '33 died Sept. 14, 1999, at the age of 88. She is probably best remembered by generations of Southwestern students as the co-owner of Collier Lanes, the local bowling center.

Merab (Weber) Castle '34, formerly of Wichita, Burns, and Manhattan, died Aug. 4, 1999. A Kansas high school teacher and former Boeing—Wichita central files supervisor, she was 90. Survivors include her husband, Emery.

Louise (Pence) Risle y '35 died Sept.8, 1999, at the age of 86. She was active in United Methodist Women, Rebekah Lodge, the Lane County Historical Society, and P.E.O. Survivors include her husband, Richard.

Ernest Callison '37 died Oct. 5, 1999, at the age of 85. He drove a bus for Winfield Bus Service and also served as a postal clerk for the Winfield Post Office. From 1953 to 1971 he and his son Keith ran Callison Builders, constructing more than 300 homes in the Winfield area. He was then employed by the FHA in Oklahoma City retiring in 1978. He did fee appraisals for the FHA and independent companies. Survivors include his wife, Ruby, and sons, Keith, **Norman '63**, and **Danny '70**.

Verle Dobson '39 died Sept. 19, 1999, at the age of 84.

Victor Gillespie '40 died Sept. 5, 1999. A resident of rural Zenda, Kan., at the time, he was 82. Victor served in the United Sates Air Force and was a veteran of World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. He retired from the Air Force in 1968 with the rank of colonel. Survivors include his wife, Lois "Peggy" (Wright) '39.

Raymond McCall '40 died Nov. 10, 1998.

Vera (Warren) Bland '45 died Sept. 14, 1999. A homemaker, she was 76. Survivors include her husband, Victor '50, and a brother, Leonard Warren '42.

Jim Martindell '45 died March 31, 1999. World War II interrupted his education at Southwestern and he served as an officer from 1943-45. Later he graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering.

Perry Doty '50, formerly of Caldwell, Kan., died Aug. 31, 1999, in Liberty Mo. A retired laborer, he was 81.

Marshall Garey '51 died Sept. 24,1999. A Navy

John Weaver '71 died June 29, 1999. He was a superintendent for Dondlinger Construction Co. John is survived by his wife, Debra, and nine children.

William "Bill" Wilber '73 died Oct. 14, 1999, at the age of 47. He formerly lived in Winfield where he had been a laboratory technician at Snyder Clinic and William Newton Memorial Hospital.

Victor "Vic"Walker '76 died Oct 21, 1999, at the age of 68. He had worked at KNI and Boy's Industrial (Topeka), Winfield State Hospital and Training Center, the Winfield Prerelease Center, and operated a bait shop on W 19th Ave. in Winfield. Survivors include his wife **Gayle (Korman) '69** and a son, **Vic Jr. '92**.

Martha Bertholf, wife of Lloyd Bertholf '21, died Aug. 4, 1999.

J. F. Dinkler, widower of **Margaret (Miller) '23**, died Oct. 13, 1999, at the age of 100. An Army veteran and retired osteopathic medicine physician, he was a former president of the Kansas Association of Osteopathic Physicians.

Ruth Headrick, widow of **Luke Headrick '25** died Oct. 24, 1999, at the age of 95. She was a retired teacher and former private pilot, having obtained

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Alcy (Walker) Goldsmith '30 died Oct. 18, 1999. She was a resident of Roswell, N.M.

Laurence "Larry" Ling '30 died Sept. 29, 1999, at the age of 92. He had been a teacher at Liberal (Kan.) High School for 38 years and was inducted into the Kansas Teachers Hall of Fame in 1980.

J. C. Witter '31 died Sept. 2, 1999, at the age of 92. J. C. worked at Southwestern College for more than 20 years and served in several capacities. Among the positions he held were associate professor of education, director of teacher education, counselor of men, dean of students, associate professor of education and director of placement and associate director of admission. Survivors include his wife, Thelma. (see page 9)

Bernard "Bernic"Botto rff '32 died Sept. 21, 1999. A retired purchasing agent in pharmaceutical supplies for the State of Kansas, he was 91. Survivors include his wife, **Nellie (Lemmon) '54.**

Henry Gerber '32 died March 10, 1998. He was very active in farming, real estate, insurance, and banking until his retirement in 1995. Survivors include his wife, Lurline (Weitzell) '32.

Hobart Mossman, '37 died Aug. 22, 1999, in Bella Vista, Ark. The son of Frank E. Mossman, for mer president of Southwestern College, he was 88. He taught in public schools in Kansas and Illinois and then served as principal of high schools in Hinsdale, Ill., and Great Neck, N.Y. Later he was president of Hockaday School and Junior College in Dallas and then superintendent of schools for Locust Valley School District on Long Island, N.Y. Sur vivors include his wife, **Betty (Lynn)** '36, and a daughter, Martha (Mossman) Smither. He was preceded in death by a son, **Stuart**, '89.

Iris Mulvaney '38 died Sept. 25, 1999. Survivors include a sister.

Leonard Schiefelbine '38 died July 29, 1999, at the age of 85. While a student at Southwestern College he was a member of the Moundbuilder basketball team, winners of the 1938 Mexico City tournament. After graduation from Southwestern he received a master's degree in education from Los Angeles State College and went to work as a teacher for the Downey Unified School District in 1949. Later he was promoted to administrator and adult school vice principal. He retired in 1979. Survivors include his wife, Inez.

veteran, former municipal court judge and retired Los Angles County Sher iff's Department deputy, he was 72.

GeraldWheeler '52 died Oct. 21, 1999, at the age of 72. During his tenure as a Presbyterian minister he started churches in Louisville and Jackson, Ky.; Leoti and Haysville, Kan.; and Lake Norfork, Ark. Survivors include his wife, Vivian.

Fern (Batchelder; Bussard) Ginder '57died Oct. 15, 1999, at the age of 92. A former teacher in various Sumner County (Kan.) schools, she retired from the Oxford school system.

Lavena (Stevenson; Bittle) Newland '60 died Sept. 17, 1999. A for mer elementary teacher for USD 470 (Arkansas City, Kan.),she was 86. Survivors include a son, **Wayne Bittle '59**.

Mary (Dixon) Crocker '64 died Sept. 6, 1999, at the age of 57. A resident of Austin, Texas, she was a preschool teacher for several years and later director of Hope Children's Center for 12 years, retiring in 1997. Survivors include her husband, Rex.

Paul Roseberry '64 died Oct. 21, 1999. A selfemployed bookkeeper, he was 59. Survivors include his wife, Katherine. her license in the 1930s.

David "Dave" Golobay, widower of **Rita** (**Richardson**) **'36**, died Oct. 13, 1999. A retired custodian and bus superintendent with the Fowler (Kan.) school system, he was 91.

Charles Watson, husband of **Eva (Metzer) '51**, died Oct. 4, 1999. A retired carpenter, he was 96.

Harris Publishing Company is now completing initial compilation of questionnaires for the new Southwestern College Alumni Directory. Within a few months the company will call alumni to verify the information. During the call the alumni will be able to reserve a copy of the directory; this will be the only opportunity for alumni to order the book.

The directory is scheduled for release in July 2000.

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Class of '49

The class of '49 was in the spotlight during Homecoming 1999 festivities. Under the organizational leadership of class agent Margaret Gilger, members marched in the parade, gathered to reminisce, and were honored at the alumni banquet. Two outstanding class leaders were presented the college's Alumni Recognition award—Stewart Boone (shown at upper left with his wife, Joyce) and Bill Medley (shown with his wife, Maxine). Classmates attending the reunion included (pictured at top from left) Joann (Miller) Ramsdale, Margaret (Dungan) Gilger, June (Bray) Vasey, Grayce (Abrahamson) Abel, Lois (Dryden) Vasey, Elaine (Baird) Brennan, Frank Longley, Bill Burnett, Lowell Gish, Stewart Boone, Bill Medley, John Ramsdale, (seated in front) James Starkey, Stanley Abel, and Charles Ramsdale. Those attending but not pictured include Dona (Bettis) Kovach, Albert Rymph, and N.M. Iverson.