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Spring Brings Changes for *The Southwesterner*

You are holding in your hand the end result of many hours of discussion in our end of Christy Administration Building.

The Southwesterner has been something of a stable commodity for the past decade or so. For at least that long, it's reached your mailbox four times a year, in an oversized format that let us use big pictures and bold graphics to convey the emotions and relationships that are at the core of the Southwestern connection.

But the spring issue, we admit, has tended to be a bit anemic. We don't have an event around which to anchor the periodical, and winter is not the most spectacularly beautiful time on campus. So we've decided to make a change.

Beginning with this issue, the spring *Southwesterner* will arrive in a newsletter format. It will still contain alumni notes to help you keep up with your classmates, stories about student achievements and interesting alumni, and news that will make you proud to be a Builder. While it won't have complete photo spreads (as we'll continue to have for the fall, winter, and summer issues), it will continue to be designed by our award-winning graphic designer.

Besides giving some variety to our look, the new spring format will save money on printing and postage, and let us explore other communication options.

By next year, when we use this format again, we may have tweaked a few details, but so far we're pleased with this experiment.

What do you think?

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KCAC Champs: Cut Down the Nets!



Shan Szefto

The 100th season of basketball was a year for the record books for the Builder men's team. When this issue of *The Southwesterner* went to print, the team was headed for the national NAIA tournament March 8-14 in Point Lookout, Mo.

Coach Doug Hall's squad headed into post-season tournament play as KCAC champions (15-3 record), and had been ranked as high as number five in the national NAIA polls with a regular-season record of 25-3. This was the first Builder basketball league championship since 1992, and turned around a squad that went 3-26 the year before Hall became head coach in 2001.

Team members cut down the nets following the final conference win over Bethany Feb. 16. Shown above are (front, l. to r.) Kenny Gardner, Eric Waterman, Wendell Riley, Rico Marquez, and Justin Diggles; (middle row) assistant coach Mike Collins, associate coach Gregg Hackerott, K.J. Wilkens, Chris Hanson, Prince Ezeala, Ricky Kendricks, Lafayette Berry, and head coach Doug Hall (with son Darren), and (back row) Jason Jeschke, Cedrick Riley, Kevin Kelley, and Joe Bellinger.

Visit www.moundbuilder.com for national tournament results and archived games, as well as Webcasts of other campus events.

Moons Shine at KC-ACTF

Play,
Professors
Score Gold at
Fargo



Roger
and
Allyson
Moon

Roger and Allyson Moon, longtime theatre professors at Southwestern College, received the Region V Gold Medallion for Excellence at the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival. The award was presented in late January during the Region V festival at Minnesota State University–Moorhead in Fargo, N.D.

The medallion honors extraordinary contributions to the teaching and producing of theatre and significant contributions to the development of the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival.

Roger and Allyson Moon have been part of the Southwestern College faculty for 18 years, and have been active members of Winfield's arts community.

Coaching and guiding students to numerous awards in acting, design, tech, playwrighting and criticism, Roger has received personal commendations including meritorious achievements awards from KCACTF for outstanding direction. He has been director of both Southwestern College shows (*Philemon* in 1999 and *10.10.POST.9.11* in 2006) that have been selected for performance at the regional festival.

Since the early 1990s Allyson has worked extensively with creativity theory and gaming which has led to an active pursuit of theatre across the disciplines, improvisational acting, and theatre arts advocacy. Results of this ongoing work have been the subject of several workshops in the region, the development of new classes, and Southwestern's 9 Lives Improvisational Comedy Troupe.

Both Allyson and Roger were instrumental in the achievements of the long-running Horsefeathers and Applesauce Summer Dinner Theatre (Allyson as managing director and Roger as director, designer, actor, and tech) and now are board members of Marquee, Inc., a non-profit organization that owns and manages a regional performing arts center.

The Region V festival also marked the second time during the Moons' tenure at Southwestern that a Campus Players-produced play has been selected for presentation.

10.10.POST.9.11: Laughter in the Aftermath was written by student Adam Sharp, and was one of only nine plays chosen from 193 eligible.

"This is an honor of incredible proportion," Roger Moon says. "Our goal is to educate students and at the same time to provide the highest quality theatre for our community. To be recognized for the quality of our theatre within our eight-state region, which is one of the most formidable regions in the KCACTF, shows the quality of the students and education we have here at Southwestern College."



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A Kinder Cut

A class of 23 junior-level students at SC comprises a wide variety of shapes, sizes, skin hues, and genders. The group is always surprised, though, to discover they're not the same under the skin. "Everyone is as different internally as they



are externally," says Dr. Pat Ross (center), instructor of the Cadaver Dissection course. In the past four years, for example, students have discovered bodies with two or four branches of the arch of the aorta rather than the typical three. Southwestern's commitment to the cadaver lab has implications for the remainder of the biology program—students separate and present the tissues and organs for use in the 200-level Human Anatomy and Physiology course.



Neosho Daily News

Crowder College Honors Sneller

The Crowder (Mo.) College athletic building officially became the Bob Sneller Gymnasium on Jan. 21. Shown here with Crowder head basketball coach Cletus Green, Sneller '51 coached the men's basketball program at Crowder from 1964-1979, compiling a 467-216 record. He is ranked in the top 12 in the all-time NJCAA coaching ranks for most victories and winning percentage. He also taught in the English/speech programs from 1964-1989. In 1963, his Independence Community College team won the NJCAA championship and he was selected Coach of the Year. Sneller was inducted in the NJCAA Basketball Hall of Fame in 2004. Sneller remains active today, serving the Crowder athletic department as an assistant coach to the Lady 'Riders and working with the booster club.

Coming soon to a computer near you...

the new and improved E-SC Newsletter! Filled with hot-off-the-press news items from various academic departments and events on campus, this is your direct connection to Southwestern and its faculty and students. If we don't already have your e-mail address so that you will receive a copy, (or if you aren't sure if we have your current e-address) register online at www.sckans.edu/alumni2. Click on the bright yellow words that say "What's New With You?" and fill out the form with your e-mail address.

Costuming is serious business, as freshman Courtney Eck and junior Trish Roudybush discovered when Southwestern College students and alumni participated in Wichita Grand Opera's production of *Lucia di Lammermoor* Jan. 21.

The 21 students and seven SC alumni were members of the opera's chorus, directed by SC director of choirs David Gardner.

"Seeing how the professional singers approach their craft was a great benefit for our students. I believe many of them learned more about their own voices during these intensive two weeks than they might in an entire semester of private voice lessons," Gardner says.



Tara Pagenkopf / The Collegian

Halls of Fame to Honor New Members

Southwestern College will induct three new groups into Halls of Fame on Founders Day, April 8, 2006. The ceremonies in Memorial Library include:

Business Hall of Fame: 2 p.m. (1:30 reception), **Craig L. Anderson '82**, **John T. Smith '64**, and **Wendell R. Smith '65**.

Educators Hall of Fame: 4 p.m. (3:30 reception), **Mary Lou (Bauer) Martin '60**, **William C. "Bill" Medley '49**,

and **T. H. "Curley" Vaughan '14 (deceased)**. **Geoffrey G. Moon '97** will be the recipient of the Marilyn McNeish Special Education Award.

Scholars Hall of Fame: 4 p.m. (3:30 reception), **William D. "Bill" Brooks '50**, **L. DeWitt Clinton '68**, and **Todd A. Diacon '80**.

More information on Halls of Fame is available on the Southwestern College Web site, www.sckans.edu/alumni2

UPCOMING EVENTS in 2006

March 15 – 5:30-7:15 p.m. Ice Cream A-la-lumni, social event for current students, Roy L. Smith snack bar.

April 8 – Founders Day. Halls of Fame inductions (see story above).

May 7 – 10:30 a.m. Baccalaureate, Richardson Auditorium.
4 p.m. Commencement Convocation, Sonner Stadium.

October 13, 14, and 15 – Homecoming 2006. Highlights will be the campaign victory celebration and the Mound re-dedication; reunion years are those ending in 1 or 6.

All alumni and friends of the college are welcome to attend any of our events, regardless of location. Check the alumni Web site at www.sckans.edu/alumni2/ or contact the department of alumni programs, (800) 846-1543, ext. 6334, or slowe@sckans.edu, for more information.

ALUMNI NOTES

1950s

Peggy (Miller) Snyder '52 was recently recognized by her church for her service as organist for the past 40 years. She is the organist at the First United Methodist Church of Bowling Green, Ohio. Peggy is a retired piano teacher with the Creative Arts Program at Bowling Green State University.

Harold and **Carolyn (Combs) Smith '53** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 23, 2005, with their family. Carolyn is still working in her private counseling practice in Wichita.

Colleen (Wartick) Bennett '56 has mostly retired after spending 37 years in development work for Ozark Christian College in Joplin, Mo.

Richard E. Hagen Ph.D. '59 has received notice that his review titled "Introduction to the Chemistry of Hazardous Materials" has been published in the *Hazardous Materials Management Desk Reference*, 2nd Ed. The Desk Reference is a publication of the American Academy of Hazardous Materials Managers. Prior to retirement in 2000, Hagen enjoyed a career as an industrial biochemist with specialties in food science and nutrition, food and drug regulatory affairs, and later in his career, as an environmental manager at Bristol-Myers Squibb. Hagen and his wife, Barbara, are enjoying retirement in Fort Collins, Colo.

1960s

James Dean '63 has been appointed to a reporter position for the National Council of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (NCCUSL). Recognized nationally as an expert on cooperative associations and former president of the American Agricultural Law Association, Dean has been asked to assist in the drafting of a uniform law concerning new types of cooperative associations.

Dennis and Nova (Kilgore) Maack '64 '65 recently returned to their home in Overland Park after two years of service with the Peace Corps in Balti, Moldova. While there, Dennis worked with at-risk children, youth, and orphans, and Nova worked with organizations of both university students and high school students. Both of them also taught a group of advanced high school students in a school for future leaders.

Loeda (Grundeitz) Westphal '65 received recognition for 50 years of

membership in Grange, a farm fraternal organization. Loeda has served six years as chaplain for the Colorado State Grange and 18 years as deputy for Colorado.

Dr. Phil Dudley '68, Hastings College president, was selected as Nebraska Music Educators Association (NMEA) Outstanding School Administrator for 2005. He was nominated by students who are members of the Hastings College chapter of Music Educators National Conference (MENC). He received his award on Nov. 18, 2005.

1970s

George Colebrook '70 writes that after 14 years as a bank vice president and 29 years of government service, he has finally retired. George is currently living in a retirement community which has four golf courses, a fishing lake, two state-of-the-art fitness centers, and much more.

Marilyn (Brown) Corbin '70 has received Kansas State University's 2005 College of Human Ecology Distinguished Service Award, and the 2005 National Diversity Award from the Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service of the United States Department of Agriculture. Marilyn is currently the associate director and state program leader for children, youth, and families with Penn State Cooperative Extension at Pennsylvania State University.

Steve Hiebsch '70 has retired after five years of teaching economics at Oklahoma City University then 26 years at OGE Energy Corp., working in the areas of economics, finance, and project development. Steve will be starting his next career as a financial planner. He plans to take courses in personal financial planning and taxation to augment his background in economics and corporate finance.

Col. Cliff L. Walker '71 became the incoming commander of the United States Army Veterinary Command (VetCom) in Fort Sam Houston, Texas, on June 24, 2005. The U.S. Army VetCom provides centralized command and control over veterinary assets supporting Department of Defense installations, ships, and deployed forces in America, the Caribbean, Central and South America, and most of Asia and the Pacific. VetCom is a major subordinate command of the U.S. Army Medical Command (MedCom), both headquartered at Fort Sam Houston. It is the only MedCom major subordinate command with an extensive tri-service mission.

1980s

Todd Diacon '80 is the author of *String Together a Nation*, a history of the construction of the first telegraph line across the Amazon Basin. The American Historical Association's Conference on Latin American History awarded this book the prize as the best book on Brazilian history published in 2003-04. Todd is a member of the faculty and head of the Department of History at the University of Tennessee.

Dennis Hodges '81 manages marketing and sales for UPC (cable TV, satellite TV, internet, telephone ad content) for Central Europe, which includes Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania, and Slovenia. He was recently named part of the "Euro 50" by *Cable and Satellite Europe* magazine, which recognizes the top media leaders in Europe.

Marvin Diener '82 has accepted a teaching/coaching position in Gardner/Edgerton. Marvin had been at Salina Central for 19 years and won six state championships in class 5A, his most recent win in 2005, when his team went 13-0. Diener was inducted into the SC Athletic Hall of Fame in 2004.

1990s

Albert Bacastow '91 has retired from the United States Post Office. Bacastow has served as postmaster in Winfield for the last 12 years.

Trevor Bridges '95 accepted a position with the law firm of Shook, Hardy, and Bacon at their international branch in Switzerland. Trevor and his wife Gina (Godsey), along with their daughter, Hadley, 2, will reside there for three to four years.

Liz Crickard '97 has accepted the position of director of institutional research at College of the Redwoods in Eureka, Calif. This is a new Title III grant-funded department which she will be responsible for launching.

Ginger A. (Wilcox) '97 and Ken Davidson II were married Sept. 10, 2005, in Oxford. Ginger is employed at Wal-Mart, Inc., as a replenishment manager.

Brandon Smith '98 spent part of his fall working as a graphic designer on *Law & Order: SVU*. Smith also is teaching Photoshop at New York University/Tisch School of Design. He is a 2004 graduate of NYU/Tisch.

SC AWARD WINNERS

2000s

April (Chlumsky) Hughes '00 has completed her master of divinity at Duke Divinity School. She is currently serving churches in Johnson and Manter, Kan.

Gordon Dippel '00 retired from the Winfield Fire Department on Feb. 24, after 29 years of service. He has accepted a position as fire chief of Ozark Fire Protection District in Ozark, Mo., effective March 1, 2006.

Dana (M'Dorman) Krause '00 is currently working for Machinery Ling, Inc., located in Kansas City, Mo. She is the payroll/benefits administrator.

DJ Bell '01 is a custom marketing manager for Vance Publishing Corp. in Lenexa, and is working on his MBA at the University of Kansas. **Angie (Busch) Bell '02** is a nurse at the Olathe Medical Center. They live in Gardner. (see Births)

Maren Harding '01 completed her master's in biology in December 2004 and is currently employed with the Texas General Land Office as a coastal biologist.

Jennifer Jensen '01 graduated in December 2005 from the University of Oklahoma physician assistant program, and passed the national boards in January 2006.

Bradley Newell '02 was one of the students representing the University of Kansas School of Pharmacy during a pharmacy health fair held Nov. 17, 2005, at the Kansas Union at the University of Kansas. This fair was an opportunity for pharmacy students and pharmacists to talk to the public about current health issues, make available general information, and offer health screenings including cholesterol, glucose, blood pressure, and bone density testing. Newell is currently in his second professional year in the school of pharmacy.

Kristen Baalman '05 is working at HCA Wesley Medical Center, Wichita. She is a nurse in the surgical intensive care unit.

Peter and **Julie (Sapp) Pruin '05** were married in July 2005. They reside in the Minneapolis area where Julie works for the Historic Theatre Group in downtown Minneapolis. Peter is an alum of Horsefeathers and Applesauce. Currently he attends graduate school at the University of Minnesota.



Southwestern College's 2006 Athletic Hall of Fame inductees were honored during ceremonies on campus Feb. 4. Newest members of the hall are (l. to r.) **Anthony Jennings '91, Kenneth Mossman '81, Terri (Saunders) Driskell '86, Kyle Farrell '95, Al Holdeman '61, and Chuck Brass '70.**

BIRTHS

Twins, Daniel Lee III and Georgia Grace, born July 21, 2005, to Danny and **Amy (Sandstrum) Winslow '01.**

A daughter, Everett Amelie, born Sept. 6, 2004, to **Terry Quiett '94** and **Amy M'Whirt '96.** Amy is the coordinator of student and resource development at Cowley County Community College; Terry is the coordinator of academic technology at SC.

A daughter, Anna, born Oct. 3, 2005, to Brian and **Amber (Rucker) Keller '98.**

A son, Jefferson David Crispin-Schnepf, born Oct. 8, 2005, to **Jennifer Crispin '98** and Andrew Schnepf.

A son, Jaxson Wade, born Nov. 3, 2005, to **Ulysses '98** and Karen **Wright.**

A daughter, Abigail Rene, born July 29, 2005, to **Jason '99** and Aubrey **Bruce.**

A daughter, Baylian Parrish, born Nov. 14, 2005, to **Joel '99** and Parrish **Smith.** Baylian joins big sisters Teagan, 2½, and Tayton, 15 months.

A daughter, Kristin M'Kayla, born Oct. 15, 2005, to Michael and **Sarah (Cox) Brogdin '00.**

A boy, Logan James, born Nov. 2, 2005, to **DJ** and **Angie (Busch) Bell '01 '02.**

Jones Top Judge in Philadelphia Court

Darnell Jones '72 was sworn in Jan. 20 as the new president judge of the First Judicial District of Pennsylvania. For the next five years, as president judge, he will head Philadelphia's court system.

In his inaugural speech address, Jones discussed his goals of improving the public perception of family court judges, expanding the use of courtroom

technology, and making the Philadelphia court system a national leader in judicial education.

Jones also teaches law classes at the University of Pennsylvania Law School and the National Judicial College. Before becoming judge, he served as chief of the Family Court Division at the Defender Association of Philadelphia.

DEATHS

1920s

Velda (Bogue) Godding '26 died Jan. 4, 2006, at the age of 102. An artist, Velda painted in oils and watercolor and during the past several years as the creator of Egyptian paste jewelry. She garnered many awards and achievements in art, winning four first-place awards in the Art Is Ageless contest, a competition for Texas senior citizens.

Dr. Armour Evans '29 died Dec. 12, 2005, at the age of 99. He had been pastor of the Wichita Woodland United Methodist Church, Andover United Methodist Church, Kechi United Methodist Church, and Oberlin United Methodist Church. Dr. Evans was the assistant superintendent of Wesley Hospital in Wichita and later the superintendent (CEO). After his retirement he continued to pastor at Ness City, Colby, and Newton. Survivors include a daughter, **Mary Alice (Evans) McLeod '60**.

Matilda (Garlinghouse) McGibbon '29 died Dec. 12, 2005, at the age of 97. A leader in her West Texas town, she was a civic force, active in education and the arts, and was a member of the board of directors of the Big Spring YMCA for 10 years. An avid patron of the arts, she established the annual concert series and served as its membership chairman. She was a member of the board of directors for the Salvation Army, was active in Meals on Wheels, and was project chairman for AAUW.

1930s

Mabel (Ray) Remmers '30 died Nov. 29, 2005, at the age of 97. For many years she worked as a clinical social worker and psychotherapist at the famed Menninger Clinic. She was active in establishing and managing the family care program there. Mabel was also well-known as an actress in local theatre. She appeared in plays from age five to age 90. Mabel was a member of the Topeka Civic Theatre and elected to the TCT Hall of Fame, Washburn Players, Players Company of Topeka, Dale Easton Players, The Minerva Club, and Dr. Karl Menniger's study group. Before becoming a social worker, she played roles in summer stock theatre throughout the Midwest and taught drama and journalism in Kansas and Colorado.

Virginia Stewart '30 died Jan. 28, 2006. A retired kindergarten teacher, she was 96.

Dean Hilfinger '32 died Jan. 20, 2006, at the age of 93. Dean received his architectural engineering degree from The

University of Illinois in 1935. He served in World War II as an officer in the Civil Engineer Corps of the U.S. Navy, stationed in the Southwest Pacific. A violist, he played with the Bloomington-Normal Symphony and the Illinois Wesleyan Civic Orchestra from 1937 through 1997, except during his time of service in WWII. In 1986 he was awarded an honorary doctor of science degree from Southwestern College.

Virginia (Kenreich) Drennan '33 died Jan. 29, 2006, at the age of 94. She loved antiques, traveling, scrapbooking, museums, and sewing for her children and grandchildren. Virginia was active in the county fair and worked the antiques booth. She was vice president of D&D Farm Equipment, the family's corporation. Survivors include sons **Bill '58** and **Jerry '61**.

Gladys Ebright '33 died Oct. 30, 2005, at age 93. She was a retired educator.

Ruth (Johnson) Robinson '33 died Dec. 7, 2005, at the age of 92. Ruth taught school in the Arkansas City, Peru, and the Niotze area for many years.

Mary Lucile (Thomas) Stevens '34 died June 30, 2005, at age 95. A retired educator, she taught home economics for several years in Durham and Almena.

Ruby (Johnson) Smalley '34 died Dec. 14, 2005, at the age of 92. She was a retired school guidance counselor, life member of Order of the Eastern Star, and the United Methodist Church. Ruby was a member of the Kappa Kappa Iota national teachers sorority and served as Kansas president from 1972 to 1973.

Walter Edwin "Ed" Lydick '35 died Nov. 18, 2005, at the age of 93. Upon graduation, he was a civilian employee of the Army Corps of Engineers. In 1937 he became an officer in the United States Border Patrol in McAllen, Texas. At the outset of World War II, Lydick was commissioned an ensign in the U.S. Navy, serving in the Pacific Theater as a naval intelligence officer. Honorably discharged as a lieutenant in the United States Naval Reserve, he returned to Mississippi and was employed as a contract officer with the Veterans Administration in Jackson. In 1953 he acquired Jackson Plating Company. He retired as president and CEO but remained active in the business. Survivors include his wife, Donna.

Laurence Jarvis '39 died Jan. 7, 2005. A World War II veteran, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps and was sent to Officer

Candidate School. Upon graduation, he was sent to the South Pacific where he attained the rank of major in a supply company. He was honorably discharged after the war and returned to Winfield. He joined his father and two brothers in the auto parts business and soon became the company's general manager. The business grew to include stores in Oklahoma and Kansas. Survivors include his wife, **Virginia (Moore) '39**.

Ruth (Rinehart) Pomeroy '39 died Jan. 8, 2006, at the age of 90. Ruth was active in assisting the Boy Scout and Girl Scout organizations. She worked at Southwest Medical Center before becoming receptionist and office manager for a medical office in Liberal. After her retirement she worked part time as a receptionist at the Coronado Museum and Dorothy's House for 16 years.

Ernestine (Hubbard) Zeigler '39 died Aug. 20, 2005, at the age of 87. She was a 50-year member of Order of the Eastern Star and was a Girl Scout leader for 30 years. Ernestine was a retired farmer and school teacher, teaching in Ramona, Spivey, and Wilmfore schools. Survivors include her husband, Wade.

Alta (Rogers) Whitesell '39 died Nov. 7, 2005, at Providence Park in Waco, Texas. Alta spent most of her life living in Clearwater and Wichita. Her hobbies included quilting, sewing, Bridge Club, playing the organ and piano, and teaching music.

1940s

Darius Ethen "D.E." Cockrum '40 died Nov. 1, 2005. Survivors include his wife, June; daughters **Nancy (Cockrum) Murray '72**, **Carolyn (Cockrum) Baylor '64**, and **Joyce (Cockrum) Baughman '75**, and son **Darrell '66**.

Herbert Hendricks '41 died Jan. 6, 2006. A World War II veteran, Herb served in the Navy for two years. A lifelong learner, he was a graduate student at Western State College of Colorado at Gunnison, Colo., first enrolled in the summer of 1960. He studied during seven of the 10 summers of that decade, earning his master of arts and education specialist degrees in elementary administration. Herb retired as a principal in 1983. Survivors include his wife, Barbara.

Ann (Anderson) Baird '42 died Jan. 3, 2006, at the age of 85. Ann was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Pittsburg since 1947, where she served as a member of the Board of Trustees and administrative board as well as additional

committees and as a Sunday school teacher. She was a member of Embroiderers Guild of America and was active in the Ozarks Needle Workers chapter. Survivors include her husband, C. Ray.

Fred MacDonald '42 died Dec. 20, 2005. During World War II Fred's Army Air Corps company was responsible for maintaining the aircraft that flew over Europe, including those used in the D-Day invasion. A retired educator, Fred taught at McLane High School in Fresno, Calif.

Robert R. Jeffries '43 died Jan. 7, 2006, at the age of 90. A retired United Methodist minister, he served churches in Nebraska and Kansas for nearly 50 years before retiring at Sublette in 1983. Rev. Jeffries was an award-winning iris hybridizer and garden judge. Survivors include his wife, Bertie Mae.

Philo Wooddell '48 died Dec. 31, 2005. During World War II, he was a supply officer in the U.S. Army, serving during the initial occupation of Allied Forces in Japan. Before retiring Philo worked as a purchasing agent for the state of Kansas. For 18 years he was the director of the Winfield Community Food Pantry that operates out of Grace United Methodist Church. Survivors include his wife, **Jean '70**; a son, **Glenn '63**; and daughters **Ann Anderson '69** and **Nancy Maier '85**.

Ruth A. (Holmes) Kittle '49 died Nov. 4, 2005, at the age of 78. She was a retired educator. Survivors include her sisters **Lila (Holmes) Parks '50** and **Lois (Holmes) Packard '55**.

1950s

Robert M. Jones '51 died Nov. 16, 2005. Jones enjoyed a 36-year career with the National Conference of Christians and Jews. After retiring in 1991 as executive vice president of the Western Region of NCCJ, he began a second career as founder of the Southern California Leadership Network. Jones was awarded the SC Servant Leadership award at Homecoming 2005. Survivors include a brother, **Richard '50**.

Bill Thornton '51 died Nov. 27, 2005. A World War II Army veteran, he served in the artillery at Fort Bragg, N.C., and Fort Sill, Okla. He was discharged as a staff sergeant as director of the post message center. Bill retired in 1986 after 33 years as audio visual director for USD 465 (Winfield). He taught hundreds of driver education students to drive, and he refereed basketball games for years.

Olin Allen '52 died Dec. 13, 2005, at the age of 77. Olin served in the United States Army and was stationed in Japan following World War II. He also served in the Korean conflict. A former instructor at Hutchinson High School, he was a social science instructor for nearly 30 years at Hutchinson Community College and served as a department chair for a number of years before retiring in 1990. Survivors include his wife, Donna, and son **Michael '74**.

Royce G. Orme '52 died Dec. 6, 2005, at the age of 75. After graduating from college he served four years in the U.S. Air Force. He then began his teaching and coaching career at Inman, Blue Rapids, and Belle Plaine. He later joined his father-in-law in the funeral business in Meade. He retired in 2004. Royce served two terms as mayor of Meade, was one of the founders of the Little Dribblers Organization in Meade, and coached numerous baseball teams. Survivors include his wife, Evangeline.

Charles Goforth '53 died Nov. 3, 2005, at the age of 74. After having served in the Korean Conflict as a photo interpreter for the U.S. Army, Charles moved his family to Portland, Ore., where he was a teacher for the Portland School District for 10 years. He then was an administrator for 25 years for Salem School District. He retired from education in 1989. Survivors include his wife, Naomi.

Charles Kielhorn '58 died Dec. 26, 2005, at the age of 72. He taught school in the Lincoln area, then moved to Arkansas City where he drove a truck for Rodeo Meat Packing Co. He later owned and operated the ACW truck line for many years and was a rancher in the Silverdale area. Kielhorn was a longtime coach for youth football and basketball, and was a cofounder of youth league baseball in Arkansas City. He was also instrumental in building many of the fields where today's participants play and practice. Survivors include his wife, Delores.

Richard "Dick" Camp '59 died Dec. 29, 2005, at the age of 71. Camp earned a master's degree at Emporia State University and received a juris doctorate degree from Washburn University in 1966. He was elected Cowley County attorney in 1971 and served two terms through 1979. He received numerous awards during his career for outstanding service and dedication and was a member of the Cowley County Bar Association. Survivors include his wife, Toni; daughters **Rita (Camp) Gumm '83**, and **Carol (Camp) Hood '82**, and son **Jeff Camp '82**.

Daniel Dee Lind '59 died Dec. 13, 2005. Daniel served in the Kansas Army National Guard for eight years. He taught art in Arkansas City public schools for 33 years, retiring in 1998.

1960s

Charline (Harlow) Boyle '60 died Oct. 17, 2005, at the age of 93. She was a retired elementary school teacher.

Jessie (Cranmer) Finley '61 died July 14, 2005, at the age of 94. She was a retired educator. Survivors include a son, **Richard Cranmer '67**.

Michael Alexander '62 died Jan. 10, 2006. Michael dedicated 37 years to Chaffey College where he held many positions including department chair of communication studies, interim dean of visual and performing arts, dean of student affairs, vice president of personnel, co-creator of the EOPS program, founding faculty of the women's center and the children's center. He taught English, speech, and theatre arts. He was honored as faculty of the year in 1992, and in 2005, was presented the Meritorious Service Award. Survivors include his wife, Kay.

Edna Clark '66 died Jan. 27, 2006, at the age of 93. Edna began teaching in 1931 as a rural school teacher southeast of Dexter for 12 years. She also taught three years in a rural school northeast of Winfield. For 23 years she taught in the Dexter school. She retired in 1975. Edna also taught piano lessons from her home for many years and was the pianist at many school functions.

Dorothy (Probst) Griffith '69 died Oct. 12, 2005, at the age of 87. She was a homemaker and worked as a bookkeeper for Ford Motor Company.

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Steven J. Douthit '97 died Oct. 13, 2005, at the age of 55. Steve served his country in the Army National Guard and Army Reserve for a total of 18 years, retiring from service as a captain. He founded Custom Water Treatment, a water softener and purification business. At the time of his death he was employed by the City of Ponca City, Okla., as a water plant operator. Survivors include his wife, Violy.

Kenneth Goard '99 died Jan. 12, 2006. Ken was a mortgage consultant and a member of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity. Survivors include his wife, Glenda.



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