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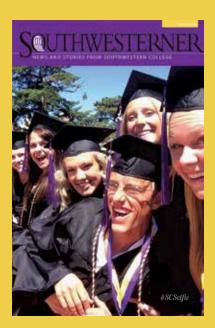
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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear friends,

Southwestern College has its seasons, and not just of weather and athletics. We've recently come through a season of loss with the deaths of remarkable and beloved

alumni and faculty: Joe Vann, Phil Hower, Peggi Bell, Cynthia Compton, and Phil Schmidt. These individuals touched many of us. Phil Schmidt, especially, helped define the experience of studying at Southwestern for generations of our students.

In jarring juxtaposition is the season of Commencement, with its vivid colors, family celebrations, and hope and optimism for the future. The college conferred its first-ever doctoral degrees, two senior musicians brought down the house during the Honors Convocation, and the Order of

the Mound ceremony provided a great opportunity to celebrate the best of the best.

Loss and optimism came together in a bright moment at the end Phil Hower's memorial service, which was held on the Saturday of Commencement weekend. The recessional music was the college fight song. "On, Southwestern" is a musical selection not often heard at church, let alone at a memorial service, but it lifted our spirits that day and set the stage for the glorious weekend that followed.

Thanks for all you do for Southwestern!

Best regards,

Duk Merriman

Dick Merriman, President

ADMINISTRATION VIEWPOINT



For the first time in more than twenty years, I am enjoying the month of May back home in Kansas. As I write, my family and the moving truck have just arrived from Florida, and we begin the joys

and challenges of settling in to our new home in Winfield.

All around me, I see transition. The whites and grays of winter have turned to the greens and vibrant colors of a beautiful spring ... always my favorite time of year, and something I missed in Florida where it is colorful year-round. Southwestern students are off for home or summer programs, and our graduates have made their way across the stage to receive diplomas or graduate hoods. The strains of "Pomp and Circumstance" swell the heart with pride, excitement and probably a little trepidation for seniors now taking their next step into the big, wide world.

We have had several losses at in our Southwestern

community. My transition to Southwestern came at a time that gave me only a few short weeks to know Joe Vann and Phil Schmidt, but I feel blessed to have had those moments. To see the impact that they and others have had in our community is tremendous.

Sad or happy, exciting or worrying, enriching or challenging ... there are so many emotions around change. In truth most are bittersweet, as we leave behind and as we move forward. Like family, friends and faith can be a solid foundation through transition. At Southwestern, I have found a college and a community that is a solid rock for the Builders who pass through these halls.

Be a Builder,

DeAnn Dockery, Vice President for Institutional Advancement

Southwestern College President

Dick Merriman

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Sheppard to lead college's academics as provost

r. James Andrew (Andy) Sheppard has been named provost of Southwestern College in

a move that consolidates overall academic administration of the college.

Sheppard has been at Southwestern since 1997, first as a faculty member in religion and philosophy and for the past decade as vice president for academic affairs and dean of faculty. Until this reorganization, oversight of both academic and marketing efforts in

Professional Studies had been delegated to a single vice president. Now, as provost, Sheppard will oversee academic affairs in both main campus and Professional Studies. Susan Backofen will be vice president for enrollment management in Professional Studies.

> The change is expected to give the college a more unified approach to such areas as institutional collaborations, new programs, admission prerequisites for transfer students, and assessment.

"Having one chief academic officer for the institution gives us more consistency in developing educational partner-

ships and new programs," Sheppard explains. "For example, we have just completed a truly collaborative agreement with Butler County Community College that will be a true pathway to enrollment at Southwestern College rather than a transfer agreement. For a long time we've had a robust collaboration with Cowley County Community College. Both of these agreements allow for the fact that both 18-yearolds and working adults are enrolled in community colleges, and all need options to further their educations appropriately."

Sheppard has recently completed an articulation agreement with Anhui University in China, the fourth and largest of the Chinese universities that collaborate with SC.

Sheppard also expects to see more faculty collaboration between main campus and Professional Studies - he has already made arrangements for

a main campus philosophy professor to teach a course on the ethics of war to Professional Studies learners at McConnell Air Force Base.

In addition, the assessment of instruction in Professional Studies will be aligned with assessment processes currently used on campus.

However, administrators stress, the college will continue to seek out and put into place the best educational opportunities for both the traditionalaged main campus students and the adult learners in Professional Studies.

"Andy is well aware of, and fully supports, the college's commitment to a Professional Studies program that responds innovatively to the needs of adult learners and employers," President Dick Merriman says.

Places, everyone!

The TOMARI Center for Theatrical Arts and Technologies was dedicated in appropriately theatrical style April 12. Lead donors Tom and Mari Wallrabenstein joined theatre faculty members Roger Moon, Allyson Moon, and student Aaron Pfingsten in enthusiastic ribboncutting of the new facility. See a photo on the cover, and more photos at sckans.edu/TOMARI.



SC named national champs of E-cyclemania contest

he numbers are in and the results are official - Southwestern College is a national category champion in the 2014 RecycleMania Tournament. SC competed against 460 other colleges and universities in the annual competition, which leverages campus spirit to increase recycling and waste reduction on campuses across the U.S. and Canada. Participating schools represented more than 5.3 million students from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Canada.

Southwestern was crowned champions of the 2014 Electronics Recycling "E-cyclemania" competition, a special category of the nationwide RecycleMania competition.

Green Team Southwestern collaborated with the City of Winfield, Grace United Methodist Church, and Vintage Tech LLC to collect electronic items that were ready to be recycled. Businesses and individuals brought items to the event. Vintage Tech LLC collected the items and processes them for recycling.

"It has been a goal of mine to be able to have some kind of electronic waste recycling service," says Jason Speegle, director of Green Team Southwestern. "It is something that is sorely needed. Nowhere in the area is there a place to take obsolete electronics and get them recycled. It is pretty hazardous to throw them in the landfill. We had a great partnership with the City of Winfield and

Grace United Methodist Church to make the electronics recycling event happen. Members of Grace, about 25 college students, and inmates from the Winfield Correctional Facility volunteered at the event. We collected over 12,400 pounds of material."

Colleges and universities competing in the eight-week competition are ranked according to how much recycling, trash and food waste they collect. Between the early-February kickoff and the tournament's final day on March 29, participating schools collectively recycled or composted 89.1 million pounds of recyclables and organic materials, preventing the release of 126,597 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (MTCO2E) into the atmosphere, which is equivalent to preventing annual emissions from 24,823 cars.

Southwestern students, faculty, and staff competed in several categories, including grand champion, corrugated cardboard, per capita classic, and waste minimization.

Other Kansas schools that participated in RecycleMania were Kansas State University, University of Kansas, and Johnson County Community

"With the help of millions of students, RecycleMania competitors have recycled and composted over 277,800 tons of material since the competition first started in 2001," said Stacy Wheeler president of RecycleMania, Inc.



The first four recipients of Southwestern College's Doctor of Education degree were hooded during Commencement May 4, 2014. Here Provost Andy Sheppard talks with Dr. Carla Zuazua-Garza, Mission, Texas, who participated. Other doctoral degree recipients were David Engelking, Derby; Vincent Evans, Wichita; and Clinton Schutte, Haysville. The program currently has 90 students on track to receive the advanced degrees.



Outstanding faculty and staff

were recognized during end-of-year festivities at Southwestern College. Recipients included Pam Olney, social sciences faculty assistant, SGA Citation; Tamara McEwen, assistant professor of biology, Fassnacht Faculty Award and SGA Citation; Julie Galliart, Professional Studies assistant director of faculty, Fassnacht Administrator Award; and Terry Quiett, web producer, Fassnacht Administrator Award. Not pictured is Jackie Glasgow, assistant professor of teaching and recipient of the United Methodist Exemplary Teacher Award.

Do hard things. Do. Hard. Things.



By Stephen M. Woodburn, associate professor of history and recipient of the 2014 Charles H. and Verda R. Kopke Distinguished Teaching Award. These remarks were made at Commencement.

dministrators, faculty colleagues, friends and family of the graduates, I ask your indulgence as I address my comments primarily to the graduates themselves. My message to the graduates comes down to three words. I'm tempted just to say those three words and sit down. But I'll add a few comments to explain what I mean.

My three words are: Do hard things. Do. Hard. Things.

The Russian novelist Fyodor Dostoevsky tells the following story in The Brothers Karamazov. A man lived his whole life convinced there was no God, no heaven or hell, no afterlife at all. When you die, that's it, it's over. So when he died, he was terribly disappointed to discover he had been wrong: there is a God, there is a heaven, there is eternity. He was told he could enter heaven if he walked a billion miles first. The man was outraged. "That'll take millions of years!" he said. "I did not want this. I did not ask for this. So, no. I'm not going anywhere." And he lay down right across the track and refused to move.

He lay there for a year, ten years, a hundred years, a thousand years. At which point, he said, "This is stupid. I'm not getting anywhere; if I just start moving, then eventually I'll get finished. The longer I take to get started, the longer it will take to get done." So he starts walking, and by putting one foot in front of the other, eventually he walks the whole billion miles.

Dostoevsky wraps up the story and ties it with a bow: The man finally enters heaven and declares that the first few seconds were so wonderful that he would walk the whole billion miles all over again just for those few seconds of bliss. That's great and all, but it's not really the point I'm trying to make.

First of all, how do I know this story? Because I was willing to read a book most people would say is too hard to read. That story is on page 780-781, of what is, in my copy, a 940-page novel. There are dozens of things that I know from having read

the whole book. You don't get things like that from the Spark Notes.

Point One is, when you do hard things, you learn stuff from doing them, you get the benefit from the experience you gain by doing hard things. You will know things that others don't, simply because you've put in the time and the effort.

I made my own long journey, like the one in the story. In graduate school, one of the books I needed to write my dissertation had never been translated into English. It had been out of print for almost a century, from 1895 to 1991. But by 1996, there had been a couple new editions with big print runs, indicating that Russians were reading this book again. Maybe we should too. I figured surely someone more qualified than me had noticed this and would produce a translation any day, maybe even in time for me to use in my dissertation. It was a big book, 600 pages of philosophical prose. I wasn't up to it. But surely someone else would do it, right?

So I waited. Ten years. Nothing happened.

In 2006 I realized if I'd just done a page a day, I would have been finished a long time ago. There's a Chinese proverb that says, the best time to plant a tree is 25 years ago. If you'd done that, you'd be sitting in its shade now. But since you didn't, the second best time to plant a tree is right now. Do it now and you may live long enough to see it grow big. If not, you've still passed on something to the future.

I still didn't feel qualified for the job, but I realized that the main qualification for any job is the belief that it is worth doing. And if you believe it and no one else does, then that makes you most qualified.

I published that translation in November of last year. I started it in 2007. It's dedicated to my youngest daughter, Ruby, because she was still a toddler taking afternoon naps every day. My wife had taken a part-time job, so I went home for those hours if I wasn't teaching. I couldn't go anywhere or do anything else while she was sleeping. So I started translating. I set a goal of one page a day before she woke up. Then I got to where I could do two pages a day. On a really good day, I could do three or four pages.

It's been said a number of places, that success usually doesn't come from doing your day job, but from doing your homework. You graduates think you're done with homework. But I hope you're not. The biology professors may take exception to me saying this, but I say your brain is a muscle. The harder you work it, the stronger it gets. But if you stop using a muscle, it shrinks and fades. Once you're strong, you find it's not hard work any more, it's just work. The more you do it, the more capable you become.

Point Two is, you do hard things

to prove to yourself how capable you are. Use that capability, find the thing that you want to get better at by doing more of it. Cultivate something you're passionate about, that you care about doing. It can open doors you haven't imagined yet.

And Point Three is related: You do hard things to prove to others that you're capable, and credible. I spent years doing the first book, not really knowing what the payoff would be. Now I can see what that is, because earlier this year I won a grant for the translation of a second book. The second book is half as long and half as hard, but I won the grant because the funding agency could already see what I could do from the first book. They were happy to give funding to someone who had already proven he could do hard things.

Those are my three points. When you do hard things, you learn new things you never knew before. You

prove to yourself that you're capable of doing something you thought was beyond you. And you prove to others what you can do. They will believe in you and get behind you.

I often tell my students that in your 20s, you're playing with house money. You can afford to gamble a little. By age 30 you need to figure out what you want to be when you grow up. Until then, you can afford to take some chances. All you risk losing is a little time, but right now you've got more time than anything else. Take a risk, learn from failure, use that to do better next time.

The worthwhile things in life aren't always easy. And the easy things in life aren't always worthwhile. This world is begging for people who can do hard things. So go out there and prove what you can do.

And when you do, tell us about it. We're proud of you and we want to hear about whatever you do.



President Dick Merriman congratulates Christine Sheppard and Christopher Paddock, winners of the 2014 Professor Fran Jabara Leadership Award.

Photos and full video coverage of Southwestern College's 2014 Commencement can be found at sckans.edu/commencement.



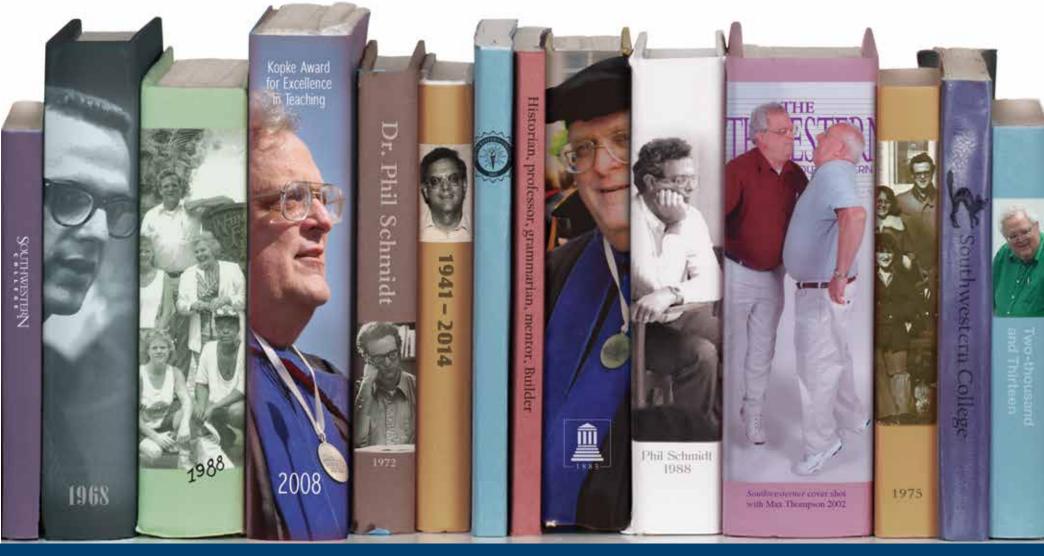
Ashlee Alley will leave her position as campus minister following the spring 2014 semester to begin a new position with the Great Plains Conference of the United Methodist Church on July 1. Alley will be stepping into a newly-created position, that of Clergy Development and Recruitment Coordinator.

Rev. Alley was in her ninth year

leading SC's campus ministry programs, including chapel, Discipleship Southwestern, and small group ministries. She first came to SC 20 years ago as a college freshman, though, graduating in 1998.

"It's very fitting that the last thing I got to do with the students of Discipleship SC was our mission trip to Ogden Friendship House of Hope right here in Kansas," Alley said. "Short term mission trips allow us to have new eyes to see what is often around us all the time – the people who go with us as a part of our community, the needs in another community (which may echo the needs in our own), and the amazingly gifted and committed disciples of Jesus who give their lives serving others."

Matt Sigler, Visiting Scholar in the Institute for Discipleship, will be interim campus minister during 2014-15.



Dr. Phil Schmidt: Historian, professor, grammarian, mentor, Builder



"What a great teacher, patient listener, and dispenser of wisdom. I remember his sincere smile and friendly way of chatting. A role model for students and staff alike."

- Bill Stephens '69

Bill Stephens shot many of the black-and-white photos in this tribute while he was a student or staff photographer. Phil Schmidt's office photo by Dr. Stephen Woodburn. To see more photos of Phil and a video of the memorial service held in Richardson Performing Arts Center on April 11, 2014, please visit sckans.edu/Phil.

A memorial at Southwestern College will honor Dr. Phil Schmidt by providing scholarships to students. For more information contact DeAnn Dockery at deann. dockery@sckans.edu or 620-229-6210.

r. Phil Schmidt was barely older than his students when he joined the faculty at Southwestern College. When he taught his final class just a few weeks before he died on April 4, he was the institution's most senior faculty member. During the 47 years between those time points, Dr. Schmidt was a respected scholar, a revered teacher, and a beloved friend

Phil was born July 9, 1941, in Detroit, Mich. He attended Ottawa University, graduating in 1963 at the top of his class. Eventually he earned his doctorate in history and anthropology from the University of Kansas, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

He became an SC faculty member in 1967 during the tumultuous Vietnam War era, and told his students they were learning history as it was being made. His pupils soon found that the young-looking professor had a razor-sharp mind and passion for teaching. This does not mean that Dr. Schmidt's classes were easy - three generations of students discovered this fact when their papers were returned covered with ink from his infamous green pens. He demanded college-level thinking and writing, and had a well-earned reputation as a grammar purist.



Wearing a year-round uniform of white Dockers, pastel shirt (long-sleeved in the winter, short-sleeved in the summer), and New Balance tennis shoes, Phil was not only present in the academic division; he participated in the full life of the college. He was a regular at athletic events (and delighted at the success of the women's basketball team this year), ate hundreds of meals in the dining hall, and applauded his students' successes in music and theatre performances. He could be found on The Hill most evenings and throughout the summer.

Meticulous, conscientious, and caring, he often was the first face of Southwestern to new students, advising them as they mapped out their academic paths. "He always shared both knowledge and friendship in a delightful optimistic style," one former student recalled. He took pride in the achievements of those he taught, and delighted in their post-graduation friendships.

Well-respected by his peers, Phil was the Southwestern College liaison to the Chicago Center, past social sciences division chair, sponsor of Pi Gamma Mu, and a member of numerous committees and task forces. He received the Kopke Award for Excellence in Teaching from Southwestern College in 2008.

Phil will be deeply missed by his family – his wife of 51 years, Phyllis; his daughters, Amy Schmidt and Alleigh Allen; his son-in-law, Kelly Allen; and his four grandchildren.

But he also is mourned by his entire Southwestern College family, the students, faculty, staff, and colleagues by whom he was loved and admired. During Commencement history professor Stephen Woodburn had in his pocket the medal Phil wore with his regalia. Phyllis Schmidt asked Woodburn to carry it so that part of Phil would be in the faculty processional.











#SCSelfie

What happens when Southwestern College challenges new grads and their families to turn the cameras on themselves? Selfies. These self-portraits were submitted by all kinds of Builders including President Dick Merriman, who snapped a shot of the stage party. See all of the SC Selfies at the online Commencement link: It's just as if you had been in Jantz Stadium on May 4, but a lot cooler.

It's never too late – share your own #SCselfies! [@Moundbuilder

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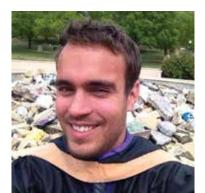












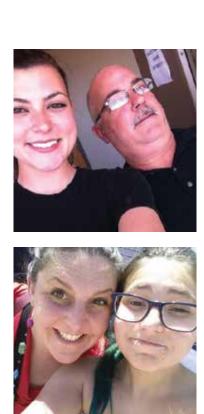
































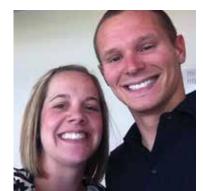
























____ 1940s _____

Etcyl '47 and Ruth (Gross) Blair '47 were honored on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, 2014, at an Art Sweetheart Luncheon sponsored by Creative 360 in Midland, Mich. This was the kickoff of an innovative program designed to recognize and honor those 80 and over for their knowledge and legacy of creativity, as they share their stories and experiences through performance, lecture, discussion, and an exhibition

____ 1950s ____

Deryl Schuster '57 has been appointed by Gov. Sam Brownback as Kansas State Bank Commissioner. He began his duties on March 19, 2014. Deryl's first official role was to participate in the Conference of State Bank Supervisors in Washington, D.C., which included one full day for new bank commissioners.

____ 1960s _____

Dr. George Cole '63 married Fernanda Isabella Devany on Feb. 15, 2014. George and Nanda are at home in Dallas.

Rev. R. Bruce Gotschall '65 and Rev. Barbara (Russell) Gotschall '65 celebrated their 50th wedding

anniversary on April 16, 2014. The Gotschalls live in Chalfont, Penn.

Jason Johnston '69, the designer/ creator of the Poteet Theatre in the lower level of the St. Luke's Church, Oklahoma City, continues to be a major leader, resource, director, designer, and supporter for the theatre and its productions. In the 2013 Poteet Theatre Awards, he was recognized for best set design for his work with the play Noises Off.

= 1970s =====



Mike McCarthy '76 regional scout for the British Columbia Lions (Canadian Football League) and vicechairman of the Canadian Football

Hall of Fame and Museum, was to be inducted into the Cats Claws Football Walk of Fame on May 23, 2014, in Hamilton, Ontario. Mike has spent his entire career involved with various roles in the CFL and this award is in recognition of his work.

1980s

Nancy (Wooddell) Maier '85 became community relations manager with Mosaic in Winfield in October 2013. Mosaic is a non-profit organization that provides services to individuals with intellectual disabilities. Monthly tours are available by contacting Nancy.

____ 1990s _____

Eric Kurtz '92 was recently promoted to CEO/president of Union State Bank located in Arkansas City and Winfield. Eric has been with Union State Bank since 2009, serving in the capacity of chief loan officer and/or corporate president. Eric and his wife, Christy, live in Ponca City, Okla.

Dexter and Tricia (Maidt) '94 Denson celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on March 10, 2014. Tricia is director of nursing for Angels Care Home Health. Dexter works for Finney Heating and Air Conditioning.

Rev. Ashlee Alley '98 (see story on page 4)

2000s

Ashley Helfrich '01 completed a management certificate from the Center for Management Development at Wichita State University in December 2013.

Brian Carr '04 is account executive with the Tulsa Area United Way. He will be in charge of coordinating the internal Tulsa Area United Way campaigns for a number of Tulsa area businesses and organizations. Brian is also a class host for his 10-year reunion at Homecoming 2014.

Keri Shimkus '06 has been named vice president of lending for CornerBank. Shimkus joined CornerBank in 2007 as a credit analyst.

2010s

Shelly Hoffman '10 was named the National Physical Education Teacher of the Year. Hoffman teaches in SC's Professional Studies programs and has a master's degree from SC. She also teaches at Franklin Elementary School in Wichita.

Katie (McNett) Richardson '13

was recognized by the Wichita Public Schools as one of the 2014 Distinguished Classroom Teacher Award recipients. Katie is a sixth grade language arts teacher at Coleman Middle School, and was honored in the New Teacher, Secondary category.

Pedro M. Esquivel '62, Bruce Blake, Harry H. Dunn '23 (posthumous accepted by his son John Dunn)



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Ronda J. (Sims) Marshall '70, John W. Marshall '70, Frank D. Davidson '79

Dr. George Cole '63, Loren B. Crawford '34 (posthumous – accepted by daughter Anne (Crawford) Kole), Ronald K. Curfman '64









Everett V. Samuelson '48 (posthumous – accepted by widow Lois (Boyd) Samuelson '49), Marilyn (Brown)



BIRTHS

A son, Brock Andrew, born Feb. 17, 2014, to Scott '98 and Dana Lowe. Brock was welcomed into the family by brothers Drake (10), Corbin (7) and Weston (2½). Grandparents are George '74 and Susan (Richardson) Lowe '95, and Carrol and Jeanie Campbell; great-grandparents are Newton and Doris Richardson '63.

A son, Loren Dean, born January 26, 2014 to Lisa (Reynolds) '02 and Lewis **Kuchar.** Loren joins big brothers, Lucas (11), Landon (6), and Logan (3).

Twin sons, Parker Aaron and Paxton Phillip, born March 25, 2014 to **Kevin** and Amy (Butler) Watson '07. Parker and Paxton's grandparents are Butch '75 and Martha Butler. The boys have a sister, Annabelle (4).

A daughter, Ava May, born Dec. 15, 2013, to Nate and Nicole (Pierce) Yarnell '08. The Yarnells are at home in Mulvane.

A daughter, Emery Noelle, born February 10, 2014, to William "Wes" '03 and JoAnna Hendrickson.

Hower coached, taught hundreds of students

Philip Robert Hower '64, Winfield, died April 19, 2014, at age 72 following a six-year battle with cancer.

Phil moved to Winfield when his father, Bob, became a coach at Southwestern College. He graduated from Winfield High School and Southwestern College,

> working as a firefighter and policeman to earn extra income during college. In 1963, Phil was named to the Methodist All-American University and Elevens team.

> Phil and Sandra Flick were married in 1962, and when Phil graduated from college they and their two daughters began the adventurous life of a coaching family. Phil taught high school mathematics for 48 years, pairing his love of teaching with his love for football.

He coached every level of the sport from first grade youth football to collegiate ball. He was a head coach for Hugoton, Kiowa, Independence, Scott City, and Winfield high schools and Southwestern College. In later years, he worked as an assistant football coach at Friends University. In his spare time, he coached girls softball, track, girls basketball, and wrestling. Additionally, Phil taught math at Burden High School and Cowley County Community College.

He received the Master Teacher Award in 1997, was inducted into the Southwestern College Athletic Hall of Fame in 1992, received the Community Cornerstone Award in 2012, was named Coach of the year 1988-1989, received the Excellence in Education Award in 1997 and the Foundation Builder Award.

Survivors include his wife, Sandi, Winfield; his daughters, Paige Camp and husband, Bo, and Shawn Shriver, and husband, John; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.



Hazel (Flook) Gordon '36 died on March 9, 2014, at the Newton Presbyterian Manor. Hazel taught home economics for over 24 years, most recently at Newton High School. Surviving is her grandson, Jason Gordon, and his wife.

Virginia (Benson) Hinshaw '38 died Feb. 3, 2014, in Wheat Ridge, Colo. She is survived by her son,

Joe Vann '49 died on March 13, 2014, at his home in Winfield. (see story at right)

Billy Wyckoff '50 passed away Feb. 9, 2014 at the Kansas Veterans' Home in Winfield. Billy taught at various middle schools in California before retiring in 1982. He served his country in the Navy during World War II and had several tours of duty in the Pacific Theater where he received several honors. Billy is survived by his son, Kris '87 and sister, Peggy Close, two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Norma Kanitz '50 died Feb. 9, 2014 at her home in Winfield. Norma's lifelong career was being a homemaker and taking care of her family. She is survived by her husband, Ernest; son, Stan; and daughter, Sharon.

Sanford A. Day Jr., '53, died at his home in Bucklin, Kan., on April 13, 2014. He taught school in Colby and later in Ulysses, where he became principal. He returned to Bucklin and became president of the Bucklin State Bank until his retirement in 1990. He is survived by his wife, Pat; two sons, Sam and Tom; sister, Patricia Day '52; and three grandchildren.

Donald K. Hanks '56 passed away on March 1, 2014, in New Orleans. He was a member of the philosophy faculty at the University of New Orleans from 1967 to 2006, where, according to his obituary, "his twisted sense of humor was endured by generations, literally, of students." He is survived by his wife, Jenjira Rodboon; children Mali Hanks, Meg McGuire, Francis Stuart, and Kirk Hanks; and nine grandchildren.

Eva Mae (Berry, Stinson) Nichols '56, of Littleton, Colo., died on Oct. 3, 2013. She is survived by first husband Jerry Stinson; sons, David and Phil; daughters, Tanya and Nora; 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Harold R. Piehler '57 died on Feb. 8, 2014 in Lawrence, Kan. From 1957-1970, Harold taught English and history at Winfield High School before moving to Lawrence, where he taught at the high school level until his retirement in 1990. He married Betty Matzke in 1981, and is survived by four children, Rachel Edney, David Piehler, Michelle Piehler, and Christopher Piehler, and four great-grandchildren.

Franklin "Gene" Waggoner '57 died Nov. 17, 2013, in Bonner Springs, Kan. He was a World War II Army veteran. He retired from medical practice in 1992 after 30 years of serving Bonner Springs. Gene is survived by three children, five grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Dr. Margaret "Peggi" (Johnson) Bell '59 died on March 21, 2014 after a lengthy illness. (see story below)

Philip Robert Hower '64 died on April 19, 2014. (see story on page 8)

Cynthia C. Compton '68 died on April 26, 2014. She was an accomplished musician on the piano and viola, having spent her career and her life teaching music, giving lessons, playing and directing productions, and encouraging hundreds of students to better their musical skills. She had a God-given gift to be able to play any piece of music, and do so in the key or style that best suited the occasion. At the time of her death, Cynthia was an accompanist for private student lessons at Southwestern and played for the Southwestern College musical theatre ensemble.

Richard "Rick" Huck '73 passed away March 4, 2014 in Scott City, Kan. Rick was co-owner and operator of Plain Jan's in Scott City. He is survived by his wife, Jan (Alderman) Huck '72, three daughters, two brothers, Randy Huck and David Huck '83, and six grandchildren.

Peggi (Johnson) Bell grew up on SC campus

Dr. Margaret "Peggi" (Johnson) Bell '59, Overland Park, died March 21, 2014 after a lengthy illness. She was 76.

Peggi was an active alumna of Southwestern, and was beloved by many of her friends and classmates. Her father (Lyman Johnson) had been academic dean at the college, and in addition to serving on the Science Advisory Council, she had been both a class agent and a class host for the Class of 1959. She claimed to have grown up on campus when her father was dean.

A graduate of the University of Kansas School of Medicine in Kansas City, Peggi was in private practice in Lawrence for several years before her family moved to Germany. There for five years she was the staff psychiatrist for a government clinic attached to the U.S. Army 97th General Hospital in Frankfurt. She returned to Kansas and served the remainder of her 20-year tenure with the government at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Topeka.

She is survived by her three children, Jonathan, Laura, and Rebecca, and several Moundbuilder family members: David McGuire Sr. '47, W. Robert Johnson '57, Barbara (Johnson) Isely '63, Julana (Johnson) Hefner '61, Christina Johnson '62, David McGuire Jr. '72, Susan (McGuire) Cooksey '75, Tim McGuire '81, and Sally McGuire '13.

Sports legend Joe Vann dies at age 92

Legendary Southwestern College athlete Joe Vann '49 died March 13, 2014, at his Winfield home. He was 92.

Joe was born Aug. 27, 1921, in Big Cabin, Okla. He was raised in Quapaw and Commerce, Okla. He was reported to have been known as the best athlete to ever come out of Commerce - which also was Mickey Mantle's hometown. After graduating from Commerce High School, Joe came to Winfield in the summer of 1941 to attend Southwestern College and play football. He became an all-conference quarterback.

In August 1942, he enlisted in the United States Navy Reserve and was later called to active duty. Upon completion of his military commitment, he returned to Winfield. He married Wanda Holt in 1947.

Following graduation Joe taught and coached in Glen Elder and Marion before returning to Winfield in 1953 to teach and be the high school football coach. He retired as coach in 1960. He later became athletic director at Winfield High School and held that position until his retirement.

Joe continued to be a staunch supporter of Southwestern College and Winfield High School athletics throughout his life. He made a point of listening to games on the radio, and loved to discuss game highlights with friends. In spite of his own athletic talent, though, he always was more interested in other people than in himself; he did not brag on his own accomplishments. Joe was inducted into the Southwestern College Athletic Hall of Fame in 1992.

Joe was preceded in death by his wife and by a son, Steven Bryan Vann. Survivors include his daughters, Teresa Jo Vann, Winfield, and Karen Vann Young, and husband, Ronald F., San Rafael, Calif.; five grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. Contributions are being received for the Joe Vann Scholarship at Southwestern College.

Sally (McLaughlin) Smith '92 died March 12, 2014 in Derby, Kan. Sally was a homemaker who enjoyed sewing, quilting, and crafts. Survivors include her children, Leslie Smith, Larry Smith, Lynne Taylor, Ricky May, and Christi Elston; sister, Carol Bowman; and 13 grandchildren and eight greatgrandchildren.

Frank Johnson '83, retired music educator and former director of the Winfield Municipal Band, died Feb. 18, 2014. Frank was a member of the Kansas Music Educators Association, the Cowley County Amateur Radio Club, and founder of the Dixieland band, The Spirit of New Orleans. Frank is survived by two children, Kimberly Johnson and Brian Johnson, and two grandchildren.

Frank Scarth '91 died April 6, 2014 at Winfield Rest Haven. Frank was an avid sports fan and participant, excelling in tennis, golf, softball, and bowling. He is survived by his wife, Louise; son, Michael; daughter, Gina; and their families.

Luther Helmer '93 died March 26, 2014, with his wife, Cynthia, at his bedside. Luther taught in the Winfield school district from 1970 until his retirement in 2013. He is survived by his wife and two sons and their families.

Angela (Edmonds) Traylor '00, loving wife, mother, and teacher, passed away on April 28, 2014. Angela was a teacher at Meadowlark Elementary in Andover, Winfield Middle School, and Maize Middle School. She was 45. She is survived by her husband Randy; mother Cheryl; sons Tyler and Caleb; and siblings Allen Edmonds and Melissa Upchurch.

Cody Kitzke '07 died on January 30, 2014. Cody was an eighth grade science teacher at Hadley Middle School in Wichita.

DEATHS OF FRIENDS

Garfield Bethel, former English professor at Southwestern, died Feb.14, 2014, in Winfield. He enjoyed writing poetry and watching sports. He is survived by two sisters.

Mary (Crowder) Helmer, wife of Ron Helmer '70, died on April 12, 2014, of multiple myeloma. In addition to her husband, Mary is survived by their three children, Tori (Helmer) Arther '99, Justin '04, and Kari Helmer, and three grandchildren.

Dr. Phil Schmidt April 4, 2014. (see story on page 5)

Roger E. Whitcomb died on April 26, 2014. He was a devoted family man who served his country for 34 years in the U.S. Army, retiring with the rank of brigadier general. He was preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn (Hunter) Whitcomb '33, whom he honored with a scholarship at Southwestern College. Roger is survived by their two sons, Randall and Ronald; three grandchildren and four greatgrandchildren.

FRIENDS

Larry and Linda Hahn of Winfield, marked their 50th wedding anniversary with a celebration at Grace United Methodist Church on January 19, 2014. The Hahns are active volunteers and supporters of the Winfield community and Southwestern College.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Cameron Carlson, associate professor of education and dean of education, is co-author of "Making Progress With Growth Models in Education: Utility for School Improvement" published in B. G. Barnett, Using Data in Schools to Inform Leadership and Decision Making. The book is now in press at Charlotte, N.C.'s Information Age Publishing, Inc.

Ken Crandall, head football coach, received the 2014 Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference Coach of Character Award.

Jacob L. Goodson, assistant professor of philosophy, is author of several recent publications: "The Ethics of Counter-Insurgency in The Wire," in Corners in the City of God: Philosophy, Theology, and The Wire, edited by Jonathan Tran & Myles Werntz; a review of Paul Moser's The Severity of God: Religion and Philosophy Reconceived," in Faith and Philosophy; a review of Mark Ryan's The Politics of Practical Reasoning," in The Journal of Scriptural Reasoning; and a review of Michael Slater's William James on Ethics and Faith, in The American Journal of Theology and Philosophy. His recent presentations have included "Humanism in the Early Writings of William James," American Philosophical Association, Baltimore, 2013; "What Is the Role of Scripture in Teaching American Philosophy?" at Scriptural Reasoning Academic Network, Baltimore, 2013; "How Should We Implement and Interpret Scripture in the 21st Century Secular Classroom?" at Scriptural Reasoning Academic Network, Baltimore, 2013; and "Lived Experience and the Philosophical Interpretation of Scripture: George Santayana on Morality and Secrecy," Scriptural Reasoning Session, Mid-Atlantic AAR Regional Meeting, Newburgh, New York, 2014.

Pam Green, associate professor of education, gave a conference presentation Feb. 16 at the ATE (Association of Teacher Educators) 2014 Annual Meeting in St. Louis. The paper was titled "Beyond the Apprenticeship of Observation: Repaying the Path Toward Becoming a Successful Teacher." Green, Sheryl Erickson, assistant professor of education, Kelsey Smith '15, and Winfield fifth-grade teacher Paula Price presented a breakout session at the ATE-K/KACTE Spring 2014 Conference at Mid-America Nazarene University in Olathe. The presentation focused on the PDS partnership between SC and USD 465 and was titled "Professional Coursework:

Informative...Observations: Insightful...Field Experiences: Beneficial... PDS/Co-Teaching: Priceless."

Kurt Keiser, associate professor of business and chair of the Division of Business, attended a regional conference for NAFSA: Association of International Educators in Bozeman, Mont. This conference provided training for promoting student study abroad opportunities and student exchange programs. Keiser also presented a paper titled "The Protective Response of Faith-Based Institutions" at the annual meeting of the Association of Christian Economists this past January in Philadelphia, then presented a modified version of this paper under a different title, "Polanyi's Protective Response and Faith-Based Institutions," at the annual meeting of the Association for Institutional Thought in Albuquerque in April. He is author of a book published in January by the Southwestern College Academic Press titled The Institutional Economics of Rexford G. Tugwell. This book is available on Amazon.com.

Jeremy Kirk, assistant professor of band, has continued endorsements with Sabian, Vic Firth, Mapex, Majestic, Remo, and Black Swamp. This year he presented percussion performances, clinics, and masterclasses at various festivals and percussion days; served as a consultant to sponsoring companies in the design of new sticks, mallets, cymbals, and hardware; and was selected as a Featured Artist/Educator for Black Swamp.

Carrie Lane, associate professor of psychology, published a child psychology supplemental textbook, Discussion-Worthy Readings in Child Developmental Psychology. Published by Cognella, the book expands the readers' understanding of various perspectives in child psychology on topics that are controversial, cutting-edge, and deserving of critical examination. Lane also earned the Kansas Campus Compact Engaged Faculty Fellow for service learning. The grant includes a \$6,000 grant to do research, service, and teaching in service learning.

Jackson Lashier, assistant professor of religion, is author of a book, Irenaeus on the Trinity, to be published at the end of the year. He also presented a paper titled "Latin Two-Stage Logos Theology in Tertullian's Adversus Praxean" at the North American Patristics Society annual meeting at the end of May. Jackson and Julie Lashier are parents of a son, David Roe Lashier, born March 26.

Patrick Lee, assistant professor of accounting, graduated from the University of Connecticut with a Master of Science in Accounting (May 2014). He has been accepted to the Kansas Society of Certified Public Accountants' 20 up to 40 program. According to the KSCPA, this year-long program develops "leadership skills and provides networking opportunities with peers who want leadership roles in the Society, the AICPA, and their communities for members up to the age of 40." Lee will present "Etiquette in Person & Online" at the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) and the Kansas Society of CPAs' Accounting Scholars Leadership Workshop in Overland Park July 10. He was accepted to present at the American Accounting Association's 2014 Conference on Teaching and Learning in Accounting as part of the American Accounting Association's National Conference on "Innovate the Classroom for the Next Generation of Students - Tablets, Smart Phones, and Video." He subsequently declined the invitation, but plans to resubmit the topic for the regional meetings in the fall.

Fawzia Reza, affiliate faculty in education, presented a paper at the annual American Educational Research Association (AERA) conference held in Philadelphia. Her topic explored the "Experiences and Expectations of Immigrant Pakistani Parents Regarding Parental Involvement in Schools." Reza is passionate about early childhood issues and serves as the director of a preschool in Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif.. Her article on how to build self-esteem in young children was recently published on the Los Angeles parent website. She was awarded a Lucille Packard Foundation scholarship during her doctoral studies and completed a project on teacher perception regarding assessment strategies for the new transitional kindergarten program. Subsequently, she has also been invited by several organizations to present on the new transitional kindergarten program in California.

Stacy Sparks, associate professor of journalism, is one of the founding members of the Walnut Valley Camera Club. The club organized in January 2014 after the success of the World-Wide PhotoWalk 2013 Walnut Valley in October 2013. The group meets monthly. Several members of the group, including Sparks, showed their work in a group photography show

> at College Hill Coffee between April 15 and May 30.

Vital Voranau, visiting scholar at the Center for Belarusian Studies, is author of Beckett Country: Irish Motifs in a Belarusian Landscape. Oxford, Bern, Berlin, Bruxelles: Peter Lang, 2014. He also wrote "Repetition as a Dramatic Tool in Samuel Beckett's Writing," published in

Neophilologica Podlasiensia, and "Kubus Puchatek w tłumaczeniach na jezyki słowianskie" (Winnie-the-Pooh in Slavic Translations) published in Slovanstvo pred dávnými casy a dnes jazyk, literatura, kultura. 2013.

Stephen Woodburn, associate professor of history, won a grant from Transcript, an initiative of the Mikhail Prokhorov Fund, for the translation of Nikolai Danilevskii's articles on the Russo-Turkish War and the Congress of Berlin, 1877-1879. The book will be published by Slavica Publishers at Indiana University. During Founders Weekend, Woodburn gave a book talk and signed copies of his first translation, Russia and Europe, published in 2013. On April 22, at the Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies at the University of Kansas, he gave a brown bag lunch talk titled "Nikolai Danilevskii's Post-Soviet Vogue." Danilevskii is frequently cited by Russian President Putin's inner circle of advisors and the Russian Ministry of Culture, and the crisis in Ukraine has renewed public discussion of his ideas in Russia.



Big (running) shoes to fil

Jim Helmer closed out a 30-year coaching career at Southwestern College May 4 with third-place conference finishes in both men's and women's track and field. For results from NAIA national competition (unavailable at press time) see buildersports.com.

STAFF & FACULTY NEWS

First place honors at the 2014 Winfield CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates for children) Team Trivia Night went to the Clubhouse Gang. Members included Pat Ross, Nate Olivier, Carrie Lane, Joe Muret, Seth Bate '93, Jackson Lashier, Roy Graber and Ed Loeb.

Skye Browning, administrative assistant to the president of Southwestern College, married Chris Mosley April 19, 2014. The Mosleys are at home in Derby where they live with their three boys, Corbyn, Parker, and Braden.

Builders got the Blues

In March 2014, SC web producer Terry Quiett '94 released his latest album Taking Sides on Lucky Bag Records with his group the Terry Quiett Band, which includes Rodney Baker (drums) and SC network support specialist Nathan Johnson '14 (bass). The new album has received glowing reviews and world-wide radio play with the opening single "Come the Morning" reaching #4 on the Roots Music Report Top 50 Blues Song Chart.



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