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## FROM THE PRESIDENT



*Dear friends,*

W.H. Auden's advice on the ending of things was to "let your last thinks all be thanks." That's easy advice to follow as I prepare to leave Southwestern.

Over the course of 17 years I've had the privilege of getting to know thousands of Builders – alumni, friends, students, and parents who claim Southwestern as their own. And I've worked with hundreds of Builders – members of the faculty, administrators, and staff, the people who prepare our meals and those who maintain our buildings and grounds. Thanks to all of you for all you have done for the college and for me.

Every Builder has had a gift to give me. Whether it was a handshake, a warm "hello," a check for the college, an encouraging suggestion, a forged \$1 million bill passed at Commencement as a promissory note, or an admonition about something that needed attention and improvement, I always felt that it was given – and I tried to always receive it – as an expression of genuine devotion to Southwestern and a desire to see the college prosper. The college has prospered, thanks to you.

I'm proud of many things about the college, but proudest to say that Southwestern is vigorous and inventive, resourceful and unafraid, ready to face the next challenges that will surely come. The college's programs are relevant, focused on the development of leaders for the world, and global in perspective, reach, and impact.

Such a place deserves an energetic and enthusiastic new president who will take the college to new heights of achievement and, as it happens, Southwestern has found just such a leader. As they settle in, I know President Andrews and his family will have many occasions to feel how fortunate they are to be part of the Southwestern community. But please don't leave that to chance; make it a point of Builder pride to welcome, encourage, and support them.

Margot and I are grateful for your kindness and your best wishes as we move on to our next big adventure. All our thanks about Southwestern, now and in the future, will be all thanks.

Thanks for all you do for Southwestern!

*Best regards,*

*Dick Merriman*

Dick Merriman, *President*

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# Brad Andrews to be Southwestern president

Dr. Brad Andrews will be the next president of Southwestern College. Currently senior vice president for student success and strategic enrollment at Carthage College in Kenosha, Wisc., Andrews will be the 18th president of SC when he begins his tenure July 1.

Andrews replaces President Dick Merriman, who will become president of the University of Mount Union after 17 years at Southwestern.

“We feel Brad Andrews is an ideal fit for Southwestern College, and could not be more pleased that he will be the next president,” says Michael Lewis, SC trustee and chair of the search committee. “He has extensive successful experience in three areas crucial to the continued success of the college – fundraising, enrollment management, and student life. He also is a collaborative leader who will work well with faculty and administrators already in place to extend the excellence we have come to expect at Southwestern.”

A native of Miami, Fla., Andrews earned his bachelor’s degree in English from the University of Missouri in 1990 and went on to earn a master’s degree in education from Drake University in 1994. In 2009, he earned a Ph.D. in educational leadership and policy analysis from the University of Wisconsin.

“For more than 130 years Southwestern College has defined a truly student-centered approach to higher education,” Andrews says. “It is obvious that an exciting combination of tremendous people, a pioneering spirit, and outstanding programs have Southwestern College poised for great success moving forward. I am honored to be chosen to lead the Builder nation into the next era.”

Andrews’s leadership encompasses three divisions at Carthage College, including the departments of admissions, financial aid, student affairs, first-year academic advising, and religious life. His responsibilities include operational oversight for strategic institutional priorities, with emphasis on the immediate improvement of retention and graduation rates.

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As a member of the Carthage executive leadership team, he has helped guide an incredible period of growth for the college. Since 2000, Carthage College has:

- grown its campus with more than \$200 million in campus renovation and construction projects.
- grown its academic reputation as demonstrated by a rise in national rankings, by significant increases in the number and quality of freshman applications, and by national recognition for programs such as participation in the NASA undergraduate research SEED program.
- grown its enrollment from 1,500 to more than 2,500 full-time students.

Andrews arrived on campus in 1999 and quickly worked with staff and students to remake the student affairs program. After eight years as dean of students, Andrews was appointed

vice president for enrollment and student life. In this role, he provided leadership for the completion of a campus strategic enrollment growth initiative. With a particular emphasis on entering new admissions markets and raising the academic reputation of the college, the college surpassed the 2,500 student mark. This enrollment figure represents a 67% increase



in English from Carthage College in 1997. Trisha earned a master’s degree in education from Carthage, and a master’s degree in history from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. She currently serves as director of academic advising at the College of Lake County in Grayslake, Ill., where she also has taught courses in U.S. History. She spent the first eight years of her professional life working in student affairs and career services at small private colleges.

Brad and Trish enjoy spending time with their four children – Graham, 17; Tyler, 13; Madeline, 6; and Gwendolyn, 3. Brad is a golfer and enjoys running; he has completed 10 marathons. Trish is a photographer.

## SC Partners with Defense Acquisition University

By Jessica DeVader  
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As an institution that focuses on providing learners with credible and career-relevant education, Southwestern College Professional Studies program is partnering with the Defense Acquisition University (DAU) to award credits for specific training toward bachelor’s and master’s degrees.

Established in 1992, the DAU’s mission is to provide a global learning environment to support mission-ready personnel within the Department of Defense. The DAU offers training and certification programs for service members and Department of Defense civilians employed in the Acquisition Contract Management workforce. Most courses offered by the DAU have been evaluated for college-level credit by the American Council of Education. Training within the DAU consists of thorough instruction on all aspects of the Federal Acquisition

Regulation, which is required for all individuals and organizations conducting procurement business with the federal government.

Phase one began in November 2014 with the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), allowing stakeholders the opportunity to receive credit at Southwestern College for classes taken at the DAU. The MOU makes Southwestern College a DAU Preferred Partner.

“Our partnership with the Defense Acquisition University reiterates our commitment to support the mission of the Department of Defense and its stakeholders,” said Stephen Ferguson, director of military partnerships for Southwestern College. “For over 20 years, Southwestern College has provided quality education opportunities to our service members and the partnership with the DAU reinforces our pledge to continue supporting the educational needs of our nation’s defense industry.”

The second phase of the partnership, which will grant Professional Studies the ability to offer DAU equivalent classes, is under way. Currently there is a large demand for availability of DAU courses for both active military and non-government entities, making it problematic for them to get the certification necessary to secure government work. Southwestern is well poised to meet the demands for this training.

“The partnership with DAU is both an opportunity and a tremendous honor for Southwestern College,” said Andy Sheppard, Southwestern College provost. “Through this collaboration we are able to provide training and support for the people who are the backbone of our national defense.”

Each DAU class covers some part of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, which is the federal law that governs all contractual business with the government.

Update your alumni directory information

The Office of Alumni Relations, in cooperation with Harris Connect, is in the final stages of preparing *Southwestern College Alumni Today*. This directory publication will feature listings, photos, and essays submitted by alumni.

During the next few weeks you may receive a call from Harris Connect asking you to verify that your listing is correct. You also will have the opportunity to purchase a book or online access to the directory, but no purchase is necessary to have your information listed.

“We appreciate each and every Builder who takes the chance to update information,” says Susan Lowe, director of alumni programs. “A complete and accurate directory is an excellent tool that our alumni can use to keep in touch with friends and classmates, and the current directory will include an introduction from our new president, Dr. Brad Andrews.”

To update information call 1-877-821-0456 Monday through Friday between 7 a.m. and 9 p.m. (Central time).



# National contest energizes business group

A resurgence of energy in the Division of Business has been seen after Southwestern College won national recognition at the Enactus National Exposition in St. Louis, Mo., April 13-16. Now in its second year of existence, SC's Enactus team of entrepreneurs won first place in the consultation round.

According to Patrick Lee, team advisor, the consultation rounds are a set of rounds for those that didn't advance on day one of competition.

"The cool thing about consultation rounds is that the team gives the presentation and then the judges spend time addressing issues that may have been the reason they didn't advance," Lee says. To the delight of the Kansans, SC was named the top team in this grouping.

Southwestern defeated such schools as the University of Pennsylvania, New Mexico State University, University of Southern Mississippi, and Missouri Baptist University.

The SC Enactus Team was represented by Madison Hovey, Tavinia Tucker, Austin Williams, and Hunter Cline. A total of 15 students from SC attended the four-day exposition

which included competition, networking opportunities, career fairs, and professional development workshops.

In all, 186 teams were registered in St. Louis, competing for the title of Enactus USA Champion and the opportunity to advance to the Enactus World Cup in South Africa. The SC Enactus team competed in the opening round against Benedictine College, the University of Texas at Dallas, Penn State Altoona, Mount Mercy University, Union University, Pittsburg State University, and Valparaiso.

Along with Lee, the team was accompanied by James McEwen, internship coordinator, and Kristen Pettey, assistant professor of business.

The SC Enactus team is a division-supported organization with a goal of finding ways to make an impact in the community through entrepreneurial spirit. High school students interested in Enactus at SC can apply for an activity grant for their participation in the SC Enactus team. For more information about the team or to submit an activity grant application go to [www.sckans.edu/enactus/](http://www.sckans.edu/enactus/).



Business students win at the national Enactus conference. Not only did the SC group come away with the top rating in the consultation round, some seniors came away with post-graduation job offers.

## Marvin Hafenstein: Developer of PS

Marvin Hafenstein, the developer of Professional Studies at Southwestern College, died April 5, 2015.

A former executive at Sunbeam Corporation, Hafenstein was hired by President Carl Martin after a request by local businesses for educational opportunities for their adult employees. Hafenstein responded with a plan that included short (six-week) intensive courses, evening hours, and locations that were convenient for learners. The first Professional Studies Center opened in downtown Winfield in 1994, with Hafenstein overseeing centers opened in east and west Wichita during the next few years.

Hafenstein made customer service the most important selling point of the program, and collaborated with main campus personnel to develop academic programs that allowed students to drop out for one or more sessions when family or work interfered with classes.

Today the skeleton of that learner-centric model still dictates Professional Studies practices, allowing thousands of working adults to complete their college degrees.

An electrical engineer by training, Marvin was an innovative, high-energy presence at Southwestern. He brought his industrial background to academia and never stopped looking for ways to smooth the path to education for those who otherwise would not have been able to go to college.

He was 81 when he died at the Kansas Veterans Home in Winfield.



## Mezzo forte!

Karen (Wilder) Archbold '02 has been in countless concerts in her life but "honestly, I have never been part of a happier concert" than her March 22 Chicago performance as a finalist in the American Prize Competition. A mezzosoprano, Karen was one of eight soloists with the Chicago Bar Association Symphony. Karen and her husband, Timothy, moved to Chicago four years ago and have three young daughters. She also is a music teacher for a spoken language deaf school.



PHOTO BY MARK BERGERON

## National champions – again

It's two national championships in a row for Southwestern College.

During the spring Southwestern College competed with more than 390 colleges and universities in a tournament measured not in three pointers or foul shots, but in pounds of material recycled and composted. The RecycleMania Tournament harnesses the competitive energy of sports rivalries to engage students in increasing recycling and waste reduction on campuses nationwide.

Southwestern College was crowned champions of the 2015 Electronics Recycling "E-cyclemania" competition, a special category of the nationwide RecycleMania competition. SC also was the electronics recycling champion last year.

"Recycling electronics is a tremendous need in our region," says Jason Speegle, director of Green Team Southwestern. "Thanks to the success of our collection events the past two years, we were able to broaden the scope of our efforts this spring. In February, with the help of the City of

Winfield, the City of Arkansas City, Grace United Methodist Church, and the ACES student group from Cowley College, we conducted electronics recycling collection events in Arkansas City and Winfield. The two communities recycled over 16,000 pounds of electronics total."

Southwestern participated in the eight-week competition in which schools are ranked according to how much recycling, trash, and food waste they collect. Between the Feb. 1 kickoff and the final recycling weigh-in on March 28, competing schools recycled or composted 80.1 million pounds of recyclables and organic materials, preventing the release of 129,411 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent into the atmosphere, which is equivalent to preventing annual emissions from 25,375 cars.

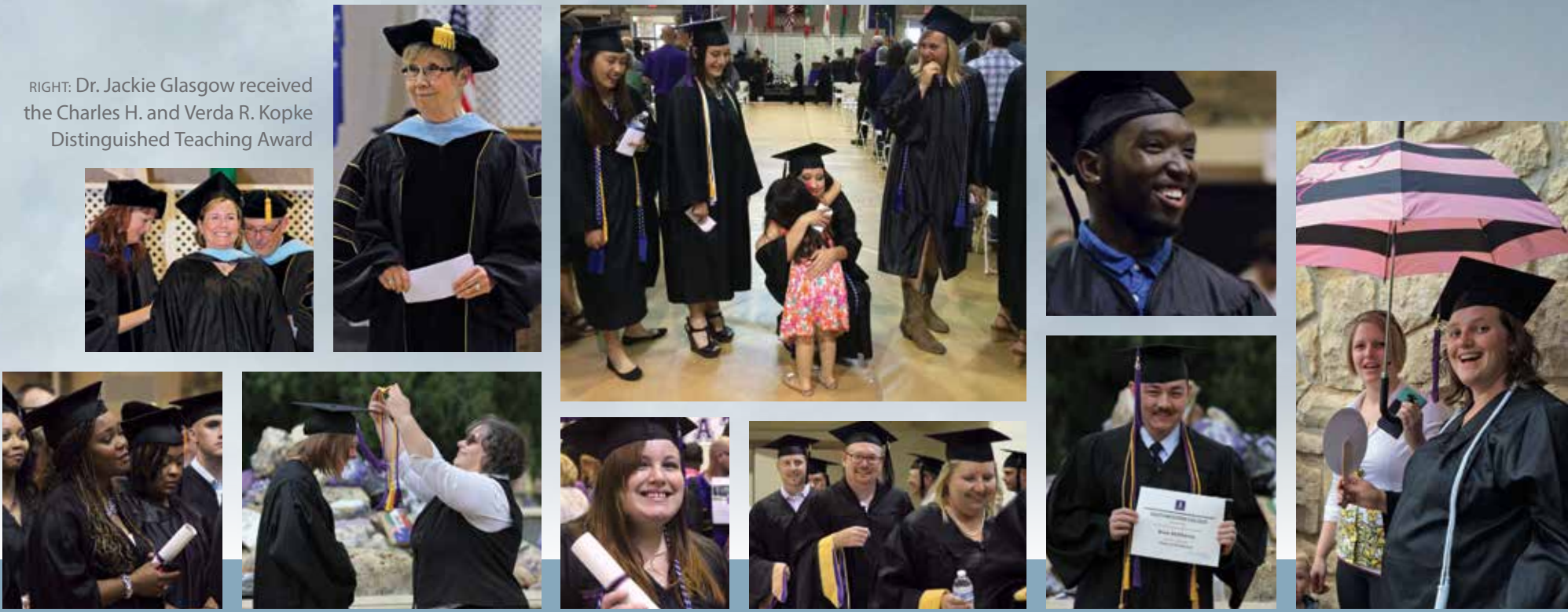
Complete results for all categories can be found at <http://recyclemania.org>, including a breakout that shows how schools performed by athletic conference, institution size, state, and other groupings.



Green Team  
SOUTHWESTERN



RIGHT: Dr. Jackie Glasgow received the Charles H. and Verda R. Kopke Distinguished Teaching Award



# Rainy day, bright future!



LEFT: Dylan Moore was 2015 valedictorian.

A rapidly-developing line of thunderstorms meant a stadium full of graduates and their loved ones had to move to Stewart Field House, but the sudden transition didn't dampen the spirits of the Class of 2015.

Lots more 2015 Commencement photos and video highlights at [sckans.edu/commencement](http://sckans.edu/commencement)



# President Dick Merriman: *College as a philanthropy*

*The decor in Dick Merriman's office changed occasionally during the 17 years he was president at Southwestern College. One constant, though, was a poster he could see from his desk. It showed Muhammed Ali standing over a beaten Sonny Liston. This, for those who visited his office, was the perfect symbol of Merriman's approach to problems that stood in the way of excellence at Southwestern College. Threats to financial stability, aging facilities, changes in technology – all were obstacles he would overcome because he believed passionately that college education should be available to every true learner. Heard often by students as part of freshman orientation and reprinted here, he took this message to a national audience in 2010 through publication in the Chronicle of Higher Education.*

We have a strong tendency in our society today to look at things from the perspective of the consumer. We want to be smart shoppers. We want to make a good buy. We love a bargain. We don't want to get a bad deal.

People often speak of "shopping for a college." Maybe you and your parents used that phrase in the past year as you visited colleges. It would follow from that perspective, wouldn't it, that you, the customer, are here to purchase your higher education?

Another way the consumer perspective shapes thinking about college relates to scholarships and financial aid. Many of you have received academic scholarships, which reflect your academic promise as revealed by your high-school grades or your ACT or SAT scores. And many of you have received scholarships related to your planned participation in the performing arts, service learning, and athletics. The consumer perspective would prompt you to think that the college is "paying" you to come here. That would make you a kind of commodity, a bundle of talents and experiences that the college has decided to purchase.

I want to be clear with you: You are not a customer here. You are something much better than that. You are not a commodity here. You are something way better than that. The reason you are not merely a customer or a commodity is that this college is not a business.

This college is a philanthropy. If you pay attention to the origins of words and you look at the pieces of that word, "phil" and "anthropy," you know that "phil" means love or esteem or high regard. And "anthropy" means humanity or humankind. The college is a philanthropy, an expression of love and esteem for humankind.

This college exists as a philanthropy because thousands of people, many of whom you and I will never know, have built it over the past 125 years. They built it for your benefit, knowing they would never meet you. The college's facilities, our endowment for scholarships, our mission – all of these have been built, and protected and sustained, for your benefit. They were built so you can gain a college education, find and pursue your passion, and commit yourselves to living a valuable life. In short, this college exists so you can become a better person and, in turn, help make the world a better place.

None of you, not even that very rare student who receives no financial aid from the college, will come close to paying what it is going to cost the college to educate you. You know what? That's OK. That's not a problem. In fact, that is the whole idea. Because you are not a customer, and the college is not a business. This college is a philanthropy, and we have a marvelous gift to give you – a far better education than you can afford, and the opportunity to work with people who truly care about you – and we are able to give this gift to you because of the financial support of thousands of alumni and friends and because the college's people have committed themselves to you.

If you have the money to purchase it, you can go into

any McDonald's in the country and they will sell you a Big Mac. But you can't buy a Southwestern College education that way. How much money you have is not the point. If we were to run this college like a business, if profit were our motive, we would probably just focus on educating students who have a lot of money. And a lot of you wouldn't be here today.

But making a profit isn't our mission. Helping you is our mission.

What I'm trying to say is that you may believe you are here because you chose this college. And it is true, of course, that you have something to say about which college you attend. But it is more relevant, and truer, to say that you are here because we chose you. You certainly wouldn't be here otherwise.

So much for being a customer.

Now let me say a few words on the subject of students as commodities. I know that there are lots of messages in our consumer culture that encouraged you, as you advanced through high school, to think of yourself as a bundle of talents and experiences that could be "marketed" to colleges. Right? You were encouraged to participate in a wide range of activities to show that you were well rounded. And you were encouraged to excel at something specific – singing, basketball, writing for the school paper, debate – to show that you were talented. All of this would make you marketable. Right? And you would attract scholarships and financial aid. In short, you were supposed to see yourself as a commodity that colleges would compete over.

But the college is a philanthropy, not a business. And we are here to help you, not to buy you, and certainly not to pay you. The reason to sing in the choir is because you have a passion to sing. The reason to play football is that you love football.

I know – because I ask this question of freshmen every year – that you believe you will lose your tennis scholarship if you quit the tennis team. You think your choir scholarship will vanish if you decide not to sing in the choir anymore. But I've got news for you: You won't lose that scholarship. Your financial-aid package won't be reduced just because your interests or priorities change. Why not? Well, first, because you are supposed to change. That's why you came here. It doesn't make a lot of sense to punish you for it. Second, because we aren't using financial aid to pay you to come here. We are using financial aid to help you afford a college education. The college is a philanthropy.

Now, the fact that the college is a philanthropy doesn't mean that we're all soft and squishy and have no expectations of you. Quite the opposite. We expect a lot of you. We expect you to spend your time here exploring and developing your talents and abilities. There is something you are uniquely well suited to do with your life, something for which you have a passion, something valuable for others. Spend your time here looking for that. We expect you to take yourself seriously, and to take this opportunity seriously.

Our admissions process doesn't make many mistakes in evaluating the academic abilities of students. The students we choose to be here are able to do the academic work that is required to stay here. You can do it. We chose you on that basis.

Because the college is a philanthropy, because we are committed to your growth and development, because we love you, you are permitted to make mistakes here, you are permitted to be confused here, and you are permitted to change your mind and change your plans here. What you are not permitted to do here is waste our time. Because we have made an investment in you. Because we chose you to receive a fabulous gift. All we ask of you is that you honestly make your best effort to capitalize on this opportunity.

Of course, the college also has responsibilities and obligations. They stem from our philanthropic mission. We owe you our very best efforts, in instruction, in our campus-life programs, in the residence halls, in everything we do.

Please make the most of your time here. Let's grow together.

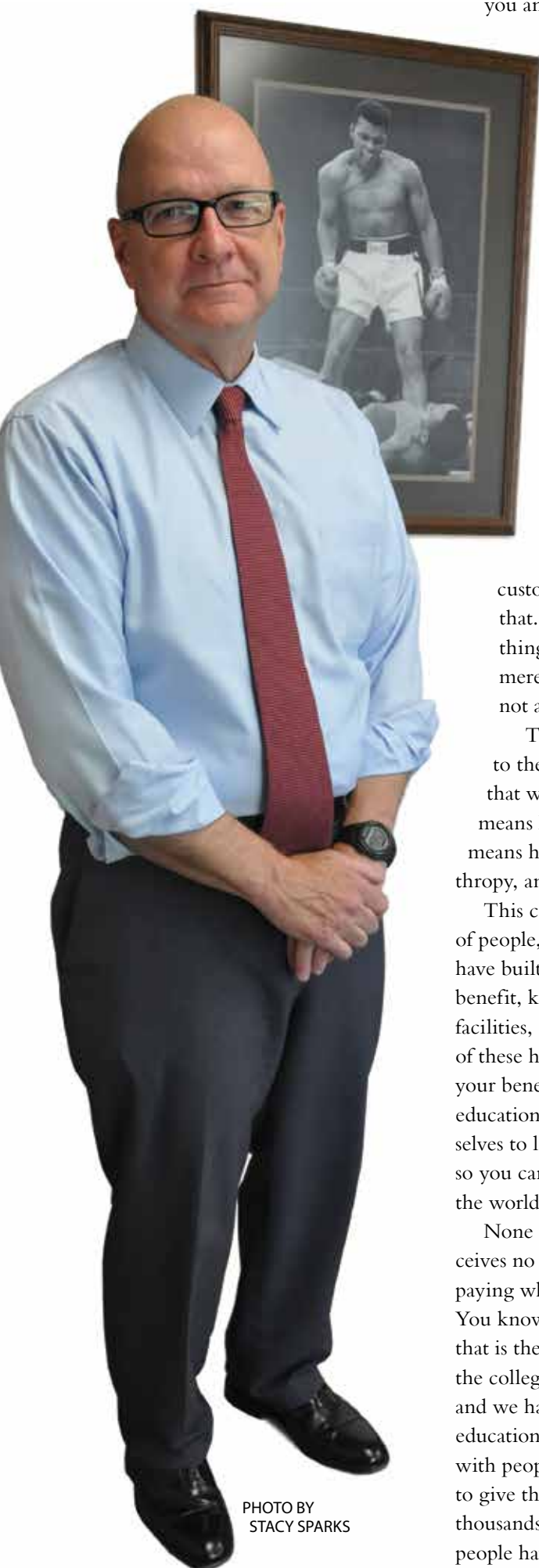


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STACY SPARKS



# hropy (and knocking out obstacles), 1998 to 2015

*During the 17 years he was president Dick Merriman led a transformation of Southwestern College. His leadership extended into every corner of the institution and these are only the highlights of changes between 1998 and 2015.*



## Facilities

Construction of Cole Hall, Richard Jantz Stadium and Richardson Performing Arts Center; renovation of nearly all campus buildings; rebuilding of the Mound and 77 Steps



## Academics

First doctoral degree with expanded master's offerings; online learning introduced; Green Team and environmental focus introduced; introduction of laptop learning



## Enrollment and Diversity

Headcount doubled from 1998; combined American minority and international student enrollment in the college reached 30%; Professional Studies credit hours increase three-fold

## Financial Stability

Giving doubled and annual giving tripled; two capital campaigns and several specialized campaigns raised more than \$50 million; endowment reached new high of \$30 million



*See more photos from Dick Merriman's years at Southwestern at [sckans.edu/farewellMerriman](http://sckans.edu/farewellMerriman)*

*left:* President Dick Merriman and Dr. Margot Kelman





## 1950s

**Bobby Joe Slade '57** was awarded a certificate and pin in Philadelphia, Penn., during the 79th Grand Conclave of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, for 60 years of devotion and service exemplifying the four cardinal principals of manhood, scholarship, perseverance, and uplifting others.

**Donald Forsyth '58**, Virginia Wesleyan College's first athletic director, was inducted into the Hampton Roads Sports Hall of Fame on Oct. 21. The Hall of Fame honors outstanding athletes, coaches, administrators, and media members who came from Hampton Roads or who made noteworthy contributions to sports in the area.

## 1960s

**Russell O. Vail '63** was listed in the USA Track & Field Masters Rankings for 2014 in the 70-74 age group which awarded the recognition for first, Top 10, and Top 25 in the nation, placing in the following events: 5000m indoor race walk (1st); 3000m indoor race walk (6th); and 5000m outdoor race walk (10th). Russ was also ranked and awarded for being in the Top 100 in the world for the 4Kg indoor shot put (92nd), with no award for being 29th in the USA, which was not in the top 25.

## 1970s

**Richard Jespers '70** released his collection, *My Long-Playing Records and Other Stories*, on Nov. 5, 2014. A number of these award-winning narratives are set in Kansas, including "Tales of the Millerettes" – an homage to Wichita's old Miller Theater. Copies are available at Amazon.com.

**Ted Hresko '73** retired from active duty with Homeland Security as of April 30, 2015. During his career, Ted spent 28 years with the U.S. States Secret Service and 13 years with the Air Marshal Service. He was fortunate enough to meet and protect seven different presidents while with the Secret Service – Nixon, Ford, Carter, Reagan, Bush 1, Clinton, Bush 2. Ted is now looking forward to spending more time with other VIPs, his grandchildren.

**Lyle Weinert '78** was re-elected in April to a four-year term on the USD 465 (Winfield) school board. He is completing his ninth year on the board, and his third year as board chair.

**Beth (Richardson) Wilke '78** was sworn in as mayor of the city of Winfield in May 2015

## 1980s

**Cheryl Lindly '81** will be joining a clinic called Think Whole Person Healthcare in July 2015. This is a concept from Dublin, Ireland, and the Omaha clinic will be a test market for the U.S. The idea is to encompass a patient's entire well-being, with the primary goal to create a healthier patient population by creating a team approach to their care. Each provider is teamed

with a pharmacist to ensure medication compliance and eliminate med errors, which are two major reasons the elder population is hospitalized. In addition, the clinic houses a pharmacy, dental office, PT, OT, optometry, audiology, massage, acupuncture, teaching kitchen and amphitheater. In her 25th year as a physician assistant, Cheryl is excited to be a part of this cutting edge approach as an internal medicine physician assistant. Cheryl received the Athletic Trainer Service Award from the National Athletic Trainers' Association in June 2015 at the national convention. The ATSA recognizes NATA members for their contributions to the athletic training profession as a volunteer at the local and state levels.

**Kris (Williams) DeLano '84** has been promoted to director of corporate human resources for Rockline Industries, headquartered in Sheboygan, Wisc. Kris and her husband Steve '84, are in the process of relocating to Wisconsin.

**Jerry Kill '84**, head coach of the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers football team, was honored at the Bobby Jones Sportsman's Award Dinner on April 16. This prestigious award has been given annually since 2002. Among other sports celebrities who have received this award are Bret Blyleven, Tom Lehman, and Ron Gardenier.

**Lucinda (Torres) Crenshaw '85**, a science educator at West Middle School in Lawrence, Kan., is one of only 1,836 teachers nationwide (12 in Kansas) to receive national board certification with the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS). This is a labor-intensive effort that requires a teacher to create a portfolio of their career work, as well as stand before a panel of peers and demonstrate practices that meet the highest standards of the teaching profession nationwide. In addition, Lucinda was honored with the 2015 Lawrence Secondary Teacher of the Year award in March 2015, and is eligible to compete for the Kansas Teacher of the Year Award.

**Jennifer (Darkow) Morgan-Beuchat '89** has received the Hawkins Award 2015 from the Educational Theatre Association. The selection was based on essays submitted that addressed the importance of theatre and advocacy for the arts in schools, communities, and society as a whole. Morgan-Beuchat is one of only five in the nation selected for this honor. She is the director of theatre for Jefferson County North and serves on Kansas Thespians State Board.

## 1990s

**Scott Hecht '90** was elected a Fellow in the American College of Coverage and Extracontractual Counsel (ACC-CEC). This is a group of lawyers in the U.S. and Canada representing the interest of both insurers and policyholders committed to improving the

quality of the practice of insurance law and to increase civility and professionalism. Only attorneys with the highest credentials who have practiced insurance law for at least 15 consecutive years are eligible to be nominated and elected for this honor. Scott leads Stinson Leonard Street LLP insurance practice group from the firm's Kansas City office.

**Sandra Gasca-Gonzalez '94** joined the Annie E. Casey Foundation in Baltimore on March 30, 2015, to become the director of the Jim Casey Youth Opportunities Initiative. The mission of this initiative is to ensure that young people – primarily those between ages

14 and 25 – make successful transitions from foster care to adulthood.

**Geoffrey Moon '97**, president of the New Mexico Association for the Gifted, and also a teacher of school-age children and adults from Gallup, N.M., wrote an article titled "High-Performing Students Need Many More Opportunities." This article was published in the *Santa Fe New Mexican* as well as other New Mexico newspapers. The article may be found at: [http://m.santafenewmexican.com/news/education/the\\_dais/high-performing-students-need-many-more-opportunities/article\\_54a42075-5a58-598f-aa82-0aff8a1876e4.html?mode=jqm](http://m.santafenewmexican.com/news/education/the_dais/high-performing-students-need-many-more-opportunities/article_54a42075-5a58-598f-aa82-0aff8a1876e4.html?mode=jqm).



Pam Olney, SGA staff citation; Stephen Ferguson, Fasnacht Outstanding Administrator (PS); Terah York, Fasnacht Outstanding Administrator (campus); Patrick Lee, SGA faculty citation and Fasnacht Outstanding Faculty; and Jacob Goodson, United Methodist Exemplary Teacher.



## BIRTHS

A son, Collin Patrick Jewell, born Sept. 12, 2014, to **Brian and Erin (Rankin) Jewell '01**. He has a brother, Spencer (3).

A son, Seth, born March 26, 2014, to **Sarah (Kimball) Dancer '04**. Seth is welcomed by big brother Caden (5). Sarah also has a new job at University of Arkansas Medical Sciences as an early childhood development specialist.

A son, Eli David, born Jan. 8, 2015, to **Gary-Paul and Beth (Parker) Robinett '05**. Eli was welcomed home by brother Owen-Paul (5).

A son, Ezra Jay Vincent, born Oct. 8, 2014, to **Travis '05 and Kaylan Phillips**. They live in Plainfield, Ind.

A son, Jackson Lee Martin, born Jan. 23, 2015, to **Aaron and Melissa (Martin) Cook '05**. The Cooks live in Arlington, Texas.

A son, Evan Louis Eilts Blas, born March 3, 2015, to **Drew and Elise (Eilts) Blas '05** of Topeka. Evan has a sister, Caroline (2½).

A daughter, Amani Lola, born July 31, 2014, to **Anthony '06 and Liana McKissic**. The McKissics live in

Peachtree City, Ga., where Anthony is head coach for cross country, tennis, and girls' basketball, and in January published his first book, *#MM Morning Motivation: Daily Inspiration for every Situation*.

A son, Wesley Thomas, born Jan. 18, 2015, to **Caleb '07 and Leah (Rankin) Hartman '07/'08**. He has a sister, Claire (2½). Grandparents are **Craig '77** and Leslie Hartman and **Steve and Joni Rankin '02/'04**, and uncles are Josh Hartman, Lucas Hartman, Luke Rankin, **Abram Rankin '10**, and Aaron Rankin.

A daughter, Sophie Madelyn, born May 6, 2014, to **Jeremy and Addie (Lambing) James '09/'10**. Moundbuilder grandparents are **Danny Lambing '78** and Nancy (Swope) Liston '79; great-uncles are **Michael Lambing '83** and **Bob Marsh '79**.

A son, Alister Aaron, born April 24, 2015, to **Aaron '11 and Rene (Schwan) Duell '10**. The Duells live in Columbus, Neb.

A daughter, Elaina Marie, born March 31, 2015, to **Kyle '11 and Jennifer Luttgarm**.



**Cory Helmer '99** was promoted to senior vice president/commercial loan officer at Union State Bank. Helmer has worked in the banking industry for over 15 years. He currently serves as a board member of the Winfield Public Library, on the Winfield Chamber of Commerce Ambassador Committee, and as board chair for Young Professionals of Cowley County.

2000s

**Nathan L. Eckert '01**, mussel biologist at Genoa National Fish Hatchery in Genoa, Wisc., received the 2014 Rachel Carson Award for Scientific Excellence by an individual. Nathan was recognized for his creativity and tenacity in researching and implementing new techniques and rearing systems for imperiled freshwater mussels. He has helped the Genoa facility produce nearly 15 million mussels of 17 species, 4.7 million of which are four federally listed species; assisted various mitigation efforts involving projects that impact freshwater mussel populations; and provided rare mussel species to partners, such as USGS and many toxicology labs, for work related to effects of pesticides and contaminants on mussel survival. Nathan was recognized at an award ceremony at the North American Conference for Wildlife and Natural Resources on March 12, 2015.

**Bradley J. Newell '02** achieved board certification as a geriatric pharmacist from the Commission for Certification in Geriatric Pharmacy in February 2015. The certified geriatric pharmacist has passed a comprehensive examination to demonstrate knowledge and expertise in the use of medicines in older adults. Almost 2,000 pharmacists have achieved the certified geriatric pharmacist credential. Newell currently serves on the Southwestern College Board of Trustees.

**Kyle Garst '04** has accepted a new position as the learning and development manager for Xanterra at Glacier National Park, Mont.

**Warren Bergquist '05**, a long-time key manager at Alper Audi, Inc. in St. Louis, Mo., has been named a principal and owner of the firm which is

licensed in 42 states. As a structural engineer, he will be part of the company's expansion to provide service to architects, contractors, developers, facility owners, and multiple industry and government clients on a national basis. Bergquist is also an adjunct instructor in the Department of Structural Engineering at Washington University in St. Louis.

**Tabatha (McMullen) Rosproy '09**, a preschool teacher with USD 465, received the Winfield NEA teachers "Rookie of the Year" award. This recognition is given to a person new to the district, who shows a dedication to professional deportment and to the classroom, and brings vitality to their building.

2010s

**Charles Dialor Fall '11** was honored with the 20 Under 40 Leadership Award at this year's 17th annual Staten Island (NY) Economic Development Corporation - SIEDC Business Conference. He continues in his position as Borough Director and Citywide Islamic Liaison for Mayor Bill de

Blasio. Over 2,200 people attended the SIEDC event.

**Jordy Train '12**, has accepted an assistant manager position at Applebee's in Salina, Kan.

**Jacey Cullop '12 and Sam McDaniel '14** were married on July 26, 2014, in Burrton, Kan. The couple lives in Manhattan, where Jacey is in her second year of veterinary medicine school, and Sam is an auction specialist.

**Luke Nicolay '16** has accepted the position of church organist for the First Presbyterian Church of Winfield.

NOTES ON FRIENDS

**Matt Starika-Jolivet** has accepted a position with Sun Prairie United Methodist Church as director of youth ministries and will continue as the co-artistic director for Middleton Players Theatre. Matt, Maddie, and Jean Gabriel Starika-Jolivet will be moving back to Madison, Wisc., this summer. Gabe will continue his job with Ashford University, and Maddie starts kindergarten in the fall.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

**Stephen Butler**, instructor of music theory and pianist, was named the Kansas Federation of Music Clubs "Musician of the Year" for the state of Kansas. He performed a recital on April 17 in Arkansas City for their annual meeting.

**Jacob L. Goodson**, assistant professor of philosophy, is author of *Narrative Theology and the Hermeneutical Virtues: Humility, Patience, Prudence*, published by Lexington Books in January 2015. He held a book signing event at Eighth Day Books in Wichita after the book's publication.

**Pam Green**, associate professor of education, was invited by the Association of Teacher Education (ATE), to participate in the ATE Leadership Academy in Phoenix, held in conjunction with the ATE annual meeting. She gave a conference presentation Feb. 16 at the ATE annual meeting titled "Fostering Pre-Service Teachers' Commitment to Inclusivity in the Classroom and Beyond." She was co-presenter of "From a Single Candle to the Butterfly Effect: Sharing Best Practices That Advance Teacher Education" as co-chair of the Network of Secondary Education Professors Special Interest Group (NSEP SIG). Green completed her term as president of the Association of Teacher Educators - Kansas (ATE-K) at the 2015 ATE-K/KACTE Spring Conference and will now begin a two-year term as past president on the ATE-K executive board.

**Peter Heckman**, academic dean, attended the annual Council of Independent Colleges conference and the NetVue conference. The CIC was in

Portland Nov. 1-4, and the NetVUE, (Network for Vocation in Undergraduate Education) was in St. Louis March 26-28.

**Jeremy Kirk**, assistant professor of band, is recipient of multiple academic honors over the past few months: His most recent multiple percussion composition, "Upacara," is in press through Per-Mus Publications; he completed three solo collection books for snare drum, timpani, and multiple percussion (available on his website at www.jkpercussion.com); he presented and performed at the Percussive Arts Society International Conference (PASIC) in November in Indianapolis; he was selected to present at the upcoming National Association for Music Education (NAfME) National Conference in Nashville in October; and he has a timpani article in press for NAfME for June print. Of most interest to Southwestern band enthusiasts, Kirk created and hosted the inaugural Mound of Sound Marching Festival at Southwestern College in the fall. More than 600 students from eight schools attended.

**Amber Peterson**, assistant professor of music (strings), has been an active presenter at conferences during the spring: "Appreciating Music Appreciation: Strategies for Teaching All Students," Illinois Music Education Conference; two presentations at Southwestern College/Community Music School Music Education Day; "Appreciating Music Appreciation: Strategies for Teaching All Students" and "Laboratory Ensembles: Improving Skill Acquisition for Pre-Service Music Educators," Kansas Music Educators

Association State Conference; "The Double Trouble of Double Joints: Issues and Modifications for Hypermobility in String Playing," American String Teachers Association National Conference. She was co-presenter of two research poster presentations at conferences, and is author of "A View of Current Evaluative Practices in Instrumental Music Teacher Education" *Arts Education Policy Review*, Vol. 115, No. 4.

**Terry Quiett '94**, web producer, attended the Bloomberg *Businessweek* Design 2015 Conference held at the Yerba Buena Center for the Arts in San Francisco. The speakers included a diverse and impressive mix of world-renowned "designers" from software engineers to CEOs, scientists to graphic artists, and architects to astronauts. The attendance was made possible by a generous gift from SC benefactor **Charles Kopke**.

**Timothy Shook**, professor of music and chair of the performing arts division, is the recipient of the 2015 Kansas Music Teachers Association (KMTA) Outstanding Service Award. The award recognizes his significant contributions of service to the state and national organizations. Shook also was appointed one of seven commissioners of the Music Teachers' National Association National Commission for Certification, and was appointed chair of the MTNA junior competitions for the West Central Division. He is a member of the Board of Directors of National Association of Schools of Music as a result of being elected as chair, Region 3 National Association to the Music

Teachers' National Association National Commission for Certification.

**Krystal Winn**, regional admission counselor, co-presented two papers at the Texas Association for College Admissions Counseling Annual Conference April 9-11 in Houston. The papers were "Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Pizza, French Fries: The Dreaded Lunch Visit," and "Let 'Em Go! Get 'Em to Go! Helping First Gen College Bound Students Discover Options Beyond Texas."

**Stephen M. Woodburn**, associate professor of history, finished his second English translation of a Russian-language book: *Nikolai Danilevskii, Woe to the Victors! The Russo-Turkish War, the Congress of Berlin, and the Future of Slavdom*. The book, published by Slavica Publishers at Indiana University, was funded by a grant from the Mikhail Prokhorov Foundation's Transcript Program. It comprises a series of journalistic articles on Russia's interests in the Black Sea, the Bosphorus, and southeastern Europe, occasioned by Russia's final war with the Ottoman Empire, which it won on the battlefield and lost at the peace conference in Berlin (hence the title). The book provides relevant background to the current situation, as Russia has resumed the pursuit of its interests in this region.

NOTES ON FRIENDS

**Alicia Lillich**, reference and instruction librarian at Deets Library on the Southwestern College main campus, has accepted a position with the National Library of Medicine in Kansas City.



**Harold Dryden '38** died March 14, 2015. Harold worked for United Airlines for 37 years. He is survived by his son Lanny and daughters Anne McKeever, Katie Czechowski, and Diana Cameron, four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

**Marion (Wheatley) Schaefer '41** died on Feb. 13, 2015. She met the love of her life, **Drayton Schaefer '39**, while attending Southwestern. He preceded her in death. Marion is survived by three sons, a granddaughter and a great-granddaughter.

**Anita (Ryniker) Farris '42** died Feb. 17, 2015, in Edmond, Okla.. Anita had a brief career as a high school English and music teacher. She is survived by her son Richard, daughter Paula Seales, three grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

**Maudene (Messmer) Goebel '43** died Feb. 4, 2015 in Topeka. Maudene taught English at Boswell Junior High School in Topeka. She is survived by her children Marti Dittman, Steve Goebel, and Gary Goebel, seven grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

**M. Frances (Landreth) Etheridge '45** passed away Jan.19 in Plano, Texas. Frances taught math at USC, Baylor University, and Tyler Junior College. Frances is survived by her husband James, son John, daughter E. Elizabeth Plagens, and two grandchildren.

**David McGuire '47** died on March 27, 2015, in Denton, Texas. David was a teacher, mentor, and friend to many generations of music educators. He was voted "Honor Professor" at the University of North Texas and Professor Emeritus by the College of Music upon his retirement in 1987. Southwestern College conferred him an honorary doctorate and inducted him into both the Fine Arts and Education halls of fame. He is survived by his wife **Ruth, sons David Jr. '72** and **Timothy '81**; daughter **Susan Cooksey '75**; brothers Jim and Ben; sister Charlotte Wagoner; and seven grandchildren.

**Bill Medley '49** died March 20, 2015 at his home in Winfield. A longtime dedicated educator, Bill was always willing to go the extra mile to encourage young people in their education. During his lifetime, he received many honors and awards including induction into the Southwestern College Educators Hall of Fame. Bill is survived by his wife Maxine, his daughter Jennifer Ely, his son Forrest Medley, four grandchildren, one great-granddaughter, and his sister Dorothy Fisher. A memorial has been established in his name at Southwestern College.

**Martin R. "Marty" Sidener '49** died on Feb. 7, 2015. As a member of the 1946 Southwestern football team that won the Central Intercollegiate

Conference Championship, he and the other team members received accolades for being part of the only CIC football championship in Southwestern College history. Marty is survived by his daughter Lyn (Sidener) Baugh, cousin **A. Dan Kahler '50**, and several grandchildren.

**Rex Dulaney '50** died Dec. 9, 2014. Rex began working in the oilfield then taught for 23 years and coached swimming and football. In his 80s, Rex started competing in the Senior Olympics and won medals in swimming and field events. Survivors include his wife, **E. Darlene (Heffron) '53**, sons, Stewart and Todd, daughter, Jane, and two grandchildren.

**Bahman Amini '51** died April 2, 2015. Bahman played an early role in the establishment of the National University in Iran and became its dean of students. He later established Ghazali College in Ghazvin. He returned to the U.S. in 1979 and was the internship coordinator at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars until his retirement. He is survived by his wife Parvin, children Bijan, Arash, Shirin Shaw and Katayoun Marciano, and seven grandchildren.

**Betty (Wynn) McGehee '51** died on March 14, 2015. She was a public school music teacher in Sterling, Peabody, and the Wichita area. She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Richard; children Gayle Baldwin, Bruce, and Steven; and five grandchildren. Memorial are to the John T. and Gladys Wynn Memorial Scholarship Fund at Southwestern College.

**Keith Sherman '52** passed away on April 2, 2015. Keith retired in 1987 as assistant federal veterinarian in charge of Kansas and Missouri and federal veterinarian in charge of North Carolina. He is survived by his wife, Rosemary, daughter Valerie Durbin, son David, sisters Pat Hanshaw and Barbara Hendricks, grandsons **Dustin Durbin '14** and Casey Durbin; two granddaughters; and one great-grandchild.

**Bobby Gene Williams '54**, of Madison, Miss., died on Feb. 11, 2014.

**Lloyd Craig '55** passed away March 11, 2015. Lloyd was the publisher for Winfield Publishing Company. In April, Lloyd posthumously received the Gaston Outstanding Mentor Award from the Kansas Press Association. Lloyd's wife of 58 years, Shirley, died just a few weeks later on April 23. The Craigs are survived by their daughters **Peggy Craig '80**, **Carol Craig '84**, and **Karen Craig '84**.

**Marilyn (Gale) Newman '55** died March 5, 2015 due to complications of Alzheimer's. Marilyn loved volunteering her time at Bozeman Deaconess Hospital. She is survived by her son Eric, two daughters Gayle Roth and

Lynn Sweeney, brother Duane, as well as 14 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

**Clyde Morton '56** passed away Feb. 25, 2015. Clyde was a retired La Mesa/Spring Valley, CA school district administrator and educator. He is survived by sons, Mike and David, daughter Margaret Schoonover, sister **Cora Mettling '72**, two grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

**Robert Hovey '57** passed away Feb. 18, 2015 at his home in Winfield. Bob served in the Navy from 1949 until 1951. He worked for USD 465 and retired as district maintenance manager in 1999. Survivors include sons Robert and Gary, daughter Donna Smith '84, brother Kenneth, 10 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

**Eldon "Pud" Milburn '57** passed away at home on May 7, 2015. He married his college sweetheart, Pat Ridgway, in 1956. Eldon enjoyed a 38-year career with the Kansas City, Kansas, school system, serving as a math teacher, basketball coach, counselor, assistant principal, and principal. He is survived by his wife **Pat '56**, children Cynthia Barrager, Rhonda Dennis, Jay Milburn, and one granddaughter.

**Bruce Cable '63** passed away April 25, 2015. Bruce worked for Total Petroleum as a lab technician. Survivors include his wife Betty, daughter Natalie Fleury, sons Ricky and Bennett, and one granddaughter.

**John E. Wolfe '64** died on Feb. 9, 2015. Dr. Wolfe began his career in medicine serving the community of Hutchinson, Kan., before going on to practice at Ferrell Duncan Clinic in Springfield, Mo., for more than 30 years before retiring in 2013. He is survived by his wife Diana; children Justin Wolfe, Curtis Wolfe, and Marci (Wolfe) Waters; a brother Jack Wolfe; stepson Jack Dempsey; and eight grandchildren.

**Jim Davie '65** died on April 25, 2015 at his home in Manhattan, Kan. As a high school football coach at Mulvane, Derby, and Wichita Southeast, he had great success before going on to K-State where he was defensive line coach, tight end coach, offensive line coach and assistant head coach. He also worked for Kansas Farm Bureau Association for several years, and assisted his daughter Erin with the Kansas City 8th grade tackle football team that she coached. Coach Davie was inducted into the Southwestern College Athletic Hall of Fame in 2006. He is survived by his wife **Maggie (Harp) '66**, their two children, Erin Fischer and Pat Davie, and four grandchildren.

**Dr. Stephen James Smith '67** died on Jan.20, 2015 in Hesston, Kan. Steve was a medical doctor in Arkansas City, Kan., and Rockport, Texas. He is sur-

vived by his mother Dorothy (Dunbar) Smith, a brother Stuart D. Smith, his wife Patsy Britton Smith of Marion, Kan., and two sons - David Aaron Smith and Daren James Smith.

**Harold Holman '71** passed away April 11, 2015. He lived most of his life in the Phoenix area and was an avid Arizona Diamondbacks fan. He is survived by his daughters, Samantha Red and Stephanie Holman, his sister Lona Trollinger, and three grandchildren.

**Mary (Green) Wise '75** died Feb. 1, 2015 at her home. Mary was a homemaker and mother. Survivors include her husband Brian, daughter Kate Wise, son Lucas, brother Evertt Green, sister Martha Ferrezano, and two grandsons.

## DEATHS OF FRIENDS

**Lucien Barbour**, Winfield, passed away Oct. 2. While tennis was Lucien's passion, the greatest legacy he left his family, friends, and community was his leadership in working together, compromising, and building consensus of different interests for the benefit of the community. The Hobart L. Barbour Endowed Scholarship at Southwestern was established by Lucien, his mother, **Pearl '28**, and Randy. Lucien is survived by his wife, Judy, children, Becky Winblad, Robin Barbour, and Randy Barbour, eight grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

**Dr. Corydon Eugene Cochran** died March 26, 2015. Survivors include his wife of 42 years, **Alma (Chism) Cochran '68**.

**Donald "Don" Kline**, Winfield, passed away Oct. 11. Don opened Kline Motors Ford in the 1960s and retired in 1993. He is survived by his wife, Virginia, and four children.

**Priscilla "Tallu" Rivers**, of Grenola, Kan., died on May 8, 2015. She was the wife of **Roland "Ron" Rivers '77**, who preceded her in death, and is the mother of three Moundbuilders - **Randl Rivers '80**, **Ronda Rivers-Stone '82**, and **Robin Rivers '83**. In addition to her children, she is survived by four grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

**Marjorie Strohl** died March 23, 2015. Marjorie was married for 12 years to former SC President, **C. Orville Strohl**. She is survived by Marjorie "Marcy" Watts Houser, **Curtis Watts '73**, two grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild.

**Marvin Hafenstein** (*See item page 4*)

**Wilma Topper** passed away April 3, 2015. Wilma retired as a custodian from SC after 20 years of service, spending most of her years in Wallingford Hall. Wilma was the recipient of the SGA Non-Teaching Award for the 1988-89 school year.



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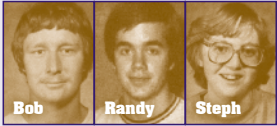
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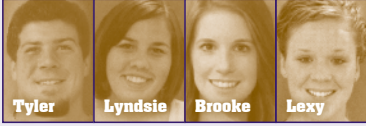


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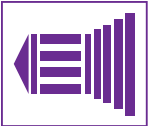
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