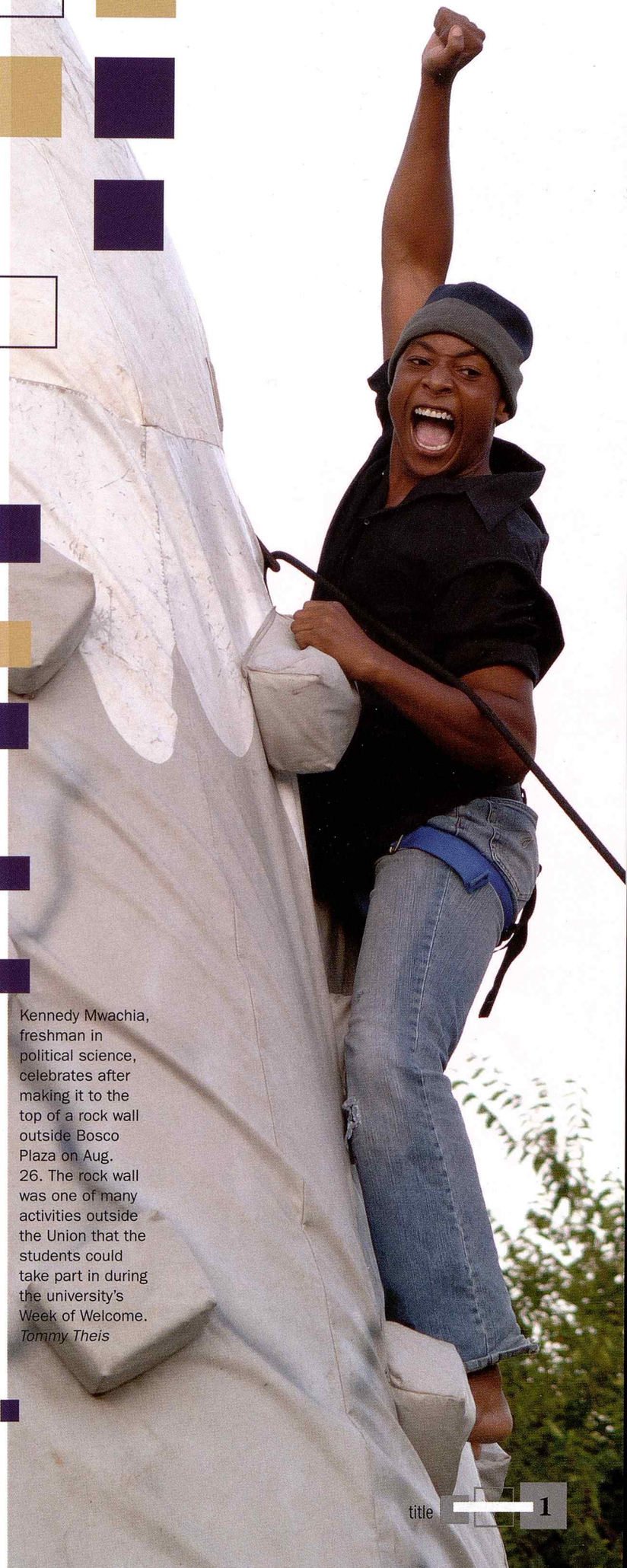
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Kennedy Mwachia, freshman in political science, celebrates after making it to the top of a rock wall outside Bosco Plaza on Aug. 26. The rock wall was one of many activities outside the Union that the students could take part in during the university's Week of Welcome. *Tommy Theis*

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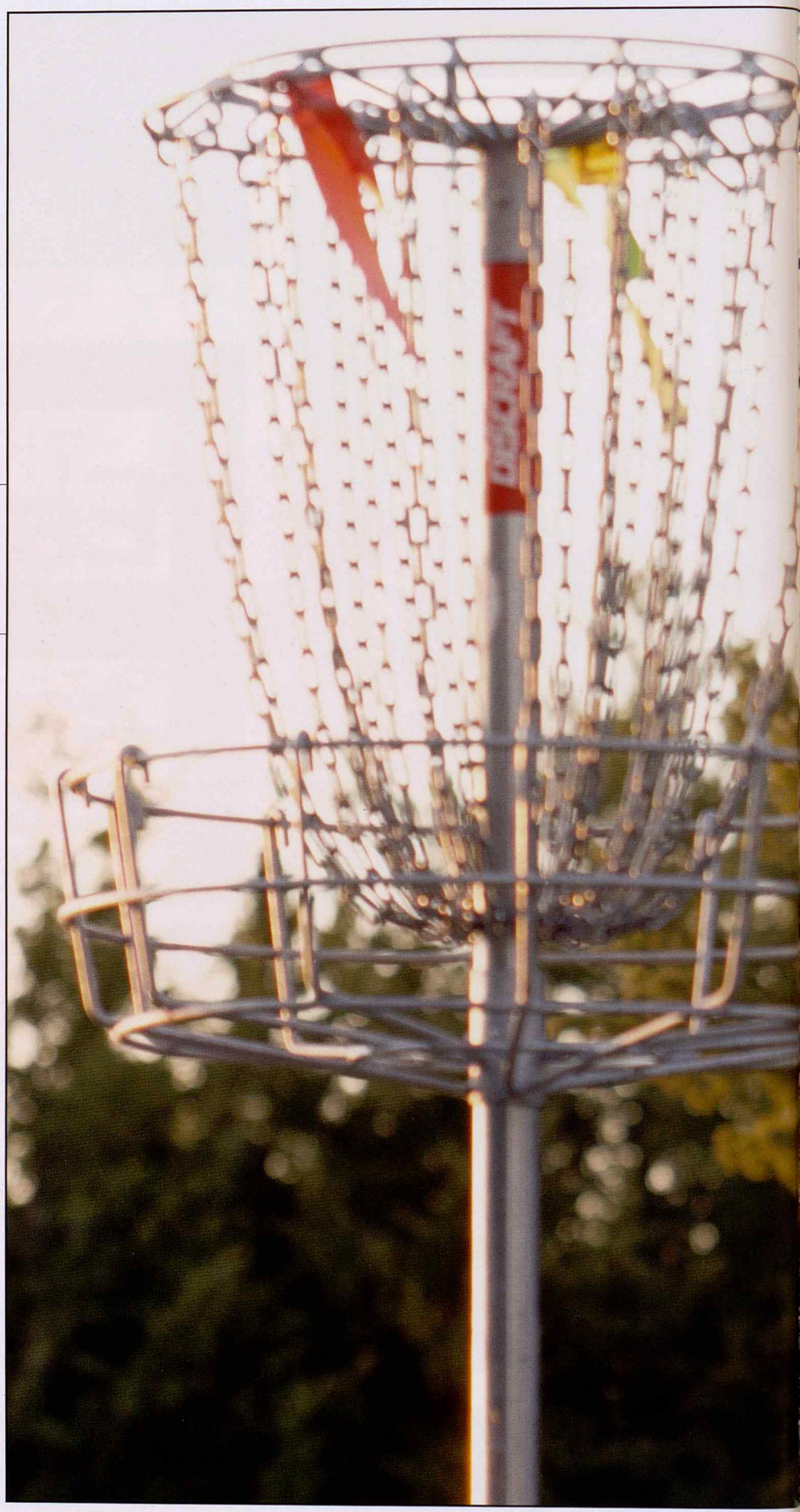
The Essentials

To be essential was to be absolutely necessary. What was necessary for students in college? Was it participating in student life, joining a club or going to sporting events? Or were academics the most imperative part of college? Students at the university were constantly adding to their list of essentials while spending their short time in Manhattan.

College came with an indispensable agenda and a significant amount of tasks to complete before each student left. Students made sure they "didn't let their education get in the way of their education." Attending classes was crucial and getting involved on campus was important, but Kansas State University came with many more essentials than just books and club memberships. Their years at K-State were spent making memories of a lifetime. The time students spent at K-State was **essential**.

Fans throw their customary shredded newspaper into the air before K-State's home opener volleyball match against Creighton Aug. 30 in Ahearn Fieldhouse. K-State defeated Creighton by one match. *Jonathan Knight*

After a rough first shot, Kevin Clouse, senior studying agriculture communication, looks for a par. Along with playing in the city league every Wednesday at Warner Park, Clouse is also part of the K-State Disc Golf Club.
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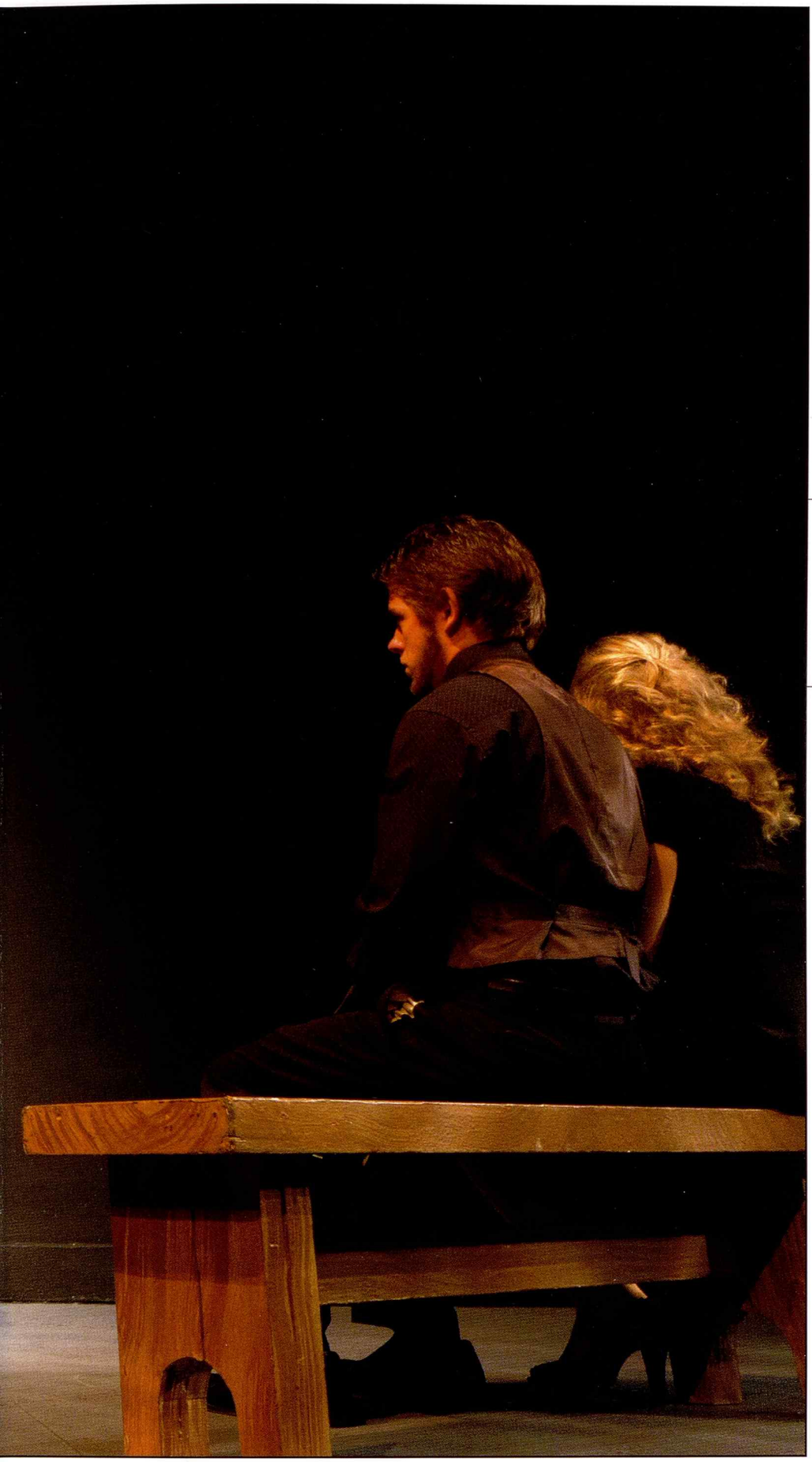


"I like playing at the course at Tuttle Creek with my friends and brother. It's a fun and inexpensive way to stay active."

Daniel Domsch, Senior in Management







Actors, from left, Alexandra Gaines, freshman in theater, Erika Williams, junior in theater, Jason Strong, freshman in theater, and Kelsey Coffroth, freshman in open option, act out a funeral scene during the rehearsal of the play Dead Man's Cell Phone. *Evert Nelson*

"With each character I play, I learn a little more about life. There's so much to discover about your character, yourself and people in general, through acting."

Erika Williams, Junior in Theater



Student Life

Two students in the Chess Club play a match against each other in the Union courtyard Aug. 26. The Chess Club, and all the other student clubs, were represented at the club fair during the university's annual Week of Welcome. *Tommy Theis*

wildcats & their cubs

by Erin Poppe

Jessica Reyes, 29, and Stephanie Bowles, 22, contrasted each other in many ways. Reyes was a graduate student in literature and Bowles was a senior in life sciences. One thing they shared was the knowledge of having a daughter in college.

Reyes had Bella in the fall before returning to school after a break. Stephanie had Chrissy in the winter of her junior year before taking a break.

"I did not go back to school immediately," Reyes said. "Having a newborn is rough, regardless of your situation. I did not want to overload myself, so it took a while for me to go back to being a full-time student."

Education was a key factor for Reyes, even prior to Bella's entrance. However for Bowles, it was Chrissy who inspired choosing studying over partying.

"School was on the back burner for me," Bowles said. "After she was born, I wanted to better my life in order to give her everything she deserved. I'm thankful I had her."

However, for Bowles, not everyone was as initially thankful for her daughter as she was. She talked about how it was tough for her family to accept due to their Catholic beliefs.

"What can you do?" Bowles said. "You can't erase being pregnant, or at least I couldn't. If they wanted to be a part of her life, they were going to have to come around eventually. But it was rough."

It was also rough for both Bowles and Reyes to find a balance between school and their daughters initially. Bowles said she was fortunate enough to be able to work out the ideal schedule with her boyfriend so that someone was always home with Chrissy. However Reyes mentioned about how she had to play the role of 'student with a crying baby' once after Bella was born.

"You try to avoid those circumstances like the plague," said Reyes. "When they are younger children are so unpredictable, it got really awkward."

But at the same, Reyes said that the university, staff and fellow students, were very gracious about her and Bella.

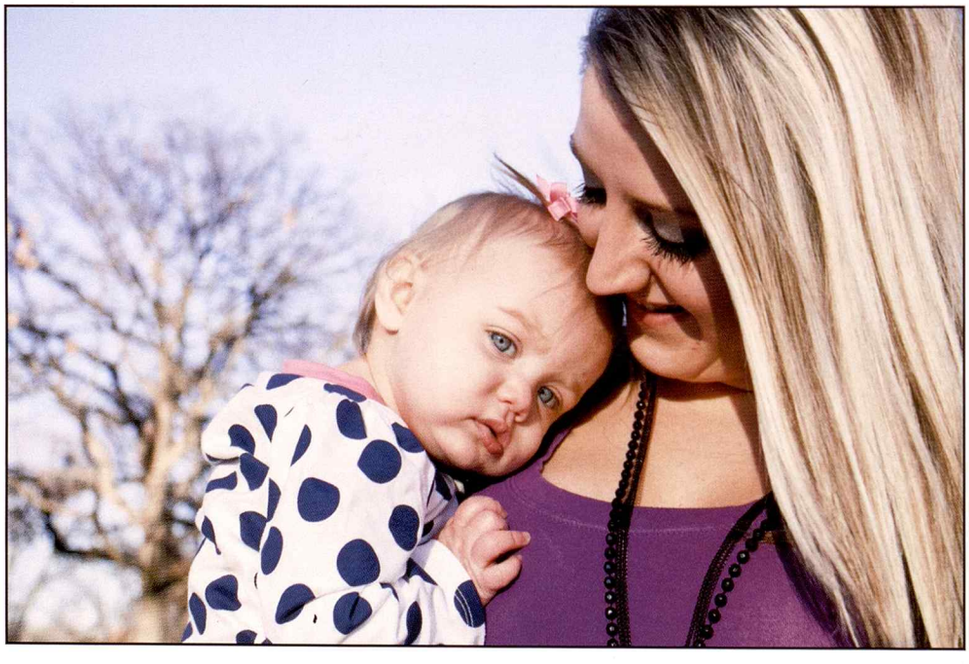
"The professors I had in the English department understood that I was in a different situation and were willing to work with me on that," Reyes said. "But I never wanted to use the 'I'm a mom' card to my advantage. I never wanted to use it, or Bella, as an excuse."

Neither did Bowles, and she shared Reyes' thought of how accepting the members of the university could be. Bowles spent time on campus while carrying Chrissy, so she saw a side Reyes didn't.

"I was actually surprised at the amount of people that wanted to rub my belly, people I didn't even know," Bowles said. "They told me I was a cute pregnant lady." But she had to take the good moments with the bad when it came to the interactions. "Of course I got looks from some people, looks that judged me," she said. "But I had a good support system, so I could ignore it."

Both Bowles and Reyes said a their support systems helped them through the tougher moments, that their friends and family were not only there for them, but for their daughters as well.

"K-State was full of understanding people," Reyes said. "The people I have met here have become family to my husband, my daughter and I. I am very fortunate to go to a university where everyone is family."



Stephanie Bowles, senior in life sciences, holds daughter Chrissy at the park on Feb. 5. "Chrissy is my world, and I love her so much. I would do anything for her and I hope I can give her an amazing life," Bowles said. *Erin Poppe*



Jessica Reyes, graduate student in literature, plays on the swing set in the park with daughter Bella. There's that cheesy part of me that wants to say everything I do is for Bella, and in a lot of ways it's true. As a kid I don't think I realized that about my parents," Reyes said.
Erin Poppe



Kevin Schuessler, senior in life sciences, hangs the Ale House sign in his apartment above Porter's in Aggieville on Dec. 9. The owner of Ale House sold Schuessler the sign for $1,200 after he closed and revamped the location over Winter break, changing it to Lucky's Bar and Grill where live bands play every Thursday through Saturday. *Lisle Alderton*

A large crowd waits their turn to order drinks and food at the bar on Feb. 12 in one of Aggieville's newest restaraunts, Taco Lucha. The owners of So Long's Saloon openend the new Mexican restaurant's kitchen to the public on Nov. 15, serving a wide variety of tacos, including buffalo chicken, black and blue, and the incredibly hot jalepeno Slayer Taco. *Lisle Alderton*

OPEN FOR BUSINESS

by Beth Cornwell



With more than 30 places to dine, drink, or dance, Aggieville was flourishing with businesses. However, it had noticeably been struggling to keep all of their bars open. This might have seemed impossible because of all the Aggieville attractions that bring students, families, and Manhattan residents to the popular six block strip.

According to the Aggieville Business Association, Aggieville had been around since 1889 providing a wide variety of businesses. Aggieville was named after the original college in Manhattan-the Kansas State Agricultural College Aggies.

Even though Aggieville was one of the most well-known places in Manhattan, especially by the students, owners often struggled to keep their bars open. According to Seth Stone, manager at one of the newest bars in Aggieville, Taco Lucha, people always want something new and fresh.

"There becomes a saturation point. Unless the bar has something really good to offer, people just get tired of the same thing night after night."

A number of bars had opened and closed over a five-month period. Included in this list were PJ's, Ale House, and The Purple Pig. Rumors of other bars closing and being bought out circulated throughout Aggieville. Bars that had opened in the last few months include Taco Lucha, The Goose, Aggie Station, and Mojo's. Shannon Collins, part owner of Aggie Station, a bar that opened in the Spring 2012 semester, noticed the openings and closings of so many bars.

"I think the economy has had some effect on this happening, but in this area, we are fortunate enough with the college and Fort Riley to keep people coming in," he said.

Collins said some bars closed due to the lack of originality and the stress and time involved with operating a bar.

Aggieville's employees had other opinions as to why many of the bars were failing. Bartender Keri Rausch, senior in kinesiology, said that the reason for so many closings is because of poor management. Rausch worked at several bars in Aggieville, and was a bartender at Johnny Kaw's. She believed poor management and poor business decisions were the reason bars closed.

"The amount of people in the bars is consistent, it's the management and how people are treated that become the reason for the businesses to close," Clay Schilling, senior in animal science, said. "When I go to the bars, it's usually packed. I don't really miss the ones that closed, though."

Collins and Stone both said they hadn't seen a decrease in the amount of customers. Collins and Stone both agreed that when K-State students were on break, the local community started making more of an appearance.

"The community is scared to come once the school is in session, but once it isn't, they are here right away," Stone said.

Collins reiterated that by saying during the summer, business was never slow because of the permanent Manhattan residents.

Whether it was because business was bad, poor management decisions were made or the competition in Aggieville was too tough, as soon as one bar closed, another one opened.

NEED FOR SPEED

by Jamie Dysart

As cars drove through Kansas this year, the drivers may have found themselves going faster. This was because of a five mile per hour increase in speed along 807 miles of Interstate 70.

According to ksdot.org, the change came into effect July 1 and the decision to change was passed by the 2011 Legislature, authorizing the Secretary of Transportation, a task force made up of Kansas Department of Transportation representatives, Kansas Highway Patrol and Kansas Turnpike Authority, to choose where the speed increase would occur. Ksdot.org reported there were five factors considered when deciding where to increase the speed: traffic volumes, crash history, roadway geometrics and rural versus urban areas.

"In short, this means the selected portions of highway are newer in rural areas and have nice flat curves with unlimited sight distance; therefore a driver can successfully bring a car to a stop in case of an emergency," Robert Stokes, professor of civil engineering and director of the University Transportation Center, said.

Stokes said with neighboring states including Oklahoma, Colorado and Texas increasing their speed limits, many may choose not to travel through Kansas; therefore the increase in speed has a positive economic impact on the state.

The 75 mph affected these portions of highway: U.S. 81 from I-70 near Salina north to K-106, I-70 from Colorado state line just west of Topeka, I-35 from 85th street interchange in Harvey County to I-70 near Salina, U.S. 69 from north junction of U.S. 54 in Bourbon County to Johnson County, Kansas Turnpike from Oklahoma state line to K-7 in Wyandotte County.

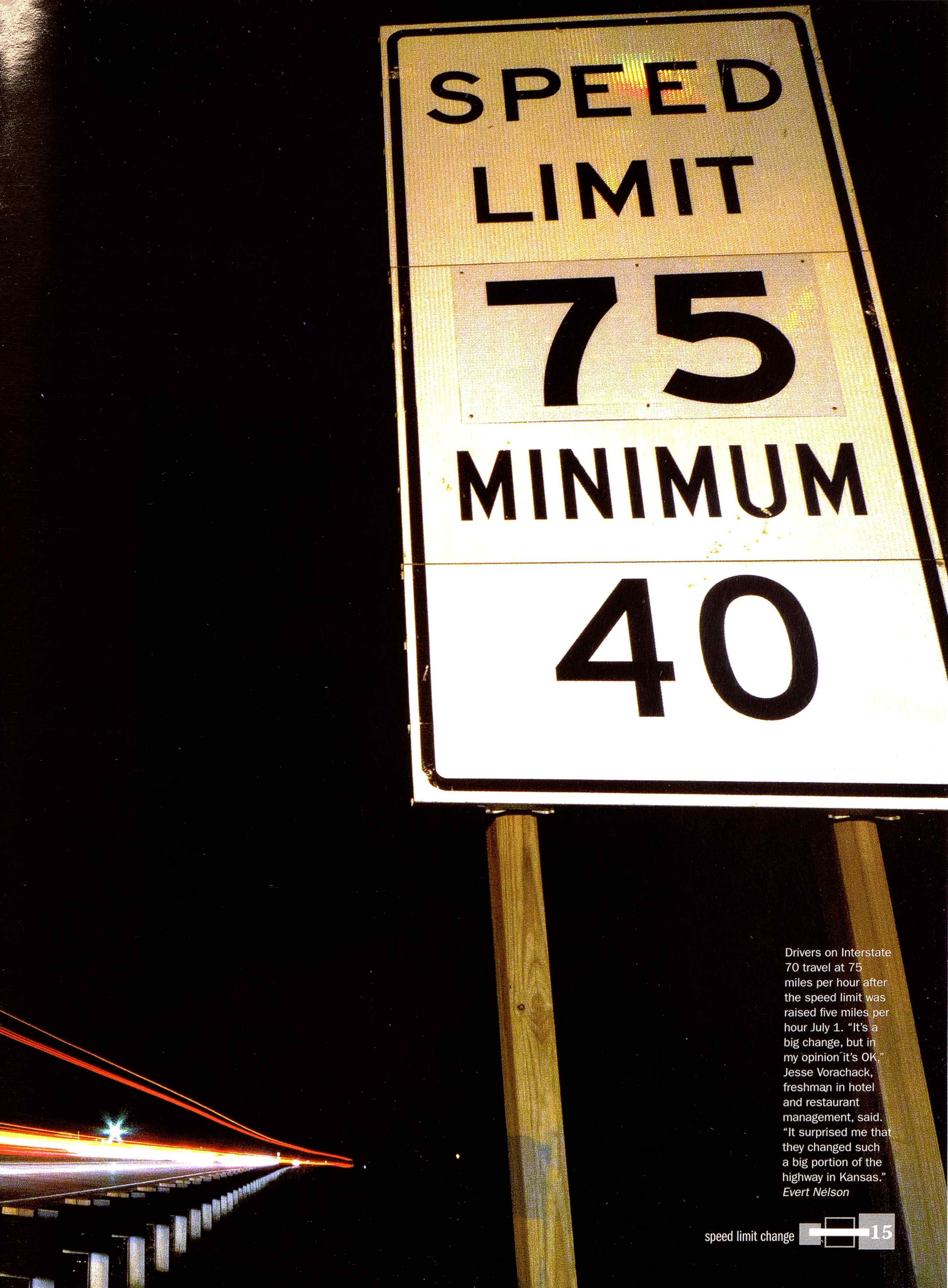
"It makes the drive quicker, but I do think it makes people drive even faster," Kylee Luckeroth, senior in fine arts, said.

Some feared the increase of speed would only reverse the declining trend in highway deaths; however, highway fatalities were at their lowest rate nationwide in 60 years.

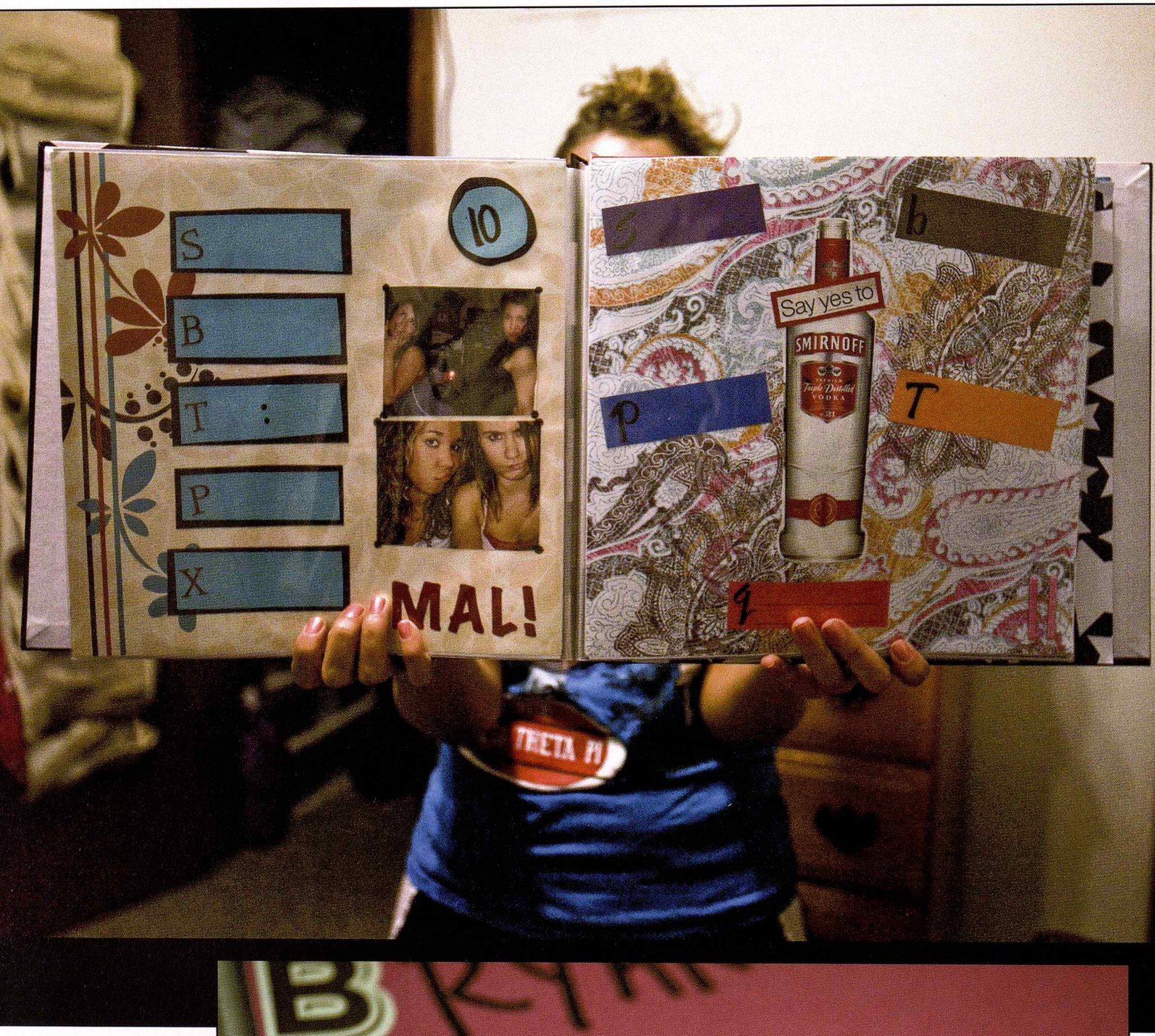
Valerie Dysart, a graduate student in public health, enjoyed the speed increase and liked how it made traveling faster, even though she did not use it on a regular basis. If she had to, she would chose the highways with the speed increase over other alternate routes.

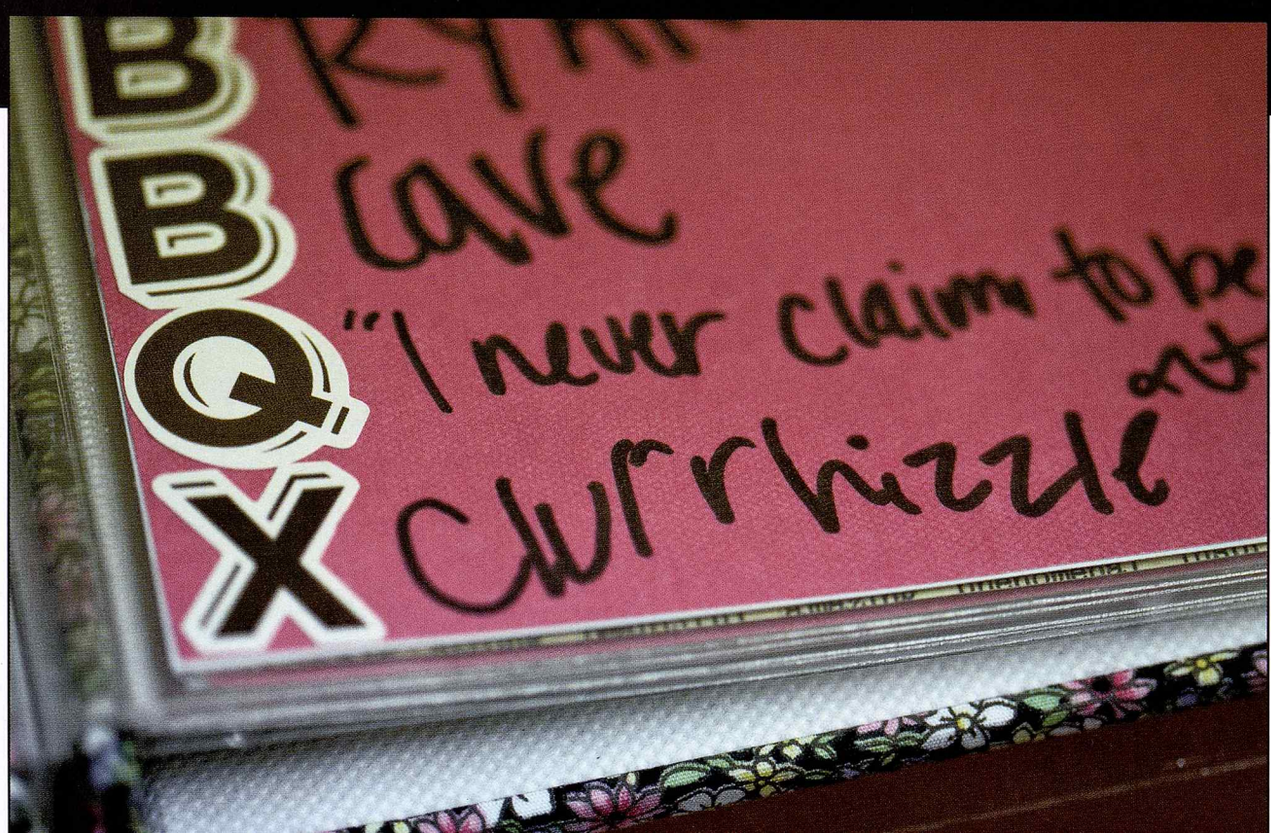
"It is a long stretch with nothing interesting to look at, but the speed increase made a boring drive go faster," Dysart said of her trip to Wichita.

Stokes said the most important thing to remember when driving through Kansas was not all sections of interstate had the raised speed limit and drivers must remain observant and obey the speed limit laws.

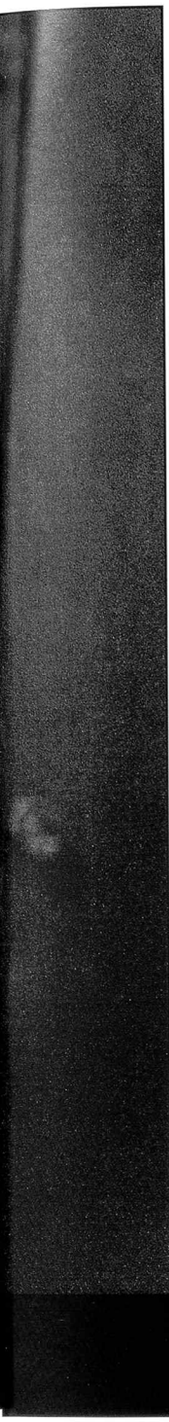


Drivers on Interstate 70 travel at 75 miles per hour after the speed limit was raised five miles per hour July 1. "It's a big change, but in my opinion it's OK," Jesse Vorachack, freshman in hotel and restaurant management, said. "It surprised me that they changed such a big portion of the highway in Kansas."
Evert Nelson





The different parts of a shot book page, the "bar, buyer, quote and signature," are shown after a girl filled them out on her 21st birthday. "It's not just a way to get hammered legally for the first time on your 21st birthday. It's a keepsake, too," said Mallory Flatt, senior in elementary education. *Erin Poppe*



A member of Kappa Alpha Theta holds open a page in her shot book before it is filled out the night of her 21st birthday. According to Urban Dictionary, a shot book is a compilation of pages made by girlfriends or sorority sisters that consists of pictures, quotes and stickers on cute crafty paper.
Erin Poppe

a shot at celebrating

by Ellie Long

Page one read tequila with lime, page two read watermelon vodka, page three read lemon drop, and so it went on for 18 more pages. This was what awaited young women who chose to take part in what had been adopted in college communities across the country on the night of their 21st birthdays. They went from bar to bar with their friends, drinking whatever was handed to them until they consumed 21 shots of alcohol.

A shot book was a scrapbook made by a woman's best friends and given to her on her 21st birthday. Inside were pages made by each of her friends who intended to buy her a shot that night. She picked 21 friends to represent the 21 years of her life. On the night of her birthday she took the shot book with her and each time she turned a page she took the prescribed shot.

Seeing shot books in Aggieville wasn't a rare occurrence. Every weekend groups of women were seen going from bar to bar with big square scrapbooks in their hands.

"Every weekend there are girls that come into Rusty's with crowns and dresses on with an entourage of girls around them taking their shots," said Bridget Brown, senior in elementary education and bartender of Rusty's and The Other Side bars in Aggieville. "It's really bad because some girls don't have that type of tolerance and some people aren't made to be taking a bunch of shots. Especially when it's 21, a lot of people take more than that without even realizing it."

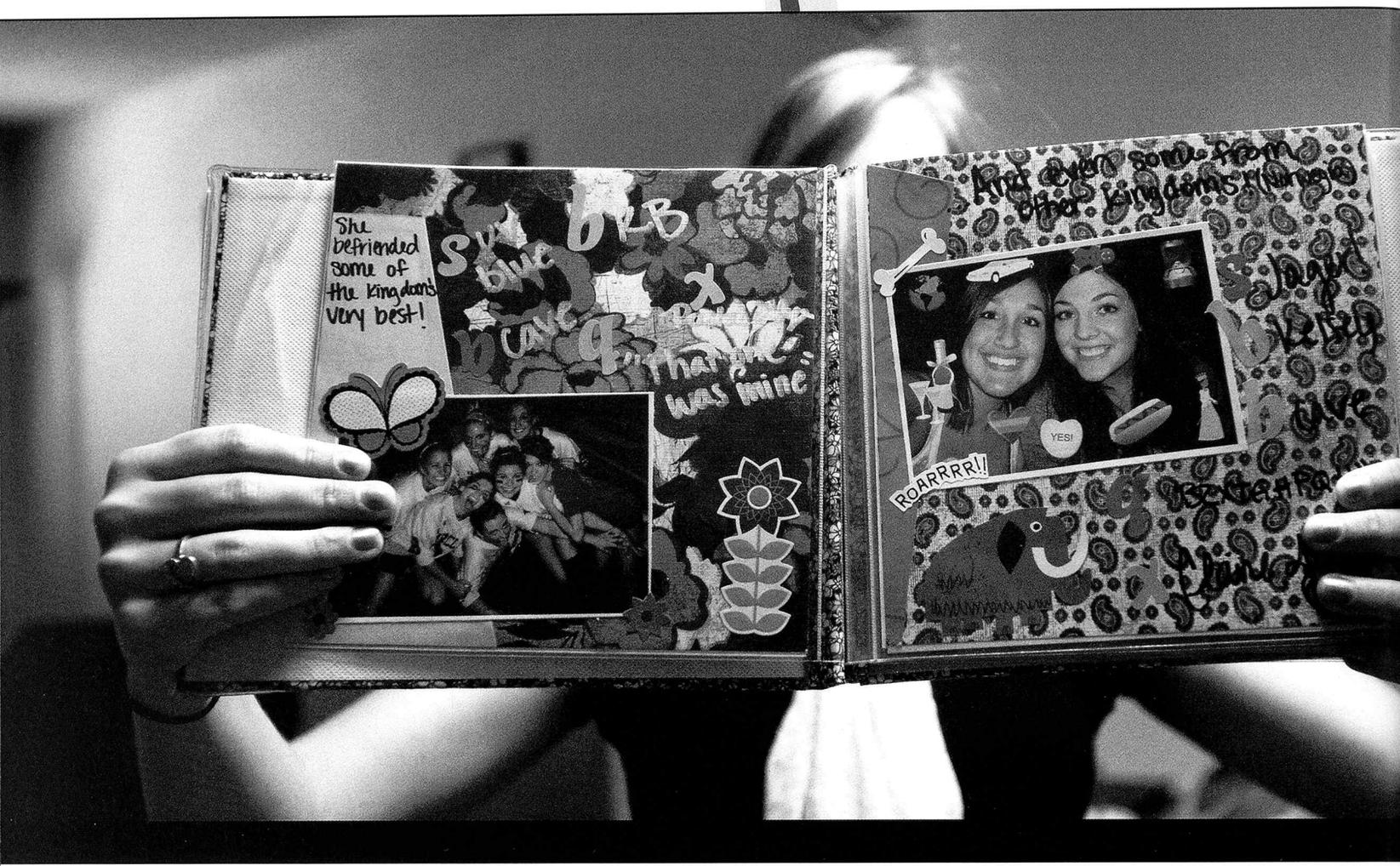
The women usually went out to dinner and started taking shots while they ate, making sure they finished 21 before midnight, or when their birthday was over. This gave them four or five hours to consume 21 shots of alcohol.

Each page within the shot book had certain criteria the birthday girl had to fill out including the shot she took, the bar she took it at, the person who bought it, what time the shot was taken, a quote of what she said after she took the shot, and her signature. It's intended to make the girl go from bar to bar, taking a different shot for each page

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National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism

6% of students meet the criteria for alcohol dependence
31% of students met criteria for the diagnosis of alcohol abuse
More than **150,000** students develop an alcohol-related health problem
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About **25%** of college students report academic consequences of their drinking



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books were known to cost anywhere from $25 to $100.

"I took 24 shots on my birthday," said Kayla Fearing, senior in communication sciences and disorders. "My best friend made me my book. I will look at it 10 years from now and not care about what shot I took or what time it was. I'll care more about the pictures and notes from my friends."

To many women, it was not only an agenda for the night you go to the bars for the first time, but a way to solidify going out and celebrating your 21st birthday.

"It can get kind of dangerous, but I would never choose not to have one," said Mallory Flatt, senior in elementary education. "It's not just a way to get hammered legally for the first time on your 21st birthday. It's a keepsake, too."

Shot books received attention from media outlets such as the Seattle Times, Washington Post, The New York Times, 60 Minutes and campus organizations across the country. According to National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, 83 percent of college students across the country drank and each year 31 percent of students met the criteria for alcohol abuse. Two out of every five students said they participated in binge drinking while in college, and 1,825 college students died from unintentional alcohol-related injuries.

Because of incidents like these and others that caused women to be sent to the hospital from overconsumption, the practice of making shot books for their 21st birthdays was receiving negative attention.

"It's not a very good example to give the younger girls in our house," said Kolbi Redding, senior in hotel and restaurant management and house manager of her sorority Gamma Phi Beta. "Some girls choose to have memory



A member of Kappa Alpha Theta holds up her smaller version of a shot book, an 8-by-8-inch memory book with stickers, photos, printed scrapbook paper and notes. *Erin Poppe*

A shot book's page shows what shot, Southern Comfort and Lime, the time, 12:10 a.m., the buyer, Mitch, and the place, Tubby's Bar and Grill, the birthday girl took on shot seven. *Erin Poppe*

books from 21 of their friends and make them truth or dare books instead of shot books."

There were water or hydration pages in between every few shot pages where the woman taking the shots were supposed to drink water to make sure the alcohol didn't make her sick. Some women made challenge pages, truth or dare pages, puzzles, or other games on pages in the book. The woman had to do the challenges as the night went on with the intention that they would be funny or difficult for her the more she drank.

"The first thing that comes to my mind when I think of shot books is just girls acting like a hot mess," said Chloe Browne, senior in sociology. "I've never talked to someone that just hasn't been out-of-their-mind drunk when they filled out their shot book on their 21st birthday."

Most women didn't even make it to 21 shots; they either got sick or were too drunk to finish the last few pages in their shot books.

"Anyone that is too drunk or anyone that's sick we cannot serve them any alcohol," said Ryan Neiswender, manager of Kite's Bar and Grill. "If someone is stumbling around and slurring their words we won't serve them alcohol, and if we know they've gotten sick they'll be escorted out."

Some bar owners had even been held liable for the damage and intoxication of drinkers. If someone came into a bar who was clearly heavily intoxicated, the law stated that a bartender was required to deny that person the sale of any type of alcohol.

"Girls shouldn't underestimate the effects of alcohol; they need to realize it affects everyone differently so if you're friend can drink a lot it doesn't mean you can, too," Brown said. "You need to think about your safety first."

Style is ESSENTIAL

by Shelby Brunk

This year, Housing and Dining Services was becoming more popular than ever. With over 700 likes on Facebook, events, promos, and contests, students became increasingly more involved.

"The goals are to provide programming that is engaging and fun for students," Dell Ann Upp, coordinator for Marketing and Communications within Housing and Dining Services, said.

A popular contest Housing and Dining provided to students was the "Wildcat Room of the Year." A total of 25 students and their roommates completed entries by simply uploading a photo to Facebook showing what made their room unique. The votes were placed according to how many likes that room received. For Jasmine Bannister, freshman in early childhood education, the contest instantly caught her attention.

"One thing that makes our room unique is that we have a close-line with pictures hanging from it on our window and all the close-pins we have decorated ourselves," Bannister said. "We are in marching band, so we go through a lot of clothes, and our laundry expenses are already racking up. We are definitely wanting to win."

Bannister and her roommate, who have been best friends since childhood, placed second in the contest.

"I got a lot of my ideas during rush week. I got ideas from looking at other girls' rooms and then I just put my own little spin on them," Brooke Lawver, freshman in art, said. "I'm really looking forward to getting a tailgating grill because I tailgate at a lot of games and it would come in handy."

Lawver placed first in the competition. She used purple lights, which bordered the room and decorated it opposite from her roommate. They wanted to give everyone a feel for who they were and let their personalities show.

When it came to rules, the contest was open to any student, from any housing complex, including Jardine Apartments. The week of August 22-28 students were allowed to decorate their rooms in anyway they would like, through Aug. 29 through Sept. 4 students would submit photos on the Housing and Dining Facebook page. Following the week of Sept. 4-9, other students would vote for the room they believed to be the best. Winners were placed in first through third based on highest amounts of votes, then preceded given prizes of their choice, which were donated by Pepsi.

"We are very pleased with the number of entries this year. We have far exceeded other universities contests, and the Facebook following has doubled from last year. Our purpose with the website this year is to refer our students to a page to provide quick updates from the department," Upp said.

There were many girls, mainly from Ford Hall, who applied for the contest with free laundry for a year being their main goal. Yet, two brave men, Daniel Dorsett, sophomore in chemical engineering, and Patrick Burns, freshman in mechanical engineering, came up with an idea that seemed hard to compete with.

"We decided to theme our room as Yoda's hut from Star Wars. We both love Star Wars and thought it would be cool and unique," Dorsett explains. "Our room is unique because it has a definite theme.The Star Wars theme really sticks out to people who are also fans of the film."

Even though Dorsett and Burns received plenty of votes because of their theme, they did not place enough votes against the girls' sets of rooms.

The winners were announced on Monday, Sept. 12. First place was received by Brooke Lawver, second place Jasmine Bannister and third place Katie Riedesel. All three women were excited that they placed in the contest.

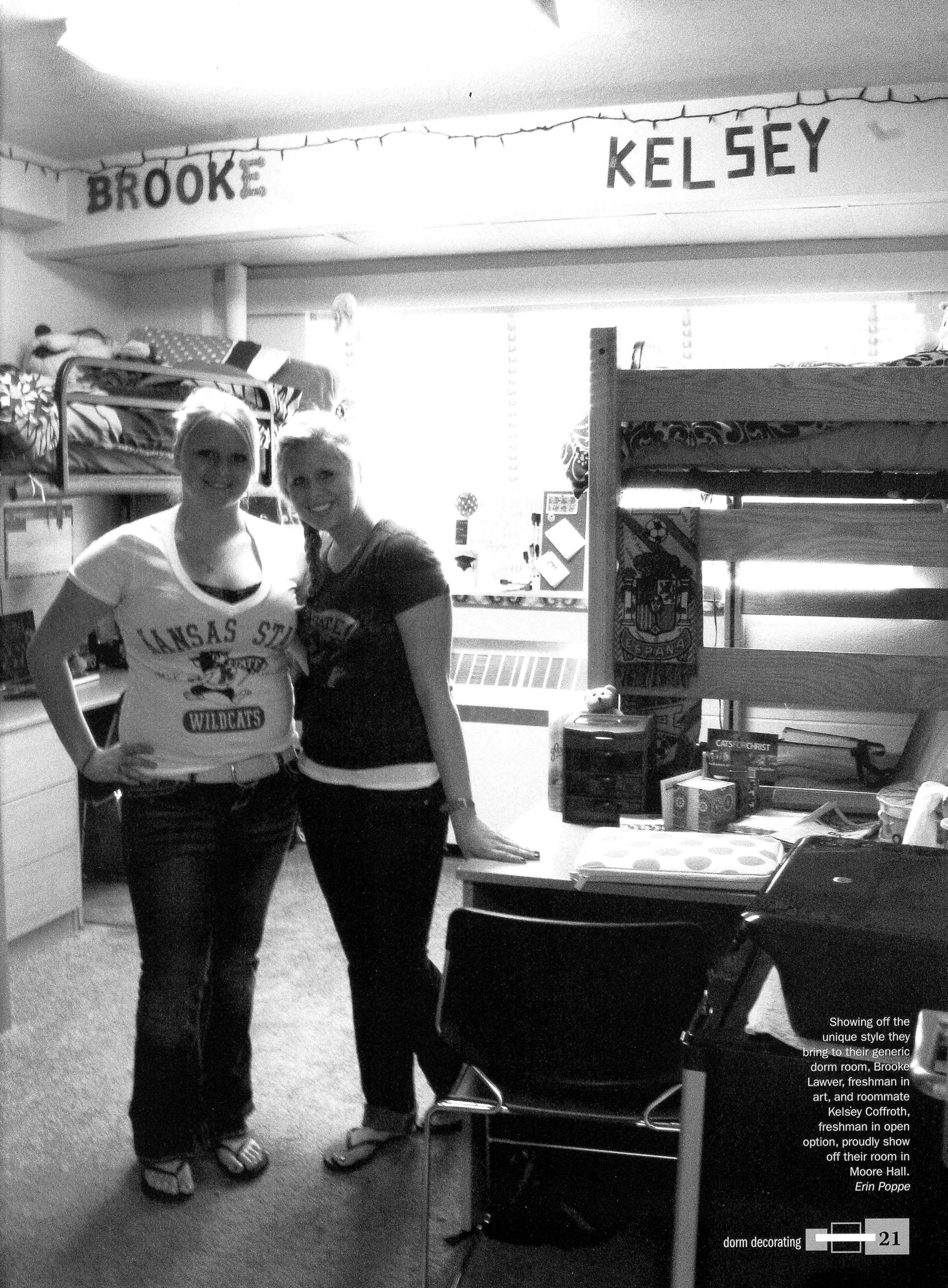
Gaining recognition was another step Housing and Dining Services took.

"We wanted students to get the recognition for the awesome rooms they create," Upp said. "We decided to draw traffic to the social networking site, which would become a future help for students for various and future events for programming."

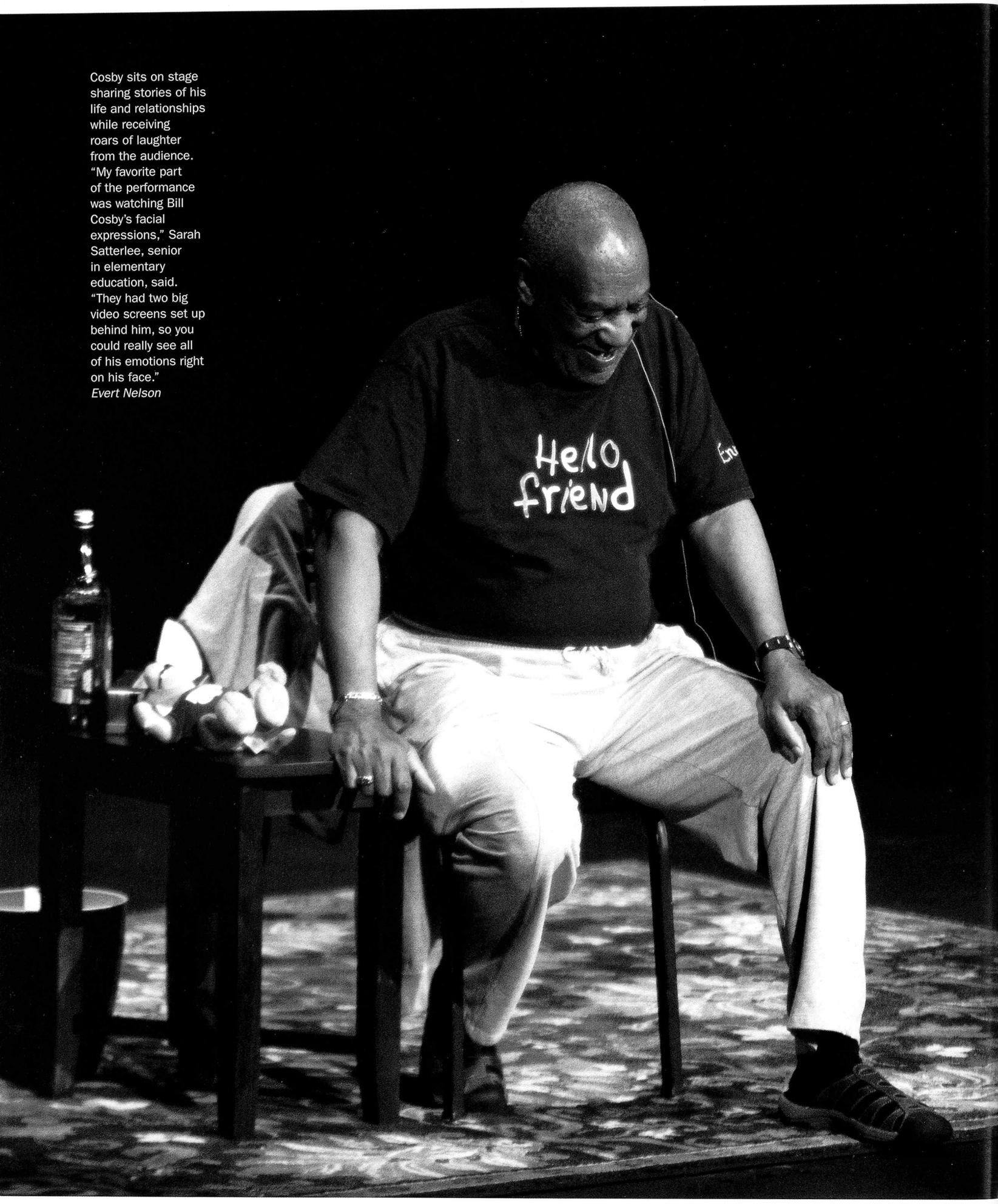
To get students to notice all the events, past and upcoming, the staff took other initiatives and reached out to students.

"We've sent out a series of post-its that went on doors of all the students, which was simply a mini version of the poster to refer people to our Facebook page for all details," Upp said. "We pushed a lot with the room assistants in each hall, which they encouraged their floors to participate as well as advertisement for programming of events at Jardine."

Students became increasingly involved with the services Housing and Dining provided campus wide. With involvement directed in a way students were directly connected with, including the Facebook page, this department of the university was reaching out to all divisions of the student body in any way possible.



Showing off the unique style they bring to their generic dorm room, Brooke Lawver, freshman in art, and roommate Kelsey Coffroth, freshman in open option, proudly show off their room in Moore Hall.
Erin Poppe



Cosby sits on stage sharing stories of his life and relationships while receiving roars of laughter from the audience. "My favorite part of the performance was watching Bill Cosby's facial expressions," Sarah Satterlee, senior in elementary education, said. "They had two big video screens set up behind him, so you could really see all of his emotions right on his face."
Evert Nelson

the COSBY show

by Kelsey White

As people flooded into McCain Auditorium the night of Oct. 9, the eclectic group of spectators made it hard to identify exactly what kind of event was taking place. Grandparents were accompanying their grandchildren while college students sat near their parents and friends.

The excitement in the variety of faces hinted that the performance was to be made by a person that had touched and impacted all generations. It was only fitting that Bill Cosby, the guest speaker that night, was the reason the people had flocked to the campus that rainy evening.

"I wanted to go see Bill Cosby because I grew up watching him on the Cosby Show," Anne McClain, senior in secondary education, said. "I also knew it was a rare treat to be able to see him in person, so I jumped at the opportunity."

He took the stage wearing sweatpants and a sweatshirt dawning the phrase, "Hello Friend," which set the tone for the entire performance. He spent the evening sitting in a chair atop an oriental rug as he talked to the audience as if it was a casual conversation.

"Bill Cosby is one of the most influential cultural icons in American history," said Todd Holmberg, director of McCain Auditorium. "Presenting Mr. Cosby to the Manhattan community is certainly a highlight in McCain Auditorium's 41-year-history of bringing the best to our region, and it's a milestone for my career as an arts administrator."

As a cultural icon, Cosby was known to be a role model for many people during his era. With endless advice on life, fatherhood and marriage, his performance in Manhattan was focused on his unique experiences with his wife and what their life has been like together. His incomparable dialect and exaggerated facial expressions helped successfully deliver each of his hilarious anecdotes directly to the audience, resulting in a roar of laughter that shook the auditorium.

Speaking with the bias of a man's perspective, he gave his two sense on a few unwritten rules of marriage, including the idea of the secluded "man cave."

"I just want you to know, that I know that my wife loves me and she knows I love her, but there is no arguing about who is charge. She pretends that she isn't, but there are things that I don't do which prove that this is not my house," Cosby said. "There are things that I don't do to her, that she does to me, which I am sure all you husbands understand. She gave me a 'room.' There is not a husband here that would give the wife a 'room.'"

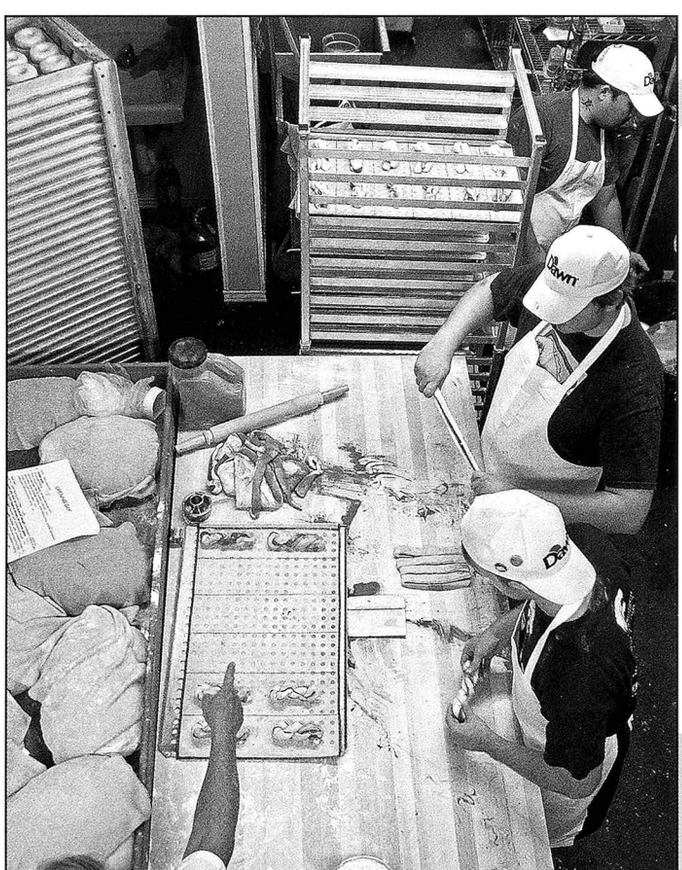
Although many of the people in attendance were unmarried college students, his message about spouses still resonated with the masses.

"Some of his stories revolved around relationships, and at this point in life we have all experienced some form of relationship enough to understand the anticipated gender roles each person plays," McClain said. "It was also interesting to watch how the older generations in the crowd reacted."

As he wrapped up his monologue, he gave a small wildcat stuffed animal a tight squeeze, gave the crowd a large grin and slowly strolled off the stage, Willie in hand.

Customers purchase doughnuts during the first day of business Sept. 22. "I think a doughnut shop would be popular in any college town, but I couldn't imagine a better place than Manhattan," Diane Meredith, co-owner of Varsity Donuts, said.

Skye Tabaranza, Mark Grady and Owen Praeger, senior in computer science and mathematics, make cinnamon twists in preparation for the grand opening of Varsity Donuts. *Carlos Salazar*



Doughnut Flavors:

- ☑ Glazed
- ☑ Chocolate
- ☑ Maple Bacon
- ☑ Chocolate Cake
- ☑ Lemon Drop
- ☑ Blueberry
- ☑ Fruity Pebble
- ☑ Coco Puff
- ☑ Cinnamon Toast Crunch
- ☑ Peanut Butter & Jelly
- ☑ Honeymooner
- ☑ Coconut



by Stephanie Mikuls

Doughnut Time

Varsity Donuts offers a place to satisfy a typical breakfast craving at all hours

When a storefront sticker in March 2011 announced the soon-to-be presence of a new doughnut shop in Aggieville after a previous doughnuts shop Daylight Donuts closed down, it grabbed people's attention. Six months later, Varsity Donuts was ready for people to sink their teeth into some sweet, delicious and creative breakfast treats.

With doughnuts named "Flat Tire" and "Honeymooner," Varsity proved they were anything but a generic doughnut shop. While some people preferred the classic glazed, other customers looked through the glass counter and chose one of the more unique doughnuts they offered. Doughnuts were covered with frosting, sprinkles, cereals and cookies of all different colors.

"Doughnuts are fun because you can just make up things," Diane Meredith, co-owner, said. "We actually experimented today with what will probably be our most popular-a s'more doughnut."

A s'more doughnut contained a marshmallow-cream filled doughnut with graham cracker crumbs sprinkled in the chocolate frosting.

As experimenting with doughnuts was one facet of the job, hiring was based on a more creative process than the average application.

"You basically have to do a creative project that shows that you want the job and gives some information about yourself," Lauren Ollila, junior in elementary education, said. "For some people that means a scrapbook and for others it might mean a giant sculpture. For me it was a website."

The store, located in the heart of Aggieville, also lends itself to a unique, vintage feel. The high, chandeliered ceilings and the counter lining the back wall are reminiscent of the 1950s.

"High school kids would come down after games and have a Coca-Cola in poodle skirts," Meredith said. "It really has this great history. I wish I could go back in time like every 10 years and see what it was like."

The store officially opened on Sept. 22. Students lined up outside at midnight and waited to taste their first Varsity doughnut. Some slept while they waited outside but some stayed awake in anticipation. The shop handed out some coffee around 4 a.m. for those in line.

"About 60 people lined up outside," Meredith said. "At two in the morning, we rolled out the first rack of doughnuts and people started cheering. We said, 'No, you still have to wait til 5:30!'"

The store had not predicted how many people would be there and by the end of the first day, the options were slim.

"I was there late in the afternoon so they only had two kinds of doughnuts left, the Fruit Loop and Cinnamon Toast Crunch doughnuts," Erica Enlow, junior in finance, said. "I got one and my friend got the other and we split them. I liked the Cinnamon Toast Crunch doughnut more, but they both tasted great."

The store opened daily at 5:30 a.m. and was open until 10 p.m. The store planned to eventually stay open later to catch those who might be craving a doughnut on their way home from Aggieville.

"Eventually we'll be open late-night," Meredith said. "We'll open back up at 12 to about 3:30. At that time all of the doughnut fun moves to the back parking lot."

The back parking lot contained the food truck where the doughnuts were all made. Store owners considered building a small patio out back to house the late-night customers.

"I have this idea about opening it in the dead of winter," Meredith said. "Maybe finals week. Sometime when it's needed most."

There were six co-owners of the store, one of whom had an extensive bike collection. The store was named after the Schwinn Varsity, a very popular bicycle in the 1960s. Customers could also rent bikes.

"We're trying to promote balanced living," Meredith said.

The store also planned to host ping-pong tournaments and bike rides and eventually start delivering via bicycle.

"I think varsity is just what Aggieville needs, especially after Daylight closed," Enlow said. "I think their uniqueness and variety of doughnuts is a great touch because no where else in Manhattan has those kind of doughnuts."

music & passion

by Kelsey White

A traveling campus event visits the university to empower students

The chalk advertisements, bright orange shirts and handouts in the K-State Student Union hinted that a big event was approaching, but the vague AFTERdark title left many students interested on what was to come. Being marketed as "the campus event of the year," the colorful hand outs implied that people who attended the event would hear encouraging words from speakers such as Victor Ojeleye of the men's basketball team, as well as a free concert featuring hip-hop artist Thi'sl and well known recording artist Matt Wertz.

The upbeat music from these featured artists may have been one of the main reasons the students flooded into McCain Auditorium the night of Oct. 4 but they left with more than a catchy tune in their ear. In addition to Ojeleye, the main speaker of the evening was Joe White, president of Kanakuk Kamps and founder of Kids Across America Kamps.

According to the event's website, AFTERdark was "a dynamic and highly energetic one night event specifically designed to relate to college students from all walks of life on campuses from coast to coast." This was the event's first time appearing on the K-State campus in a few years, but they had visited the University of Kansas campus in Lawrence earlier in the year.

"I had the wonderful opportunity to work at Kanakuk Kamps K2 this summer and worked directly with Joe White and Don Ford, director of AFTERdark, everyday," Kyle Winkley, junior in secondary education and co-organizer of the event, said. "These two organizations work hand in hand. But this was my first chance of working at Kanakuk, so my first experience AFTERdark would have been when I attended it when it was at KU this last spring."

The event opened with Thi'sl taking the stage with a few of his original rap songs that featured an encouraging and hopeful twist about how he was able to turn his life from one filled with gangs and violence to one that was filled with love and the influence of Jesus Christ. The energy in McCain rose to match the level of his enthusiasm, and the crowd close to 1,600 students were up on their feet in excitement.

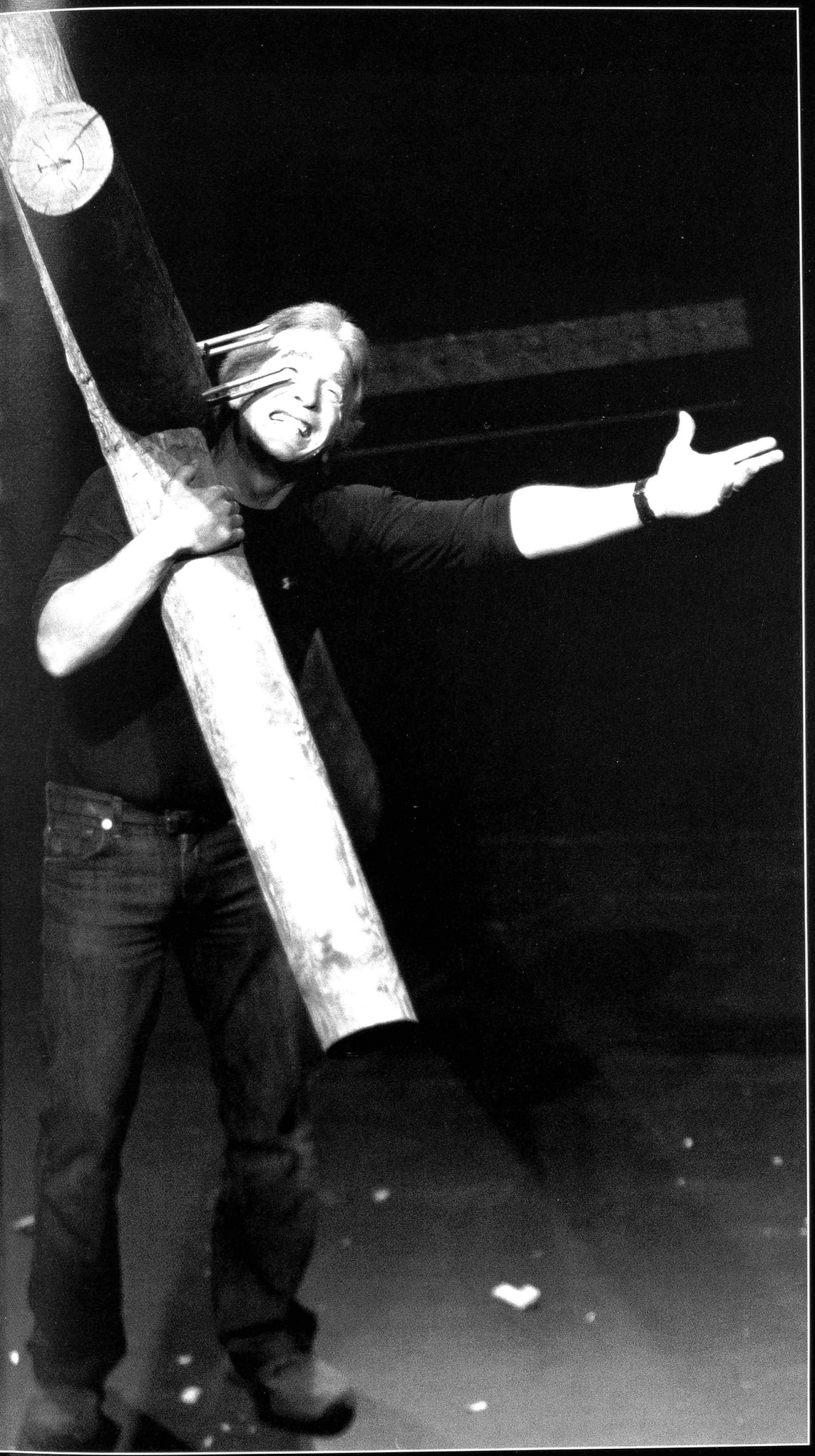
Up next, Joe White, the keynote speaker, spoke and almost performed his encouraging message.

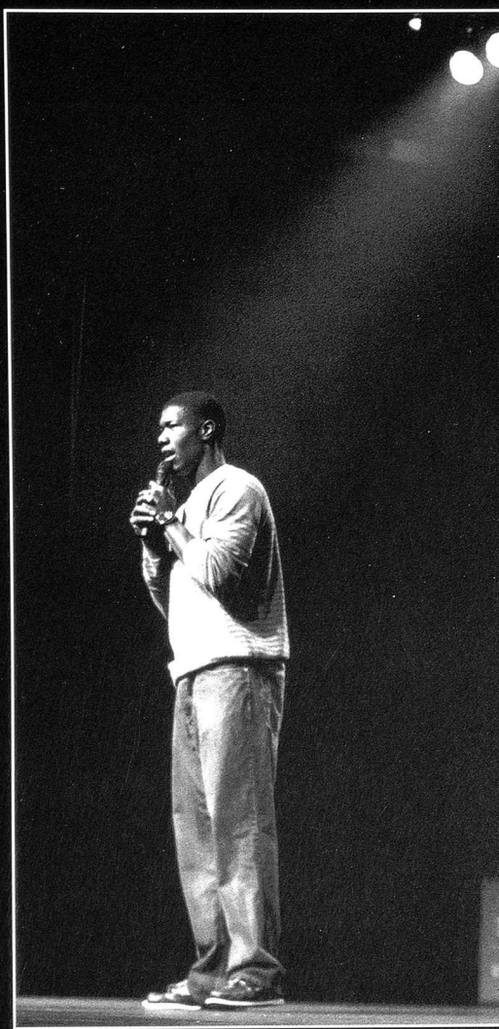
"He spoke about whether the topic of Jesus was still relevant today," Neely Michaelis, junior in early childhood education, said. "I loved the whole night so it is difficult to pick a favorite part, but I was really impacted by the videos they played during Joe White's portion of the evening so if I was forced to pick, that would be it."

After countless anecdotes about how Christianity affected people in today's world paired with emotional videos of hope and inspiration, the audience was captivated and readily welcomed Wertz onto the stage.

"We thought it was a great message to bring to our campus. And who doesn't love a free concert?" Michaelis said.

The event came to a close after Wertz played a full set of his acoustic songs. The students left the auditorium and entered campus, inspired to live their daily lives with more of a purpose.





Joe White, the keynote speaker, talks about how Jesus is relevent today and acted out some of his speech during AFTERdark the night of Oct. 4. "The speakers, Vic and Joe, were on point and really felt as though they vacated themselves and God spoke through them on that night," Kyle Winkley, junior in secondary education, said.
Evert Nelson

Having a well-known figure on campus such as Victor Ojeleye helped bring students to the event. "I think the event was extremely successful!," Neely Michaelis, junior in early childhood education, said. "We did not even know if we would have enough people to open the balcony and we did so I was very pleased and I think everyone else was too."
Evert Nelson



Remembering

by Kate Gillespie

THE FALLEN



K-State and Riley County police officers receive hand-painted flags at the Sept. 11 Day of Remembrance. The flags were individually made by students and community members at Triangle Park on Sept. 9.
Lauren Gocken

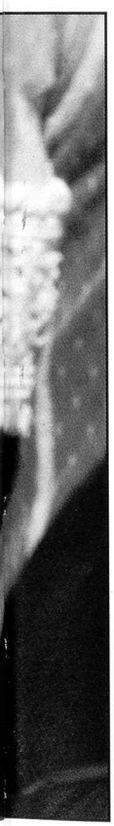
Members of Manhattan law enforcement gather with the community to commend those lost on Sept. 11.

Many campus and community members attended the Sept. 11 Day of Rememberence where the United Black Voices sang Amazing Grace in Bosco Student Plaza.
Lauren Gocken



A flyer was passed out to attendees of the event that listed the order of the ceremony. The motto of the event was 'Live, Serve, Celebrate, Remember.'
Lauren Gocken





It was a day of prayer and remembrance as students and alumni gathered with members of the community to share stories and inspirational thoughts with one another on the tenth anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

"An instructor came into our classroom in Bluemont Hall and told us two planes had been hijacked and flown into the World Trade Center," said Laura Estes, a 2002 graduate. "They allowed us to walk to the Union to watch the coverage. I remember walking through the north doors of the Union and assuming it was empty based on the silence. But when we walked around the corner it was completely full of silent students watching the screens. I stood there and watched both towers fall."

The university helped the local community, as well as the student body, remember and support the victims of Sept. 11 by hosting various events on campus during the weekend of the anniversary. In honor of the victims, survivors, first responders and all those who helped others after the attacks, HandsOn Kansas State volunteers gave back to local organizations that served the community.

Students volunteered at locations such as Habitat Restore, the Flint Hills Bread Basket, Stoneybrook Retirement Community, Ogden's House of Hope, the Manhattan Emergency Shelter and the Manhattan Community Gardens.

HandsOn Kansas State, along with Union Program Council, hosted a celebration in honor of the community's service members in Triangle Square in Aggieville. The event included food, live music and entertainment featuring the band Catch Amy. Members of the community took time to remember and reflect on that day.

"I moved into my apartment on Sept. 10, ready to start my freshman year at UC Davis," said Lauren Weber, graduate student. "I'll never forget waking up and the somber expression on my dad's face when he told me, 'Lauren, I think you're going to start college in a country at war.'"

The organizations also hosted a Day of Remembrance in Bosco Student Plaza outside the union sponsored by the City of Manhattan and the School of Leadership Studies.

Many student speakers gave words of remembrance, including Danielle Lucas, junior in family studies and human services, Samantha Galyardt, sophomore in family studies and human services, and Student Body President Nate Spriggs, junior in agricultural economics, who urged students to never forget.

Mayor Jim Sherow also spoke at the event, followed by a performance from United Black Voices, a musical group on campus, and a presentation honoring the Riley County Police and Fire departments.

Among the many speakers was 2001-02 Student Body Vice President Brandon Kauffman.

"The student body came together to form a plan of action to help the students cope, and we came up with a plan to give back to those in New York," Kauffman said.

They came up with a campaign to help with the Sept. 11 relief efforts. Students from K-State and other universities sent signed school flags that contained messages of encouragement to New York.

Three trees in the center of the courtyard in front of the union were planted in 2001 in remembrance of each of the people who were killed in the attacks in New York, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

"Years later it still instills fear, confusion and sadness," said Lauren Weber, 2010 graduate. "But, most of all, it instills pride. In my lifetime, I have not seen any other occasion where people united with their neighbors selflessly for something far greater than themselves."

"I spent the rest of the day watching the news and it was as if the day had just stopped."

Quaumeeka Saunders, Graduate Student in Family Studies and Human Services



You just got into Manhattan. Whether it was your first year or fifth, you were excited about the upcoming year and all the great possibilities it may hold. You tried to get settled in and ready for the start of classes, when you realized you forgot some of the essentials: a toothbrush, a pillowcase, or maybe shampoo. Sometimes students just needed to get the extra appliances that came standard with dorm living: a mini fridge, television, or Playstation.

To help welcome students back to Manhattan, Target sponsored K-State's first After Hours Shopping Event just for students. It was held on the Saturday before school began. More than 2,000 students came to Target for free giveaways, prizes and exclusive coupons.

Target teamed with Periscope, one of the nation's largest and most successful advertising agencies who had hosted multiple After Hours Events at approximately 70 college campuses across the country. This was the first year K-State was chosen as a host site.

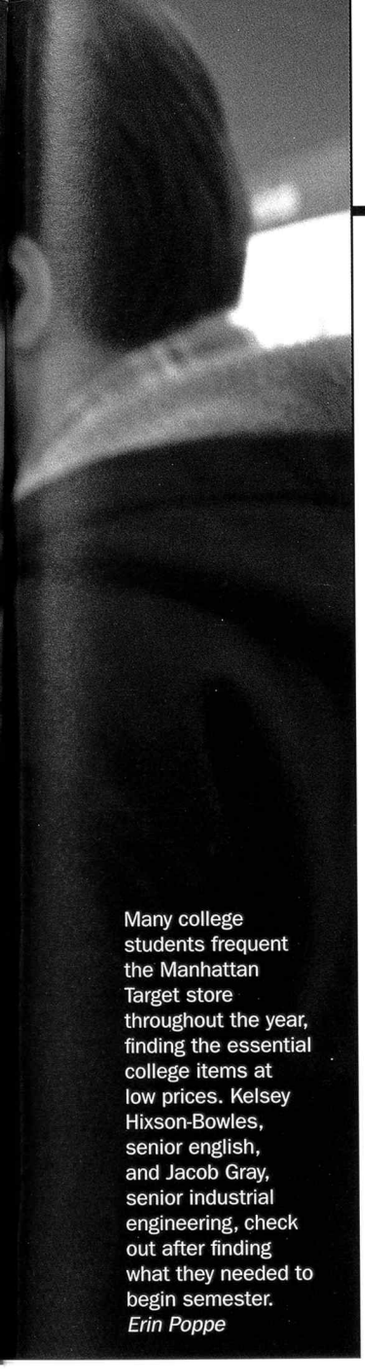
"Target aims to reach a wide geographic spread with our events and we were excited to include Kansas on the map this year. In addition, we have a great partnership with the campus administration," Kristi Welker of Target Communications said.

However, bringing the After Hours shopping event to Manhattan was not a simple undertaking. Since March of 2011, Target and Periscope coordinated this event to ensure its success. They relied on the help of student volunteers to complete all the necessary preparations before the event, marketing for the event, and to hand out promotional items while the event was taking place.

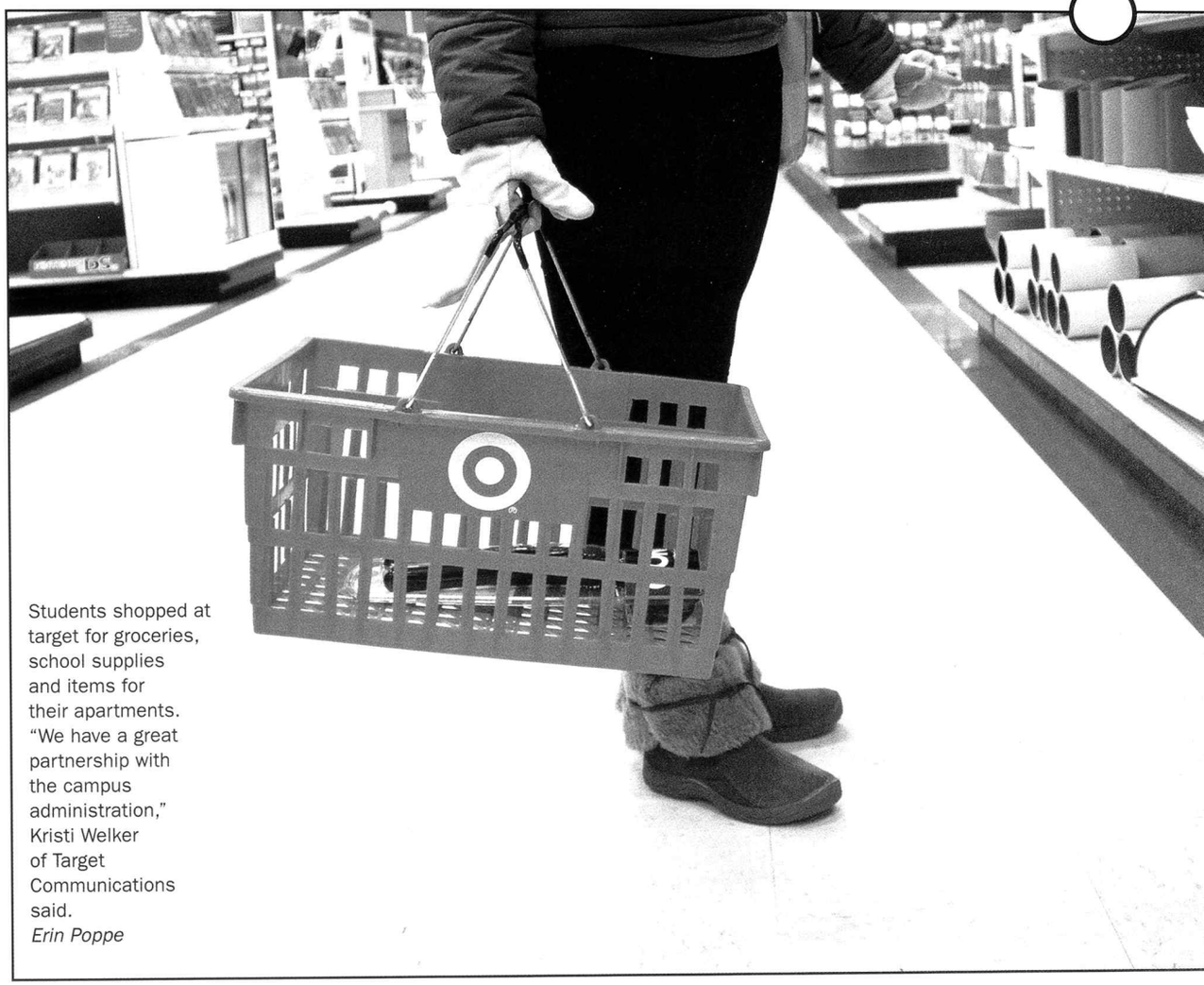
"When the event first began, it was insanely busy," said Tracy Cook, senior in elementary education and volunteer at the event. "The aisles were full, music was going, and you could tell that people were really enjoying themselves." There were numerous things going on inside of Target you would rarely see: a live DJ blasted music throughout the store,

back to school bull's eye

by Jaylee Henkle



Many college students frequent the Manhattan Target store throughout the year, finding the essential college items at low prices. Kelsey Hixson-Bowles, senior english, and Jacob Gray, senior industrial engineering, check out after finding what they needed to begin semester. *Erin Poppe*



Students shopped at target for groceries, school supplies and items for their apartments. "We have a great partnership with the campus administration," Kristi Welker of Target Communications said. *Erin Poppe*

the Target mascot dog Spot danced with students to "Teach Me How to Dougie," as well as raffles throughout the night. Items such as a big screen television and a mountain bike, among other items, were given away. To make sure every student who wanted to come could, there were bus stations at specific locations scheduled to run throughout the event.

"Since I worked at one of the bus stops I got to see what kind of mood the students were in before they went, said Katie Van Saun senior in communication sciences and disorders and event volunteer. "Most of the students were excited and I could tell that the event was a fun way to start off the school year."

The buses continued to run throughout the night, successfully shuffling students back and forth until the event was over. At the end of the event, once the dust started to settle from all the commotion, it was clear it was an overwhelming success. Laura Oxler, junior in open option, was very impressed by the turnout.

"I believe the most enjoyable part of the event for the students was that it was something to participate in for the first weekend back at K-State. Students living in the residence halls were able to go with their floor or friends. Students were able to get free Starburst, Snickers, Five gum, Vitamin Water, Kraft macaroni and cheese, and great deals on other food items," Oxler said.

Not only did the attendance represent how successful this event was, the profits reflected equally promising results. On average Target makes up to $90,000 in a back-to-school sales in a day, but at this two-hour event alone, they were able to bring in an upward of $30,000. Being the first time this event was held at K-State, any and all plans for a repeat next year hinged on the event being a success.

"Typically we find attendance will grow from year to year as the program becomes more well-known on campus. We certainly anticipate an even higher attendance at K-State in 2012," Welker said.

NEWS, VIEWS AND THINGS TO DO

by Shaley Van Loenen

The city of Manhattan had "nothing going on." This mindset was what sparked Manhattan resident Blade Mages to create "The Scoop," a website offering its viewers news, views and things to do in Manhattan, through a medium people use most.

Mages owned and operated a creative firm, 502 Media Group, which started in Manhattan three years ago. 502 Media Group offered video production, web design, graphic design and a handful of other services aimed at helping businesses market themselves to today's media-driven consumer.

In December 2009, 502 Media took on a new client, Audio Junction Replacement Service (AJRS) to create a promotional DVD they could send to their clients nationwide. During that time, Mages met Darren Dodge who was a team manager at AJRS. Over the next few months, Mages took on more projects for their company and was spending a lot of time with Dodge. They realized they had a mutual interest in internet media and design.

"Blade and I came from different backgrounds and perspectives, but with similar interests," Dodge said. "He had a lot of experience in the video realm. It was something that had always interested me. I wanted to find a way to get involved."

Several years ago, Mages had the idea that Manhattan needed some form of online video-based news content. Other than sports, he found there wasn't a decent place online to find news about upcoming events in the area. Various events in Manhattan weren't getting the turnouts they wanted, and Mages felt that it wasn't laziness that kept people from going to the events; rather, ineffective marketing.

Mages and Dodge began discussing the idea of a website that would offer "soft" news and an all-inclusive event calendar where people could see for themselves that there actually are things going on in Manhattan, despite everyone's mindset. Thus, the idea for "The Scoop" came about.

Since Mages' work was centered on video and web design, everything needed to build, promote, and maintain "The Scoop" was already in place. In creating The Scoop, Mages and Dodge wanted to increase awareness about events going on in town in hopes that more people might go out and support those events.

In the beginning, the site was narrowed down to "news, views and things to do." One of the primary offerings of the site was the all-inclusive event calendar, an idea sparked by Dodge. If something noteworthy were going on in town or on campus, it was on that calendar. They also created a restaurant guide that seemed to generate a lot of traffic. "The Scoop" covered some basic local news, but they typically delivered it with an opinion.

"We aren't out to be the newspaper. We have a voice," Mages said. "Some people may like it and others may not, but either way they come back to read what we're saying."

One might have found the occasional sports story, restaurant or movie review at the site, but the main features on the site were simply of human interest – any story Mages and Dodge felt people should know about they might not be getting from other sources.

Mages' "15 Minutes of Fame" occurred in the fall of 2010 when he produced the notorious "N is for Knowledge" video. The idea for the video came about when sitting in Dodge's office one day. They were talking about late-night talk show host Jay Leno's videos, titled "Jaywalking." The video clips feature Leno walking around at tailgates, asking trivia questions and getting incorrect but humorous answers. Mages and Dodge then realized the opportunity to do a video similar to this existed at the upcoming Nebraska game. It was an interesting climate at the time, as the Big 12 was losing schools and hostility rose toward Nebraska – a school already considered a rival by K-State fans.

"It was the perfect storm," Mages said. "We had no idea how easy it was going to be to make. I assumed we'd have to interview 100 people to get 10 funny responses but there was only one person that didn't make the video because they got all the questions right. All the others had something we could take from."

In editing the video, Mages and Dodge weren't going to be so harsh. But when the final score of the game being 48-13 in Nebraska's favor, they decided that this could be



Displaying a true representation of their personalities, website producers Blade Mages and Darren Dodge, both graduated from the university in May 2011, put on comical faces for the camera. "I like the fact that at the end of the day, it is my name on the product or service that I present," Mages said. "Sometimes that's a good thing, sometimes it's bad." *Photo courtesy Blade Mages*

THE SCOOP
MANHATTAN

K-State's revenge, brought to you by "The Scoop," and they wouldn't hold anything back. It proved to be a hit, as the number of viewings went through the roof. In the time it took Mages to get a haircut and return to his home, the viewings went from zero to 3,000. The number leveled at around 70,000.

Mages' road to success is a unique one. He started as a student in graphic design at K-State, quickly realizing that his knowledge in that area was past his peers.

"I was capable of producing what the senior level students were, so after a year I decided that it was in my best interest to stop spending my money learning how to do things that I already could," Mages said.

The summer after that first year, a golden opportunity fell into his lap that most 19-year-olds don't get.

He bluffed his way into convincing a cable advertising company that he had a production company, the newly created 502 Media Group. They contracted Mages' company to produce all the TV ads for their cable systems in Kansas, covering a huge chunk of the state. Mages was creating and editing these videos in his basement apartment.

As Mages began making connections within the Manhattan community, his success grew. Fortunately for him, he no longer operates from the basement. Mages quickly realized he would never be completely satisfied working for someone else.

"I like the fact that at the end of the day, it is my name on the product or service that I present," Mages said. "Sometimes that's a good thing, sometimes it's bad."

502 Media Group has been hired by various businesses to create an array of marketing pieces from videos to posters to stress reliever balls shaped like convertibles. Mages said there's something new every day. They've done several shoots at the university, local businesses and a few overseas, including London, Scotland and Israel.

The Scoop, when thriving, is Mages' proudest work, as he and Dodge have spent a lot of time and effort on making it a successful website that appeals to all Internet users.

by Emily Wolfe

History Revealed

Students take part in revealing monument to remember the past

When World War II veterans approached the university about wanting to install a memorial to remember the war they fought in, the campus took action and created something to help students remember the past.

Fred Cholick, president and chief executive of the Kansas State University Foundation, said when he became president the World War II Memorial was a project that had been around for a number of years. It still needed to be concluded from both a design standpoint and a fundraising prospective.

Cholick said one unique thing many people didn't know was the tags that were part of the project were not in the initial plan for the memorial, but instead a globe and eagle, which were classic World War II memorial symbols.

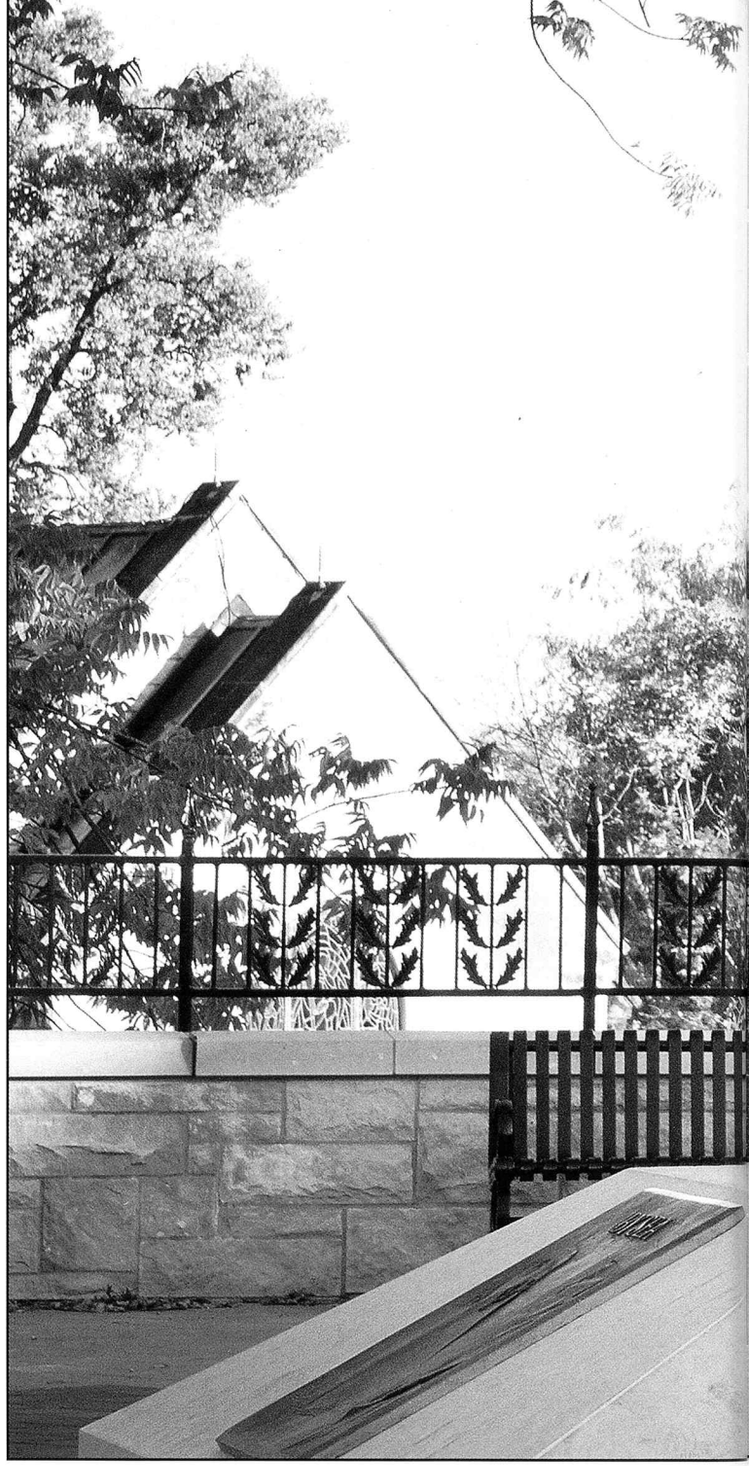
"What people did not know is when the dog tag idea was presented, especially in a stainless so you could see reflections of the mirror along with the placards of land, sea and air, everyone said, 'What a great symbol it is of World War II.' Therefore, Tags of Honor became the census almost immediately after brainstorming many different options," Cholick said.

Mark Taussig, university landscape architect and campus planner, worked with then-President Jon Wefald, the KSU Foundation and the WWII Veterans to identify a location after being approached. The final location by McCain utilized a plan that Taussig did for a McCain driveway in 1986. The memorial also had a special place in Taussig's heart.

"My father-in-law served in WWII," Taussig said. "I have a considerable amount of respect for the generation that served in that war."

Another unique feature of the memorial was that soils from many graveyards where World War II veterans were buried, including private cemeteries and cemeteries in Kansas, were placed underneath the memorial.

Daniel Hunt, associate professor of art, was asked to help design the three bronze plaques at the base of the sculpture. Hunt said the memorial was a huge undertaking, involving many parts of the university. Senior Victoria Tilson, majoring in fine arts, was hired by Hunt, along with others, as an artist's assistant.



"It was humbling and validating. To be trusted enough by Mr. Hunt to closely handle his work, work that was representative of and dedicated to the heroes of our armed forces, was extremely exciting. I was honored that mine and my fellow students' hard work could help in this endeavor," Tilson said.

Hunt said he and his artists' ultimate goal was to honor the veterans, which he thought the sculpture accomplished.

"Tags of Honor," located on World War II Memorial Plaza next to McCain Auditorium, was unveiled Memorial Day 2011. The mirror dog tags, and sculpture as a whole, allowed students and bystanders to see their reflection, and reminded them of what the soldiers of World War II did for our country. When entering from



the north side, at the right angle bystanders could not only see their own reflection, but also the reflection of the American Flag.

ROTC cadet Garrett Jennings, majoring in construction science, was present at the unveiling. Jennings, commanding officer and president of Pershing Rifles, a student organization that specializes in military drill and ceremonies, was asked along with his other cadets to perform a silent exhibition drill sequence during the unveiling of the memorial.

Jennings believed the memorial benefited the university in many ways and affected the students.

"I believe the memorial can serve as a reminder of the sacrifices made during such a global conflict, and can instill gratefulness and respect to a much younger generation," Jennings said.



The university wanted to make sure any WWII veteran that wanted to be included would. "Visiting with the WWII veterans was extremely inspirational," Fred Cholick, president and chief executive of the Kansas State University Foundation, said. *Tommy Theis*

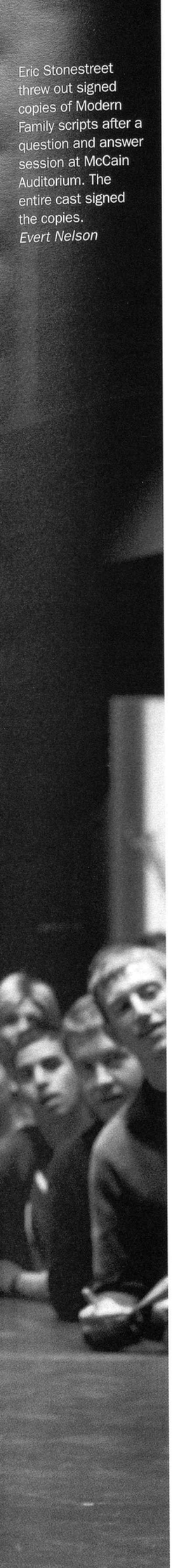
This bronze plaque is one of many that shows the face of a WWII veteran that will be forever remembered through the memorial. *Tommy Theis*

"This is the place I figured out what I wanted to do with my life."

Emmy Award Winner Eric Stonestreet



twitter.com/ericstonestreet



Eric Stonestreet threw out signed copies of Modern Family scripts after a question and answer session at McCain Auditorium. The entire cast signed the copies. *Evert Nelson*

a MODERN take on MANHATTAN

by Ellie Long

K-State students were Tweeting constantly when TV actor and Emmy winner Eric Stonestreet returned to Manhattan Oct. 17. Stonestreet, from Kansas City, Kan., graduated from K-State with a degree in sociology in 1996. He returned to campus to reminisce on his college years and give advice to current students.

"I've wanted to get back to Manhattan since Modern Family started," he said. "People ask why I'm here, this, this is why I'm here."

Stonestreet was constantly updating his Twitter account the whole time he was in Manhattan, telling students where he was and meeting up with anyone who responded to him on campus.

"He was meeting up with students all day if they Tweeted at him," Samantha Stalcup, senior in life sciences, said. "He was walking all over campus all day taking pictures and talking to students."

Stonestreet said he always tried to mention K-State and how great of a town it was.

"I was so giddy when I was pulling into town the other day," he said. "My girlfriend said why aren't you this happy all the time, but they call it Manhappiness for a reason."

He began his acting career at the university when he performed in theater performances in McCain Auditorium and Nichols Theatre.

"I got awesome theater experience here," he said. "Nichols is still the nicest theater I've ever performed in."

After graduating, Stonestreet moved to Chicago for two years until moving to Los Angeles, Calif. in 1998. That was where he landed the role of ABC's hit TV show Modern Family.

"As hard as it is for you to believe I was just like you one day," he said. "I love being on the show, I couldn't ask for a better job."

Stonestreet said his favorite episode of Modern Family was from the first season where he played a clown named Fisbo at a birthday party. That was the same episode he submitted that won him the Primetime Emmy Award for Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Comedy Series for his role as Cameron Tucker on Modern Family in 2010.

"I was so nervous when they were announcing the nominees, they forgot to say my name," he said.

Stonestreet said a lot of his character on the show was based on his real life. He said he models his character after his mother.

"I wouldn't be as good at being Cameron if I didn't have some of the same qualities as he does," he said.

Stonestreet had made numerous appearances on television, including the TV show American Horror Story, numerous commercials, a movie called "The Loft," and he said he had many roles in the works.

"I'm a big fan of Modern Family," Sherri Johnson, senior in elementary education, said. "I couldn't stop laughing."

Stonestreet answered questions from the crowd and gave students advice on following their dreams.

"I didn't grow up thinking I wanted to be an actor; I thought I wanted to be a clown," he said, "but I tried our for clown college and I didn't make it."

Stonestreet said he majored in sociology because he wanted to be a prison administrator.

"I was always fascinated with crime and punishment," he said. "What was I thinking?"

As well as giving advice and talking to students about his experiences as an actor, he also told stories of his time here at K-State.

"I drove my car on the sidewalks of campus," he said. "I felt cool when I did it, and I did it today too."

He also told stories of times when he got into some trouble, particularly while he was in his fraternity, Pi Kappa Alpha.

"I got arrested," he said. "I got into a brawl in Aggieville. That's what college is supposed to be about, you get into a manageable amount of trouble."

Stonestreet brought his girlfriend Katherine Tokarz with him on his visit. Tokarz, who performed shows on Broadway, said dating Stonestreet was exciting. Tokarz went to theater classes while they were in town and she gave students advice on performing in theater.

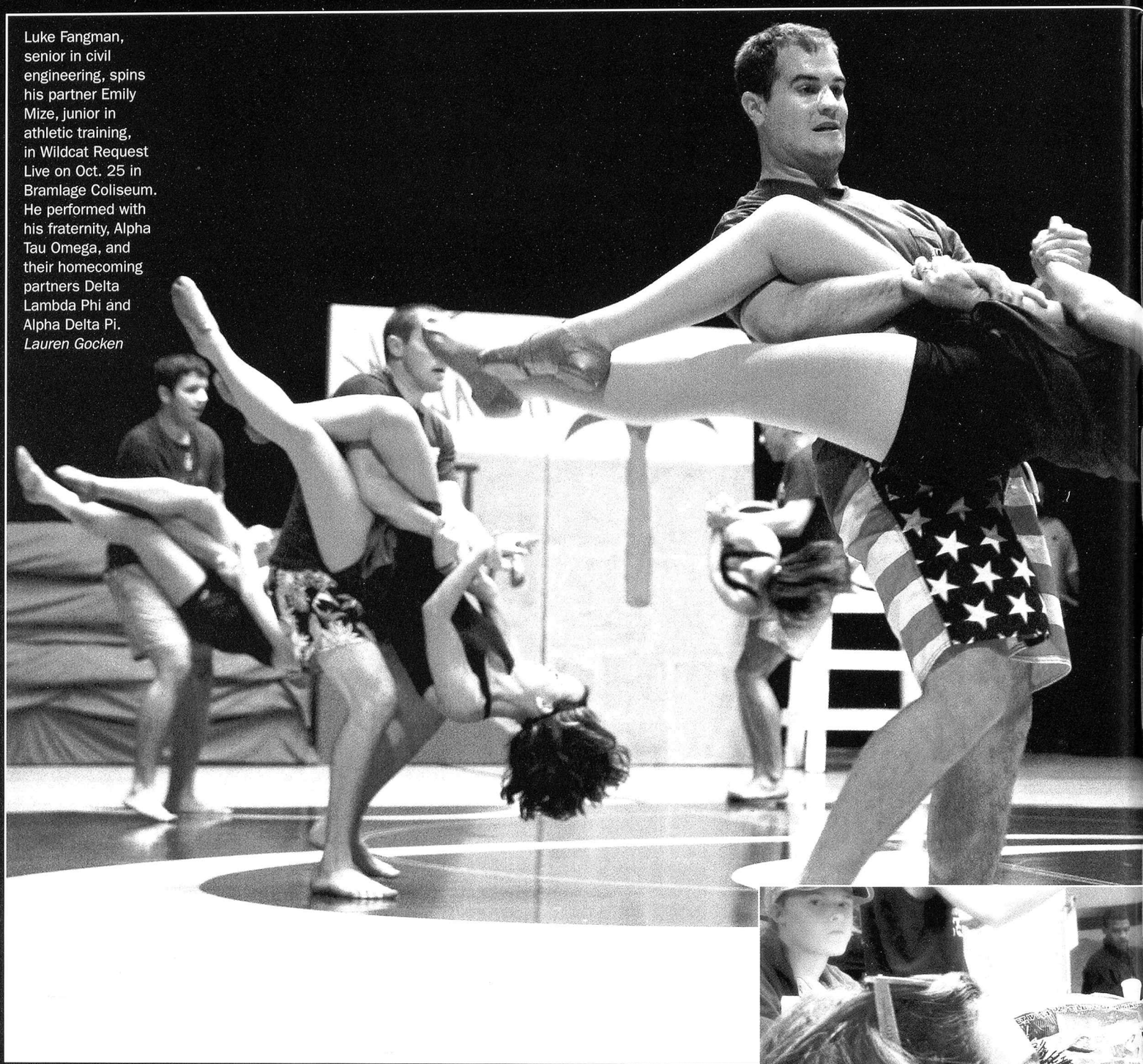
"I'm here getting to teach and meet you guys because of him," Tokarz said. "I'm having a lot of fun."

Stonestreet said he came back to Manhattan because he had so many positive memories here.

"My best friends were made here. I had the most fun in my life here," he said.

Because he only got the word out about his talk on campus through Twitter, Stonestreet didn't expect the crowd of students asking him questions to be that big.

"I just wanted to give you guys an opportunity to ask a guy from Kansas who grew up with pigs and horses some questions," he said. "This makes me feel like I'm a big deal to have you guys come here to ask me questions."



Luke Fangman, senior in civil engineering, spins his partner Emily Mize, junior in athletic training, in Wildcat Request Live on Oct. 25 in Bramlage Coliseum. He performed with his fraternity, Alpha Tau Omega, and their homecoming partners Delta Lambda Phi and Alpha Delta Pi. *Lauren Gocken*



Homecoming is ESSENTIAL





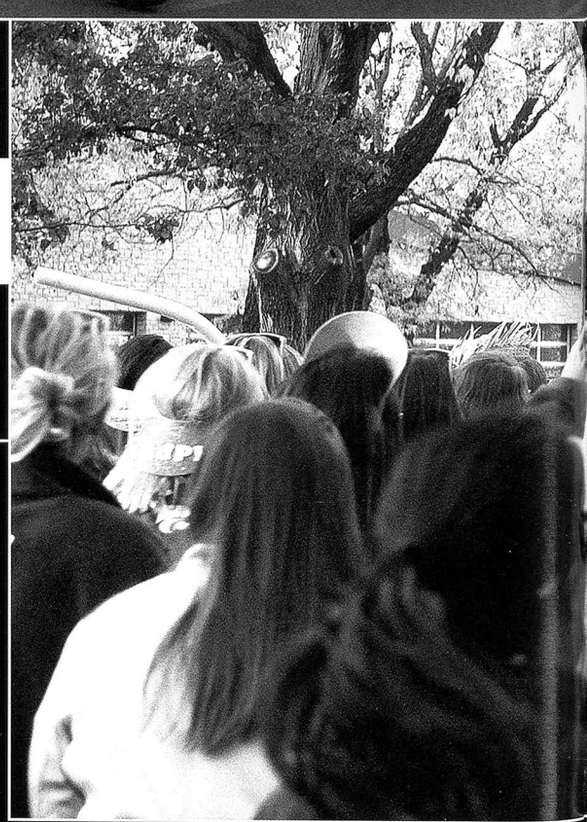


Two girls share laughs at the Children's Carnival in Bosco Plaza Oct. 27 as they play games with children from the Manhattan Community.
Missy Calvert

Members of Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Lambda Phi and Alpha Delta Pi perform during Pant the Chant in Bramlage Coliseum on Oct. 24.
Evert Nelson

Students from the International Coordinating Council walk with large national flags in the homecoming parade on Oct. 29. This was the first time the club participated in the homecoming parade. *Lauren Gocken*





Results

The first place winners for the 2011 homecoming competition included the student organization Powercat Motorsports, the residence hall pairing of Ford, Haymaker and Moore, and the Greek pairing of Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Tau Omega and Delta Lambda Phi.

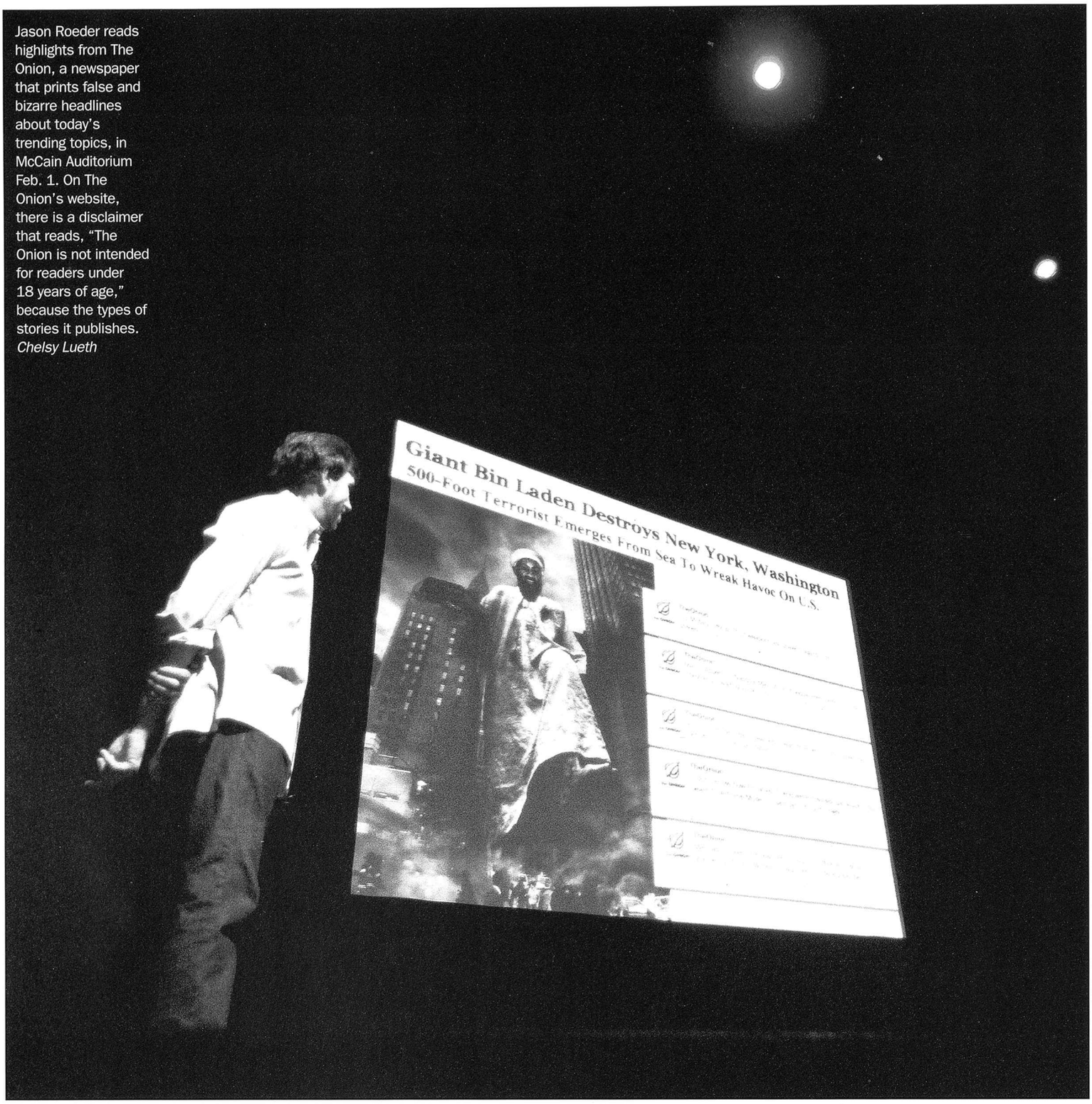




Members of Alpha Xi Delta, Delta Upsilon, Kappa Sigma, Kappa Alpha Psi participate in Paint the 'Ville competition outside Pat's Blue Ribbon on Oct. 26. Their mural of Willie the Wildcat surfing won first place out of the Greek pairings.
Missy Calvert



Members of Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Tau Omega and Delta Lambda Phi follow their homecoming float down 11th Street on Oct. 28. Their float won second place out of all of the Greek pairings.
Lauren Gocken



Jason Roeder reads highlights from The Onion, a newspaper that prints false and bizarre headlines about today's trending topics, in McCain Auditorium Feb. 1. On The Onion's website, there is a disclaimer that reads, "The Onion is not intended for readers under 18 years of age," because the types of stories it publishes. *Chelsy Lueth*

BREAKING NEWS - Other quirky headlines printed by 'The Onion'

- Surgeon General: Smoking Fine As Long As You Only Do It When You Drink
- Study Finds Hearing Loved One's Voice Induces Excruciating Pain In Coma Patients
- Area Man Forces Himself To Drink Free Refill
- Nation Finally Breaks Down And Begs Its Smart People To Just Fix Everything
- Death Star to Open Day Care
- Miss America Called Before U.N. Council for Not Promoting Enough World Peace

TWO SIDES TO EVERY STORY

by Shelby Brunk

Reporters with a humorous take on the news present at the university.

They claimed to be "America's Best News Source" and to the human eye, their website and newspapers would have of seemed quite official, but to the ear their stories were anything but normal.

With a circulation of 400,000 and online traffic of 7.5 million viewers, 'The Onion' news source concentrated their attention to readers from college campuses all across the nation. Their presentation on Feb. 1 at McCain Auditorium had students all across the spectrum laughing when it came to their satire jokes about the media. 'The Onion' presentation was lead by two employees of 'The Onion,' Jeff Haggerty and Jason Roeder.

Haggerty and Roeder took their audience by surprise when the duo showed off their famous stories and headlines.

"We are America's finest news source, there is just nothing else worth reading," Roeder said.

Videos were brought to the audience by the Onion News Network, which was the online database for streaming videos, included topics along the lines of Osama Bin Laden rising from the sea, jokes against president Obama, Apple technology, and many more.

"We like to have stories that no one else has," Haggerty said.

Their stories were created by "nothing like another and something that left all seriousness aside," Haggerty said.

'The Onion' news team created a satire by using newsworthy events and jokes relatable to college and teenage students.

As the evening continued, news topics such as sports, politics, technology, economy, entertainment and education kept the audience rolling.

Presenting the history of 'The Onion' in its traditional style was the perfect opener. The writers had sarcastic comebacks for every question and kept it funny and interesting the entire time.

"I liked that they personalized their presentation with stories that had run about Kansas that made fun of our lack of landscape and conservative views," said Lauren Harness, junior in architecture.

The audience was opened to ask Haggerty and Roeder burning questions. Many of them asked their opinion on certain topics, while others wanted to know more about their personal life.

"This is just the comprehensive picture of what we do. We find ways to make it real and social media is a great way to do that," Haggerty said.

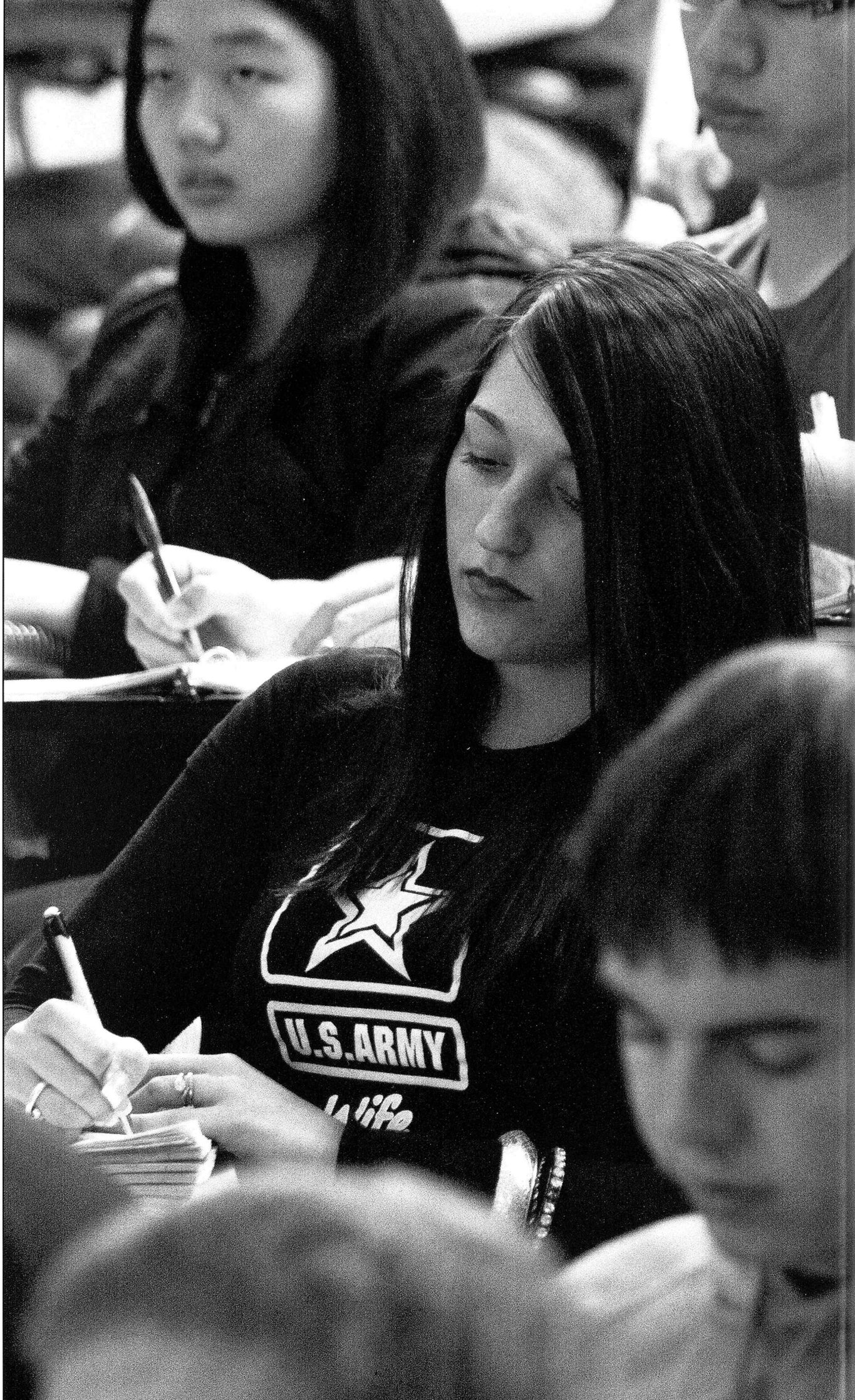
When asked about their favorite pieces of news, they both laughed for a moment.

"Bin Laden rising from the sea. I had received so many e-mails, which was problematic in some way," Haggerty said.

The Bin Laden "rising from the sea" bit was a series of pictures, making fun of the death which occurred this year. This event caused many backlashes from readers actually believing the bit.

"A piece over crystal meth hallucinations. I'm proud of that one," said Roeder.

As the two continued to joke with the audience as they were life long friends, students walked out of the auditorium with smiles on their faces and applauded the show of 'The Onion.'



Army wife Brittney Huffaker, sophomore in pre-physical therapy, takes notes during class on Feb. 28. "School can be difficult at times, and I believe for everyone it can be, the pressure is just a little bit more when I have responsibilities at home and school," Huffaker said.
Erin Poppe

hearts ON THE HOME FRONT

by Shelby Brunk

The typical student would have never imagined having to cook, clean and chase after children all while balancing the work that college demands. Yet, taking on the roles of a wife and a college student was just one more task of Angelica Cline and Brittney Huffaker's lives. Based in the heart of Fort Riley, Manhattan, these two women were the wives of men who were serving our country.

"School can be difficult at times, and I believe for everyone it can be, the pressure is just a little bit more when I have responsibilities at home and school," said Huffaker, sophomore in psychology. "It's just hard to interact with people of a different lifestyle than your own."

Huffaker and Cline both agreed that when it came to making friends on campus, being a wife and mother can make things a little challenging, yet they remembered they were not the typical students living in the dorms.

"I usually can find things in common with people in my classes and feel like it's easy to bring up casual conversation and build relationships through mutual interests," said Cline, a freshman in life sciences.

On top of being mothers and college students, Huffaker and Cline had to accommodate to the toughest thing about being the wife of a soldier: deployment.

"During deployment it will make things tougher because I won't have that motivation I'm used to," Huffaker said. "Although, my husbands deployment is up in the air because of his extension, it's something hard to consider. I know with my parents being away in Texas it can make things harder, yet I know I can do it for my family."

For Cline, having a child as well as a husband who will be deployed in three months complicated her situation.

"I am only taking six hours, which makes things easier and I'm just working semester by semester to get closer to my goals. I'm not the typical student, which makes life a little harder, but what some may consider difficult, I just consider my life," Cline said.

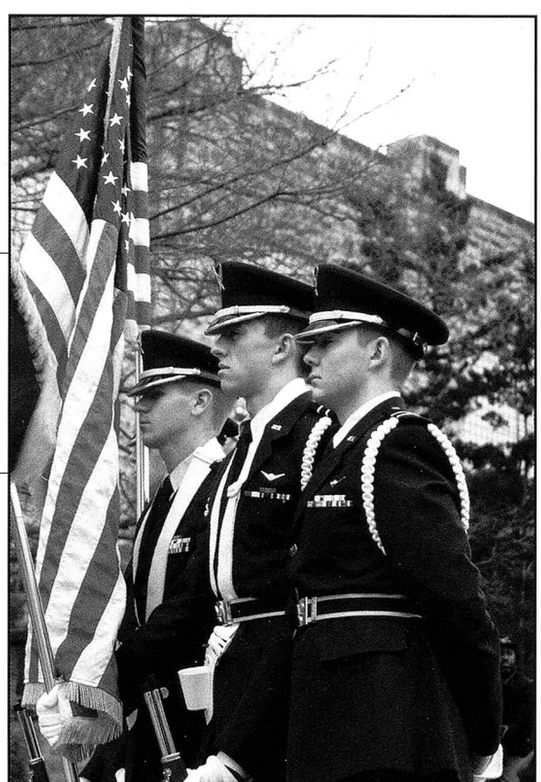
When it came to life at the university, Cline and Huffaker agreed that K-State accommodated them well in the amount of hours they wanted to take as well as the professors, who understood their needs.

"They are times that I have had to email my professors and miss class because my child is sick or I can't find a sitter," Cline said.

The surrounding Manhattan area treated the women of Fort Riley well, the women agreed. Services from baby sitters and great schools made life in Manhattan easier, not only as a student but also as a wife.

"Dr. King is the best civil rights leader that ever walked the face of this earth. I am glad the city finally noticed and is doing something to remember his legacy."

Natasha Peterson, junior in business administration



There were many events honoring Martin Luther King Jr. Supporters rode on horseback and sang traditional songs about freedom while riding horseback on campus.
Shaley Van Loenen

Members of the armed forces stand at attendance at the Martin Luther King Jr. memorial celebration events on K-State's campus on Jan. 27.
Shaley Van Loenen

HONORING MLK

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

by Brent Gipson

Martin Luther King Jr. lost his life trying to better the lives of African-American people. He was one of the greatest American Civil Rights leaders of the 1960s. His legacy lives on today, and in Manhattan, the activities were plentiful to remember him. The Beach Museum of Art partnered with the Konza Environmental Education Program, volunteers from HandsOn Kansas State and a local troop of Boy Scouts of America to host an "MLK Day-On" event on Jan. 23.

The museum was open to the public and featured several educational activities, centered on the preservation efforts of KEEP and the Boy Scouts. Participants were able to take a tour of the museum, observe displays about land and animal conservation, and take part in arts and crafts.

"Other years have been centered around an MLK theme, but this year we decided to take a slightly different direction." said Katherine Schlageck, senior educator at the Beach museum. "It's taking the idea of advocating for something that we care about and helping our community making a positive impact."

Other than the Beach museum event, the city of Manhattan renamed 17th Street to Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. Signs and ribbons were hung from trees to commemorate Dr. King and create awareness to the community.

"Dr. King is the best civil rights leader that ever walked the face of this earth," Natasha Peterson, junior in business administration, said. "I am glad the city finally noticed and is doing something to remember his legacy."

On campus, there was an event a day to celebrate his legacy. On Jan. 22, there was a film shown entitled "The Rosa Parks Story," showcasing the life of Rosa Parks, a civil rights activist. On Jan. 23, there were two speakers and a film.

Dr. Bernard Franklin, special assistant to the Vice President for Student Life, talked with K-State students on having "Courage to Lead." On Tuesday, Commerce Bank presented Diversity Awards to two campus leaders.

The awards honored Ariel Anib, senior in criminology, and Madai Rivera, admissions coordinator in the College of Human Ecology, for their dedication toward increasing diversity awareness and providing historically underrepresented minorities with a voice and presence on the K-State campus.

"Ariel has served as the president of the Nonprofit Student Alliance, has been a Leadership Studies Ambassador and currently teaches Spanish classes for children and adults at the UFM Community Center," said Mary Tolar, director of the School of Leadership Studies. "Her passion for doing good on this campus has always been so palpable and purposeful."

On Jan. 25, the Annual MLK Memorial Program and Candlelight Vigil hosted by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity was hosted in Forum Hall with a hot chocolate reception following. On Ja. 26, a fellowship luncheon was hosted with Harry E. Johnson, the executive director of the National MLK Memorial Foundation speaking. On Jan. 27, a memorial march from Long's Park to Ahearn Field House took place. A wreath was lain upon the bust of King at Ahearn.

The entire week proved to be fun for campus, as well as community leaders and citizens. These activities in King's legacy helped "march towards the dream."

by Tim Schrag

ECOKAT GOES VIRAL

She was a K-State student armed with a costume made of 90-percent repurposed materials. Her mission: reduce, reuse and recycle. However, it appeared that K-State's "crusader of conservation," EcoKat, would not be around long enough to see whether K-State beat the University of Kansas in the Take Charge Challenge.

News of EcoKat went viral and was trending nationwide on Twitter in Wichita, Manhattan, Lawrence, Topeka, Kansas City, Overland Park and Washington, D.C., according to trendsmap.com.

The hashtag, #EcoKat, was made popular by confused and disgruntled students, alumni and fans, as well as several fictional Twitter accounts and other sports enthusiasts.

"I've seen a bunch of KU tweets talking about how dumb it was, so I just tweeted back that this is going to be the most embarrassing thing around until KU puts a team on the football field," Jeff Kuhlman, senior in history, said.

EcoKat even made it to the front of the Huffington Post's college page, simply headlined with "What?" She was the butt of jokes on many sports blogs and Twitter accounts.

Jeff Morris, vice president for communications and marketing, said the decision to remove EcoKat from the page was made due to the nature of the tweets and comments being made about her, adding that the scrutiny of EcoKat detracted from her goal to promote the university in the Take Charge Challenge.

"EcoKat is one of our students," Morris said. "There are a lot of people that have a misconception of EcoKat. She is not an athletic mascot."

The confusion over EcoKat's purpose left many students with questions.

"I don't see why we would want anything other than Willie," said Lauren Wissman, senior in accounting. "I don't really picture a Superman suit, but you have to make an image so it was just something new, I'm sure everybody was kind of shocked by it."

K-State president Kirk Schulz dealt with the topic of EcoKat.

"It's unfortunate that it was a creative idea that, by going viral, we've lost some ability to kind of manage what it was supposed to represent," he said. "But people just need to relax, we're not making this big change at the institution. I'm hopeful that within a few days, things will have calmed down, it won't be nationally newsworthy."

Both Schulz and Morris said EcoKat had no connection to the athletic department at all, but adding to the confusion, pictures circulated of EcoKat standing next to the university's mascot Willie the Wildcat.

Schulz and Morris added that she would lay low before the program was completely halted, and if she became a distraction to the institution, the program would be terminated.

Nancy Muturi, public relations sequence head in the A.Q. Miller School of Journalism and Mass Communication, said though she was not familiar with EcoKat, the reason that such campaigns failed was typically due to a lack of connection with the audiences they were trying to reach.

"They need to be able to try to understand the audience that they're targeting," Muturi said. "If they don't involve the people they are trying to reach, then that is not going to work out."

Joseph Burgett, senior in mechanical engineering, had never heard of EcoKat, but said he didn't know if she was necessary.

"I figure, Willie and green, that's the only EcoKat I know," he said.

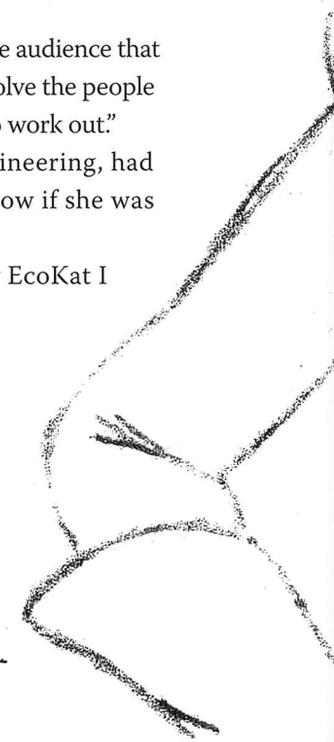




illustration by Cory Boulanger

Liz Bolan, junior in animal sciences and industry and Marlatt Hall recycling chair, collects the contents of students' personal bins and sorts out each of the materials as part of K-State's recycling initiative. *Grant Zizzo*

Recycling is ESSENTIAL

by Kelly Iverson

What were students at the university doing to recycle? What could they do? Students were aware that the amount of paper that they were using to do homework assignments, write papers and other things for their classes really started to add up. A lot of this valuable recyclable material was simply dug out of folders, cleared from journals, and thrown out. However, there were many things that students did to recycle that were as easy as sticking their recycling out in front of their door, or as new and exciting as being apart of a group bigger then themselves.

Last year, K-State students had a recycling rate of 19 percent. This was because of the RecycleMania tournament. It was a tournament held for certain universities and colleges to help promote students to recycle more. There were 347 schools that participated in this challenge, and K-State ranked in at 272. K-State beat Kansas University in cumulative pounds of recycled material per person by a whole 1.1 pounds.

Joe Myers, head of facilities services, initially got started with this competition when he was invited to a conference with other schools that were already in RecycleMania. They wanted to know why the university wasn't participating.

Unlike other universities whose money comes from a readership fee, our budget for recycling came directly out of the custodial budget. Our recycling program wasn't a student-led initiative.

"Most of the containers and stuff that you would find around campus has come from applying for different grants that supply us with different recycling containers," Meyers explained.

There were some constraints that did not allow the university to have some collection points, which made it harder to recycle, but not impossible. He said that student groups gave out plastic blue trash bags to tailgaters for Game Day Recycling and encouraged them to get involved and many do. Seeing all of the students actively working for a better environment encouraged him.

The Greek system, with its growing number, was an important asset to RecycleMania. Starting in the Fall of 2007, all sororities and fraternities were participating. Their growing green campaign was slowing trickling through all the houses and encourages members of the house to recycle anything and everything. SEA, or Students for Environmental Action, also got involved. Students didn't have to be Greek or join SEA to go green.

Many students took their own initiative. Chung Kei Fu, or better known as Charlie, was a freshman from Hong Kong, China. He wanted to do more that just take his own recycling down to the bins every week. He lived in Haymaker Hall and was noticing that students, because of time consuming schedules or simple laziness, were just not recycling. It was for this reason he started his own recycling group in Haymaker Hall so students could simply put their bin in front of the door and from there he would do the rest of the work.

Fu started this committee initially alone. However, he slowly started getting more people that wanted to help.

"At first it was only me," Fu said. "Then I got someone to the committee and from there we started doing the whole hall."

Fu and his committee picked up recycling bins from every door outside of the hallways every Sunday at 4 p.m.

Fu's one frustration with the campus was that yes,



recycling was seemingly important on campus, but not as important as the trash pick up was.

Many other students continued to do their part by noticing the small stuff. Casey Adams, a senior in nutrition science, considered herself to be very environmentally friendly.

"At my house (Alpha Chi Omega), I have a lot of recycling bins set and its all separated into glass, plastic, paper, cans, and bottles," Adams said.

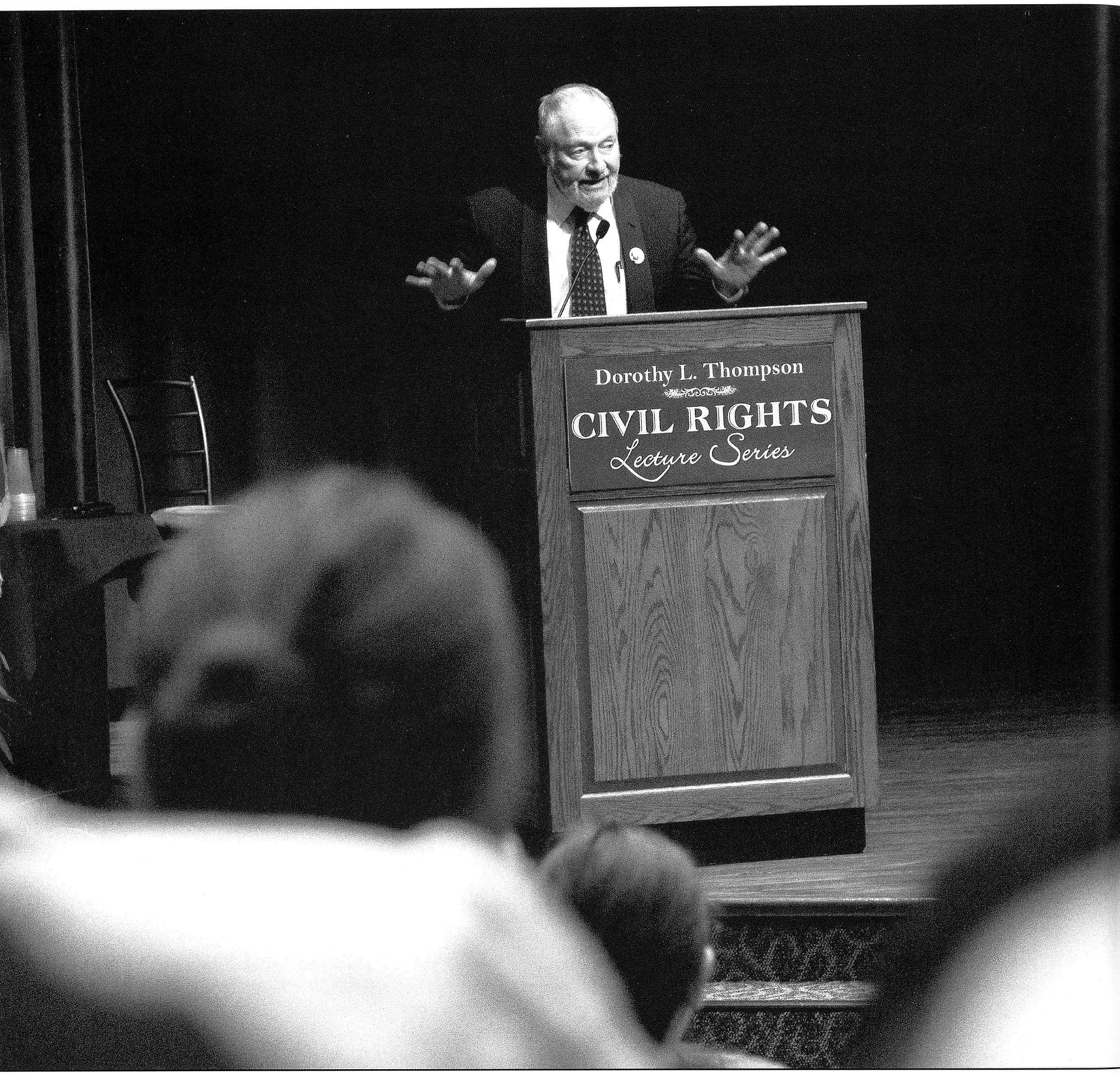
She said all the members do their best to recycle, and there was an environmental chair that always encouraged people to recycle. She felt as though the university did a good job at making students aware of the environment.

"I think that K-State does a pretty good job of it," Adams said. "I always see the recycling areas on campus so that's an alternative for people. I have also heard of game day recycling. I always use them when I tailgate. You see so many cans and bottles lying around and it is such a waste if it is all not recycled."

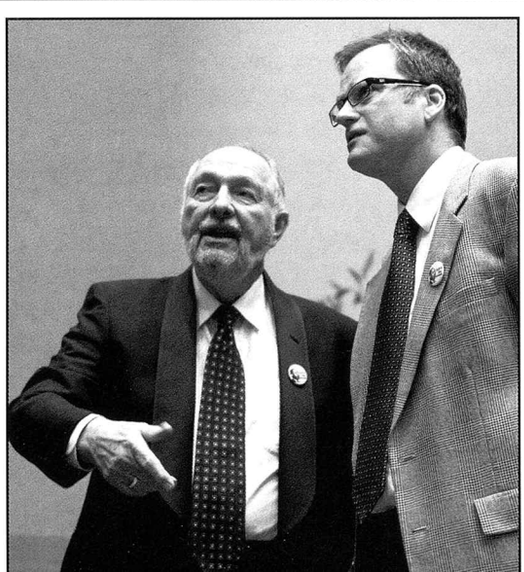
She felt like K-State could improve on making students environmentally aware.

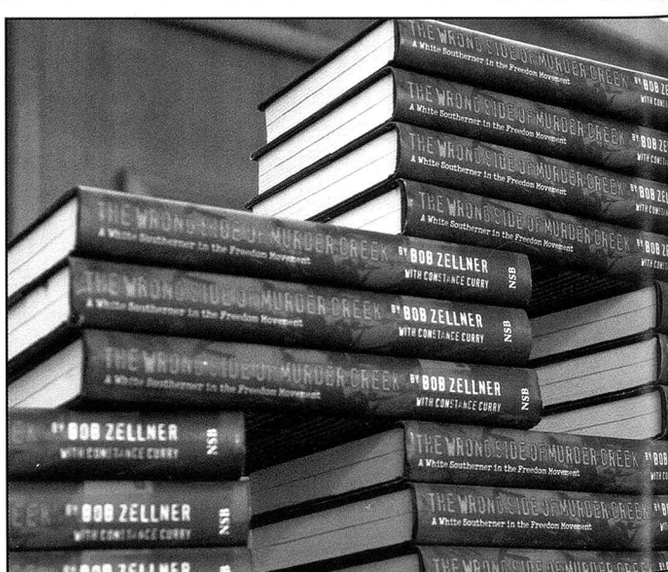
"I think maybe more things that would gear towards people that are not in the Greek community," Adams said. "We get a lot of exposure to recycle so I think we probably have a better idea of how to recycle."

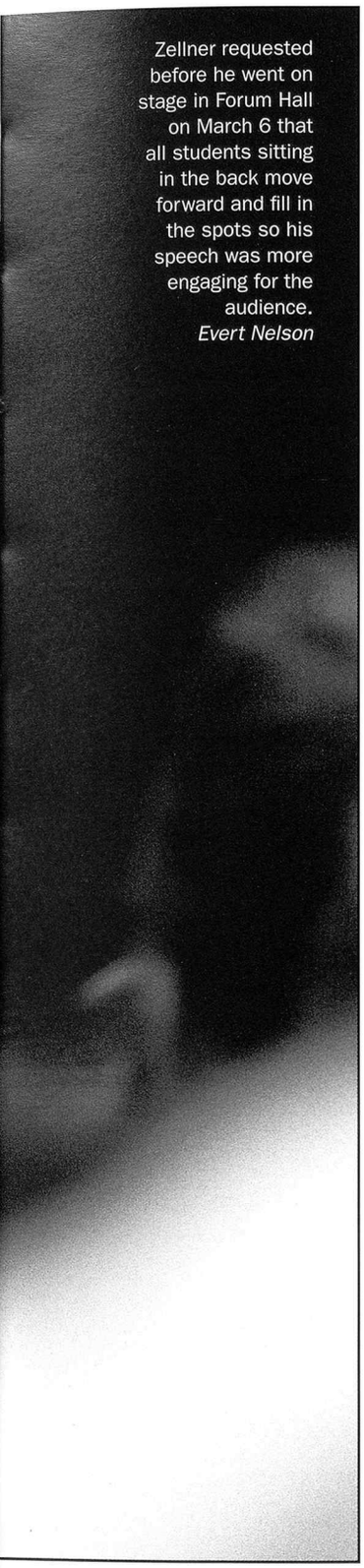
It was students like Adams and Fu that made it apparent that not all students ere unaware of the three Rs: reduce, reuse and recycle. Programs like RecycleMania and Game Day recycling continued to promote awareness across the campus.



Professor Brent Manor (right) talks with Dr. Bob Zellner (left) before Zellner's speech about his lifelong engagement in the civil rights movement. *Evert Nelson*







Zellner requested before he went on stage in Forum Hall on March 6 that all students sitting in the back move forward and fill in the spots so his speech was more engaging for the audience.
Evert Nelson

an example of ACTION

by Halee Thompson

Arrested 18 times and beaten on numerous occasions as a college student in the South during the Civil Rights movement, Dr. Bob Zellner struggled for desegregation sharing jail time with Martin Luther King Jr. and receiving advice from Rosa Parks.

"That quiet woman of granite put her hand on my left elbow and said, 'Bob if you see something wrong you're going to have to take some action, you're going to have to do something, you can't study this forever.,'" Zellner said. "Now has any had a more direct commission from headquarters to get into the movement."

Born in southern Alabama, Zellner grew up with a father and a grandfather in the Klu Klux Klan. Eventually Zellner's father would break from the Klan, his father was disowned and never spoke to his brothers again.

"You could say I descend from a long line of fundamentalist terrorists," Zellner said.

He attended Huntingdon College in Montgomery, Ala. While working on a paper he, along with four other sociology students, attended a speech by Martin Luther King Jr. After being warned many times that they would be arrested if they attended, the students fled out the back of the church when the police arrived.

"We had suddenly gone from being one of the most privileged group of people, we were white, we were southern, we were young, we were male, with one act we had become outlaws," Zellner said. "The President of our college went to the newspaper and said these students are not representatives of Huntingdon College, they're hoodlums, they're trouble makers, and then the very next day two of the five students were given the college's highest honor. Although as a result of our actions the president said we had to leave school."

Continuing on in the fight for civil rights, he was the first white southerner to serve as Field Secretary for SNCC, the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee. During his years working for SNCC, and later the Southern Conference Educational Fund, he witnessed many events that were seen happening again today.

Zellner's autobiography *The Wrong Side of Murder Creek: A White Southerner in the Freedom Movement* went into much more detail on his roles and experiences in the Civil Rights movement, and was being made into a movie.

"History repeats itself," Zellner said.

Relating the political problems of today to those of the past, Zellner compared those who call President Obama a socialist to being called a communist for fighting for Civil Rights back in the day. Zellner even voiced his opinion on the current controversy over international students on Kansas State University's campus.

"50 years ago on my campus as a undergraduate I learned more from the Iranians, Iraqis, Saudis and Africans," Zellner said.

Other current issues he spoke about were birth control, voter rights, privacy of the bedroom, and Occupy America.

"The same people who preached no interference and no government in your life, now want to come between you and your form of contraception or even if you are able to use contraception. Why do we constantly have to fight these battles again," Zellner said.

In late June, July and early August there would be another Freedom Summer in North Carolina for college students interested in participating non-violent protests and concerned about helping the populace.

Many students and faculty alike attended the Dorothy L. Thompson Lecture series on March 6 to hear Zellner speak.

"I liked how he related issues from the past to today. We are the future, and we need to take charge of it," said Lisa Mead, freshman in secondary education.

Some students facilitated a good discussion, even when a difference of opinion sprouted when it came to speaking with Zellner one-on-one.

"I have tremendous respect," Landon Leiker, freshman in secondary mathematics. "As a republican I don't agree with everything, but when I had dinner with him he enjoyed the debate."

Zellner continued his fight for justice and called others to action for the issues today.

"If I don't say one thing tonight that sticks with you let me say this, freedom is a constant struggle," Zellner said.



Students could purchase Zellner's autobiography, The Wrong Side of Murder Creek: A White Southerner in the Freedom Movement, after his speech in Forum Hall. The autobiography was being made into a movie.
Evert Nelson

STARSTRU

Involved university figures try their luck on the dance floor.

Professional Damien Thompson had much experience on the stage this year in the Union Programming Council's Dancing with the K-State Stars Competition. Thompson, a senior in life sciences, won the competition for the second time on Feb. 23.

"I got involved with Dancing with the K-State Stars in season four because I was a pro in season two when myself and my partner, Angela Muhwezi, took first place," Thompson said.

Partnered with Thompson was student senator and Union Governing Board vice president, Sophia Dongilli, a junior in spanish and international studies.

"I was asked by the UPC Committee in charge of this event to participate and thought, 'why not?'" Dongilli said.

Dongilli was also no stranger to dancing and danced her entire life, so it was no surprise that the pair swept the competition with a perfect score of 30. The style of dance assigned to Dongilli and Thompson was Hip-Hop, and with only three weeks to prepare, the couple worked hard to perfect their performance dressed as rebel school kids to "Disturbia" by Rihanna.

"We only met approximately six to seven times, we're both really busy people, so finding rehearsal time was difficult!" Dongilli said. "The most difficult challenge in the beginning was the step routine and some of the more intricate hip-hop stylings. This was because I don't have any formal background in hip-hop, whereas Damien is a complete natural. However, Damien was a fabulous partner and helped me to work through any difficulties that I was experiencing."

With a dance already in mind, Thompson said the most difficult part of preparing was the anticipation of who his partner would be.

"I think for me, the hardest part was waiting to see who I was paired up with. I had already had a dance in mind, and we had about three weeks until the show, so I was hoping that I would get a partner that I knew could move quickly and be able to take on this load of work I was about to give."

The two executed their performance perfectly, receiving tens and nothing but praise from each of the three judges. David Ollington, judge and associate professor of communication studies, theatre and dance, was looking for techniques and critiques about each dance.

"Damien, you are an artist, I don't have any complaints on this one," Ollington said.

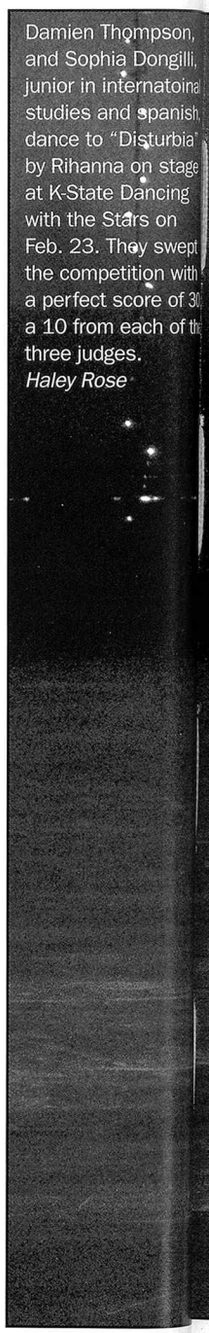
Neither Thompson nor Dongilli were expecting a perfect score and were pleasantly surprised after hearing the results. Thompson also received a perfect score with his first place finish in season two.

Judge Blair Kocher, senior in management, was especially impressed by Thompson and Dongilli's routine.

"It's so easy to get off when doing a partner routine in hip hop. Due to the fast pace tempo and moves involved if you don't hit each count right on, then the entire routine will look sloppy," Kocher said. "The thing that made Sophia and Damien's routine so impressive was the cleanness they brought. That in combination of energy, theatrics and all around entertainment made their routine stand out from all the others."

This year's competition was fun for all competitors because many were already friends. All enjoyed competing against each other with some light-hearted rivalry.

"I liked the competition this year. I had come into the competition being good friends with three other people and I knew that this experience was going to be fun," Thompson said. "Also, it was cool to see them do something I hadn't seen many of them do, dance."



Damien Thompson, and Sophia Dongilli, junior in internatoina studies and spanish dance to "Disturbia" by Rihanna on stage at K-State Dancing with the Stars on Feb. 23. They swept the competition with a perfect score of 3 a 10 from each of th three judges.
Haley Rose

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by Karlee Wedekind



Dancing with the K-State Stars cast included Alex Abendschien, Cari Chestnut, Phillicia Thomas, Alex Zolnerowich, Nate Spriggs, Karla Camacho-Godoy, Trevor McCarty, Tanniqua-Kay Buchanan, Bill Smriga, Janet Galloway, Tristan McCarty, Chris Zimmerman, Sophia Dongilli, Damien Thompson, Kyle Landau and Meghan Rush. *Haley Rose*



Celebrity Judge Viktor Luna critiques a pink dress designed by senior Anna Murphy, worn by freshman Sara Sheehan, both majoring in apparel and textiles. Each of the seven designers were assigned a color of the rainbow to design their dress in. *Grant Zizzo*



ROCK THE RUNWAY

Seven students studying fashion are chosen to compete in the third annual Project Runway.

by Maile Widman

The student union was occupied for K-State's Project Runway event by students wearing dresses made of some unusual things, such as tissue paper and duct tape.

"Fashion is important to me because it is a part of our everyday lives. It lets us be creative and exciting," the 2012 K-State Project Runway Titleholder Collin Champion said.

There was more creativity and excitement in the Union Grand Ballroom on February 17th than the audience anticipated. As seven models made their way down the runway, each flaunting a different color of the rainbow, the crowd was immediately drawn to the details, originality and resourcefulness of each outfit.

"It was a blast to be a part of Project Runway," said senior Anna Murphy's freshman model Sara Sheehan, both majoring in apparel and textiles. "The best part was seeing everyone else's designs because all of the people are so creative and talented."

All the designers were so outstanding mostly because they coped with an unexpected and incredibly difficult twist in the competition. The twist was what threw all the designers and audience members off: they only had one yard of garment to work with. In the fashion world, one yard was almost like a scrap. Each of the seven designers drew a color out of a hat and that was the color yard of fabric they were issued. The contestants had one week to complete their design and were then told if they wanted or needed to add anything more to their designs, it couldn't be any kind of fabric.

Feeling like they were a part of the real life Project Runway competition, the contestants stepped up their game and started pulling all kinds of material and objects out of nowhere, literally. Designers used everything from a loofa, tissue paper, duct tape, fishing net, magazine paper, bubble wrap, plastic folders, all the way to a bouncy ball. The list goes on and on, but as extreme as it sounded, every contestant's piece came to life as soon as it hit the runway.

"The most difficult part of the competition was constructing the actual garment, coming up with a unique idea, and make it come to life," said designer Cheryl Yacenda, junior and apparel and textiles. "It was a surreal experience."

The contestants had one week and the craziest, most difficult parameters to work with to make thier masterpieces. Yet, when every designer showed their models, the crowd and judge's minds alike were blown by what was shown. There was variety in every color and

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everyone was on their toes awaiting the next piece to be revealed.

"The show was so exciting and it's a tough choice saying who my favorite was," judge and Senior Curator for the historic Costume and textile Museum, Marla Day said. "Everyone had strong elements, but I think Collin Champion put his piece together best."

Winner and crowd favorite, Collin Champion, was indeed the champion of the evening. He found his inspiration for his short green dress in the different shade material he found as well as the gladiator and cheerleader looks. Regardless of how or where he found his inspiration, the crowd and judges alike were astounded that something made of such little fabric looked like something found in any major clothing store.

"No, I didn't think I was going to win. Everyone's work was so different," Champion said. "Everyone did such a great job."

by Beth Cornwell

ABOUT THE CELEBRITY JUDGE

Designer Viktor Luna gives students studying fashion some words of advice.

Viktor Luna, a Season 9 finalist from the show, Project Runway, was a judge at this year's Kansas State University's Project Runway.

Luna, originally from Mexico, did not have an easy path to becoming a professional fashion designer.

"It was a struggle. It was a real struggle."

Luna, who came to America when he was 12 years old began his life in the U.S. in Los Angeles, Calif. Luna said that he did not know where he was going in life, but did enjoy photography.

Luna's first challenge in life was when he told his mother that he was gay.

"I cannot have a son like that," said Luna's mother.

Luna and his mother came to an understanding. Yet, Luna moved out of his home because he felt uncomfortable living there.

After going to college in Los Angeles, Luna decided to move to New York with only $300 in hand. He soon found that the New York lifestyle was an expensive way to live. Luna had times where he would sleep on benches and hospitals because he could not afford a place to live. He started working at Bed, Bath, and Beyond, and obtained enough money to afford an apartment.

Luna pursued his first love of photography, but found other ways to be creative. Following his interest in sewing, he enrolled in the Fashion Institute of Technology, where he learned the technical skills of designing and fashion. He received an internship to work with Maria Cornejo, a Chilean born designer.

For years, Luna's friends tried convincing him to apply for Project Runway, a fashion based competition. He was called back for an interview which eventually made him an official competitor. Viktor and his boyfriend celebrated in a Mexican restaurant.

Even though Viktor Luna was reluctant at first, Project Runway was step to becoming a professional designer.

Through stresses on personal relationships, sleep-deprived nights, and pressure of weekly competition that Luna had to endure, he did not regret taking a chance to be on Project Runway.

"I felt like I grew 2 years out of my design career, everything I do now is a little better."

Luna was one of the finalists of Project Runway, but did not win. Yet, he is still very successful, now designing clothes worn by Heidi Klum, Adam Lambert, and Jennifer Love Hewitt.

Now, Luna is working 7 days a week on his new collection.

"Whenever I have a chance to rest, I am going to do it," said Luna.



Madeline Intfen, senior in elementary education, wears a design by Rilee Bacon, senior in apparel and textiles, in K-State's third annual Project Runway. Bacon was one of seven designers chosen to be a part of the fashion competition. *Grant Zizzo*

A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

by Lauren Bechard

As the life of a student can be demanding, the office of Career and Employment Services (CES) helped ease the stress of preparing for life after college by providing a convenient program called Walk-in-Wednesdays.

Typically, those students who were seeking guidance during the process of searching for job or internship opportunities must schedule an appointment with a CES advisor to have their questions answered. Walk-in-Wednesdays was efficiently designed for the pursuit of a brief meeting with an advisor, with no appointment necessary, while still getting the valuable input that CES expertise provided.

Walk-in-Wednesdays were held in the early afternoon on most Wednesdays throughout the year. From noon to 4 p.m., students were encouraged to come to Holtz Hall, follow the arrows to the front desk, and wait momentarily until an advisor was available to meet with them.

While signing up for an online K-State CES account was also encouraged by advisors, it was not mandatory for students participating in Walk-in-Wednesdays. Students and alumni alike were welcome to utilize the services provided by the CES staff.

Kerri Day Keller, director of CES, helped coordinate outreach to the university, including Walk-in-Wednesdays and other services the CES department provided. Keller worked in career services for more than 20 years at various universities, and had been very pleased by K-State's efforts in helping their students prepare for the future.

"I have almost been here for 10 years now, and I have always been very impressed with the value that is placed on career services for students," she said. "I haven't necessarily found that on every other campus where I have worked, that there is a real value for students and their career."

Keller though Walk-in-Wednesdays directly contributed to the effectuality of K-State's career services.

"I think it has definitely enhanced our effectiveness with students, and it is very clear in the trends of our usage that it has gotten more and more popular," she said.

Because students may not have had the time in their busy schedules to plan an appointment in advance, Walk-in-Wednesdays became a user-friendly resource. The student usage of the program had more than doubled since its introduction in 2006. Even by early February, the number of students who had taken advantage of Walk-in-Wednesdays had far surpassed last year's total count of 693 students.

It was continuously stressed by CES advisers that students take advantage of the resources provided for them early and often during their time at K-State. There were many students who, because of their experiences with CES, would make the same recommendation.

Kinesiology graduate Whitney Wear started using such resources during her senior year. Since the time she first visited CES, she had been back to Holtz Hall for advising on multiple occasions, many of which happened to be on Walk-in-Wednesdays.

"Walk-in-Wednesdays was a resource I didn't realize was available for me until my senior year, and I wish I would have known earlier." Wear said. "When I first came in, my resume looked horrible. Now it looks much different and I would recommend that students get a jump-start unlike me."

Although delayed, Wear found each of her guidance sessions with CES advisors both helpful and valuable. She was compelled to attend Walk-in-Wednesdays for the first time by her own free will. It is not uncommon to see K-State students show up on Wednesdays to fulfill requirements for a school assignment or per instruction by faculty, though.

Tor Norheim's first visit to Walk-in-Wednesdays was mandated by his senior seminar instructor. Upon entering the CES building, Norheim, senior in economics, was unsure how helpful the experience would be for him and whether or not he would recommend the services. After his meeting with an advisor to review his resume, he found the services to be very beneficial.

"The CES advisor was very helpful," he said. "He articulated his criticisms and offered advice in a direct and useful manner."

Norheim also suggested that students seek help through CES early in their careers.

"Just stopping in will surely be a benefit. There are so many variables and uncertainties that accompany job hunts. CES can help you figure them out."

And that was just what CES intended to do – smooth out the bumps in the road for students as they traveled the journey toward their future, and Walk-in-Wednesdays had been vital part in helping them do so.

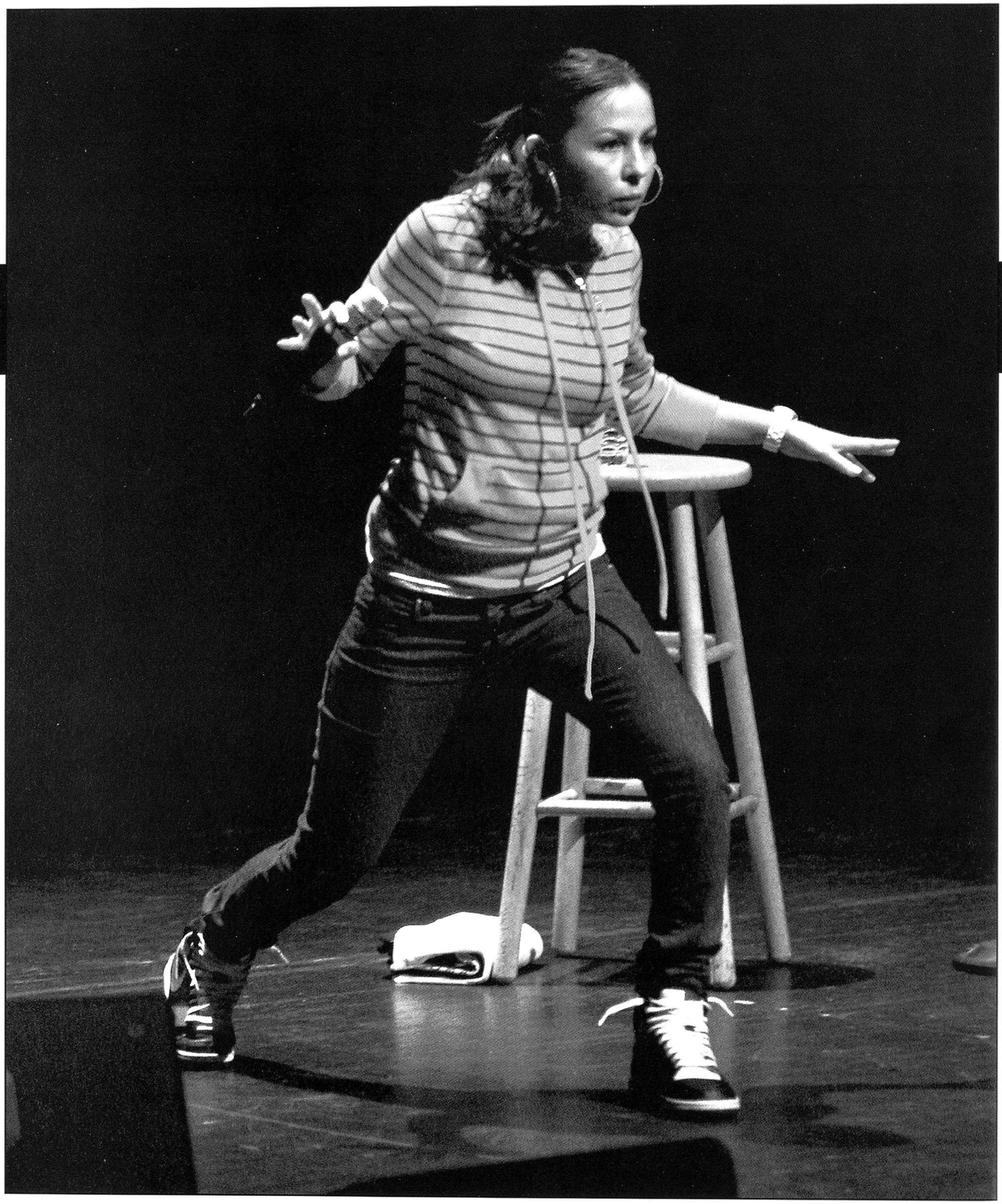
Dana Drake, senior in family studies, watches a group of students touring Holtz Hall while she waits to get her resume checked by professionals from Career and Employment Services during Walk In Wednesdays Feb. 28.
Evert Nelson



Walk-in-Wednesdays were put on by the Career and Employment Services in Holtz Hall each Wednesday throughout the semester.
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Whitney Wear, Kinesiology Graduate



Comedian Anjelah Johnson, also known as Bon Qui Qui, does a stand up act at McCain Auditorium on Feb. 18. Johnson is most famous for her skits on MadTV. *Lisle Alderton*

by Stephanie Mikuls

... but don't get crazy.

When "Security!" was called from the stage of McCain Auditorium on Feb. 18, guards did not run to the rescue. Instead, the auditorium filled with laughter as Anjelah Johnson, stand-up comedian, recited one of her famous routines.

Johnson became most famous for characters she played on the sketch comedy series MADtv, most notably a fast-food worker named "Bon Qui Qui" and a Vietnamese nail salon employee named "Tammy." The videos went viral on YouTube, collectively having more than 8 million views.

Although she had a following that know those characters, Johnson only performed a few minutes of those sketches for the audience.

"She did a little bit of it, but not the whole thing," Neely Michaelis, junior in early childhood education, said. "She did enough to acknowledge that she knew it was funny and that's what we all know. It was kind of cool, but it did leave me wanting to hear more."

Other students were happy with the brevity of her famous sketches.

"I like how she incorporated her YouTube videos but not so much that it was unoriginal," said Lauren Beeman, senior in marketing.

Students were able to buy merchandise after the show. Shirts with her famous sayings "Security" and "Don't interrupt-rude" were sold. Johnson's stand-up act consisted of more personal stories and jokes, focusing on her Hispanic background and upbringing.

"She made a lot of jokes about her culture growing up and how people expect her to know all this Spanish because she's Hispanic," Kaitlin Beeman, sophomore in architectural engineering, said. "She gets interviewed for different things and they want her to talk Spanish and she honestly doesn't know any. It was pretty funny."

The Union Programming Council was an event planning organization that brought many famous names to campus. The program was funded by student privilege fees and provided students with entertainment opportunities that were affordable. UPC brings comedians, bands and other entertainers to the K-State campus. It also offered students a chance to see movies recently released from theatres every weekend at the Union. Movies cost $2 on Fridays and $3 on Saturdays and Sundays.

"I think it's awesome to have these events because I know they play a lot of movies that students wouldn't normally get to see because theatre prices are so high these days," Beeman said. "It gives students stuff to do besides going out and partying."

UPC markets their events throughout campus through campus-wide emails, posters and word-of-mouth.

"I know about them when word gets out and a lot of people are going," Michaelis said. "That's usually when I go."


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As a promotion for the Union Program Council's showing of The Rocky Horror Picture Show, members of UPC broke out into a flash mob dancing to one of the songs in the movie on Oct. 24 in the Student Union.
Evert Nelson

"I had never been in a flash mob before. I was embarrassed and got really heated by it, I wish more people had joined in. Even though I was a little warm, it was exciting at the same time."

Erika Davis, Sophomore in Social Work

Manhattan protesters and supporters holding "We are the 99 percent" signs or posters in favor of Republican presidential candidate Ron Paul stand at the corner of Bluemont Avenue and Manhattan Avenue on Oct. 16
Tommy Theis



"We are the 99 percent" campaign was directed toward the issue in the United States of the top one percent of the population earning at least $506,000 per individual each year. The campaign was started in August 2011 by an anonymous 28-year-old New York resident. What started out as an "Occupy Wall Street" movement turned into all sorts of movements, including "Occupy March Against Police Repression" and "Occupy the Conservative Political Action Conference."


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Queen Mitzy Moree gets ready for the sixth annual drag queen show by the group Hot, Sticky and Sweet backstage at Forum Hall on Feb. 11. *Lisle Alderton*

HOT, STICKY & SWEET

by Maureen Quinn

A group of drag queens tries to make an impact on the LGBT community in Manhattan by making its sixth appearance on campus.





One of the drag queens displays his outfit on stage in Forum Hall during the performance. The drag queens wore extravagant and wild outfits throughout the entire show and had many costume changes.
Lisle Alderton

Tyler Wood, otherwise known as TyWoo on stage, gets ready back stage for the drag queen performance by his group, Hot, Sticky and Sweet.
Lisle Alderton

The seats of Forum Hall filled quickly with eager students and parents as the highly anticipated show was minutes away from starting. Many of them didn't know what they were getting themselves into.

As the clock struck 6:00 p.m., the master of ceremonies, Monica, pumped up the crowd by introducing the first performer of the night.

As Missy Elliot's song "Lose Control" graced the speakers when the performer burst through the curtains in a mini dress with endless sequins and hair high enough to make Dolly Parton smile. Only this was no ordinary woman putting Missy Elliot's dancing to shame, she was a Drag Queen.

For the past six years, Kansas State's Union Program Council and Lesbians, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender community brought back the Manhattan-based group known as Hot, Sticky and Sweet to campus. The group not only entertained students, parents and their children on a Saturday night, but to also bring awareness to what it meant to be a Drag Queen.

This was the group's sixth year returning to the campus and the crowd was as eager as ever. The audience fed off the energy the drag queens to the point of jumping up and down and their seats with every cleavage to the face or booty shake.

Because of the provocativeness of the show and the crude language, Hot, Sticky and Sweet decided they would separate their act this year and narrow down their shows to appeal to different audiences. They had a G-rated show for the family and younger audiences and a R-rated show later on for the adults. The family show included fun dance moves and brought up a little boy to do the drawing for free T-shirts.

The R-rated show was more provocative, with drag queens ripping off their shirts and getting motor-boated by the audience, it was more risqué.

Amanda Caldas, senior in political science and international studies, attended the show for the first time.

"There was a lot more exposure in the second show than the first show, normally exposure we would be accustomed to seeing from women," Caldas said. "There was more profanity and gestures."

For each dance number, one of the queens emerged from the stage, lip-synching to her own song wearing exquisite, over-the-top gowns that made it hard to look away. Some songs were slow, such as Etta James' "At Last," or more fast-paced songs including Lady Gaga's "Born This Way" and "Edge of Glory."

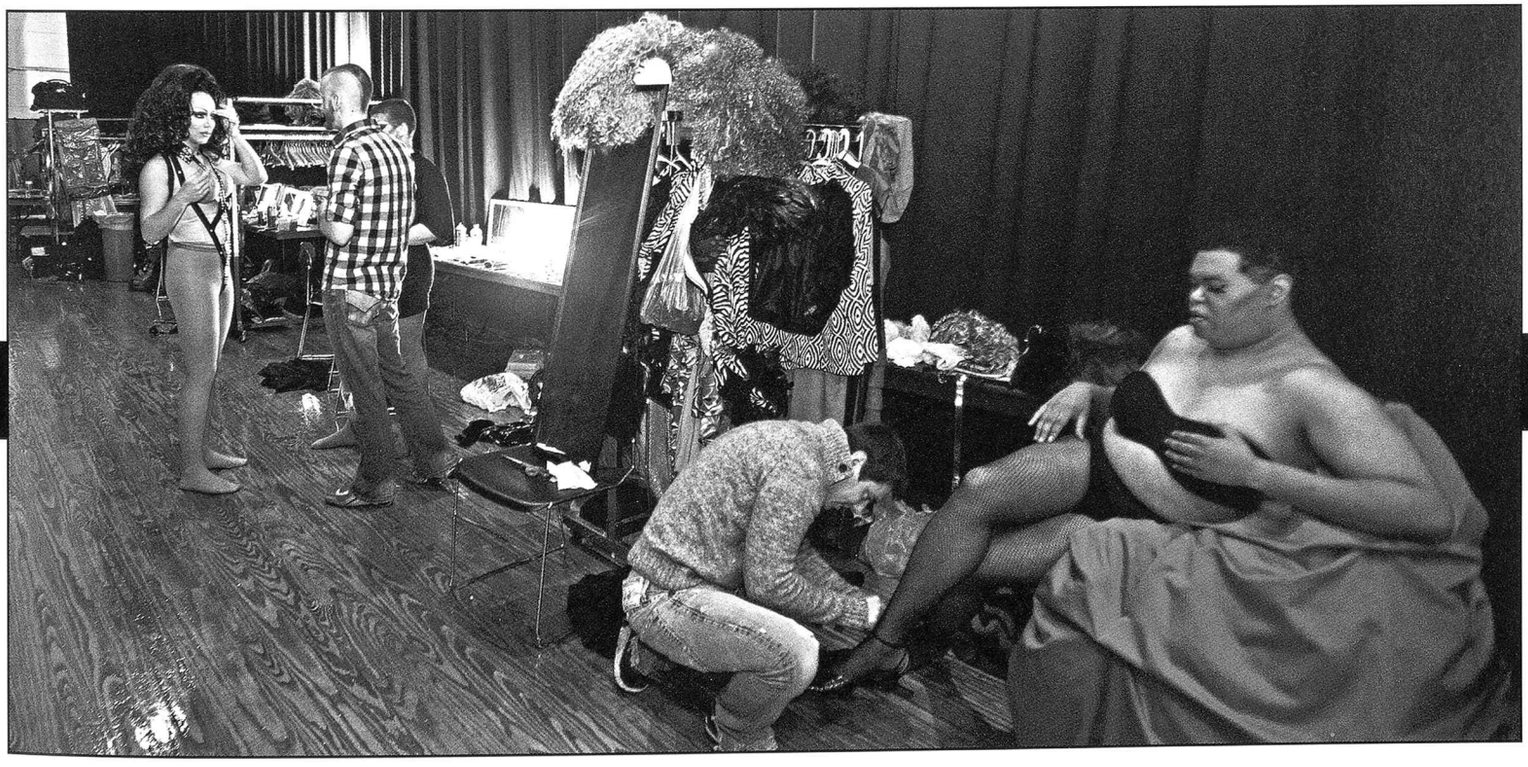
The audience had the opportunity to give money depending on how well they thought the drag queens did in their routine. The queen made her way to each audience member throughout the hall, making the crowd stick the dollars in their mouths or cleavage. The UPC changed out $1,000 per show to audience members in one dollar bills, making the drag queens rack up a hefty amount of tips.

The Drag Show drew in hundreds of students and lived up to its hype of endless laughter and light-hearted fun.

"There was a lot more audience participation, lots of dancing and shouting," Caldas said.

At the end of the performance the Hot, Sticky and Sweet members delivered a positive message.

"We were all born this way," one of the drag queens said to the audience. "It's okay to be different."



love beyond borders

by Jenay Unruh

Elsa Toburen met the love of her life in 1997 over a television screen in her hometown of Tarapoto, Peru.

Toburen said she was tired of the men in her own country and in 1996, she sought out Christina's International Introductions (CII), a match making company. By 1997, men from all over America had been viewing Toburen's own profile tape and the tapes of the other 200 women in the program.

In her tape, Toburen smelled flowers in her garden, read a book in her dress, modeled her swimsuit in the local river and had a conversation with her Peruvian mother. If any of the men took interest, they could get Toburen's address and mail her.

Steve Toburen did just that.

CII was the result of a business project by a high school student, Christina Ford, from Tulsa, Okla. Her mom, Jane Ford from Peru, and dad, Wayne Ford from Oklahoma, knew this idea was possible and knew the need for it. Steve Toburen, the FIX program coordinator for Frontier at K-State and Toburen's husband, explained through e-mail that men from Peru "are very domineering and controlling leaving women with very little to say in the household." Toburen confirmed that Peru women are looking for men to be their equals.

Steve also said through e-mail, "Christina's father, who was a film editor for Universal Studios, had been through several failed marriages and, while working on location in Peru, fell in love with a Peruvian woman." Steve said the Fords used their successful marriage model, filming skills and connections in Peru to start their business, which they renamed "Video Matchmakers" after Christina went to college.

Christina's International Introductions' founders began match making men they personally knew from Oklahoma with women they personally knew from Peru and eventually branched out all over the two countries.

"Eighty percent of the women from the program are living in Oklahoma now," Toburen said. CII existed from 1995 to 2005. They closed because online competition sites such as Match.com grew in popularity.

In 1998, the divorce rate in the U.S. was 1,135,000 according to census.gov. CII contributed very little to this total.

"I am aware of a few divorces, but most were due to no more than what we commonly see in divorced couples in the United States," Steve said through e-mail.

Steve recalled of only two divorces coming from Christina's at the time he and Toburen married. Also at this time, Christina's had matched a little over 200 men with Peruvian women.

"One percent is a much better ratio than what we see in the U.S. in what you might call normal marriages," Steve said.

After moving to America, one of the biggest changes for Toburen was how "here, no one sets family time into their schedules." Steve echoed this concern as he said after a few bad relationships, his heart was hardened to "materialistic" American women who "lacked the traditional family values" he prized. One night, as Steve was watching television, he saw one of CII's infomercials which emphasized the strong Peruvian value on family. He began watching them regularly.

"In the back of their minds, I had quite a bit of doubt, but after meeting Elsa there was no more doubt," he said.

Steve called CII and spoke directly to the Fords. From there, he drove Tulsa, Okla., and met the Fords in person.

"Before I left that day, I paid my membership fee and began my search for a Peruvian wife."

The membership fee for one year was $199.99. This included six two- hour long VHS tapes with the personal profiles, mailing addresses and phone numbers from single Peruvian women.

"Most of the women could not speak fluent English, so all the videos were subtitled in English," Steve said.

Toburen and Steve do not like labeling Toburen's arrival to America as a "Mail Order Bride." The idea of mail order brides began in Jamestown in 1619. According to Foreignaffair.com, "We can also see that there were women who were not meeting the men they desired in London and were willing to take the chance to go to Jamestown. If you think about it, if not for 'Mail Order Brides,' our country may not have evolved into what it is today." Steve said this idea shouldn't be anything new to Americans because it's been around since the beginning of the U.S. Toburen felt negative connotations came with this phrase. She said it was more comparable to internet dating.

Toburen said she had many men of all different ages write to her.

"The oldest man to ever write to me was in his 50s," she said.

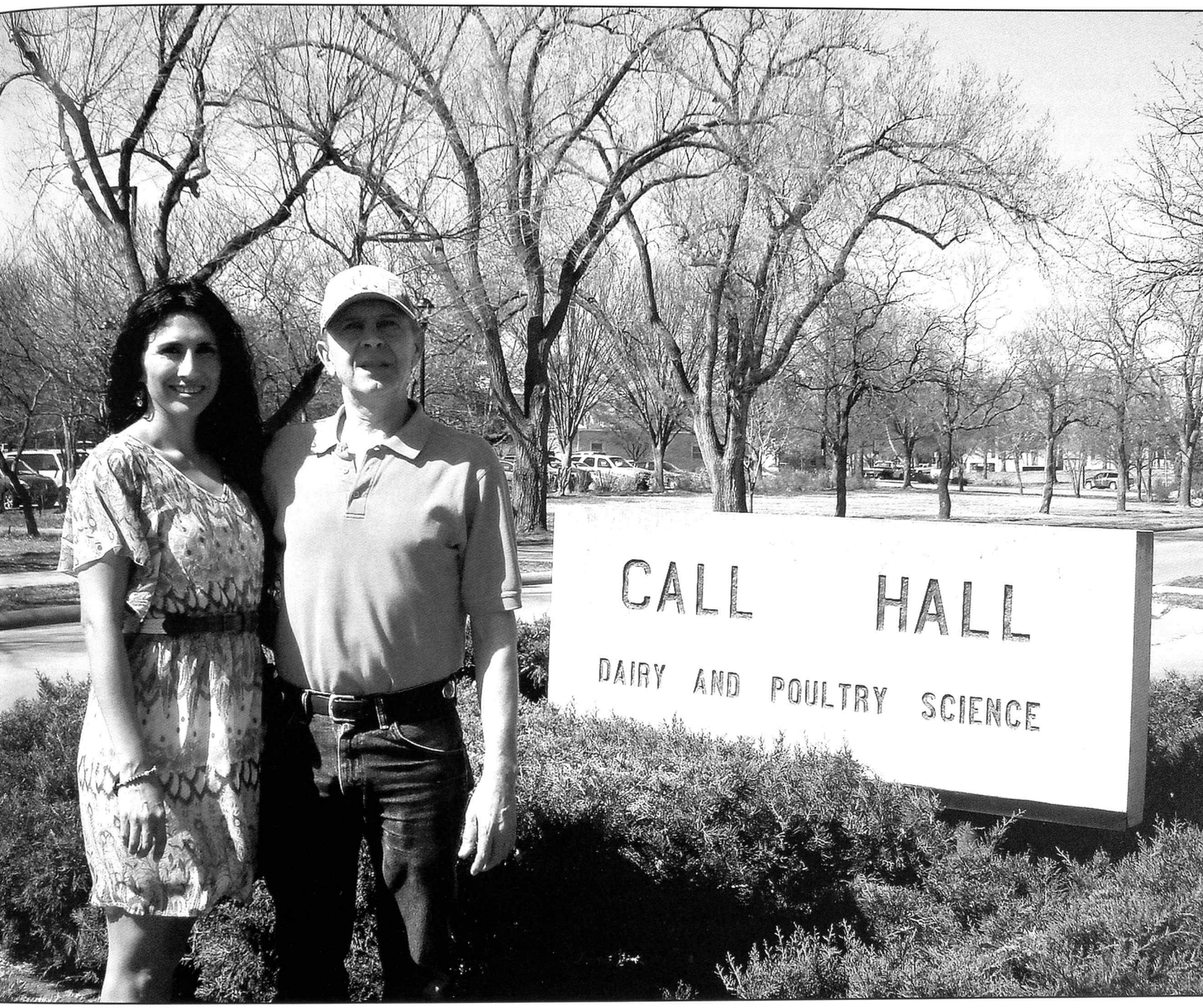
With this age of men taking interest in her daughter, Toburen said her mother was very concerned. Safety was a precaution Toburen mother saw necessary to take. Both Steve and Toburen had background checks. Steve explained that the American men's were more thoroughly checked than the Peruvian women because most people in the region know each other well.

Elsa Toburen was aware not all relationships through Christina's were perfect. Her friend from Peru had a bad experience with the results of the CII's matching.

"Everyone was so excited when we saw her match. He was cute, outdoorsy, and liked to cook. They married and the



Steve and Elsa Toburen, both employees at the university, stand outside of Call Hall on March 12. They met through Christina's International Introductions, an international match making company. *Courtesy of Elsa Toburen*



first few months were perfect, but then he changed. That can happen in any marriage though, not just ones found online."

Toburen said the new husband locked Toburen's friend in the house and when she would call back home, he would always be in the room and listen in to be sure she didn't tell them how she was being treated. He gave her only enough money to buy her own food. She saved it all. One day, when the man left home, he forgot to lock the door. She grabbed her money, packed up and caught the first flight to Orlando, Fla., where Christina's International Introductions owners had moved.

Toburen's experience was very opposite of her friend's. Mail took about two weeks to travel from America to Peru and two or three more days to get it translated.

"As a coincidence, Elsa had just viewed the video that included me, and was in the process of writing to me when she received my first letter," Steve said.

Steve's friend from work translated the Spanish letters and phone calls he received. After several correspondences which revealed what each single was looking for in a mate, Steve called Toburen with an interpreter and asked her to marry him. Toburen accepted and a month later, Steve was in Peru.

Three days before their wedding, Steve and Toburen met for the first time. Steve told Toburen that he was poor and had nothing to offer her, but she didn't care.

"If you aren't 100 percent sure that you're OK with this, we can call off the wedding," he said. Toburen responded, "I am 100 percent sure." Steve and Toburen have been married for 13 years and have two children, Stephanie and Austin. Toburen said she got her American dream.

"Good job, great family, working full time, getting my degree, and teaching Zumba. This is home. America is my home."

APRIL

by Kelsey White

Local:
Due to the growing popularity and use of smart phones, three students at the university thought it was necessary to give the students an opportunity to use this advancing technology to benefit their social lives in Aggieville. Christian Duranleau, Craig Mouser and Steve Rubenthaler were the three senior students behind Pulsar Productions, a software development company that created the Aggieville iPhone application. Showing nightly drink specials and events, the students could now be connected virtually with local businesses.

National:
During the early months of 2011, there had been controversy surrounding the validity of Barack Obama's United States citizenship, with claims that he had not been born in the United States, thus making him ineligible to be president. On April 27, he released a copy of his birth certificate stating, in fact, that he had been born in Hawaii in 1961 at the Kapiolani Maternity & Gynecological Hospital.

World:
The world's most eligible bachelor at the time, Prince William of Wales, finally tied the knot on April 29 to long-time girlfriend Kate Middleton. The ceremony was held at Westminster Abbey with hundreds of the royal family's closest friends in attendance and 24.5 million viewers following closely through their television sets at home. Close in line to the throne, this was a significant event globally because the couple could be the next king and queen of England.

MAY

by Brent Gipson

Local:
K-State art students created a "larger than life" cake and placed it outside King Hall to create awareness on the importance of art in schools. The cake, measuring 6-foot tall and 7.5-foot across, was constructed with a mixture of plywood, two-by-two boards and sheet rock mud. It featured a "menu" explaining the importance of art education. Some sprinkles on the cake were larger than a loaf of bread.

National:
Heavy rains caused flooding in the Mississippi and Ohio River valleys. People in Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Tennessee, Kentucky and Arkansas were forced to leave their homes. The Army Corps of Engineers intentionally breached a levee south of where the Ohio River met the Mississippi in order to lower river levels and prevent widespread flooding in communities. The Mississippi River broke the elevation record and rose to 56.3 feet, 13 feet above flood stage.

World:
U.S. troops and CIA operatives shot and killed Osama bin Laden in Abbottabad, Pakistan, a city of 500,000 people that housed a Pakistani military base and military academy. After a firefight, troops descended upon the compound and shot bin Laden after he reportedly refused to surrender. News of bin Laden's death brought cheers and a sense of relief worldwide. Bin Laden was reportedly behind the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in the United States.

JUNE

by Ellie Long

Local:
An Associated Press story named Riley County the 19th best U.S. county to live in terms of economic stress. It was named No. 1 in previous years but gave that spot to a North Dakota county in 2011.

National:
New York passed a law under Gov. Andrew Cuomo that allowed gay and lesbian couples to marry, legalizing same-sex marriage. The bill was approved June 24 with a vote of 33 to 29.

World:
Protests in Syria broke out June 3 after a 13-year-old-boy was tortured and killed, causing large antigovernment riots and protests to break out in the streets, killing more than 1,000 people. On June 12, Syrian forces took control over Lis al-Shoughour and shut down the Internet across the country, causing thousands of residents to escape to Turkey.

JULY

by Ellie Long

Local:
A silent auction at the K-State Alumni Center raised almost $25,000 benefiting children with neurological disorders. Items such as a Miami Heat jersey autographed by Dwayne Wade, NASCAR tickets, an autographed football by Bill Snyder and a personal performance by the K-State Marching Band were auctioned off for alumni and members of the Manhattan community.

National:
The trial of Casey Anthony struck the nation when she was found not guilty of murder of her 2-year-old daughter. Caylee was found dead in the woods near her home in 2008. On July 5, Anthony was found guilty only of providing false information to law enforcement officials and was charged with a misdemeanor.

World:
The premiere of Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part Two broke many records on its release date July 15. The movie broke the worldwide opening record bringing in over $483.2 million and was the highest grossing film of 2011. It was the third highest grossing movie of all time and was only the ninth film to gross more than $1 billion.

AUGUST

by Jaylee Henkle

Local:
On Aug. 11, 2011, Kevin Lynn Cockrum was found unconscious in an alley in Manhattan and later died from his injuries. Cockrum, a 31-year-old United States Army veteran, received two Purple Hearts while serving in the armed forces.

National:
Hurricane Irene swept across the eastern coast of the United States and through the Caribbean on Aug. 24. Its strength ranged from category 1 to category 3 throughout the week. Hurricane Irene took the lives of more than 50 people and total damages from the U.S. alone exceeded $15 billion.

World:
Libyan rebels took control of the nation's capital successfully overthrowing the government of Moammar Gadhafi. With the help of air and ground support form NATO, rebel troops captured one of Gadhafi's ships, which contained 250,000 barrels of oil. They also cut off supply routes to Tripoli, home of Gadhafi's son and daughter. Meanwhile, Gadhafi and his family were fleeing to exile in Tunisia.

SEPTEMBER

by Shelby Brunk

Local:
Terri Olsen, owner of Eastside and Westside Market, reported that her market had received and sold cantaloupes that were amongst the same melons that were involved in the nationwide recall of melons because of listeria infection. She sold about 500 of the recalled melons from Aug. 25 to Sept. 5.

National:
Tropical Storm Lee flooded Northeastern United States causing the National Weather Service to declare a state of emergency. Heavy flooding, tornadoes and threatening weather caused evacuation from states of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Maryland and Virginia.

World:
King Abdullah of Saudi Arabia granted women the right to vote on Sept. 25. Although this new ruling would not take place until the next election season in 2015, women would also be allowed to vote in political campaigns as well as hold office.

OCTOBER

by Emily Worrell

Local:
The university's Social Club, composed of faculty and administration, athletic directors, president Kirk Schulz and wife Noel, celebrated its 100th year. Through its years at K-State, members have been able to supply scholarships to students.

National:
Steve Jobs, 56, Apple founder and inventor, died Oct. 5 after he was diagnosed with a rare form of pancreatic cancer in 2003. Jobs had returned as Apple's CEO Jan. 5, 2000, and remained in that position until he stepped down Aug. 24, 2011.

World:
Moammar Gadhafi was killed on Oct. 20, 2011, when opposing Libyan forces tortured and shot him. Gadhafi was the dictator in Libya for 42 years. Pictures and videos of 69-year-old Gadhafi, bloodied and disheveled, circulated quickly after he was killed.

NOVEMBER

by Emily Wolfe

Local:
Hilton Garden Inn announced its opening of the 135-room hotel located at 410 South 3rd Street. The hotel was located next to the new Manhattan Conference Center, which would hold local and statewide conferences throughout the year.

National:
On Nov. 5 the investigation of Pennsylvania State University's former defensive coordinator and coach of 32 years, Jerry Sandusky, went public. Sandusky was charged with sexually abusing eight boys over a 15-year period. Athletic Director Tim Curley and Senior Vice President for Finance and Business Gary Schultz were also accused of covering up allegations. Head coach Joe Paterno, who had coached at the university for 46 years, was fired four days after Sandusky's arrest.

World:
On Nov. 29, Iceland became the first Western European country to recognize Palestine as an independent state. Iceland's parliament announced 38 of 63 votes in favor to recognize Palestine as "an independent and sovereign state."

DECEMBER

by Shaley Van Loenen

Local:
Mourning for the death of Overland Park teenager and cancer victim Ashton Todd Brunmeier took a modern path with a global reach — by trending on Twitter. Tweets with comforting messages followed by the hash tag #ATB began trending after Brunmeier, who had been fighting a rare cancer, died at age 17. The first came from people who knew the Shawnee Mission West junior, but by Wednesday they were flooding in from celebrities and strangers as far away as Australia.

National:
On the campus of Virginia Tech, a male suspect shot and killed a Virginia Tech police officer and then fled on foot through a nearby parking lot. A manhunt ensued that locked down the university, and came to an end when police indicated that the gunman who ambushed the officer had died of self-inflicted gunshot wounds. This was the second time the university became a scene of gunfire since the 2007 shootings that left 33 dead.

World:
Islamist militants set off bombs across northern Nigeria on Christmas Day. There were bomb blasts and shootings at churches in Madalla, Jos, Gadaka, and Damaturu. A total of 41 people were reported dead. Boko Haram, a Muslim sect in Nigeria, later claimed responsibility for the attack. This is the second Christmas in a row that the group has caused mass carnage with deadly bombings of churches.

JANUARY

by Jaylee Henkle

Local:
K-State was planning on disposing of the nuclear waste that was located in the landfill north of Bill Snyder Family Stadium near Kimball Avenue. The removal and disposal of the waste was expected to take 45 days. The nuclear waste was to be placed into containers and samples taken to ensure identification for proper disposal. Low-level radioactive material was to be shipped by rail to Utah, while most of the other waste was to be handled through the university's hazardous waste contractor.

National:
Joe Paterno, the longtime Penn State coach who won more games than anyone in major college football but was fired amid a child sex abuse scandal, died January 22, 2012. He was 85 years old. The Pennsylvania hospital where Paterno died confirmed the cause of death as a spreading lung cancer, which Paterno had been diagnosed with 65 days earlier. The man known as "JoePa" won 409 games and took the Penn State Nittany Lions to 37 bowl games and two national championships.

World:
The Italian cruise ship Costa Concordia partially sank on January 13th, 2012, after hitting a reef off the Italian coast and running aground at Isola del Giglio, Tuscany. The crash required the evacuation of the people on board. At least 17 people died, including 15 passengers and two crewmen. 64 others were injured and 16 are missing. Two passengers and a crew member trapped below deck were rescued. Captain Francesco Schettino deviated from the ship's computer-programmed route to treat people on Giglio Island to a close sail-past. He was later arrested on preliminary charges of multiple manslaughter and failure to assist passengers in need and abandonment of ship.

FEBRUARY

by Emily Wolfe

Local:
The 56th annual K-State Rodeo took place on Feb. 19 in Weber Arena. Twenty-three universities competed in the rodeo competitions. Students from the ages of 18 to 22 competed in competitions such as steer wrestling, barrel racing, bull and horse riding, and calf roping.

National:
Famous singer Whitney Houston was found dead at the age of 48 by her body guard in a Beverly Hills, Calif., hotel on Feb. 11 at 3:55 p.m. Houston left a fortune behind for her 19-year-old daughter Bobbi Kristina Brown. During her music career, Houston sold more than 170 million albums worldwide.

World:
On Feb. 1 a riot broke out at a soccer match between fans of rival teams in Port Said, Egypt, killing at least 73 people and injuring hundreds. When the match ended, fans stormed onto the field, fighting and attacking each other as well as the players. The Egyptian military had to send planes into the stadium to get the teams out safely. Protests broke out over Egypt over the riots and four more protesters were killed.

MARCH

by Ellie Long

Local:
Professor in the A.Q. Miller School of Journalism and Mass Communications Todd Simon died March 5 at the age of 61. Before coming to K-State, Simon was a professor at Michigan State University. He took a teaching fellowship in 1982 at George Washington University Law School in Washington D.C. Simon took the position as the director of the A.Q. Miller School in 1997 and returned to teaching full time at the university in 2004.

National:
A string of severe storms swept the states of Kentucky, Alabama, Indiana, Georgia and Ohio in early March, killing 38 people. Tornadoes in Kentucky were the worst the state has had in 24 years, with tornadoes as powerful as EF-4 and 175 mph winds. Tornadoes were on the ground for as long as 50 miles. An infant whose entire family was killed in the tornado was found in a field over 10 miles from home.

World:
Efforts by the Invisible Children campaign took full force in hopes to arrest Joseph Kony, leader of the Lord's Resistance Army in Africa. Kony was No. 1 on the International Criminal Court's world's worst criminals list because he had abducted over 30,000 children in 26 years, forcing them to be sex slaves or child soldiers. In just four days, a video posted on YouTube.com about the Stop Kony campaign had over 57 million views. The campaign used celebrity endorsements from George Clooney, Taylor Swift and Rhianna, among others, to raise awareness. Because of the awareness and outreach of the Invisible Children campaign, President Barack Obama sent a small number of U.S. forces to deploy to central Africa to provide assistance in arresting Kony.

Academics



Members of the Army ROTC participate in Recondo outside Gen. Richard B. Myers Hall Sept. 7. Recondo is a program that gives ROTC members more hands-on experience, primarily tactics in nature. *Tommy Theis*


ADERSHIP



by Colleen Quinn

a tasteful class

This course gave students a reason not to 'wine' about going to class

Past the construction going on in Justin Hall, a group of students met Tuesday nights with their teacher. The course was Introduction to Wines and what went on inside of the classroom was not your ordinary lecture-style class.

Students were taught the basics of wine and were able to try different varietals. Chad Bowman of LDF Sales and Distributing dedicated his time each week to teaching the class and informed his students on how there was more than just red and white wine.

"Wine is a topic everyone wants to talk about, but rarely do people actually know about," Bowman said. "By educating students, we are in essence changing the wine culture in Kansas. By knowing more about the topic within the wine culture, students will be better equipped for restaurant or hotel based jobs. No institution in the United States teaches about the fundamentals of wine, and how they correlate to future endeavors like KSU does."

Some students had previous experiences before they came into the first day of class, but needed that extra bit to fully understand wines. Annarose Hart, senior in agriculture communications and journalism, always loved working with plants and it was not until she studied abroad in France one summer when she worked on a vineyard that she found a true passion for wines.

"I love working with plants because they can handle anything," Hart said. "The best wines come from the grapes that struggle the most in harsh conditions. They like being stressed out because they can dig deeper into the ground and get more water."

Tasting the different wines and learning about the grapes was not the only thing that kept the students interested. Bowman said that wines were a broad topic, and even though people wanted to learn more they had to make connections on a level that everyone could understand, and this was why he was there to help.

"Being able to test theories and concrete subjects sing more than just a book and some slides on a projector," he said. "It gives the students a way to connect with the subject material first hand, and changes their learning at the core."

Even though the class seemed like the "easy A," Bowman said, there were students who came to class believing they were only there to taste wine. They soon found out that the curriculum was more than just tasting wines and learning flavors, but finding out where they come from, too.

"I think a lot of students think that we just come to class





Tony Edwards, senior in political science, considers the taste qualities of a wine during his class Sept. 20. The students learned different techniques to distinguish wine characteristics. *Jonathan Knight*

Jessica Jones, senior in psychology, considers the aroma of her wine during class Sept. 20. Jones, with the rest of her class, was shown how to pair different wines with the right food. *Jonathan Knight*

and drink wine," Courtney Harrington, senior in fine arts, said. "We really do learn about the different wine regions across the world and about the wine making process. There are a lot of different factors into how and why the wine tastes or smells the way it does."

Students embraced the fact they would have more knowledge each night after they walked out of Justin Hall. Instead of sticking with the common theme of white wine with white foods and red wine with dark meats, they knew there was even more to it than that.

"I think it has definitely inspired me to break out of my favorite wines," Harrington said. "I noticed when I was going to cook something like alfredo, I was thinking I should go buy a chardonnay to go with it. It really does bring out different taste in the foods and the wines when paired together."

Part of the classroom expectations were to branch out and try a wine they normally wouldn't. Once they weren't able to purchase the wine and sit down and open it, their knowledge of the wines began to settle in.

"I've learned to be patient with a glass of wine because taking a sip of a white wine right after it is poured is going to taste different five minutes later," Hart said. "It is fascinating to see how the flavors evolve and how they blend, and it's interesting to see the wines that don't."

"Wine is a topic everyone wants to talk about, but rarely do people actually know about."

Chad Bowman of LDF Sales and Distributing

All the Creepy Crawlers

by Emily Wolfe

The Insect Zoo crawls with fun insects for students to experience

Fried mealworms, almond chirp cookies, mealworm salsa and cricket candies were something you didn't see on the menu often, but they were on the menu twice a year at the Insect Zoo. The zoo had an insect cooking demonstration twice a year to cook-up these creepy crawlers, which was just one of the unique things it had to offer. Even though few students knew about the zoo, which was located next to the K-State Gardens, it was well-known in the Manhattan community.

"We have approximately two to five workers on staff each year," zoo director Kiffnie Holt said. "At our last open house we had about 1,500 people come through in one eight-hour day and about 8,000 come through each year."

Manhattan families provided more than enough business for the zoo. With a low admission price of $2, the zoo offered an amazing amount of exhibits including a tropical tree/flooded Amazonian rainforest, a tropical nighthouse, giant leafcutter ant colony, a freshwater display and an observation beehive where visitors could get an up close look at the normally terrifying stinging insects. In addition, it housed giant cockroaches, beetles, praying mantises, scorpions and giant walking sticks, which it often traded with other zoos around the country. The establishment also had a wide variety of arthropods including insects, crustaceans and centipedes or millipedes. However, the most unique part about the zoo was an insect with eight legs: tarantulas.

"We have about 100 different individual species of arthropods at any one time. About a third of that is all the different types of tarantulas," Holt said. "We have such a wide variety of tarantulas because the zoo's first director, Ralph Charlton, who officially opened the zoo in 2002, took a special interest in them."

Not only could visitors pet a few of the older, more tame tarantulas, but they could also buy one to take home. They cost anywhere from $10 to $100 and they brought in about $4,000 in sales each year, along with other gift shop items sold.

Lonell Brown, junior in animal science with a minor in entomology, accumulated two tarantulas after volunteering at the zoo and then eventually getting hired.

"I have an Oklahoma Brown and a Salmon Pink Bird Eater," Brown said these tarantulas are not just pets. "I keep them in their cages on my coffee table in my apartment as decorations."

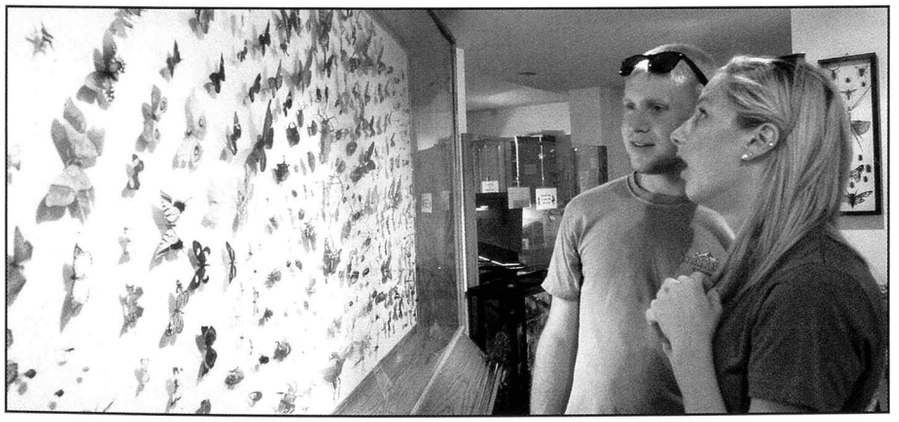


Some of Brown's daily tasks while working at the zoo consisted of keeping the animals hydrated, making sure their substrate, or environment, was moist and at the right humidity, cleaning up cages, washing dishes, feeding the different insects and making sure the walking sticks have fresh leaves and cuttings. Brown said it took the right kind of person to work at the zoo.

"We go through about 4,000 crickets every two weeks to feed all the insects, so you can't get grossed out easily or be afraid to touch and handle all the different animals," she said.

Out of all her tasks Brown would have to say her favorite part of working at the zoo would be feeding the tarantulas.

"I know it might sound funny, but how the tarantulas react when I am feeding them and giving them water really shows off their unique personalities."



Austin Hughes, junior in agronomy, shows his guest at K-State Tanner Thurman, Oklahoma State University, the Insect Zoo. They are amazed by a display of butterflies.
Lisle Alderton

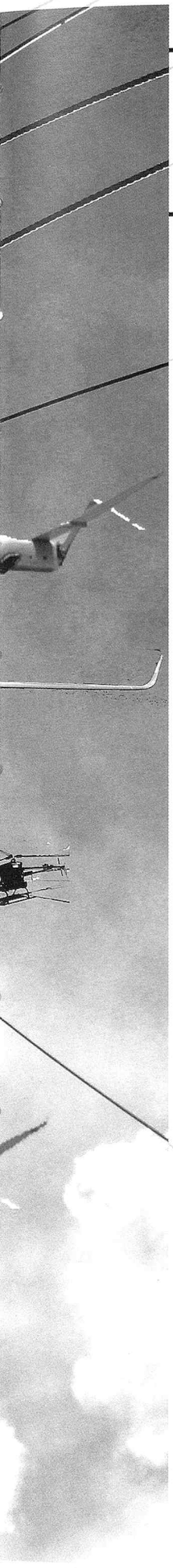
A tarantula walks across the hand of Lonell Brown, junior in animal science, as she interacts with the insects in the back-room facility of the Insect Zoo.
Lisle Alderton

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Zoo director, Kiffnie Holt



photo illustration by Lisle Alderton



HIGH ABOVE THE REST

by Taylor Von Elling

The university's aviation program helps students prepare for a bright future.

Flying thousands of feet above Earth may strike normal college students as an average plane ride, but for the students enrolled in the K-State aviation program, it was nothing short of their life-long dream. With about 250 students enrolled in this program, it was surprising that it was not more commonly discussed around campus. Their separate grounds of study, however, were located in Salina, Kan., Conveniently within close proximity of the Salina Regional Airport.

Even with the campus 76 miles from Manhattan, it did not take away from its appeal to junior Megan Henderson, double-majoring in the professional pilot program as well as technology management.

"I like being able to go to school and still be able to fly at the same time," Henderson said. "I can be a Wildcat and still be able to achieve my goals."

Kurt Barnhart, department head for the aviation program, said although there had not been a national independently researched study of aviation schools, the department did their own, indicating that K-State was within the top five collegiate aviation programs.

"This is one of the very best aviation departments in existence with an international reputation for quality," Barnhart said.

Like most majors at the university, Barnhart explained that aviation was a four-year program. Students used to be limited with only two different branches of study to chose from: flight and aircraft maintenance. However, as of the 2011-2012 school year, there were six options for all aviation students to choose from, ensuring they find one they prefer. The four added classifications included avionics, air traffic control, airport management and unmanned aerial systems.

This program was so well-respected that students from around the country chose to study here. Allan Richardson, a sixth-year studying aviation maintenance, said he found the aviation school while looking for a prestigious aviation program in the Midwest. Richardson immediately felt right at home.

"The Salina campus may not give a person the same 'big college campus' experience," Richardson said, "but I feel that it's more friendly and open and helps students feel less intimidated and more relaxed."

The course work and class set-up is similar to other on campus college classes, with the exception of their required flight labs.

"Our flight students not only have to balance a normal academic load, but they must accumulate between 250-300 hours of flight time during their time here," Barnhart explained.

Henderson said she easily spent 20 to 30 hours a week on campus due to classes, campus involvement and time spent as a flight instructor. Even with these long hours, the time was well spent when the students loved what they did.

"This program has inspired me to dream up different possibilities," Richardson said. "I think this thought process has carried over to other aspects of my life, and allowed me to look past just what I see and think what it could be."

Barnhart said many past students were currently working for prominent companies around the nation.

"Our flight alumni are flying with most all major airlines nationally and many internationally," Barnhart said. "We also have graduates flying with every branch of military service in addition to many corporate pilots for Fortune 500 and other companies."

Any driven students with potential were welcomed to explore whether the program was a fit for them. According to Henderson, along with the standard GPA and ACT requirements, according to Henderson, all that was required to be accepted into this program was a medical test with a designated aviation examiner.

Aviation could definitely be described as a unique passion. Every student had their own reasons for loving what they did, but at the end of the day they all shared one common desire, the art of flying.

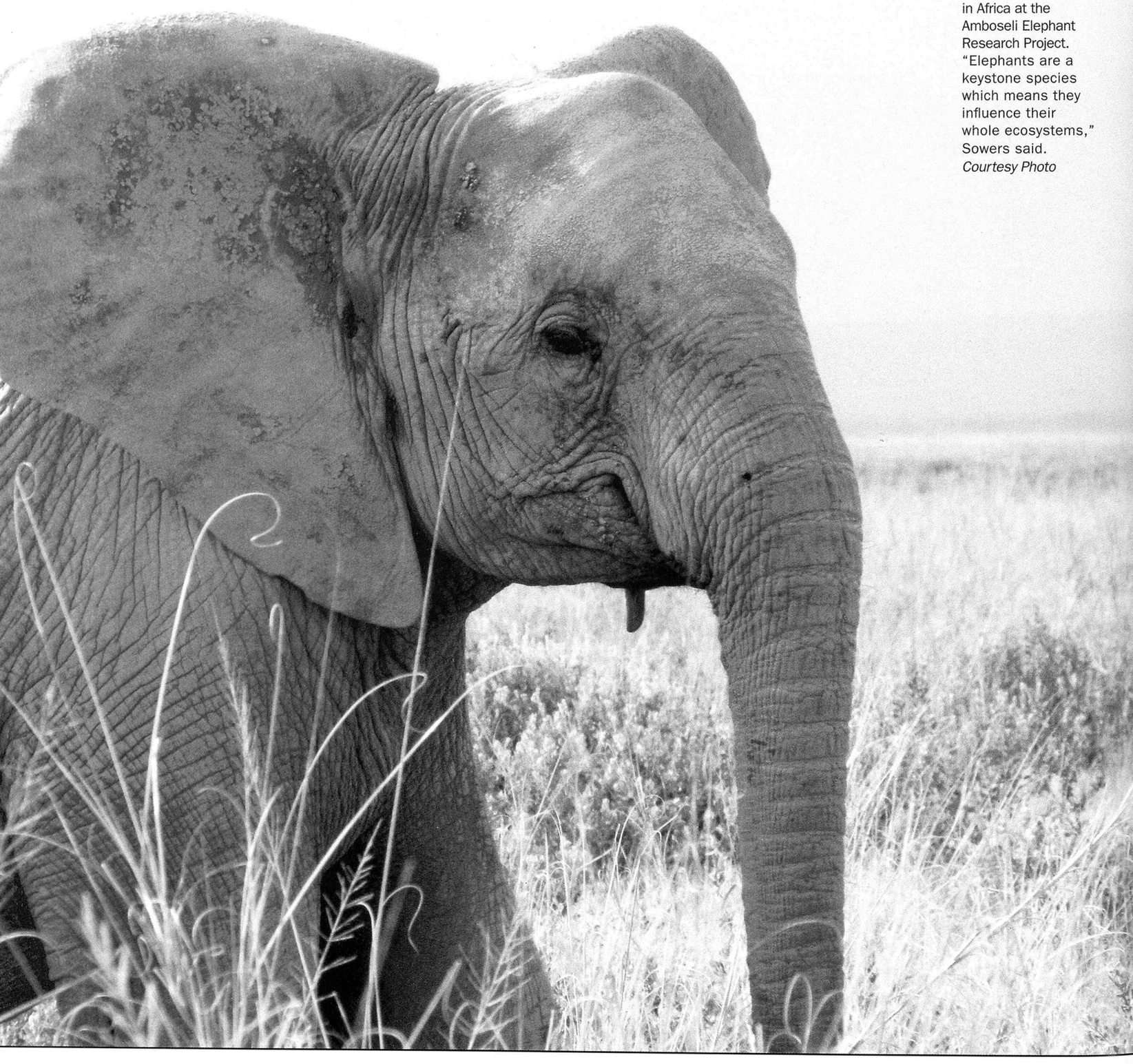
"I can't really say why I'm drawn to aviation. I just really like seeing how a machine can be made up of different parts and systems that function together and interact to do something really neat. There are few vehicles in the world that are neater than an aircraft," Richardson said.

After being at numerous universities including Vincennes University, Purdue University, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and Indiana State University, Barnhart knew this was the place for him.

When asked why K-State was the place for him he simply replied, "Aviation education is my passion. It was a natural fit."

FROM KENYA TO THE KONZA

by Jaylee Henkle



Mark Sowers, senior in biology, worked with this elephant among others while he spent time in Africa at the Amboseli Elephant Research Project. "Elephants are a keystone species which means they influence their whole ecosystems," Sowers said. *Courtesy Photo*

A student with unique interests uses resources in Kansas to help his African research.

One could find expansive wildlife experiences in the 3,100 square mile ecosystem that was comprised of over 400 species and expanded across the Kenya and Tanzania border.

"I was three years old when my grandmother gave me my first stuffed elephant, ever since it has been my favorite animal. When I was 10 I saw a nature project on television and that was the first time I realized I could make a job out of something I was passionate about," said Mark Sowers, senior in biology.

Sowers saw his dreams come true at the age of 15 when he visited Africa for the first time. He stayed at the Amboseli National Park in Kenya, at the bottom of Mount Kilimanjaro. Six years later, he had visited a total of four times and applied for The Fulbright Program to spend a year in Kenya after graduation to continue his research.

"At Amboseli I worked on an elephant project which was the longest study of elephants in the world," Sowers said.

Every elephant population, about 1,500, have all been identified and named. They belonged to approximately 60 families.

"A big part of the research of these 60 families is to take a census of them to see who has died or babies. This helps to learn specific research on communication and social behavior of the elephants," Sowers said.

While this was a childhood obsession of Sowers', it was important work that has an impact on the entire ecosystem.

"Elephants are a keystone species which means they influence their whole ecosystems. If we save them, it will save the whole ecosystem. When there is enough room for the elephants there is enough room for everything else. They knock over trees which allows for zebras to have grass to graze" said Sowers, and the snowball effect continued to allow hundreds of species to survive.

While Sowers studied at the university he, continued his elephant research at the Konza Prairie.

"Some say bison are the elephants of the Great Plains. They are most similar to what I am interested in here in Kansas. The Konza Prairie and the effects on the tall grass ecosystem has historically been natural and the bison and fire shaped how the ecosystems worked," Sowers said.

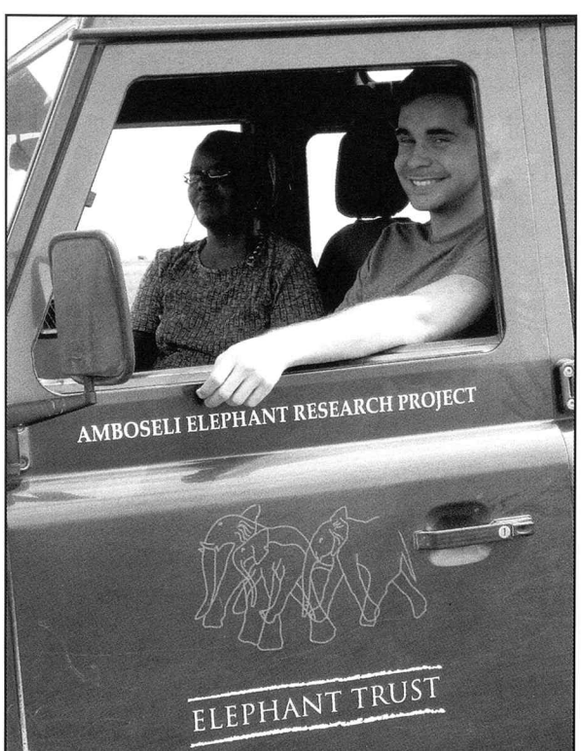
Sowers explained that because natural fires have been controlled and the bison were confined it was messing up their ecosystem. This caused over-grazing because they coudln't move freely. By studying how to use controlled fire to effect the way they move, and where the fires were, they could burn certain locations while letting others rest.

Sowers planned on making a future out of studying elephants by continuing his education and applying for the Fulbright. Given the opportunity, he would work with all the elephants that have GPS collars to track their movement.

"I am going to peruse at least a masters in conservation biology. My career goal is to work for NGO, Non-governmental organization, in conservation, preferably in Africa. I'd like to continue my research in conservation policy and fieldwork. We are trying to find movement corridors through protected places so we can conserve those instead of constricting them to small areas. We do that to avoid human wildlife conflict (people spearing elephants, animals eating good)," Sowers said.

Outside of his research, Sowers had good stories to share of his time in Africa.

"I have been charged by elephants three times and hand to hand combat with a baboon. I was eating when a male baboon came around corner on his hind legs trying to take my food. A wiser person would have dropped it, instead I swung knocking him to the ground and had to chase him away."



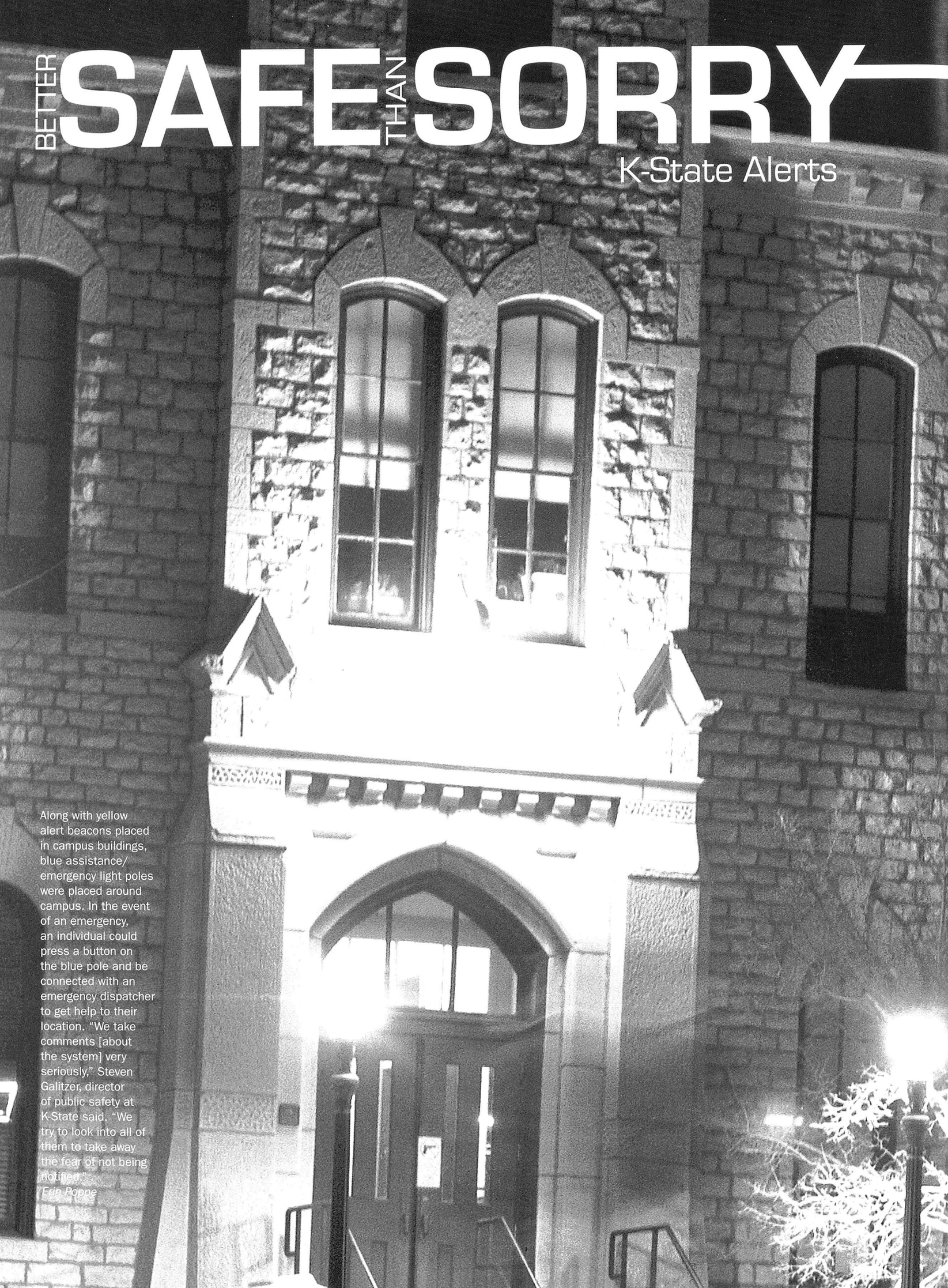
When Sowers was 15, he stayed at the Amboseli National Park in Kenya during his first visit to Africa. Since then, he has been back to do research four times and plans to go back when he graduates.
Courtesy Photo

"Some say bison are the elephants of the Great Plains. They are most similar to what I am interested in here in Kansas."

Mark Sowers, Senior in Biology

BETTER SAFE THAN SORRY

K-State Alerts



Along with yellow alert beacons placed in campus buildings, blue assistance/ emergency light poles were placed around campus. In the event of an emergency, an individual could press a button on the blue pole and be connected with an emergency dispatcher to get help to their location. "We take comments [about the system] very seriously," Steven Galitzer, director of public safety at K-State said. "We try to look into all of them to take away the fear of not being notified."

Erin Poppe

by Shaley Van Loenen





Sparked by a tragedy at another university, leaders at K-State worked hard to implement a variety of safety systems on campus to ensure that staff, faculty and students could be easily warned in the event of any emergency.

The primary forms of K-State Alerts systems were text messages, automated telephone calling systems and e-mail advisories. Though the e-mail was sent to every ksu.edu account, students had to opt-in, or give their consent, to receive with the text messaging or automated phone calling services. Students could also choose to specify the area they want notifications from – for example, events related to only the Manhattan campus.

The idea for alert systems came to K-State after the campus shootings at Virginia Tech in 2007. After the Virginia Tech murders, K-State formed a committee of faculty, staff, students and administrators to decide what options existed in terms of emergency notification systems. At that time, the campus had already bought into a telephone recall system, called NXT, primarily aimed at notifying people in the buildings in the event of a tornado. This automated system included all the key personnel and departments on campus. It was the university's first foray into recall systems.

Another increasingly important system on campus was the alert beacons, small yellow boxes located in various campus halls. In the event of an emergency, a siren would sound from the box along with a scrolling message to warn students of potential danger. The idea for the alert boxes was fostered by a student on the committee. The alert boxes were eventually going to be present in every classroom with a capacity of 50 or more, with a minimum of two on each floor.

The beacons were in 27 buildings. Steven Galitzer and Stephen Broccolo, who helped start the alert initiative, hoped to have them in all buildings on campus within the next few years. Galitzer was the director of public safety for the campus, and Broccolo was the emergency management coordinator for the division of public safety. The two felt that the alert beacons were essential, as this type of emergency system did not require an answer from the receiver of the message.

"When things happen in an emergency, we never know what system is going to work, and what's not going to work. We rely heavily on cell phones, but in a true disaster, they might not work," Galitzer said. "For that reason, we run all of our different systems hoping that one of them will reach someone."

Since K-State could not guarantee alerts would be received or how quickly they would be received, it was important to provide feedback. A survey was sent to all K-State accounts to get feedback about the effectiveness of the emergency alert systems.

Most of the responses were positive; however, there were comments made by people who didn't understand the concept of the test. Some people were angry about recieving e-mails, which were sent to all students without their consent.

Justin Lacy, senior in finance, said that he liked being assured that he would be notified in the event of an emergency.

"I signed up for the text messaging service because that's the form of communication that I use the most," Lacy said. "It's assuring knowing that in case that fails, there are other ways in which I will be notified."

The emergency system cost more than $20,000 per year. The first 10,000 test messages were covered through the privilege fee. Broccolo said that it costs about four cents per voicemail.

There were a total of about 22,500 students signed up for either the text message or voice mail alerts. It does not cost to send emergency e-mails out. Broccolo and Galitzer had no preference of which system was best and encouraged students to sign up for all systems to ensure they get notified.

Galitzer was proud of the fact that so many ideas were fostered and that all of them were put in place. Galitzer said the university administration was fairly receptive to just about any idea.

"I am most proud of the entire package of emergency alerts the university has," Broccolo said. "I'm excited and happy to get our and promote these systems to current and future students."

Broccolo and Galitzer were open to listen to any ideas people had to improve systems. One idea was to put a two-way communication button in the alert boxes that would be answered by someone from police dispatch. A small committee was put together to talk about the ways in which to improve the education of the campus about these emergency notification systems.

The other forms of emergency systems that existed on campus included a campus carillon, which was a set of bells played over campus using a an automatic mechanism similar to a piano roll, tornado warning sirens, web page overrides, and police public address systems. NXT served as a "Plan B" in the event that the K-State alerts system would fail to work.

from the Cow to the Cone

by Kate Gillespie

Tucked away on the outskirts of campus was a small building with a big story. Call Hall was not a place where students normally went for classes and assignments, but instead for tasty treats. Students and faculty created over 40 flavors of ice cream, all from a building on campus.

Call Hall was named for Leland Everett Call in 1963 when the building was completed. Call joined the faculty in 1907 and served 21 years as Dean of Agriculture, beginning in 1925. Call Hall had housed the KSU Dairy Processing Plant since 1964, and included a Dairy Bar where ice cream, milk, cheese, meat and sandwiches were sold to the public.

The dairy processing plant also processed cheeses and milk, which were sold in the dairy as well. Four kinds of milk were made, including Colby, Monterey Jack, and three types of Cheddar cheese.

The production of each of the dairy products and meats were all done by students and professors at the university. Even if you weren't majoring in food science or agriculture, your interest in ice cream could land you a job at Call Hall.

"I love the friendly, laid-back environment and the people I work with make the job fun," said Molly Wallace, senior in family studies.

The Call Hall Dairy Bar carried 40 different flavors of ice cream, but only 30 were available at any given time. One of the most popular flavors was Purple Pride.

"I like the Purple Pride ice cream the best," said Chris Zimmerman, junior in vocal music education. "The ice cream has a smooth calm flavor that isn't too overpowering."

The ice cream process started at the dairy barns where about 220 Holstein milk cows were milked three times a day. After the cows were milked, the milk was piped into a piper truck that carried the milk to the processing plant at Call Hall. Milk was then piped from the truck into a raw milk tank where it is held until processing. The tank held up to 2,000 gallons, but only 1,000 gallons were pumped in at time on average. From the raw milk tank, the milk traveled to the cream separation process. Sixty-six blades rotated as the motor spun the cream out. Some of the cream was piped into a can for ice cream production, while the rest was piped out to be used in skim milk production.

The next step in the ice cream making process was creating the liquid mix. The mix consisted of cream, cane sugar, corn sugar, non-fat dry milk powder and stabilizers, which helped to keep the mix emulsified. Cocoa was added to the mix when making chocolate ice cream. The mixing tank was then heated slowly and the mix cooked for 30 minutes, making it legally pasteurized after that point. The steam then turned off and the mix set for a few minutes before being sent down the line to the homogenizer. During the homogenization process, fat molecules in the mix bead and suspend in the liquid, giving the mix a greater surface area so that the texture of the ice cream was more appealing on your tongue.

After the mix was homogenized, it went into a storage tank where the mix aged for one to two days. The mix then was put into a flavoring tank where the flavoring and/or coloring ingredients were added. The ice cream went from the flavoring tank to an ice cream freezer. The freezer pumped about 50 gallons of mix per hour.

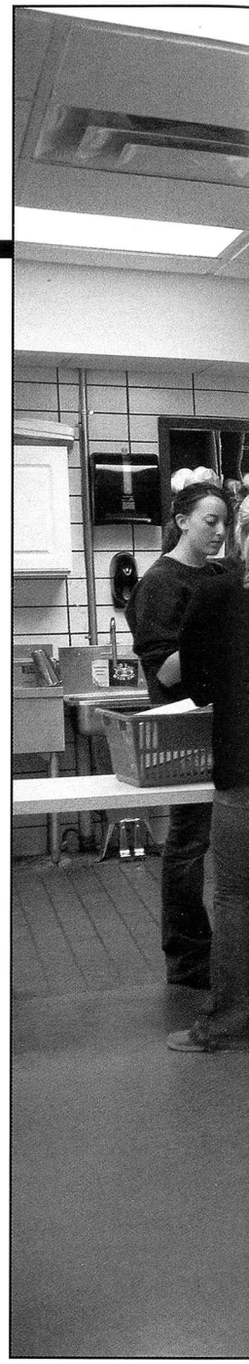
Air was then pumped into the liquid mix and the ice cream was pumped out the side of the freezer and hand-packaged. Hard ingredients such as nuts, chocolate chips, or cookie dough are added to the mix before the ice cream went into the hardening room, via a small mixing vat that pumped in the ingredients while mixing, similar to your mixer at home.

The packaged ice cream, which was now the texture of soft serve, was placed in the hardening room, a blast freezer, so the crystals wouldn't change in size. After the hardening was completed, the ice cream was ready to head off to the Call Hall Dairy Bar, the Union, the Residence Halls, Dara's, or anywhere else that sold or served Call Hall ice cream.

The ice cream production line took up about as much space as a normal classroom, however, the processing plant processed about 400 gallons of ice cream a day, as well as numerous gallons of milk and ounces of cheese.

"On a busy day we can sell around 500 servings of ice cream," said Megan Hathaway, senior in fashion marketing and employee at Call Hall. "Purple Pride is the most popular flavor sold."

The popularity of Call Hall's ice cream grew as it was found in convenience and grocery stores year-round all over Manhattan.







Call Hall makes more than 30 different ice cream flavors sold at $5.25 a gallon. "I loved Call Hall's version of cookie dough. It doesn't melt as fast as the others I have tried," said Tami Crow, junior in hotel and restaurant management.
Lauren Gocken

Meat cabinets located next to the register sell anything from ground beef, different steak cuts, to lamb. "Everything tastes like it has come fresh from the farm. I love Call Hall because of the fact it was locally made right on the Kansas State Campus," said Kaila Wilson, sophomore in chemical engineering.
Lauren Gocken



The Cross Examination Debate Association, CEDA, National Debate title was brought back from Binghamton University, New York, by the K-State Debate team, championed by students Beth Mendenhall, Derek Ziegler, and faculty adviser and communication studies teacher, Justin Green. This title was a major win for K-State, and in true wildcat tradition, was achieved through hard work and perseverance.

"Our biggest challenge was balancing work, school, and debate," said Beth Mendenhall, class of 2011. "Derek Ziegler and I both had two majors, and worked 20 to 30 hours a week."

From the beginning, the debate team had its work cut out for it. Both debaters had to balance school, jobs and other commitments in between researching and practicing for hours on end. The debaters realized a crucial fact early on that would become vital to their success.

"To be competitive, we realized, pure skill and talent alone would be insufficient. We, instead, simply had to out-work our opponents," Ziegler a senior in philosophy and political science.

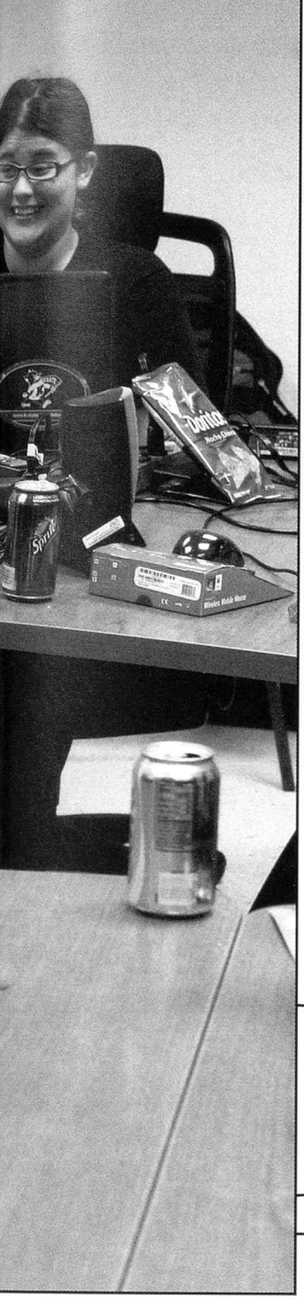
Their goal was to out work the 15 other teams they needed to beat. The CEDA National tournament was designed so that the top 16 ranked teams received a prestigious honor called "First-Round At Large Bid," which meant they automatically received a bid to the nationals without having to qualify at a district tournament. The debate team desperately wanted one of these prestigious spots, and they were inches away from obtaining it.

"For the entire year, Beth and I had been teetering around the 16 and 17 spots, sort of biting and clawing our way to get one of these bids," Ziegler said.

The debate team worked feverishly throughout the year, kicking into overdrive as the season was drawing to a close, determined to secure one of those 16 top slots. The end of the year came and the team found itself just outside the promise land, ranked between 17 to 19. This was a low point for the team's morale.

Ziegler said, "[I thought], 'What are we doing? We are competing with nearly 20 teams in the country.' It cemented a feeling that most of the work we had done through the season had gone to waste."

Ziegler said it was easy to get down after falling short of their season long goal. But, in true K-State fashion, the



Michael Mays, freshman in philosophy, stirs up some laughter from the rest of the debate team at one of their meetings. "Our biggest challenge was balancing work, school, and debate," said Beth Mendenhall, class of 2011. *Lisle Alderton*

balancing their way to VICTORY

by Jaylee Henkle

team pulled together, determined to have a successful and rewarding season.

"The weeks prior, we not only did a ton of work, but our coaching staff as well as other debaters on the squad put in hours of work to prepare for the tournament," Ziegler said.

Everyone knew it was going to take the dedication of every team member if they were going to overcome the obstacles placed in front of them. For all their hard work, the team still had to battle the one obstacle they could do little about, and the one that seemed to hamper them the most.

"The team's overall challenge is a lack of funding. [Students must] do well in school to earn scholarships, and work to make up for the rest. This was an absolute necessity, but not an obstacle the majority of our opponents, who enjoyed full-ride debate scholarships at their respective universities," Mendenhall said.

A lack of funding put extra stress on a team that was already struggling to balance the demands of school, work and extracurricular activities. Time spent working a part-time job to pay for school took away from time that could be spent researching topics or practicing debate tactics.

"No team in history that has worked to pay for school to this extent has won a national championship" Green, instructor in communication studies and debate coach, said.

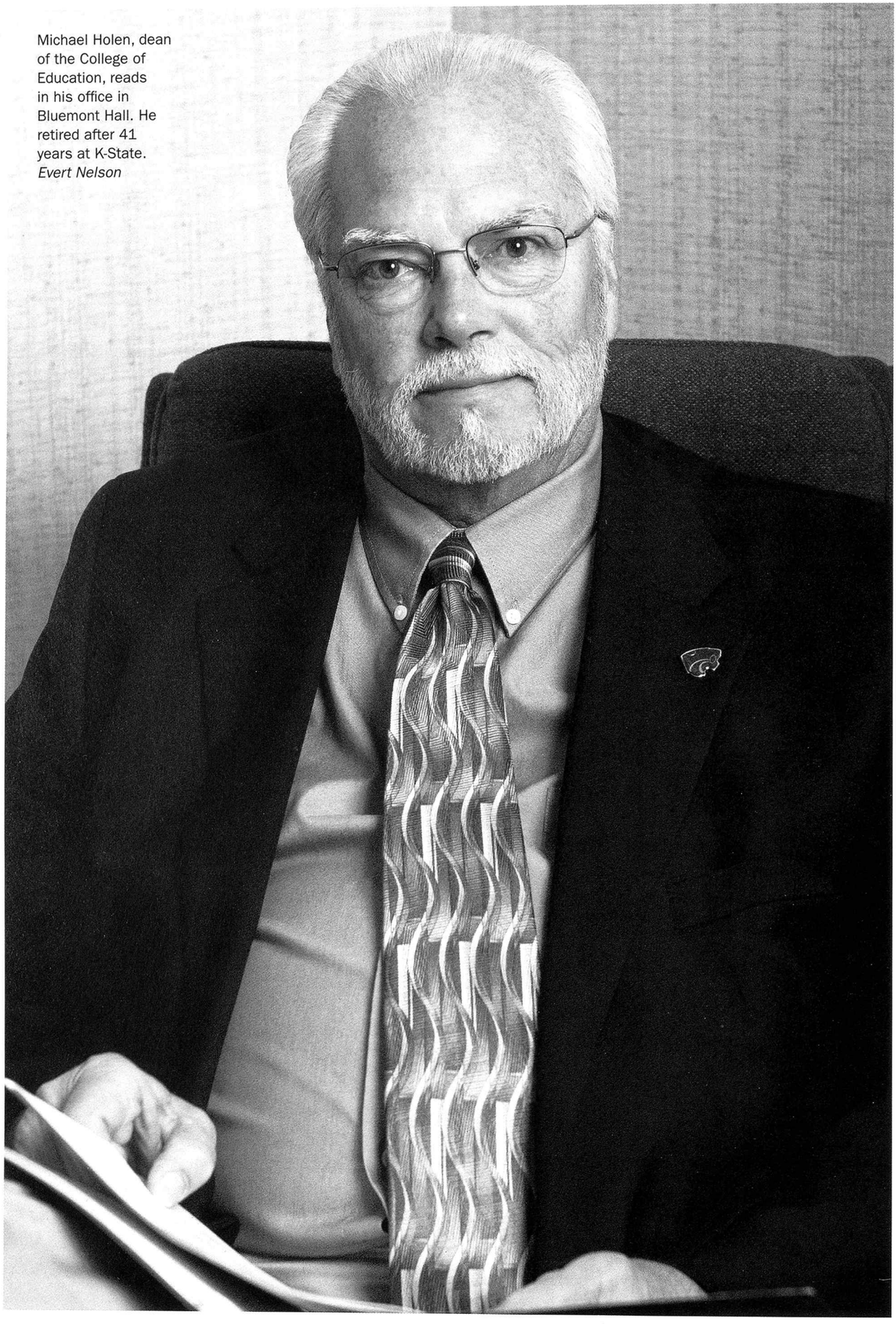
But the debate team refused to let anything keep them down and managed to put in the required preparation time, staying up many a late nights in order to fit everything in. Despite being pitted against three top 16 teams, K-State was able to come out triumphant, winning the CEDA National Debate.

"No one is done until K-State is done. On the day of the eliminations round we had someone at home cut a piece of evidence and send it in an hour before," Green said.

Even after their trying season and hardships the win could not have happened without squad cohesiveness.

"It was a highlight not only because we had to put in a lot of time and effort to perform as well there as we did, but also because that year marked the 20th anniversary of the last time K-State had won CEDA Nationals," Ziegler said.

To celebrate the historic win, university alumni from as far back as the 50s came to share stories and commiserate with past and current students.



Michael Holen, dean of the College of Education, reads in his office in Bluemont Hall. He retired after 41 years at K-State. *Evert Nelson*

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decades of service

by Emily Worrell

Dean to retire after 41 years at K-State

Going on his 41st year at K-State, Michael Holen, Dean of the College of Education, decided to retire. While this was expected to be a phased retirement beginning at the end of the 2011-2012 school year, Dean Holen would leave the university after 41 years. Of those 41 years, 22 were spent as dean of the College of Education.

"I have had some kind of significance leadership role for an extremely long time and I believe it is a good time to transition new leadership as the university starts looking at long term planning, K-State 2025," Holen said. "It's clear that I'm probably not going to live forever and it will be nice to have someone at the ground floor of that long range planning."

Holen got his start at K-State when he was 26. The graduate program was just starting and was his area of expertise. He said he knew the university could use someone like him to help the program get started. It also allowed him to advance more quickly in his career.

"I was a department head when I was 31 and a full professor when I was 34," Holen said. "I don't think that would have happened any place else."

Holen has had some good times and some bad ones during his time at the university. The best memory he had was meeting his wife. Another was taking some risks financially as a department head by bringing the Midwest Equity Center to K-State, where the College of Education competed for a large grant and was able to win. It helped the college become a big promoter of educational equity and diversity. Without the success of the competition, it would have been difficult to promote the school.

After his retirement, Holen planned on taking a big trip in Summer 2012. He and his wife were planning to take a week vacation near Juneau, Alaska to go salmon fishing.

"I wish to spend some more time fishing with my wife and playing golf," Holen said.

His retirement was a two or three year phase-out and during that time he continued working with the Midwest Equity Center. While he would still be around the campus, members of the faculty said they would miss him.

"The daily stories he tells, he always has an interesting story to tell us every day," Pam Monroe, administrative assistant under Holen for over 20 years, said. "It was nice having someone who comes in and tells you a funny story and lightens things up for you."

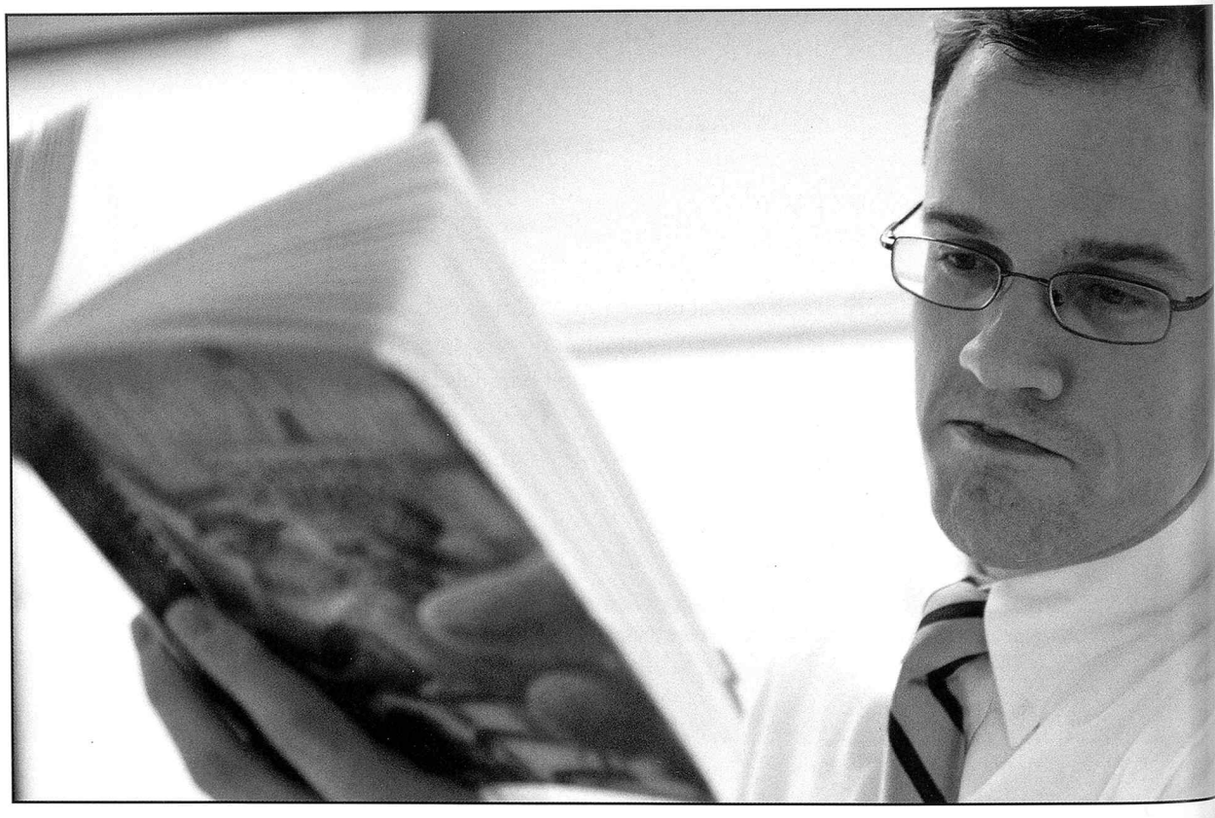
Associate professor Judy Hughey said she believed Holen prepared the school for this and expected the transition to the new dean to go smoothly.

"I have no worries, one of Dean Holen's strengths is his ability to strategically plan, over the last several years, he has planned for his retirement both personally and professionally," Hughey said. "He has prepared the college for that and I think he has prepared the college in a way we will have a wonderful opportunity for a new dean. Although the new dean will never be a Dean Holen, a new dean will bring his or her strengths to the college and recognize the strength that our college has through Dean Holen's strategic planning through the last few years."

Kansas State University History Fact:

1970 - The year Michael Holen was hired, the construction on McCain Auditorium had been completed.

Darcie Canfield, senior in English, and Evan Jones, junior in psychology, review their Harry Potter passages during class in Eisenhower Hall.
Lisle Alderton



Philip Nel, professor of English, looks over a passage in "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" in his Harry Potter's Library - English 440 class. "I hope they get something out of a serious point of view," Nel said. "Literature delivers a message with a capital M."
Lisle Alderton



Harry Potter's Library

by Michael Boeck

English 440 gives students an opportunity to study popular literature

K-State offered students the chance to experience magic in a classroom setting, through Harry Potter's Library.

Philip Nel, professor of children's literature, decided to create a class centered-around the popular series in 2002. At that time, only four of the books were published, which gave the class time to read other works that inspired and influenced J.K. Rowling's series. In the beginning, only half of the class may have read the Harry Potter books, but now after all the books and movies have been out, Nel finds only a couple students haven't read the entire series.

As a result of the popularity of the class, Nel condensed the size and added two more teachers, who helped expand the curriculum of the class. Year after year, Harry Potter's Library was known for being one of the first classes to get filled up and having a long waiting list for anticipated students. Nel said he thought that besides popularity, students took the class because they saw children's literature as fun and easy, but it wasn't.

"I hope they get something out of a serious point of view," Nel said. "Literature delivers a message with a capital M."

His goal for students was to enjoy the Harry Potter series in connection with British children's literature by using historical and formal understanding. He discussed different complexities about what authors hope to reveal to readers. In addition, he drew different parallels from books whether students noticed them or not, going in depth about connecting different characters and themes, such as mythology and religion, based on cultural and historical information. Nel said he enjoyed when students brought their own experience to the class, which offered new perspective from teacher and students alike.

"I had heard a lot about the class from friends, and once I had heard there was a Harry Potter class I thought I would let my inner kid out and enroll in the class," Amanda Hinkley, senior in mass communications, said.

Because it was such a popular class, the university used it as a marketing tool and because of high demand, students wanting to enroll in the class were often wait-listed.

Books students covered along with the Harry Potter series were Roland Dahl's "James and the Giant Peach," C.S. Lewis' "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe," and Philip Pullman's "The Golden Compass." Nel expected students in his class to share their ideas and participate in discussion and debate.

"I enjoy Harry Potter because it is a series that grows with the reader," Rachael James, senior in humanities and modern languages, said. "As a child, the face value is a mystery about magic and a story about good versus evil."

For some of the other students, it was more than just about magic.

"As Harry and the other characters grew up, I grew up with them and I think that has to do with why I like it so much," Hinkley said.

James enrolled in the class to understand how Harry Potter came to be.

"I wanted to learn about the inspirations for the books and more details about the novel," James said.

Hinkley enjoyed the class's unique and friendly approach to learning.

"It's a nice change," Hinkley said. "I get to talk about something with other people who are just as interested in it, if not more, than I am and that makes class go by fast. There is always discussion going on and even though we don't talk about just the Harry Potter series, we talk about it more in depth than I would have thought about it if I wasn't taking the class."

by Taylor Von Elling

ALAN K. SIMPSON

Former senator of Wyoming comes to campus to give students insight on economics and politics

The lights dimmed and two men walked onto the McCain Auditorium stage. The audience had taken their seats to wait for the sophisticated and knowledgeable words to come. K-State President Kirk Shultz took the lectern to announce the 159th Landon Lecture speaker, Alan K. Simpson.

Simpson, former United States Senator and current co-chair of the National Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Reform, better known as the Deficit Commission, was invited to speak on the K-State campus to spread his knowledge of economics and politics to any person who was interested.

On Oct. 26, Simpson took the stage to share his ideas and opinions regarding the nation's current economic state.

"This is a great honor and a great privilege to be invited to the Landon Lecture Series," Simpson said.

"We have to be one of the greatest countries on earth."

Former U.S. Senator Alan Simpson

He began his speech sharing bits of his personality to lighten the atmosphere through his jokes and sarcastic humor. He also shared a brief history of his past political positions, such as serving as a former U.S. Senator for 18 years as well as other elected offices. Simpson also revealed that the last time he had stepped foot on the K-State campus was to play a 1952 college football game as a former Wyoming University football player.

"Bill Snyder was and is a miracle worker," he said.

The 40-minute lecture the audience had waited for had finally arrived.

"Deficit denial is dead," he began.

Simpson said the nation's debt had increasingly caught the attention and dissatisfaction of American citizens.

"American people are smart," he said.

Knowing that the public wants to see progress and have a few reassuring answers, Simpson revealed his plan was to make that happen. Being $17 trillion in debt was not where the public would like to see the country. After being appointed to co-chair of the Deficit Commission by President Barack Obama, Simpson now had the voice to explain where the true issues lie.

According to Simpson, health care was the monster of the United States' problem. He said he thinks health care will do nothing but spiral out of control with the United States' growing obesity, diabetes and drug and alcohol problems. He said he thought that if the U.S. planned to cut spending, they must first touch Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security.

This was exactly what Simpson wants to avoid in the future.

Americans are now retiring three years earlier than normal, spending 20 years plus in retirement. Simpson said that the way the economy was spending today the nation will be broke by 2018. The average worker will be paid 23 percent less by the year 2036.

According to Simpson, the government was finally ready to cut back. To continue to hold the high reputation that the United States worked so hard for, the government needed to make sure that the country remained strong and independently running. If other countries saw a completely dysfunctional government within the U.S., they could easily find ways to take advantage of America's economy.

After sharing his thoughts and expressing his strong opinions of the current economic debt, Simpson opened his lecture up to a question and answer segment. He answered a few questions regarding the need for higher education, the health care problems and specific stances regarding political parties.

Wrapping up his speech he decided to remind the crowed of what the United States has been founded upon. Although the America suffered from debt at this time, its citizens could not forget what truly mattered.

"We have to be one of the greatest countries on earth," he said. "Why would everyone else be trying to get here?"

Simpson said that America can not forget their hospitality and their nature to defend the weak. He ensured his audience that they cannot forget that they are still a part of this, "fine experiment called America."



Former US Senator Alan K. Simpson spoke to a crowd of students, faculty and members of the community in McCain Auditorium on Oct. 26 as part of the Landon Lecture series. "This is a great honor and a great privilege to be invited to the Landon Lecture Series," Simpson said. *Evert Nelson*

by Stephanie Mikuls

PROGRESS ON

Students gain real-life experience through experiments on the Konza

A few times a year, the faint scent of burning brush lingered in the Manhattan air. As the wild flames engulfed the natural grasslands of the Konza Prairie, few stopped to think about the ecological processes taking place. However, a few students chose to get involved in the major research opportunities the Flint Hills offered.

The Long Term Ecological Research Network (LTER) had 26 sites throughout the country, with more than 1,800 scientists and students conducting ecological research. The Konza Prairie Biological Station (KPBS), owned by the Nature Conservancy and the university, was one of the six original sites that had participated with LTER since 1971.

"LTER has a bunch of different sites around the country," said Toby Ruder, senior in education.. "There's a couple of grasslands, although it's not only for prairie lands. Konza is one of the biggest natural prairie lands left."

The network's mission is "to provide the scientific community, policy makers, and society with the knowledge and predictive understanding necessary to conserve, protect, and manage the nation's ecosystems, their biodiversity, and the services they provide." The research conducted at KPBS was primarily focused on the effects on climate, fire, grazing and other factors affecting grassland ecosystems. KPBS was made up of 8,616 acres of the prairie. With so many types of grass, research was extensive and required exploration of many parts of the Konza.

"We do a lot of different areas," said Kevin Cook, sophomore in agricultural communication and journalism. "We collect the grass samples that we're going to sort throughout the year. It's in the thousands."

The process of collecting grass samples is called "clipping." At Bushnell Hall, the grass is placed into paper bags, sorted, weighed and tested. Grass is collected from many different plots throughout the prairie and tested to see how the grass reacts to burning.

"We do stuff with different creeks and streams out there as well as the different burned water sheds," said Ruder. "There's a lot of watersheds out there that we burn in the summer."

A watershed is an area of drainage in which all water entering as rain, flows into a central stream. This is one of the main units of study at KPBS. Grass and water samples are primarily collected from different watersheds.

"The research assistant we work for does the testing and actual chemistry of the water," said Ruder. "She'll test for raised nitrogen levels in the water and stuff like that."

About 15 to 20 students worked every year to aid research assistants, professors and scientists, who conducted the more chemistry and biology related tests.

"It has expanded my horizons," Ruder said. "I didn't have a lot of understanding about how the prairie system worked and how much burning affects the natural grasslands and how it's so important. It has opened up a new way of seeing the Konza Prairie and seeing that nature is a world of its own."



Jack Sparks, senior in geography, collects grass samples at the Konza Prairie to take back for research at the Konza Prairie Biological Station on Oct. 13.
Lisle Alderton

THE PRAIRIE

"My favorite part is going out and seeing remote parts of the Konza and seeing the scenery."

Kevin Cook, Sophomore in Agricultural Communication and Journalism



Kevin Cook, sophomore in agricultural communication and journalism, takes samples of grass from the Konza Prairie on Oct. 13. "We collect the grass samples that we're going to sort throughout the year," Cook said. *Lisle Alderton*


KANSAS STATE



Brother Jed, from the Campus Ministry USA in Columbia, Mo., preaches to students in Bosco Plaza outside the union on Oct. 13. He has been going to different campuses across America for more than 38 years. *Evert Nelson*

"I think it's good for all kinds of people to visit our campus so we can see what they're all about, and they can see what K-State and the students are all about, too."

Ryen Hill, Freshman in Dietetics

friends in HIGH places

by Jaylee Henkle

There were hundreds of student groups on campus, and students not only expected these groups to serve and educate them, but also to propel them into the forefront of potential careers. One such student group was the Student Financial Association, or SFA.

"SFA is for students interested in finance," said Scott Hendrix, SFA faculty adviser and finance instructor. "There is no GPA requirement, only an active interest in finance."

SFA took students from all majors, but mostly included those majoring in finance.

Kyle Landau, the SFA president and senior in finance, marketing and accounting, said, "SFA has approximately 100 members, all from different majors including business, electrical engineering, agriculture, etc."

SFA was a diverse group of students who have been able to come together to share a common goal, a passion for finance and a yearning to understand the financial world that surrounded them as best as possible. SFA also provided many benefits to its members.

"You are not wasting your time. We hear recruiting pitches; distinguished speakers share valuable wisdom. In addition, a wide range of companies from Koch Industries, Key Bank, Conoco Phillips, to Commerce Bank are invited to speak at meetings which allows students exposure to many different venues," Landau said.

Aside from providing a wide range of benefits to its members, SFA established a worthy reputation for itself, mostly by gaining friends in some very high places.

"We got to meet a famous investor, and when I got back to tell my friends they didn't even know it was possible," Landau said.

That legendary investor was Warren Buffett. Each year, Buffett, chairman of Berkshire Hathaway, hosted students from around the country to come and tour some of his companies. He answered some of the student's burning questions in a question-and-answer session.

"Each year about 200 schools apply, but only around 48 are accepted," Hendrix said.

K-State SFA first applied back in 2008 and was granted an invitation to attend in November of that year. To be selected at all was a huge honor for any school, especially considering invitees included many prestigious Ivy League schools.

"That first group that went was an extraordinary group indicative of K-State students: smart, respectful, and with a quiet confidence that had them joking around with Buffett to where he enjoyed their visit a great deal," Hendrix said.

As a result of the positive experience K-State students brought to the event, the university was bestowed a special honor.

"Since that first visit, we have never applied but rather each summer I get an unsolicited e-mail from his office asking us to pick which day we would like to visit," Hendrix said.

SFA had been a total of three times and planned to go again in March.

Meeting Buffett turned into an annual trip and had a positive impact on students, as well as on the reputation of the university in general. Each year SFA members sent him a birthday present, which he answered with a personalized and hand-signed note thanking SFA and praising the university in general.

Warren Buffett wrote in his thank you letter to the club, "I have always enjoyed the K-State students and look forward to seeing you next spring. You have a first class school."



Student Finance Association lays each member's name tag out on a table before each meeting. Even though it was a club primarily about finance and investing, students didn't have to be a finance major to join the club. Some members had majors ranging anywhere from engineering to agriculture.
Chelsy Lueth

SFA officers Ryan Ackerman, sophomore in horticulture, and Lainie Sjeklocha, senior in accounting and finance, talk to faculty adviser and finance instructor Scott Hendrix during a meeting on Jan. 31. SFA met each Tuesday and had guest speakers from companies such as Koch Industries and Conoco Phillips.
Chelsy Lueth

a strengthened community

by Stephanie Mikuls



Candice Hironaka, senior associate director of the School of Leadership Studies, stands outside of the Leadership Studies building on Feb. 11. The Spring 2012 semester would be Hironaka's last semester teaching at the university. *Tommy Theis*



Candice Hironaka had been part of an integral team that focused on the growth of the School of Leadership Studies. After sixteen years she planned to retire, leaving behind her favorite part of the job– her students.

"I consider that I have the best job in the world," Hironaka said. "I get to interact with students on a daily basis. Without the students we would not be here. I work with some pretty dynamic and fun people as well. Coming to work every day is an adventure and it's a treat."

Hironaka was one of the senior associate directors of the School of Leadership Studies, her focus was on student alumni and community outreach. During her time at the university, she had seen the school grow exponentially, with leadership studies students making a community larger than any other major or minor on campus.

"When it first started, it was with 13 students," Hironaka said. "Now, numbers are over 1,200. When you talk about all the students connected without our programs, they are much greater."

The school provided many opportunities for students to get involved in leadership programs and community outreach, regardless if they were enrolled in the minor.

HandsOn Kansas State, a leadership studies program that was both student funded and student run, was open for any students to participate in. The program created opportunities for students to strengthen their leadership skills while serving the Manhattan community. In February, HandsOn had over 200 volunteers coordinate the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day activities.

The Alternative Breaks program was another popular program available to all graduate, undergraduate and international students. Students who participated spent either their spring break or winter break in another part of the country, working on a service project to better another community.

Beth Caldwell, Alternative Break Program Coordinator and senior in psychology, had been on several of the alternative breaks as a site leader. She worked with teen moms and their families at Florence Crittenton Services in Denver, Col. In Tallequah, Okla., Caldwell worked with a team of students on a construction project for a new center for at risk youth.

"I really enjoyed it because I met so many students from different backgrounds," Caldwell said. "I learned more about communication and different social issues that people face. I learned about what people go through first hand, and brought that knowledge back to be more aware of it here."

In addition to the alternative break program, Caldwell was one of four K-State students to participate in a case competition for the International Leadership Association. The team, coached by Hironaka, spent months preparing for the competition in England. The team received a Harvard business model case, and related it to a different pressing social issue. The team chose a water crisis in Ghana and analyzed the problem from a leadership prospective. Hironaka lead the team to a connection in Ghana that was essential to the team's research. The team placed first in the competition.

"Candi was such a great resource and kept us motivated and really helped us connect with different resources," Caldwell said.

The new leadership studies building, which began use in 2010, was built entirely with private funding.

"Every person on faculty here invested monetary dollars into the building," Hironaka said. "We all had input. We asked our students as well and students had a huge voice."

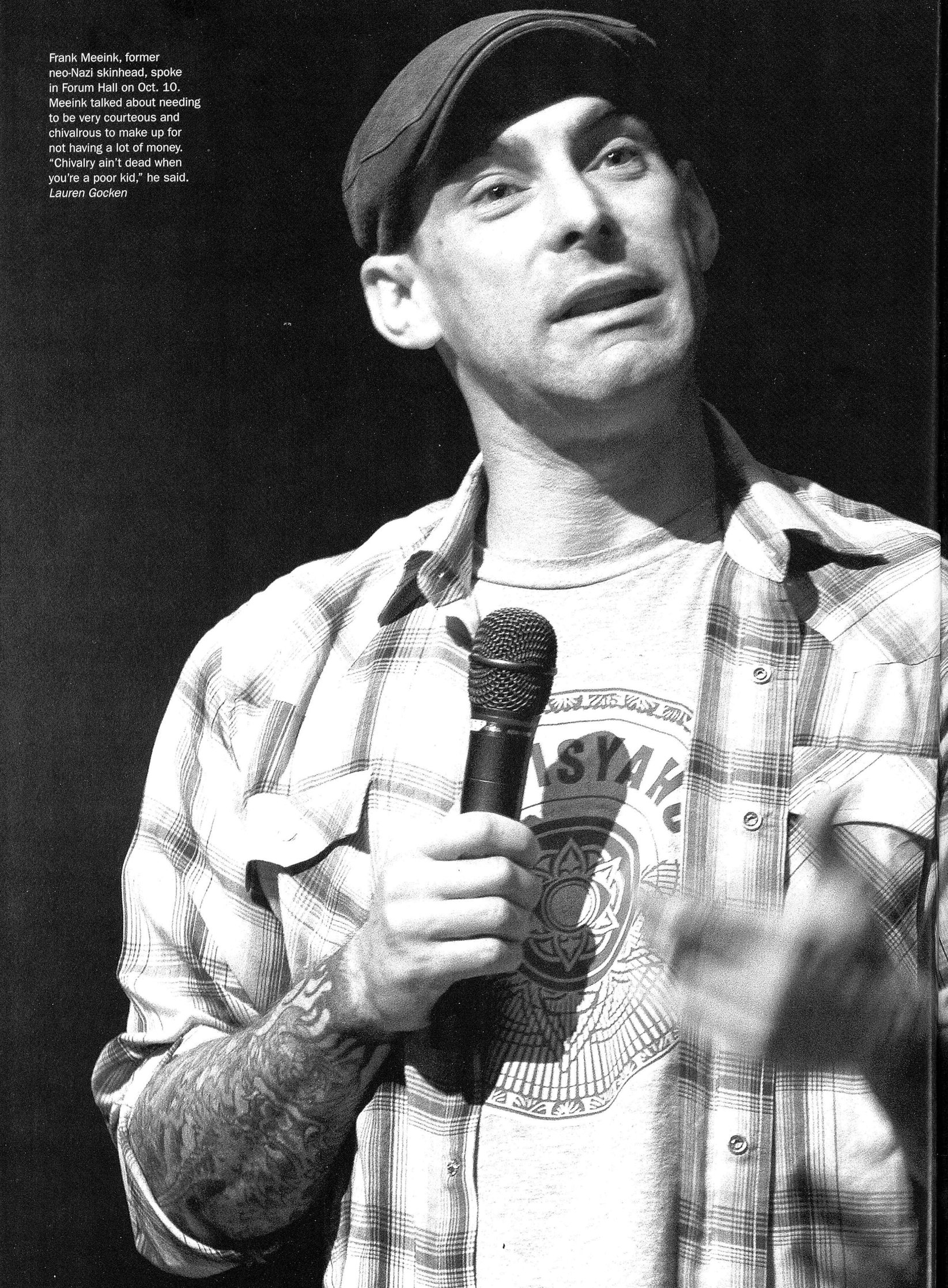
The building had many couches, nooks and study spaces, which was one of the students' requests. The students also requested that the building contain a fireplace, which they enjoyed in previous buildings in which the program operated.

When the program first started, it was run out of an office on the second floor of Holton Hall. The program then moved to a house off campus. As the program outgrew the space, they began having classes out of another house as well, until classes no longer fit in one place. Although the building opened in 2010, spring semester 2012 was the first time all classes and programs were completely facilitated in the new building, as some had continued to take place in the Student Union even after the building's opening.

"I definitely think it provides a more cohesive ability for the program," Courtney Frantz, senior in family studies and human services, said. "We're all housed in the same area and we can play off each other and utilize each other. It kind of gives us a sense of belonging because we're all together in one building instead of the houses where nobody fit."

Hironaka was truly invested in the leadership studies students, programs and community. The mission of the school of leadership studies program was "developing knowledgeable, ethical, caring, inclusive leaders for a diverse and changing world." Hironaka guided the program and her students by this motto, believing that every student could challenge their world view and enhance their leadership talents.

"We help them find their passion," Hironaka said. "They can really develop their personal attributes and their leadership attributes. They hone into their core values and what it is that they really believe in. They are able to develop and then take that passion, take their strengths and develop leadership and civic engagement. We want them to become an engaged citizen of the world."



Frank Meeink, former neo-Nazi skinhead, spoke in Forum Hall on Oct. 10. Meeink talked about needing to be very courteous and chivalrous to make up for not having a lot of money. "Chivalry ain't dead when you're a poor kid," he said. *Lauren Gocken*

AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF A SKINHEAD

by Emily Wolfe

Sitting in the passenger seat with a shaved head, wearing Dr. Marten boots and covered in tattoos, Frank Meeink cringed. Embarrassed and wanting to disappear into the seat, Meeink, who had a swastika tattooed on the left side of his neck, sat as the Jewish man he had been working for scolded Meeink for calling himself stupid. He also told Meeink he was one of the smartest people he had ever met.

This was just one of many events that led to Meeink's transformation from a neo-Nazi skinhead to a youth hockey coach, husband and father of five. He stood in front of a group of students at Forum Hall on Oct. 14, still covered in tattoos, but with the swastika removed, cursing often, donning jeans, tennis shoes and a hat, while telling his story: "The Autobiography of a Recovering Skinhead."

Co-chair of the Multicultural Committee of the Union Program Council, Laura Oxler, junior majoring in arts and sciences open option, explained why her committee chose to bring Meeink to K-State.

"We thought he would open eyes to students about a taboo subject that a lot of people are in the dark about," Oxler said.

Meeink began his story in South Philadelphia where he was raised Irish Catholic by his mother and was beaten by his stepfather on a daily basis. On top of it all, Meeink said he was suspended from school weekly, only to be sent home and beaten by his stepfather once again.

Meeink said he was eventually kicked out of his mother's home and was sent to live in west Philadelphia with his biological father. His new neighborhood was even more segregated than before, which accelerated Meeink's prejudiced beliefs.

Sophomore Taylor Ricketts, majoring in community health and planning, said Meeink's childhood made her appreciate her own.

"A lot of his childhood stories were really surprising," Ricketts said, "I didn't grow up like that and no one I really know has either."

At the age of 13, Meeink was sent to live with his older cousin one summer. One day when Meeink was hanging out in his room, he began to notice the confederate flag, swastikas, posters of Adolf Hitler and skinhead articles glued to his cousin's walls. His cousin's appearance also began to change over the course of the summer. He shaved his purple Mohawk and began dressing the same as his skinhead friends who met at his house every night.

They began telling Meeink about their ways and convinced him that he had been lied to his whole life.

"They used hate through the Bible," Meeink said.

He was eventually initiated into the group by having each member taking turns to shave off patches of his hair.

Meeink was then a true skinhead traveling the country, recruiting members just as his cousin and his friends had done to him. He would go to high schools and target the alternative students who were bullied by the jocks, and before they knew it they too were following in Meeink's footsteps by shaving their heads and committing random acts of violence.

Once Meeink moved to Illinois, he had his own cable television show that aired every Friday called "The Reich," which soon made newspaper headlines. On one episode, Meeink was arrested on air for a videotape of him and a friend "surprise jumping" a member of a rival skinhead group, which consisted of Meeink kicking in the man's front row of teeth.

At the age of 17 Meeink was in a maximum security prison, locked in a single cell almost 24 hours a day.

"Even the normal groups that protested juveniles under the age of 18 being tried as adults didn't show up to protest my case," Meeink said.

While held in solitary confinement, Meeink eventually got bored and began to read the Bible.

"I wouldn't read the Bible at first because I thought it was all God's fault I'm in trouble," he said.

Meeink chose to test God by deciding to fast until he was freed.

Every day he rejected each meal brought to him and was finally told by the prison staff that if he started to eat, they would place in him in general population of the prison.

"God proved he existed. I didn't get what I wanted, but what I needed," Meeink said.

Once in general population, Meeink met many other inmates and realized he didn't like hanging out with his neo-Nazi Aryan friends, as much as other black inmates he played football with. Meeink's black friends were the ones he turned to when his girlfriend broke up with him, and the people he celebrated with when he found out about the birth of his first daughter.

Once Meeink left prison, he returned to the Skinhead Movement, but soon realized it was not the same as before. He then became heavily involved in drugs.

He tried to get his life back in order, but most people were not looking to hire a guy covered in tattoos with a huge swastika on his neck. Eventually, a friend got him a job as an antique furniture mover working for, ironically, a Jewish man.

Now Meeink was standing in front of a group of students closing his story.

Meeink admitted that not just one event led to his transformation, but many along the way.

"God kept proving my beliefs wrong by putting people in my life," he said.

Meeink admitted he was not perfect and still had other areas of life that had room for improvement. He said he tried to live by one rule each day, and he wanted to leave it with audience.

"To do the next right thing with the next human you come in contact with," Meeink said.

Oxler said when she first met Meeink she was a little intimidated, but realized he was just like anyone else.

"He is a normal guy with a wife and family with a freckled past," Oxler said.

Fitness is ESSENTIAL

by Shaley Van Loenen

A new style of exercise was being offered for credit on the Manhattan campus that called for students to push themselves and complete an intense workout in a short period of time.

The contemporary form of exercise was called CrossFit, an eight-week class used constantly varied functional movements at high intensities to work a wide range of muscles in the body. The department of kinesiology had been looking at CrossFit for some time, as the style had become mainstream over the last few years. Six years ago there were only 75 affiliates worldwide, but in 2012 there were 3,000.

Greg Glassman, former high-school gymnast, first founded the contemporary CrossFit class. Glassman started the concept from his Santa Cruz, Calif. garage. In 2001, Glassman launched his website, CrossFit.com, in order to spread the word about his program. Glassman created affiliate sites for the program, making it easy for affiliates to start their own programs. CrossFit also offered specialty certification seminars in other areas such as gymnastics, Olympic weight lifting, power lifting, running and endurance, and kettle bells.

"I would definitely recommend it to anyone who loves a good challenge and is looking for a new way to push their fitness to the next level. Crossfit is about doing the things that you 'aren't good at,' and if you can accept that and still push yourself, then you'll love this program!"

Kate Keith, Senior in Kinesiology

CrossFit athletes ran, rowed, jumped rope, climbed rope and carried objects. They frequently moved large loads quickly over long distances, and used power lifting and Olympic weight lifting techniques. CrossFit athletes also used dumbbells, gymnastic rings, pull-up bars, kettle bells and many other various exercises.

Kate Keith, senior in kinesiology, was in the CrossFit class and said that she would recommend it to anyone.

"CrossFit was a chance to step outside of your comfort zone and to do things you never thought you were capable of," said Keith. "At some point during a CrossFit workout, it becomes mental, and pushing through and finishing after that was the greatest feeling in the world."

Bryan Heinrich, head coach of the class, came up with a different workout every day. Students came in and first learned how to do the movements safely before doing them. The credit class lasted a total of one hour and fifteen minutes, with about an hour of instruction followed by a workout that could last anywhere from 5-20 minutes.

To become level one CrossFit certified, coaches had to attend a 16-hour course held over a weekend. The course focused on CrossFit's methodology, concepts, and movements as well as classroom instruction on CrossFit's conceptual framework, foundational movements and nutrition strategies to support fitness.

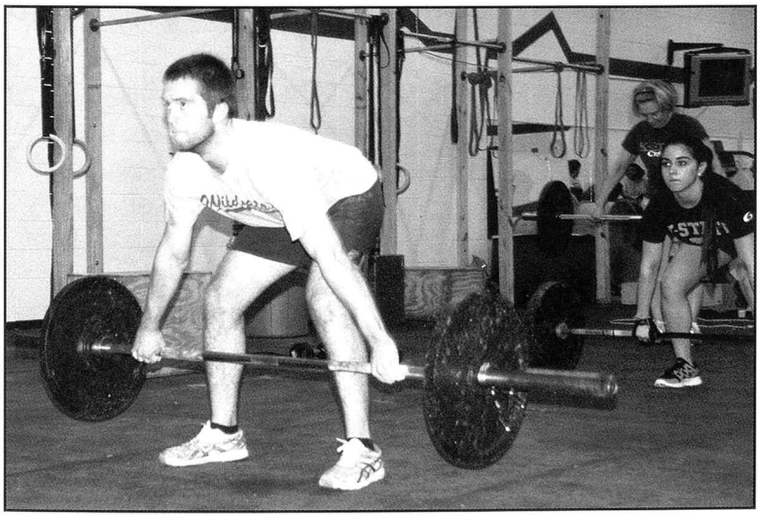
There were three coaches who were level one certified at K-State. Heinrich had an additional level two certification, which was a more extensive assessment of training skills and knowledge.

Heinrich was concerned with the perception students have of the CrossFit workouts.

"A lot of people will get scared by the high intensity of the workouts, but they need to keep in mind that I'm here and I'm well trained and I'm teaching them how to do the workouts properly and safely," Heinrich said. "It's not like I'm in here cracking the whip. They're still in control of how hard they exercise."

The CrossFit Games, sponsored by Reebok brand, was a three-stage test of fitness. It was comprised of the open, regionals, and finally the world championship, known as the CrossFit Games. The top 60 athletes in various regions from the Open moved on to the regionals stage.

The best athletes and teams at regionals will compete at the CrossFit Games from July 13 to 15, the world's premier test to find the Fittest on Earth. At the Games, thousands of participants will be whittled down to around a 100 of the fittest men and women in the world. Rich Froning Jr. and Annie Thorwasdottir were the 2011 Reebok CrossFit Games champions, earning a prize of $250,000 each.



Students do 12 squat snatches, one of nine exercises, including mountain climbers and bear crawls, they had to do during class on Feb. 15. The exercises were designed to be short but extremely hard. *Shaley Van Loenen*

Sam Scott, senior in milling science and management, does a push-up row on Feb. 15 in his cross fit class in the natatorium on campus. After push-up rows, he went on to do wall walks and pull ups. *Shaley Van Loenen*

to the skies

by Shaley Van Loenen

A lot can be said about the dedication and passion of a Wildcat. From a student to a professor, dean to retiree, Dennis Kuhlman spent 36 years of his professional career at his alma mater, Kansas State University.

Kuhlman was the chief executive officer and dean on the K-State Salina campus, which had been in existence since 1991. Kuhlman had been on the Salina campus for the past 15 years. Prior to that, he was an Extension Agricultural Engineer and a professor in the biological and agricultural engineering department in the college of engineering.

Kuhlman began his professional career at the university in 1968 where he earned his bachelor's of science in agricultural engineering. Upon graduating in 1971, Kuhlman joined the United States Navy for four years, returning to K-State later for graduate school. In 1975, he completed his master's degree in agricultural engineering.

There were many great developments in the works at the Salina campus that would require strong long-term leadership from other influential characters at the college, so Kuhlman felt it was a good time to pass the torch.

"The Salina campus has made tremendous progress," Kuhlman said. "This is a good time to do a leadership handoff before launching these major developments."

Kuhlman said K-State as a university has developed a special culture. His visitors had made remarks about the "family" feeling that existed at the university, but determining exactly when that developed was difficult for Kuhlman.

The university had added numerous buildings, developed new degree programs and embraced alumni. One of the galvanizing events that took place during Kuhlman's time was the enhancement of athletics. The transformation of the football program under Bill Snyder added to the excitement of men's basketball, which was also taken to higher levels by Jack Hartman. McCain Auditorium burned down then rose from the ashes of a fire to become a center for cultural events. Kuhlman said that regardless of the numerous achievements of our university in his time, it was one to be sought after.

David Delker, friend and colleague, met Kuhlman in 1984 when he moved to Manhattan as a faculty member in the college of engineering. During their years in Manhattan, Kuhlman and Delker both had offices in Seaton Hall.

Although the two never worked directly together, they bid on a potential design project together. The project never materialized, but Delker and Kuhlman got to learn some things about each other's areas of expertise in the process – Kuhlman's field being the aerial application of chemicals to farm crops, and Delker's in electronic instrumentation design.

Delker joined the faculty on the K-State Salina campus in 1993, and was on the committee that selected Dennis to be the new dean of the college in 1996. Then, with his new position, Kuhlman offered Delker the position of Engineering Technology Department head in 1998 and then associate dean of academics in 2004. Both times Delker initially said no to the offers, but his effectiveness as a leader and the trust that Kuhlman had in him were the main reasons he finally accepted.

"I will really miss having Dennis as a supervisor, mentor, and colleague," Delker said. "It's difficult to express it in words, but I think a sense of mutual respect exists that helps us work through difficult challenges together, while still maintaining a sense of humor and our sanity."

Delker said Kuhlman's legacy will be his part in transforming a former two-year college into a significant part of a major university. Others noted his achievements in building a new Student Life Center, creating partnerships with community leaders, or by raising the level of donor contributions to the college. Delker, however, saw Kuhlman's biggest accomplishment as helping the Salina campus get over the growing pains resulting from merging two institutions. He raised the expectations of faculty and staff productivity and achievement to those fitting for a major university.

Kuhlman was most proud of the completion of the new Student Life Center on the Salina Campus, and K-State Salina's role in all three of the Virgin Atlantic Globalflyer records, an aviation feat which K-State Salina students were directly involved with. The Globalflyer records were the largest public relations event in the history of the state of Kansas.

Kuhlman planned to do some consulting work upon retirement, as he was a licensed professional engineer. He's also a family man, and planned to spend a lot of time with his two grandchildren, Kiera and Quinn.





Dennis Kuhlman, dean on the K-State Salina campus, stands on the grounds of the aviation field. *Courtesy Photo*

"I think students and faculty will remember Dennis' open-door policy and the ease with which they can voice their ideas and concerns with him. The other memory they will have is that he always wore something purple."

David Delker, Friend and Colleague of Dean Kuhlman

TAKING



Ariel Anib, senior in international studies, sociology and modern languages and a minor in the leadership studies program, receives the Commerce Bank Award for enhancing multiculturalism at K-State. Many students in the Leadership Studies program received awards year-round for their leadership skills and enthusiasm. *Tommy Theis*

"Our leadership program grows and evolves constantly, and the content we offer in our leadership studies building is truly cutting-edge and a model for the world."

Theodore Stavropoulos, Senior in Management

THE LEAD

by Emily Wolfe



The Leadership Studies Program at the university was leading students not only from across campus, but from across the world.

"Our leadership studies program grows and evolves constantly, and the content we offer is truly cutting-edge and a model for the world," said Theodore Stavropoulos, senior in management with a minor in leadership studies.

Stavropoulos, along with Bethany Caldwell, senior in psychology, Chelsea Corkins, graduate student in biological and agricultural engineering, and Erika Williams, junior in theatre, were chosen by the Leadership Studies Program to represent K-State at the Leadership Association Case Study Competition in London.

This was the fourth year K-State went to the competition with students placing in the top three each trip. Candice Hironaka, Senior Associate Director of the school of Leadership Studies and coach of the team, said the school of leadership studies was always looking for ways to get students involved in a variety of opportunities.

"We strongly believe in student development and know that these experiences will enhance our students leadership knowledge and capacity," she said.

A month before the competition, the team was given a leadership case and from there they were instructed to choose a humanitarian crisis in the world and analyze the leadership style of the people involved. Then, they applied leadership theories and concepts.

The team chose the urban water crisis in Ghana.

"There are so many huge challenges worldwide, we wanted to choose a heavy issue that affected a large range of people and was essential to their quality of life," Stavropoulos said.

The team did extensive research and analyzed the leadership roles in Ghana. After that, they made suggestions on how to address the situation.

"We found the leaders were not necessarily faulty, but not best leadership practices were made," said Caldwell. "We made recommendations based on the situation of things they could do through a leadership lens."

Once in London, the team presented their case along with a poster to a panel of judges.

From there they were named as one of the top three teams and would move on to the final round, which consisted of a 15-minute presentation and a five-minute question brief.

"It was definitely nerve racking, we were up 48 hours straight working on the presentation because we had to also incorporate what we had learned at the conference," said Caldwell.

Stavropoulos said the team was willed forward by all the positive thoughts and support they got from people back home.

"We desperately wanted to win the competition for everyone at K-State and what a statement it could make about our programs here," he said.

After the presentation, the team found out they took first place, beating out other talented students from Claremont McKenna and Georgia Tech University.

Hironaka said she knew the team would compete well.

"The 2011 team truly was an example of a group committed to excellence and collaboration," Hironaka said. "They worked so well together and each member was totally invested in the work and mission of their respective case study."

The team not only took first place, but also had the chance to meet and interact with talented students and business leaders from all over the world Caldwell said.

"It was really cool to see different perspectives from different countries, and meet people who are really motivated and have really great ideas to make a positive impact on the world through what they love to do," she said.

On top of winning the competition, meeting people from all over the world, and the experience of a lifetime, the team walked away with 1,000 dollars which they donated back to the school of leadership studies for future student teams.

Hironaka said, "Now that's leadership."



Alumnus Jim Johnson breaks ground on the new basketball training facility with coaches Frank Martin and Deb Patterson and members of K-State's Athletic Dept. Johnson donated $2 million for the construction of the basketball training facility. *Courtesy Photo*

DONATIONS for DEVELOPMENT

by Merri Davenport

Passionate K-State alum gives generously to the university to advance athletics and academics.

Jim Johnson, president and chief executive of Johnson Construction enjoyed all aspects of the building and construction business, as well as helping build the futures of people around him.

Jim Johnson and his wife, Laura, lived in Colorado Springs, Colo., but even though they lived miles away, they were giving back to the university's community in a big way. They have made a gift of $6 million to the university. According to K-State's website, the Johnson's gift established the James M. and Laura E. Johnson Engineering Faculty Endowment, the James M. and Laura E. Johnson Engineering Scholarship and the James M. and Laura E. Johnson Presidential Scholarship. Part of their gift also established an endowment for facility support for the Alumni Center and provided a $2 million commitment to the basketball training facility.

Jim, a third-generation K-Stater, was a trustee of the K-State Foundation and served on the College of Engineering Advisory Council and the K-State Alumni Association Board of Directors. According to Jim's sister, Jolene Johnson, their father implanted the ideology of giving of time and monetary resources in his children.

"Jim is very modest about stuff he does that is community service oriented just because our dad instilled that in us," Jolene said.

Jolene said she and her husband were in Colorado Springs for another event at the same time Jim was to receive an award. They ran into someone they knew who asked them, "Oh, are you here for Jim's award?" She said Jim hadn't bothered to mention to her that he was winning an award; she had to get the scoop on Jim's award from her mother-in-law later on. Jolene said giving and volunteering was so much a part of who Jim was, and it was his way of demonstrating his love for people.

Jim took over leadership of GE Johnson in 1997 after working as vice president of the company for 10 years. The company was founded in 1967 by his father, the late Gil Johnson. Jim always knew that he wanted to follow in his father's footsteps and work in the construction business. He said there was never anything else he considered doing. Jim was born in Wichita, Kan., and grew up in Colorado Springs, Colo. According to his company's website, Jim spent many summers working for his father's business before moving to Kansas to start college.

Jim said the things he enjoyed most while in college were his classmates and attending athletic events.

"It's hard to articulate," Jim said. "There is something



unique about the culture at K-State. It's hard to bottle it up or explain it. It's a special place when you go back there or when you're there."

He graduated in 1984 with a bachelor's degree in construction science and went to work for a company in Texas for a couple of years. Jim then moved back to Colorado Springs and started working for his father.

Jim encouraged his employees to give their own input and ideas. He said he enjoyed watching people grow and providing his employees with opportunities that help fulfill their career goals. "You can lead and the benefits are for others, not necessarily your own," he said. "That's probably where I'm best suited and the thing I enjoy doing the most." In April, Jim was inducted into the Kansas State University College of Engineering's Hall of Fame, an honor previously given to his father.

In a video message shown during the induction ceremony, Jolene said, "He didn't just ride [our] dad's coattails. He's actually made his own mark on the company over the last 10 years, helping it navigate through difficult financial times in the construction industry."

Laura, a first-generation college student from Germany, graduated from Colorado State University with a degree in geology. Lorna said although their parents did not go to college, they emphasized their children's education and were always very supportive.

Jim and Laura went to high school together and reunited at their 20-year high school reunion. The two started dating and married about a year later. Jolene said of Jim and Laura's marriage, "It's a good match; she's just as generous as he is," Laura said. "They are the type of people who, every day get up and appreciate what God has given them."
Jim said he had to bring Laura to K-State to show her why it is so special to him.

"Now she has a Powercat necklace and lot more purple in her closet," he said.

Laura admitted that she is a CSU Rams fan at heart, but was warming up to the Wildcats.

"We're just glad to be able to give back to K-State, and I know that's huge for Jim to be able to have the opportunity to do that," she said. "I support him in that. It makes him happy."

by Shelby Brunk

CROWNS & CROPS

Miss America gives lecture advocating for knowledge of food production

Breaking barriers had been nothing but a typical task to young Teresa Scanlan's life. At the mere age of 17, Scanlan was crowned Miss America 2011, becoming the first crowned from her home state of Nebraska as well as the youngest woman crowned in more than 70 years. Speaking as someone who the younger population could relate to, Scanlan tried to reach out to the younger demographic during her term.

Taking the stage in McCain Auditorium on Nov. 15, Scanlan spoke on behalf of the Food for Thought organization as a part of the Upson Lecture Series put on by the College of Veterinary Medicine. Raised in Gering, Neb., with a "home-schooled mentality," Scanlan was taught from her Kansas-born father, who attended the University of Kansas' medical school, to never take the hand which fed you for granted.

"Everything is a lesson," Scanlan said. "Anything you do, you come to learn from it and I have come to appreciate that."

As Scanlan began her presentation, she represented another aspect of her platform issue. She spoke passionately about eating disorders among children and about the importance of the next generation of agriculture majors.

"One of the biggest problems we are facing is bridging the generation gap as well as helping spread the information out there regarding agriculture," Scanlan said.

She wished for students in the audience to be the future for America.

"The message that Miss America shared about agriculture was so excellent and relevant to today. Production agriculture is far too often overlooked and taken for granted, as Americans have always had the luxury of accessing a safe, affordable and abundant supply or food at their local grocery stores," said Hannah McCabe, junior in animal science.

Scanlan's future aspirations included ones of becoming an attorney then going onto work in Washington, D.C. Assuring the audience that politics was among her passions, Scanlan went through the performance poking fun at laws passed amongst states, presenting the issue that politicians make silly mistakes. Yet she made the newly passed laws regarding agriculture an eye-opener for the crowd, noting that the mistakes being made could change the agriculture game.

"Cuts are being made in the USDA from the tiny percentage that farmers already receive. Regulations and stipulations are being put in effect instead. We need more support," Scanlan said. "Our government needs to work with our farmers."

Scanlan spoke openly on her opinion of how the Department of Agriculture had received criticism from the modern and mainstream industries. She explained to agriculture students how there was a huge misunderstanding of the country's agriculture industry, especially the topic of the organic movement.

"The agriculture industry needs more advocates who stand up and tell the truth about where food is from and how it produced," McCabe said. "Miss America also has an extra perk since she is a national figure, people from coast to coast will listen to what she has to say, resulting in reaching out to more people that would not have been informed otherwise."

Scanlan never resisted the fact that all of her work and passion underlined the point of service, as she quoted "Do More," a poem by William Ward.

When speaking about her feelings on outreach to children, she explained that teaching them where food comes from as well as educating others about how hard the American farmer works, she encouraged many in the room to simply do more.

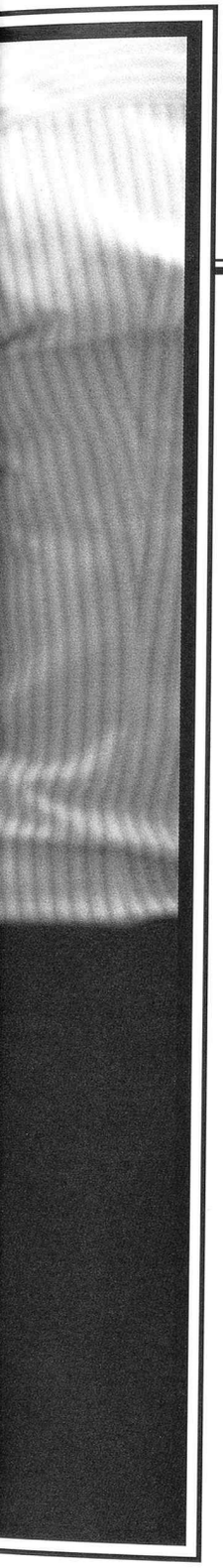
"We have the resources, ability and technology to keep up with the world's growing population. It's more than about us, it's about feeding the world," Scanlan said. "We can use farming and agriculture to reach others. How can we serve? We can stay encouraged and encourage those to get involved."



Teresa Scanlan, also known as Miss America, speaks to a crowd of students and community members at McCain Auditorium on Nov. 15. She touched on many subjects, such as childhood obesity, agriculture and its impact on America. *Evert Nelson*



Students including Courtney Fiser, senior in financial planning, sit in the financial planning class sit and listen to presentation being made by possible new professor to the course.
Erin Poppe



plan the way to the top

by Kayla Sloan

2011 was a big year for K-State's Personal Financial Planning program. The program was named as one of the nation's top 10 Personal Financial planning programs. Sonya Britt, assistant professor for family studies and human services, attributed the program's success to the fact that it contained a Bachelor's degree program, a Master's degree and certificate program and a PhD program.

The undergraduate program had about 60 students, the Master's degree and certificate programs had about 100 students combined and the PhD program had about 30 students, which Britt says was large for a post-doctoral program.

"The PhD program was new for K-State, I think it's one of the main reasons we are named in the top 10 programs" Britt said. "The PhD program has been around about three years."

The only other Personal Financial Planning PhD program in the country was found at Texas Tech University. The difference was K-State's PhD program is a "hybrid," allowing students to take courses online during the year and attend a two week long summer session on campus.

Erika Rasure, personal financial planning PhD student and finance professor at Lindenwood University in St. Louis, said she chose K-State's program for several reasons, including the high level of commitment to student success found in the program's faculty and administration and the opportunities K-State offers for research, published studies and conference attendance while still in school. Rasure also said K-State's unique hybrid structure allows her to teach will still pursuing her PhD.

"The program allows my classmates and I to pursue our degrees while continue to work as an active practitioner or an educator in the field," Rasure said.

Jeff Nelson, personal financial planning PhD student, said he chose K-State's program over Texas Tech regardless of the fact that he currently resides in Texas.

"Logistically, the hybrid program made my education much more possible and practical," Nelson said. "This program is the only option for those who can't move to campus to take classes."

Britt said the undergraduate program was one that students often aren't aware of until late in their undergraduate education.

"Lots of students don't find out about us until their junior or senior year at K-State," she said.

The Personal Financial Planning program was working to increase public knowledge of the program so students will find out about it earlier. One way was by offering an introductory class that will only be available for freshman and sophomore attendance.

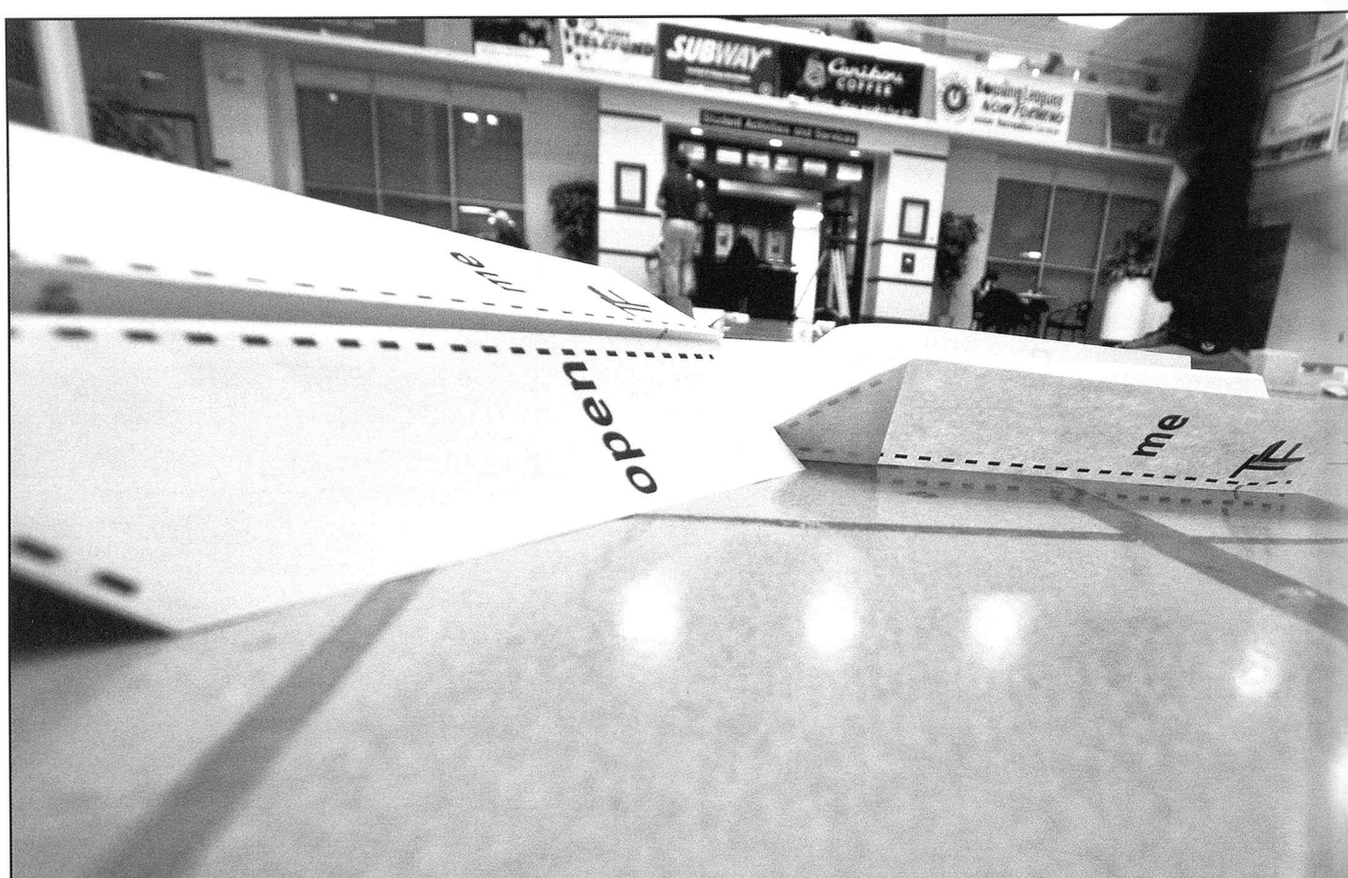
Camerin White, senior in family studies and human services, said he recently switched to personal financial planning from accounting after finding out about the program at a career fair.

"I switched because I like the satisfaction of working directly with the client rather than with a big business," White said.

Echoing White, Kristen Moore, senior in family studies and human services, chose personal financial planning because of the focus on people and the impact it can have on their everyday lives. Moore also said the program was smaller, allowing for more personalized education and a relationship with professors and advisors.

"The program is great, the class load enjoyable, I don't have a single complaint," Moore said.

Students walking around the K-State Student Union Feb. 15 noticed hundreds of paper planes as part of the Take Flight event. *Evert Nelson*



Hundreds of paper airplanes containing information on TakeFlight were released into crowds of surprised passersby in the Student Union outside Salsarita's. *Evert Nelson*

by Hannah Henning

Take*Flight* Takes*Off*

A new advertising and communications organization launches on campus.

Student clubs and organizations are continuously emerging on the Kansas State campus. One new organization, TakeFlight, formed in the Spring 2012 semester. TakeFlight was a student run, faculty supported public relations and advertising agency in conjunction with the A.Q. Miller School of Journalism and Mass Communications. Students in the TakeFlight agency developed communication skills and personal portfolios through the application of their abilities by serving real-world clients. The agency offers free public relations and advertising services to businesses not only in Kansas, but internationally as well. TakeFlight assisted its clients with communication plans, advertising campaigns, slogan creation, and website and logo design. TakeFlight offered its services to K-State through Wildcat Watch and KSDB 91.9 and to Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity (VOSH), an international non-profit organization that offered free vision care.

"TakeFlight is a way for anyone interested in advertising, public relations, and even graphic design to gain invaluable experience," said Kent Mann, junior in Journalism and Mass Communications. "Our account services team is working with everyone from local businesses to world-wide volunteer organizations."

In order to best serve its clients, TakeFlight was comprised of various teams each specializing in specific aspects of the agency. Specialized teams within the agency included account services, pitch, creative and public relations. Students in account services recruited potential clients and were the liaison between the agency and clients. The pitch team presented ideas to the potential clients recruited by account services. Students on the creative team designed and implemented promotional ideas. The public relations team promoted the agency and maintained social media sites.

"I really enjoy being on the creative team and working with various clients throughout Kansas and world-wide," said Mann, who was a member of the creative team. "I particularly enjoy being on the creative team because we like to keep our meetings fun."

The mastermind behind TakeFlight was Jeffrey Morris, Vice President for Communications and Marketing at the university. Morris supervised publication, news and photo services along with involvement in K-State Alumni Association and College of Agriculture communications. In the fall of 2011, Morris presented the idea of a student-run public relations and advertising agency to Thomas Gould, associate professor of Journalism and Mass Communications. Gould served as TakeFlight's faculty advisor, a requirement for all student clubs and organizations. Gould appointed a graduate student in journalism and mass communications, Carmen Brown, to the chief officer position. As chief officer, Brown supervised the specialized teams and leadsthe bi-weekly agency meetings held in Dole Hall.

"Being asked to lead TakeFlight is an honor. Leading a new student group is definitely a challenge, but is very rewarding," Brown said. "The great group of students involved in TakeFlight has made it easier to get the group launched."

After weeks of preparation, the students of TakeFlight were ready to introduce their agency to the Kansas State student body. TakeFlight held its official launch on Feb. 15 in the Student Union. Hundreds of paper airplanes containing information on TakeFlight were released into crowds of surprised passersby below. The goal of the launch was to gain awareness for TakeFlight and recruit potential team members.

"I thought people were pulling a prank," said Chris Dickey, sophomore in business administration. "After I read an airplane I realized it was a really creative idea."

Overall, the students in TakeFlight were thoroughly pleased with their launch.

"I was satisfied with the launch yesterday," Brown said. "It received attention from both students and the media."

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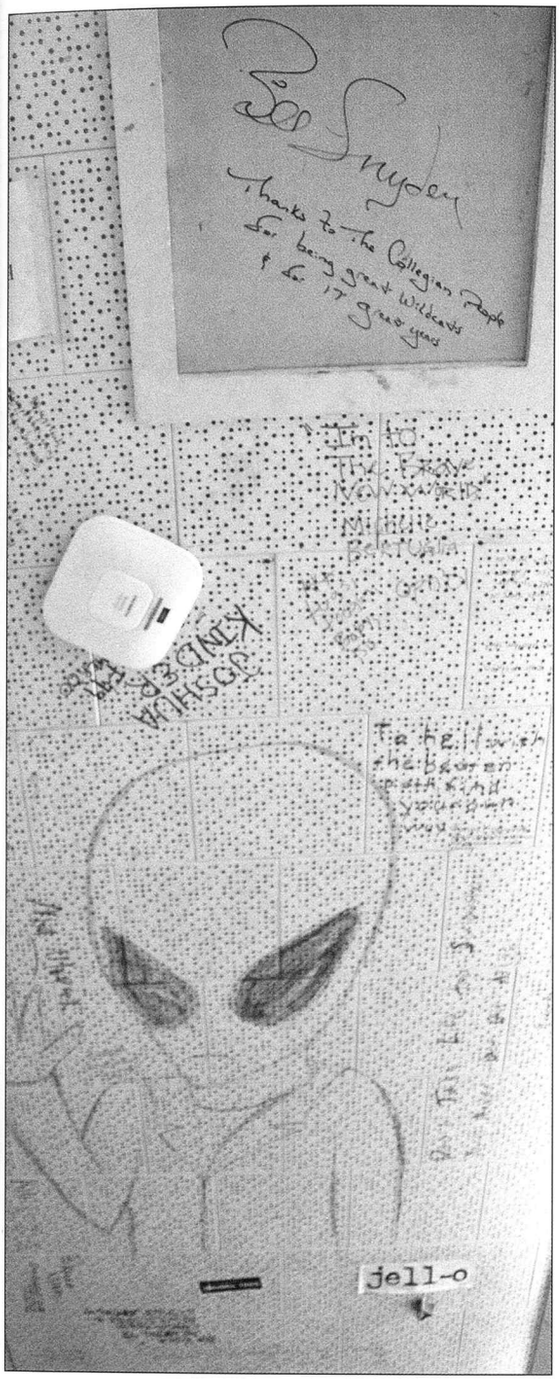
Geoff Martin, senior in architectural engineering, passes the puck around with members of the Hockey Club while practicing in Bosco Plaza during the club fair Aug. 26. "My favorite part about being involved in Hockey Club would be the friends I've made along the way," Martin said. "We have a great bunch of people and have a blast when we're together." *Tommy Theis*


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Caroline Sweeney, senior in English and editor-in-cheif of the university's newspaper of the Collegian during the Spring 2012 semester, edits copy for the next day's paper in her small office in the newsroom on Feb. 6. Erin Poppe

Sweeney leads a Collegian staff meeting in the newsroom every Thursday. Each member of the Collegian will be able to leave their mark in Kedzie Hall and sign the ceiling when they graduate. *Erin Poppe*

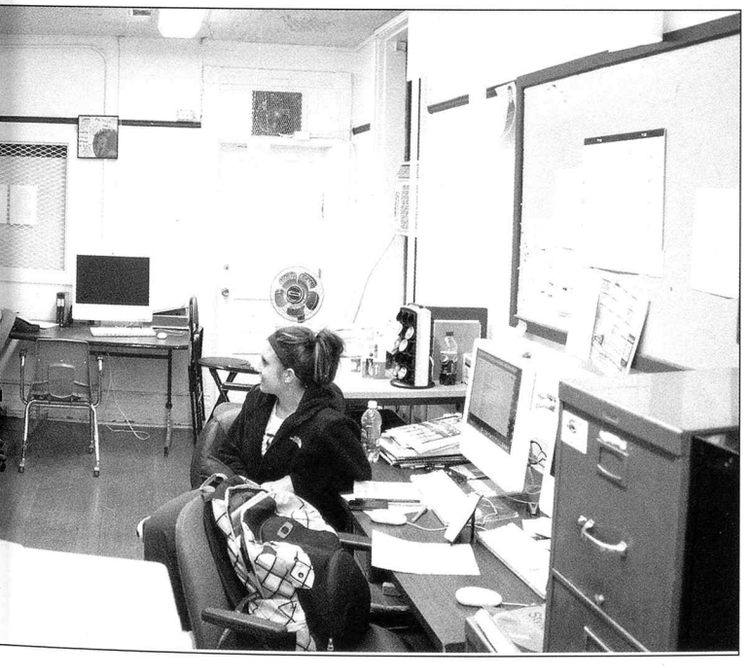




The ceiling of the Collegian newsroom has signatures of past editors and famous people who have visited the university. Displayed on a panel is head football coach Bill Snyder's signature from years ago with a thank you to the Collegian staff for all of their hard work. *Erin Poppe*

HISTORY IN THE HALLS

by Ellie Long



The Collegian newsroom had everything a student would normally find in a college newsroom: computers, old newspapers, and story ideas, but one thing K-State's newsroom came equipped with was different than other universities: the ceiling. The ceiling tiles of the newsroom was littered with students' and famous people's signatures.

"What started as graffiti has taken a life of its own and become a right of passage," said Tim Schrag, senior in mass communications and Collegian staff member since the Fall of 2008 and three time editor-in-cheif.

What started out as something small grew into a part of Kedzie Hall's history. K-Staters and special guests have been sharing their insights, wisdom, humor and advice on that grimy drop ceiling for decades.

"The ceiling means a great deal to me," Schrag said. "There's no one thing in particular that makes it great."

Ceiling tiles dated back from the 1970s and the editors of each desk signed the ceiling when they graduated.

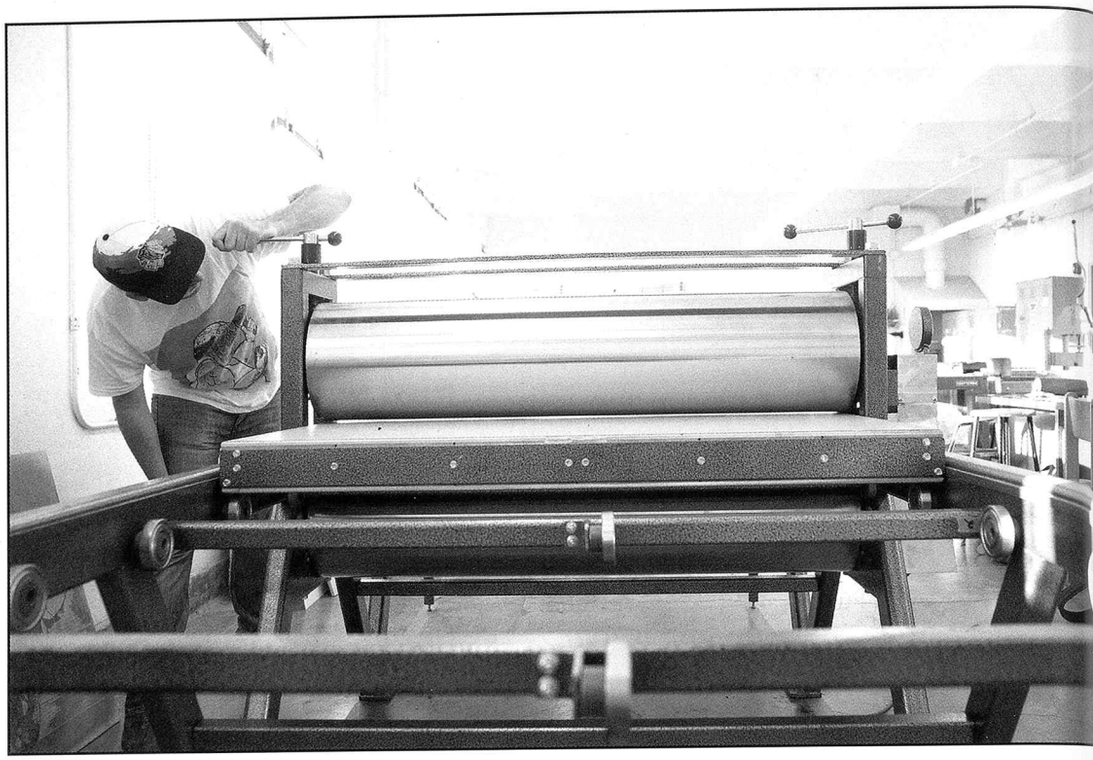
"It's just exciting when Collegian alumni come back and look for where they signed the ceiling because I know that's going to be me one day," said Kelsey Castanon, senior in mass communications and managing editor. "It's such a creative way to archive everyone's work here."

When Kedzie was renovated in 2011, much of the building's ceiling was replaced, with the exception of the Collegian newsroom's.

"It serves as inspiration to me when I feel disheartened and I wouldn't want to see a single name removed," Schrag said. "These people are practically family to me."

Schrag said Andy Nelson, instructor of journalism and mass communications, calls the ceiling Kansas journalism history. People have purposed to their girlfriends on the ceiling and K-State celebrities such as head football coach Bill Snyder have signed the ceiling in the past.

"I haven't signed the ceiling yet. I'm waiting until I graduate," Schrag said. "I think I've mentally drafted it a thousand times."



Luke Dempsey, senior in fine arts, puts ink on a piece he's about to print. He said the club has given him the opportunity to lead and work closely with his peers. "Having a research meeting lets us be more independent from the classroom," Dempsey said.
Lauren Gocken

Sam Pierson, junior in fine arts, prints one of his designs onto a T-shirt, while wearing another of his designs, during class at the print shop inside Willard Hall. "Some people use copper, but I like the style that linoleum and wood blocks produce," Pierson said.
Lauren Gocken



it's all about the PROCESS

by Emily Wolfe

Printmakers use research and practice to become better artists

The Pussy Cat Press only had three major meetings a semester, but each meeting helped members grow as printmakers in the earliest form of printing, dating all the way back to the 17th century. The art of printmaking encompassed anything that has to do with process of making artworks by printing, normally on paper.

The first meeting was based on research. Members of the club met and talked about information they found on the artist of their choice. The members researched not only the artist's style of work, but also the time period of the artist's work. Then at the meeting, members gathered and revealed to one another what they learned.

Sam Pierson, junior in fine arts, said it was like doing a research paper, but instead members sat around and talked about what they had discovered about his or her artist.

"As printmakers, it's important to become independent from the classroom so that you build a sense of being an independent artist with confidence and not just a student of art with assignments," Luke Dempsey, president and senior in fine arts, said as he explained the main objective of the research meetings.

He said research was a huge component of being an artist.

"Having a research meeting not only pushes us to be more independent from the classroom but it also draws us together as a community by the sharing of our knowledge," Dempsey said.

At the second meeting, the members brought in their own work and performed the printmaking process, editioning.

The process of editioning was when artists took etching of a release print made and printed a limited number of copies of that one piece of art. The printmakers each had their own type of material they preferred to etch into.

"Some people use copper, but I like the style linoleum and wood blocks produce," Pierson said.

Each piece had the artist's signature, title and in the left hand corner the number of that copy made. Typically, the print was never used again unless it had been altered in some way.

At the third meeting, members would bring in their work and critique one another. It was a less formal way for the members to get ideas and see whether their work was successful.

Kendall Johnson, junior in fine arts, thought critiques were helpful as an artist.

"I think critiques are a great idea because getting feedback from peers is a little different then getting feedback from professors," Johnson said.

Along with three major meetings, the club had a yearly fundraiser in the spring to raise money for the shop and the Southern Graphics Council International Conference that members attended each year.

At the fundraiser students and members of the Manhattan community bought small pieces of artwork made by club members and would then receive a raffle ticket where they had a chance to win larger pieces of work. Last year the members raised $1,700 toward the SGC International conference.

The conference helped each student grow as an artist; it was where artists, master printers, teachers and patrons/fans all gathered to participate in activities. The activities included lectures, demos, gallery openings and much more. There was also a portfolio showing and exchange which were great ways for a printmaker to get their work out to other printmakers.

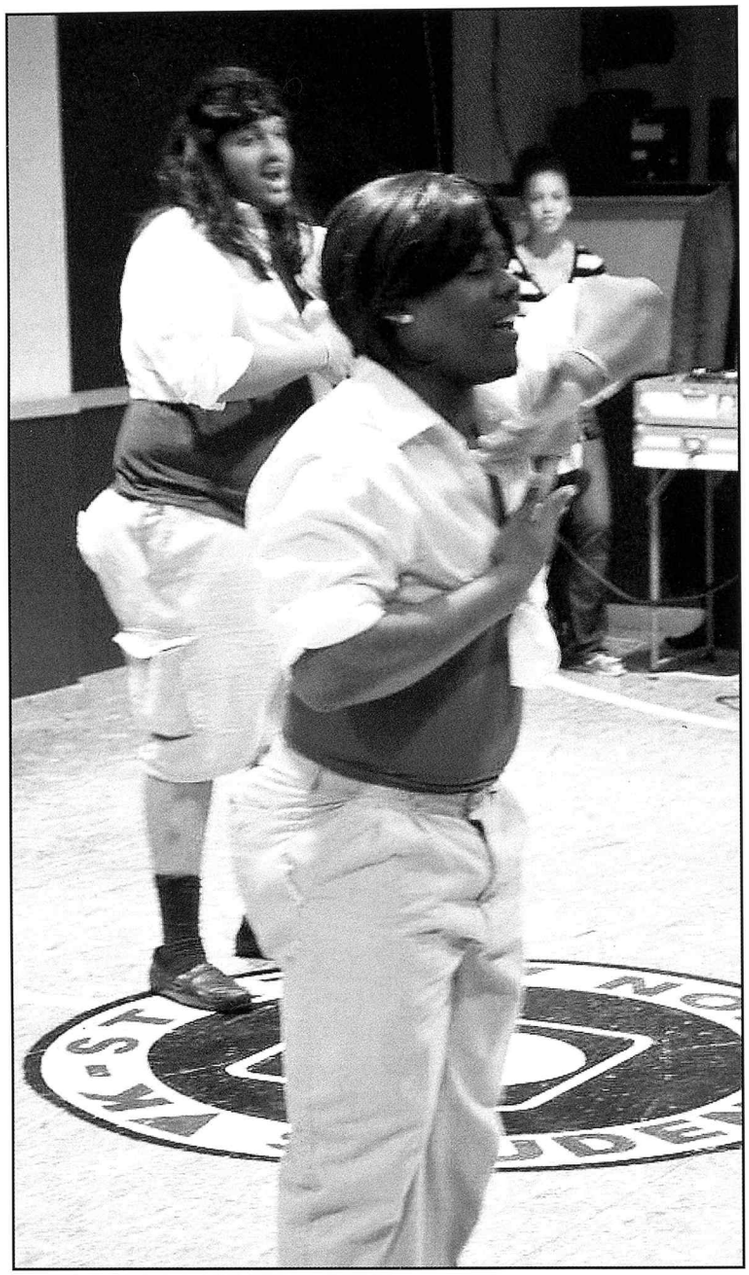
In the past, about five to seven students had gone to the conference each year. Pierson, who has yet to attend the conference, said he was really looking forward going to the 2012 conference because it was taking place in New Orleans.

"It is a great experience for all print-makers because it was a socially charged environment in which you can meet other motivated artists of all different ages and skill levels," Dempsey, who has been to the conference the past two years, said.

Garrett Heil, vice president and senior in fine arts, said the club helped him grow as an artist and printmaker.

"I know being in the club has helped me the last few semesters because of all of the support I have received from my peers," Heil said. "It is also nice to have a small community outside of the classroom where we can talk about our prints and get away from the classroom chaos."

Vuna Adams III, junior in business administration, and Rutherford Nathaniel Sanford IV, sophomore in hotel and restaurant management, do the sorority Zeta Phi Beta's symbol while wearing girl clothes while participating in Greek Switch Day. *Jakki Thompson*



EXPRESSION OF SERVICE

by Jakki Thompson

The Kappa Tau chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. was the youngest fraternity of the Divine Nine, but has left some of the largest impacts on the K-State community. Hosting events to bring awareness to all-inclusive issues, this group of men had risen to be the leaders in their group and on campus.

"Growing up, I never saw Greek life," said Vuna Adams III, president of Alpha Phi Alpha and sophomore in accounting and finance. "When I got to K-State, I went to the programs and I saw how a real man should act, that was the moment I know I wanted to be an Alpha. I see changes in my brothers; it's a change that you can't explain to people – but that change is there."

At the Kansas District tournament on March 3, the Kappa Tau chapter was recognized for the College Chapter of the Year and the Chapter with the Highest GPA Even with the K-State chapter receiving recognition, that wasn't what it was about for the Alphas.

"Being an Alpha, you are going to have loyalty to your organization and the people we serve," said Chikezie Ehie, director of educational activities and Chaplin and a junior in chemical engineering. "We serve all of mankind. I plan on doing Alpha justice while I am here. There is such an internal push to make an impact on one man or one woman. Complacency is the only option."

The Alphas hosted their annual Miss Black and Gold Pageant in Forum Hall during the fall semester. This program was created and brought to K-State for African American women to be able to display their beauty, elegance and intelligence.

The second largest event the Alphas hosted annually was the Candlelight Vigil for Martin Luther King Jr. Since Luther King Jr. was an Alpha and continued to serve the community long after graduating college, the Kappa Tau chapter commemorates his life through this candlelight vigil.

"This is about being a part of something that is larger than yourself," said Rutherford Nathaniel Sanford IV, parliamentarian and junior in hotel and restaurant management. "This group means more than just yourself. You can't be a selfish group. There are times you have to sacrifice work or other activities for Alpha. It's not what Alpha can do for me, it's what I can do for the Alpha tradition, legacy and brotherhood."

Project Alpha was to educate men and women about the consequences of not practicing safe sex or teen pregnancy. The group educates about the options students have when either practicing safe sex or choosing to abstain from sex. This was the first year this program was offered at K-State.

A Voteless People is a Hopeless People was a program the Alphas did where they teamed up with Junction City High School to inform students about the importance of voting. Alphas registered 112 high school seniors to vote in the upcoming election.

"We had not done this program at JCHS before," Ehie said. "But the Alphas needed to do something about raising awareness to get people out there and voting. People will line up around the block of a store to buy a new pair of shoes. Maybe a quarter of that line would be registered to vote. If people choose to be politically stagnant, they have forfeited the right to complain about the outcome."

One of the final events Alpha Phi Alpha hosted annually was their Alpha Week, which was always the first full week in April. This was to help raise money for the community and to raise awareness on the choice, select programs for the week. The week ended with the National Pan-Hellenic Council's Annual Yard Show.

"Alpha is about becoming a better man," said Jordan Walker, secretary and fund raising chair for Alpha Phi Alpha and sophomore in finance. "I wanted to be a part of an organization where the men were gentlemen, businessmen and carried themselves with dignity. This is a gateway and a force that is an outlet to allow the community to shine."

This was a brotherhood of just 14 proud men. They all joined for their own particular reason. But they stand as one entity.

"Being a part of a Greek organization propels you," Adams said. "Each and every member wants to stimulate your goals and ambitions. People you see who are influential are a part of the Greek community. We are some of the most prominent members of our community, but giving back to our communities is our number one priority."

THE LEGEND LIVES ON

by Stephanie Mikuls

Each spring, the university held an open house to invite prospective students to experience a taste of college. This tradition originated in the college of engineering, whose open house, held on April 20 and 21, celebrated its 90th anniversary.

"Steel Ring puts on open house," Brett Fearing, vice president and senior in civil engineering, said. "We create the theme for it and coordinate with all the departments. This year the theme was: '90 Years: The Legend Lives On.'"

The purpose of the open house was to educate visitors about the College of Engineering through displays of current students' talents and availability to talk to professors. The college expected over 20,000 people to attend the open house. It consisted of multiple events and competitions between the different engineering departments, including skits and a float.

"Each department sets up different experiments," Fearing said. "Last year, civil engineering had different types of asphalt laid out. I explained coagulation in the water and different stuff."

In May 2011, Gov. Sam Brownback signed the University Engineering Initiative Act, responding to the need for engineers in the state of Kansas. The open house was one of the greatest recruiting events held by the department each year.

"Gov. Brownback signed the University Engineering Initiative Act and wanted to increase engineering enrollment by fifty percent," Mark Prieb, president and senior in industrial engineering, said. "We're definitely going to have to amp up recruitment and open house is a good way to do that. It helps us out and gets the increased numbers."

Steel Ring was a senior honor society consisting of the top twenty engineering students from each year. The membership to the honor society was highly selective and students had to first be nominated by a professor in their department.

"You have to go through an interview," Jordyn Storey, senior in industrial engineering, said. "It's [membership is] also based on what you've done, leadership wise and through other organizations."

After initiation, each member was given a specific position and assigned responsibilities in order to orchestrate a successful open house. They spent the year planning and preparing to facilitate the event in April to recruit new members.

"We meet monthly," Prieb said. "Then we'll meet biweekly. We just make sure that everyone is accountable and is doing what they need to be doing. For bigger decisions we make them together at the meeting. Deciding on graphics, food and venues we'll decide as a group."

Members of Steel Ring realized the importance of the event for the future of the college of engineering.

"Kids always have great imaginations and it's my goal to show these kids that engineering can often make their dreams a reality," Prieb said.



Mark Prieb, senior in industrial engineering and president of Steel Ring, stands in the campus' engineering building Durland Hall with the club's paddle from 1942 with the club's creed and ring superimposed on the image.
Lisle Alderton



Students in the Cancer Fighters Organization brainstorm about ways to raise awareness and funds for the battle against cancer on Dec. 13, 2011. *Lauren Gocken*

Research IS ESSENTIAL

by Zach Zaborny



A student group raises awareness for the ground-breaking scientific cancer research that is being conducted on campus.

Student groups were common all over the university's campus. From service organizations and religious groups to clubs relevant to individual student interests, there was something for everyone. One of the new organizations that started on campus was the K-State Cancer Fighters.

The Cancer Fighters started in early fall 2011 to help bring student awareness to the Johnson Center for Basic Cancer Research on campus. Students involved in the group acted as ambassadors, volunteers and fundraisers for the center; as well as cancer research award winners, better known as CRA winners.

Derek Schneweis, graduate student in plant pathology, CRA winner and member of the Cancer Fighters, joined the group because he thought it would be a great way to get more involved in a cause he was passionate about. In addition to being a member of the Cancer Fighters, being a CRA winner also meant a lot to Schneweis.

"It just lets us get our hands in the lab and learn how to do research as scientists because that is one of the major things you might be missing," Schnewis said. "Sometimes you may not see a lab while you're at K-State, because you don't get involved, because you don't know it's there. The best part is tapping into undergraduate knowledge and applying it to a really important cause."

CRA winners were undergraduate students who, after being nominated and selected by university professors, worked in K-State laboratories on research projects related to cancer. In the fall, faculty mentors developed the projects the CRA winners had worked on. Those faculty members nominated students to be awarded for their efforts. Each winner received a $1,000 research award, and the mentor who nominated the student received $1,000 for each student to cover research costs.

Marcia Locke, public relations coordinator for the Johnson Center and advisor to the Cancer Fighters group, liked the idea when it was originally proposed and decided to jump on board.

"I had been thinking for awhile as things have grown busier and more exciting," Locke said. "Collaboration was being proposed to us more often that we could benefit from by having a group of supporters or friends of the center."

Although many students in the Cancer Fighters group were CRA winners and students majoring in things like biology or pre-med, that wasn't the case for everyone.

Secretary of the group, Griffin Page, senior in education, got involved for reasons other than cancer research.

"Like many people, I have had members of my family and friends affected by cancer. I felt that this was a good way to get involved and raise money and awareness for a serious disease," Page said.

Even though the group started out small in their inaugural year with less than 10 students, they planned on continuing outreach and publicity to keep numbers growing in the future.



Corbin Moore, along with Kelsey Helland and others, ride through the tunnel of the Beach Musuem of Art on campus. "I like skating with people that push your skill level, it just makes you want to become better," Bryce Williams, senior in engineering, said. *Evert Nelson*

Need for Speed

by Shelby Brunk

Determined students create a longboarding club for their passion for skating

The K-State Longboarding club is made up of 70 active members, all of which have one interest in common, riding.

"Being in the club basically means that you love to longboard and want to spread the joy of riding to fellow students," Evert Nelson, sophomore in journalism and member of K-State Longboarding said. "We are trying to reach out to as many people as possible and get others that don't know anything about longboarding to at least try it out."

Essentially, a longboard consists of the same generic makeup of a skateboard. Yet, longboards are made up of a longer wheel base, thicker wheels, bigger trucks, and a wider place to stand. Designed for coasting, cruising and "bombing hills," K-State longboarders agree that tricks aren't common, but possible.

"You can do slides with special slide gloves as well as manuals and some flip tricks," Nelson said.

When it comes to longboarding, gearing up is quintessential. Parallel to skateboarding, elbow-pads, shin-guards and helmets are requirements to riding.

"It sucks to fall, but that's just part of the game, that's why you wear a helmet and gloves," Bryce Williams, senior in engineering and co-founder of K-State Longboarding, said.

Williams had a passion for riding in Manhattan as well as reaching out to others about the sport.

"I've been longboarding in Manhattan for about two years now. In the past year I have seen more and more people out on boards," Williams said. "Whenever I go out and skate I really like teaching the newer people some tricks and tips."

As students, friends, and skaters the group had suggested becoming an official club through K-State, figuring it would be the best way to create a community of skaters.

"I did some research and people working in the Office of Student Activities and Services directed me in the right direction," Williams said.

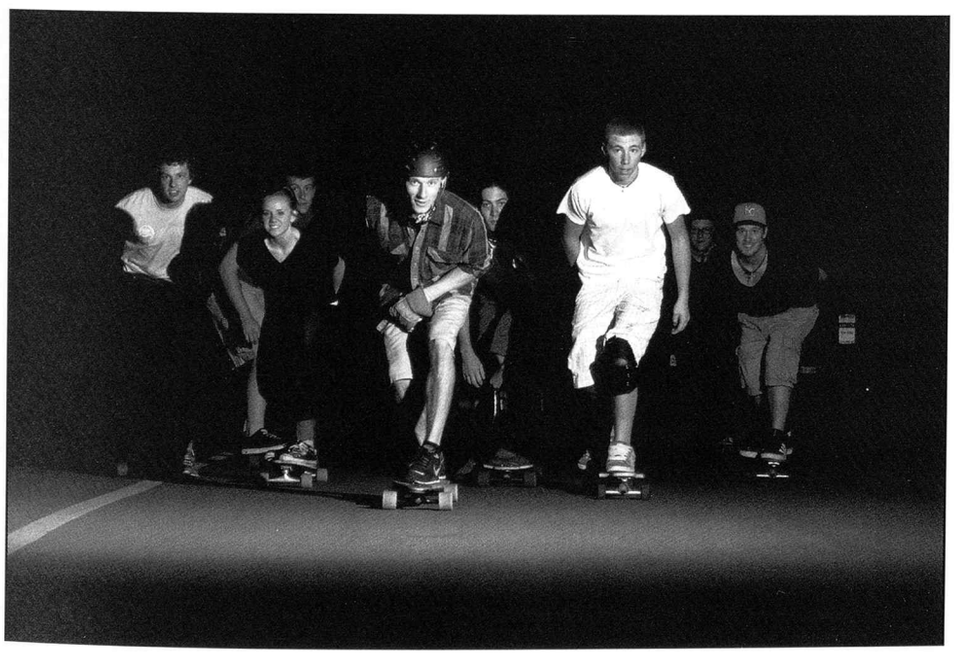
The registration process in becoming a group on campus contains an eight step procedure, which includes meetings, completing forms and creating a group constitution.

For K-State longboarders, riding isn't just a hobby, but an escape.

"I like longboarding because, I like to go fast. Moving fast on the board is a great feeling. Going into a slide and breaking the wheels loose, then gaining control back and keep rolling on, is probably the coolest feeling," Williams said.

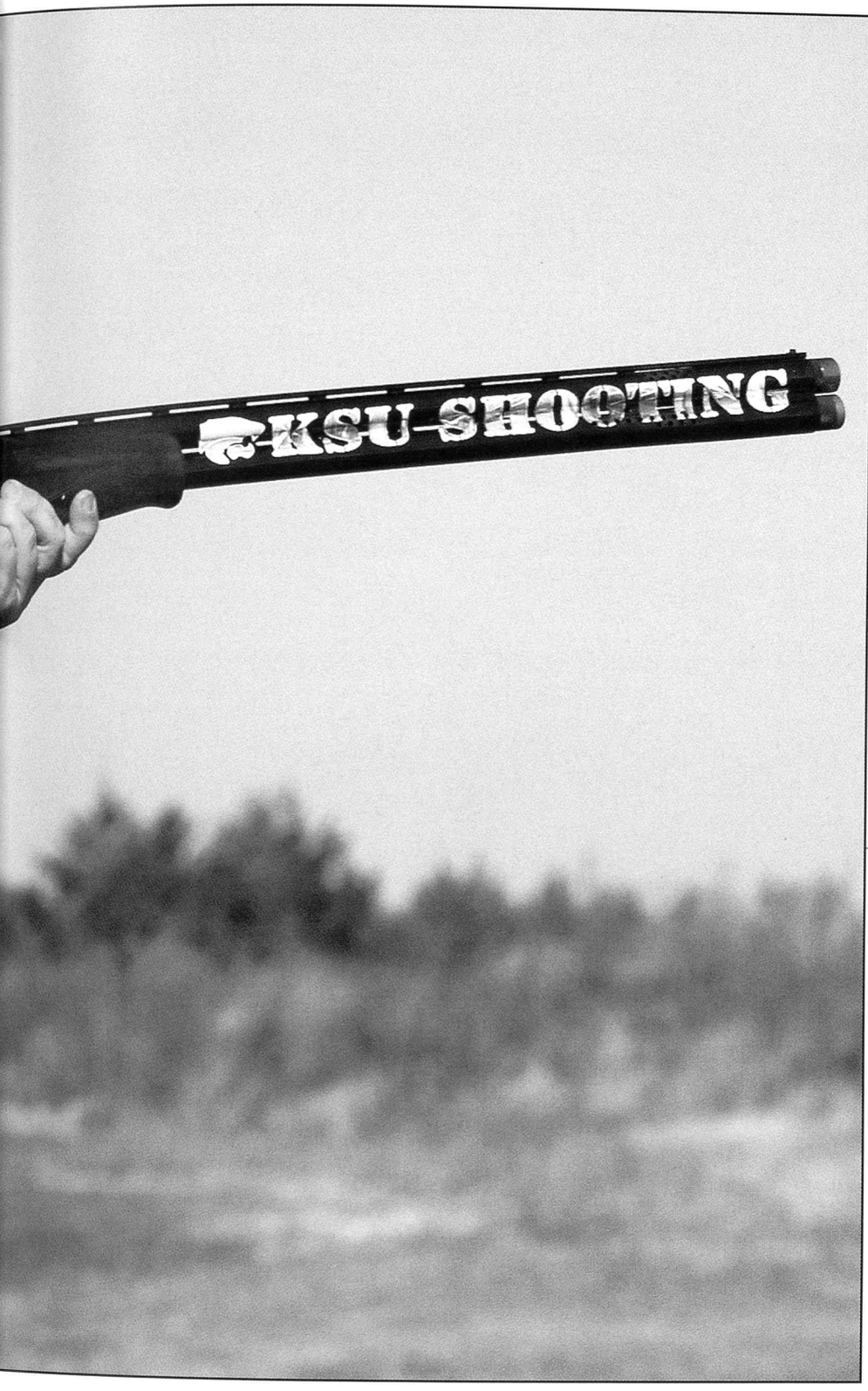
The club communicates through a Facebook group page, posting information about riding, videos and pictures of the club coasting through campus.

Requirements to join the group are none but a passion, a passion to ride. K-State longboarders alike are looking forward to expansion and searching for new members who are looking for a good time.



A gang of longboarders takes over the road outside Anderson Hall. "I really like teaching the newer skaters how to do slides and tricks. It's pretty sweet when they nail a sweet slide out after you have just taught it to them," Williams said.
Evert Nelson





John Roberts, junior in agricultural technology management, aims his rifle at a clay pigeon at Tuttle Creek Shooting Park Oct. 23. The university's trap shooting club held practices there throughout the year. *Lauren Gocken*

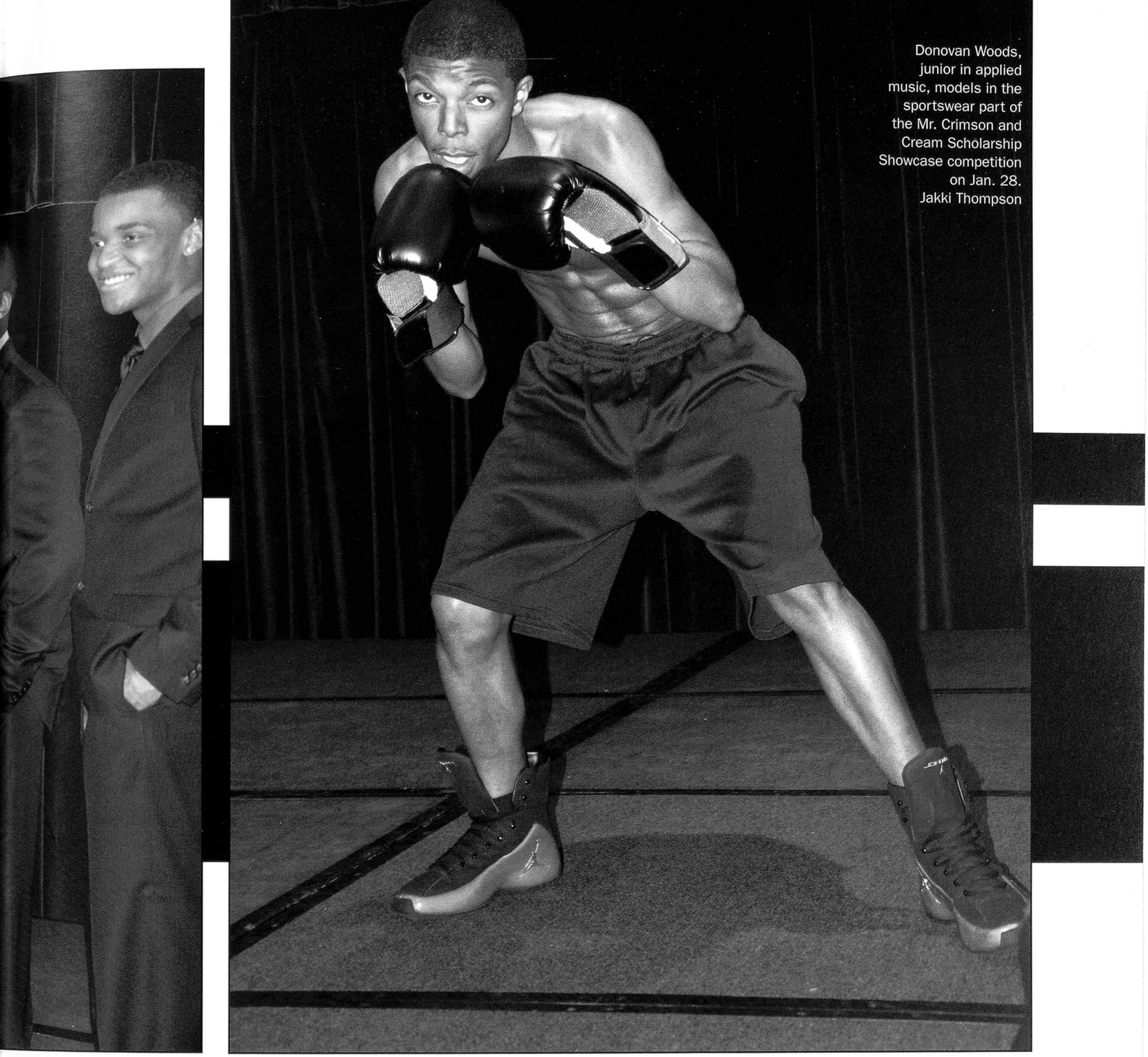
"Trapshooting club is a competitive club that competes against other collegiate teams from across the nation. My favorite part is traveling across the country and meeting new people."

John Roberts, Junior in Agricultural Technology Management



Competitors Michael Shode, Clayton Patrick, Tyler Lockett, Donovan Woods, Jasmine Walker, Tyrone S. Williams, Damien Thompson and Vuna Adams III and Tyler Jameson at the Mr. Crimson and Cream competition put on by the Delta Sigma Theta sorority. *Jakki Thompson*

DIVINE DELTAS



Donovan Woods, junior in applied music, models in the sportswear part of the Mr. Crimson and Cream Scholarship Showcase competition on Jan. 28. Jakki Thompson

A beacon of the K-State community was the potency of the Greek life both on and off campus. One sorority in the Divine Nine stuck out for their involvement in welcoming the entire K-State community, as well as building a family within their own organization. The Eta Gamma chapter of Delta Sigma Theta continued to give to everyone they meet.

"I wanted to be a part of something that was bigger than myself," said Danielle Crossland, vice president of Delta Sigma Theta and junior in social work. "I wanted to be a role model. I also wanted to go outside the stereotype that I have since I am a first generation college student. I am a flower that is in bloom."

Delta Sigma Theta had a long track record of putting on various events that involved the entire campus, but also brought awareness to a particular subject area. FreshWomen was hosted in the beginning of the fall semester, where members of the sorority brought awareness to the resources the campus offered for incoming freshmen women.

"This services them and can help these incoming freshmen women," said Angie Muhwezi, president of Delta Sigma Theta and senior in biology. "As a minority, you come to campus and get a little lost. We want to make sure that these young women know what's going on at K-State and know all of their resources."

One of the largest turnouts the Deltas had over the years of hosting their Sober in October event happened in the Fall 2011 semester. Sober in October offered students to be able pledge to be more responsible with their drinking

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Tanniqua Kay-Buchanan, sophomore in open option, thanks Jasmine Walker, senior in mass communications, for all of her hard work in helping make the Mr. Crimson and Cream pageant a success. Also on stage with her are Patrick and Lockett. *Jakki Thompson*

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or to pledge to abstain from drinking during the month. In October 2011 the Deltas had over 400 students pledge to be more intelligent with their drinking.

"At the end of the month, when the month long event is wrapping up, we typically have speakers come and give personal testimonies," Crossland said. "The people we brought in this year gave testimonies that most people wouldn't have known other wise. It was a big bam in your face. They all have stories; we all have stories. The Remembrance Walk we host after the speakers reminds us that alcohol related accidents can happen to any of us."

One of the most successful events this year was held as the conclusion of the Deltas Crimson and Cream Week, which was the last full week of January. For years, past Deltas tried to create a Mr. Crimson and Cream Scholarship Pageant to showcase the African American men that were on the K-State campus.

"It was emotional for me," said Jasmine Walker, planning and programs director for Delta Sigma Theta and junior in public relations. "It was this great sense of accomplishment of putting out a large amount of programs that were all more successful than in years past. It is my job to spearhead these programs. It was exciting and a great sense of accomplishment to finally see the Mr. Crimson and Cream Scholarship Showcase finally be at K-State."

The Crimson and Cream Week was based on the Deltas five-point thrust. Those five points were economic development, educational development, international awareness and involvement, political awareness and involvement and physical and mental health. Each day during the week there was an event that addressed each of these points. The Mr. Crimson and Cream Scholarship Showcase also included these five points and allowed men to present themselves in a new light that others may not have been able to see before.

"This was a very serious event for both the Deltas and the men who were participating," Crossland said. "They had practice every night. But it also allowed people to see all of these talents and to show that they are men. They had professionalism and intelligence. In the female beauty pageant world, women can be vicious when it comes to helping out their opponents. These men were helping each other out whenever someone needed it. It was so awesome seeing that."

One of the final major events the Deltas hosted each year was the DSTinguished Gents. This event honored three gentlemen on the K-State campus who were excelling in brotherhood, service and scholarship. Kedric Elmore, senior in aviation, was honored with the brotherhood award. The Service Award was presented to Bryon Williams, alumni of K-State in economics and current K-State admissions representative. The Scholarship Award was given to Charles Rankin, professor in educational leadership and director of the National Equity Assistance Center.

"I felt humbled," said Elmore. "I didn't know what to say or do, I was just incredibly humbled. I want everyone to feel a part of the community and I let people know that there are people here for them. I am here for service and it's just who I am."

The Deltas at K-State were here to serve the community. Muhwezi said it was crazy for her to think about all of the events Delta Sigma Theta put on and how many students the Deltas impacted. This came from the strength the group got from the sisters inside who encourage one another in every aspect of their lives.

"We really work hard to bring the campus what it really needs," Muhwezi said. "We try to be impactful in everything we do. We truly are able to do the things we want to do because the bonds we have as a sorority are real. If we didn't stand strong as a group and have that base, we would crumble."

When looking at the history of Delta Sigma Theta, there were some major events that impacted Muhwezi's, Walker's and Crossland's decisions to be a part of this particular sorority. Delta Sigma Theta was grounded on Christian principles and that were important to all three of these women. All three women also wanted to leave an impact on the community. The original founding 22 members walked in the women's suffrage movement to bring that equality to women.

Delta Sigma Theta was bigger than just the individuals that constitute the organization. It was about service. It was about helping the community. And it was about bring recognition to those who deserve it.

"Before I joined Delta, I wanted to have an impact on the community," Crossland said. "I love helping people out. When you have a passion for something, it shows. We, as Deltas, have that passion. We are trying to leave something here that shows that we cared about K-State and our community."

by Erin Poppe

hitting the right note

Men's a capella group entertains K-State for 14 years running.



They made girls blush. They made toes tap. They entertained crowds with their renditions of classic favorites and chart topping hits. They were K-State's first and only all male a capella group, Cadence. Since 1998 the members have used their time in college not only to pursue higher education, but also follow their passion of music and performing.

The passion of the group during their performances was what made new member, Theo Stavropoulos, junior in management, to audition.

"You are almost jealous watching in the audience if you have been in that environment before," said Stavropoulos. "I felt that energy, and I knew I wanted to be a part of it."

Being a part of it meant a very busy year for Stavropoulos and his fellow 12 members. During the fall semester alone Cadence could be found delighting audiences all over Manhattan, and even as far as Denver, Colorado. In Denver the men were joined by a capella groups across the country at the Mile High Vocal Jam, which was a weekend long a capella contest and festival.

At the festival, they had the opportunity to perform for crowds and enjoy the music of the other groups. It was sophomore in theatre Derrick Weishaar's favorite memory of the year.

"There were so many great experiences that came from that," said Weishaar. "I will never forget how we got to meet competitors from NBC's, 'The Sing Off', or how we had to have a 1:00 AM emergency rehearsal in the Bronco's Stadium parking lot the morning of our performance. It was a blast all around."

In addition to the Vocal Jam, Cadence could be found bringing the music to students and community members of Manhattan in the form of events such as their winter concert, the School of Leadership Studies' Spirit of Leadership, and Mortar Board's First Book Benefit concert.

In the ladder they assisted in raising $500 for the cause. Libby Queen, senior in business management, attributed the success to their 'it factor'.

Cadence's president Zach Nelson, senior in business marketing, thought he knew what Queen was referring to.

"I think the 'it factor' was the passion we all had for performing and entertaining," said Nelson. "Being non-music majors, we were all there for the love of the music and sound we created. It was amazing to me because we were entirely student led. We created a group that was talented, fun and profitable. We loved the opportunity to provide our sound to as many people that would listen to us."

For 14 years Cadence had been giving its members a chance to focus on something outside of academics, something that not only made them happy but brought smiles to the people who had the chance to hear their music.



Members of Cadence, the a capella group on campus, performs Billy Joel's "For the Longest Time" at the School of Leadership Studies during their Spirit of Leadership event on Oct. 17.
Erin Poppe

Andrew Witter, senior in finance, takes the lead on Bruno Mars' hit song "Grenade" during Motarboard's benefit concert on Nov. 13. The concert helped raise more than $5,000 for their national philanthropy, First Book.
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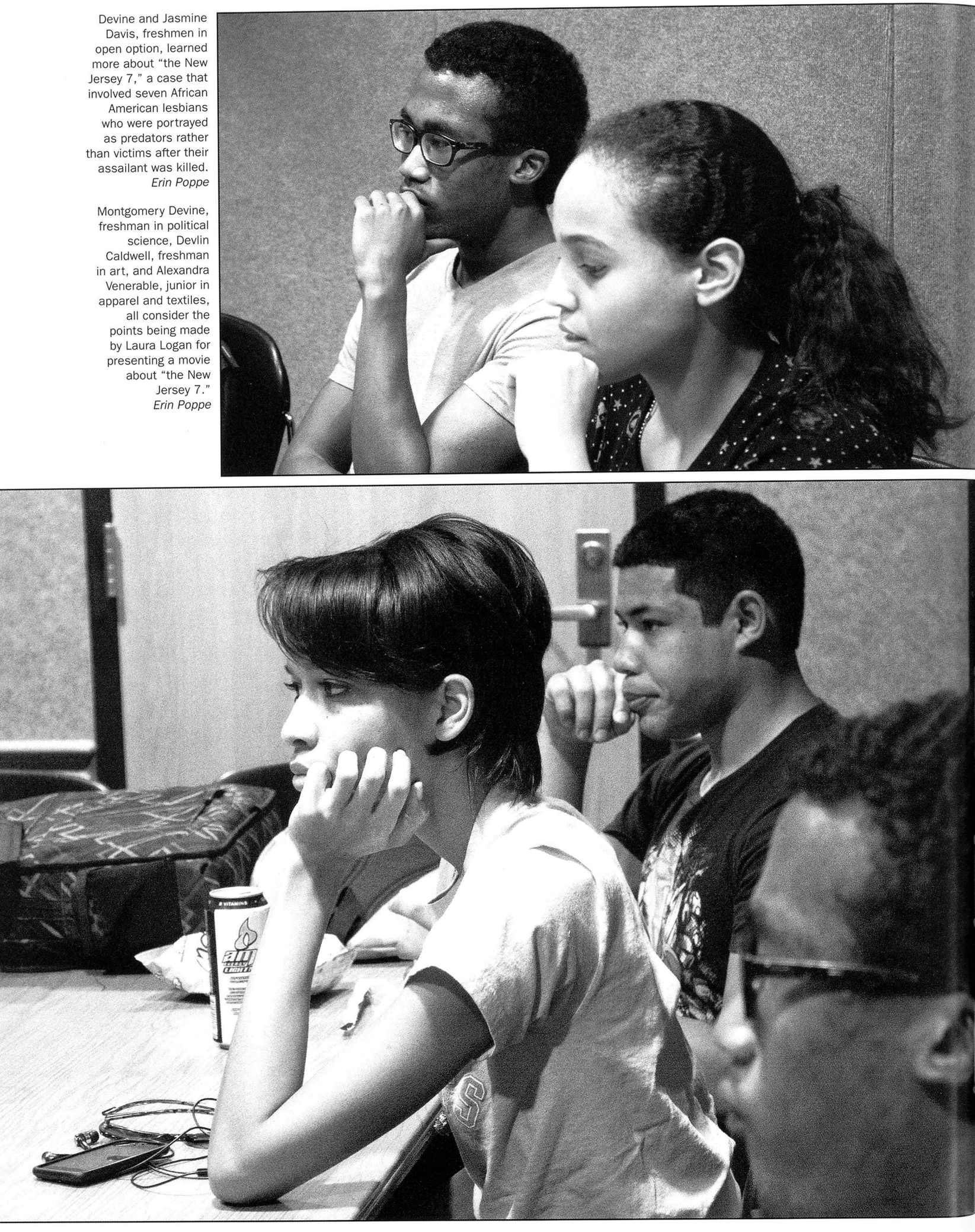
Tim Bisco, a Fort Riley Resident, asked for the help of Cadence to propose to his long time girlfriend and now fiancee Ashley Hall on Feb. 10 in the K-State Student Union. The a capella group sang Bruno Mars' "Marry You," with the lead sung by the voice of Darrington Clark, freshman in journalism.
Erin Poppe

"Singing at the proposal was great because we got to do exactly what Cadence strives to do, which is make people happy with music."

Ryan Wofford, Senior in Architectural Engineering

Devine and Jasmine Davis, freshmen in open option, learned more about "the New Jersey 7," a case that involved seven African American lesbians who were portrayed as predators rather than victims after their assailant was killed.
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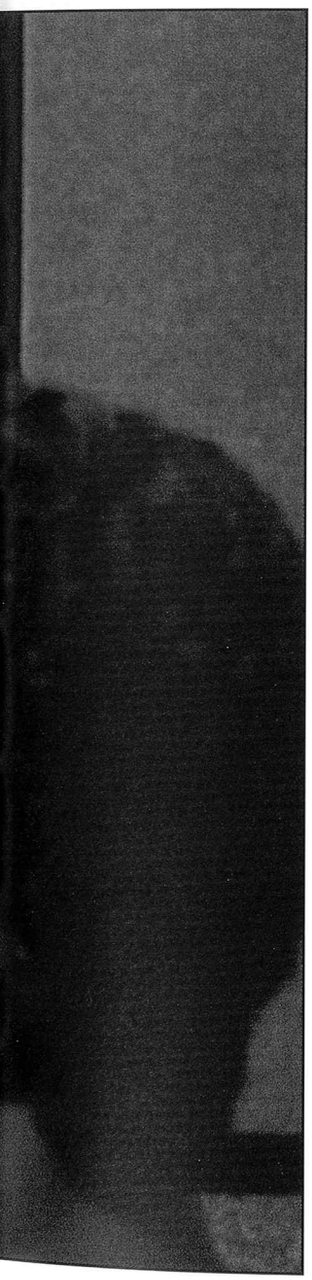
Montgomery Devine, freshman in political science, Devlin Caldwell, freshman in art, and Alexandra Venerable, junior in apparel and textiles, all consider the points being made by Laura Logan for presenting a movie about "the New Jersey 7."
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Bridge the GAP

by Jakki Thompson

New student organization provides understanding for multiracial and biracial students.



K-State was a campus of many student organizations and clubs. With more than 400 groups on campus, this offered students and community members to find their niche and learn more about support their particular cause. But this was also difficult for students who wanted to create a new student organization on campus, when so many already established groups were here.

The Association of Multiracial and Biracial Students was welcomed to K-State during the 2011-2012 school year. This group was created for students who identify with more than one race. But it was also for group members to better understand what it meant to be multiracial or biracial. It was an all-inclusive group that was created to educate students about race.

"Just because you are mixed doesn't mean you know everything about your heritage," said Clayton Patrick, president and founder of AMBS and freshman in hotel and restaurant management. "Sometimes, if people look like just one race, they just accept themselves as one race. People can easily see there are a great number of mixed individuals at K-State and they can learn from this group. Other groups who are exclusive to one race can also learn from us about what we are doing."

Patrick recalled his history about being a multiracial individual growing up in a world predominantly where people identify as just one race. He said around the age of 14 or 15, he remembered checking the race/ethnicity boxes on standardized tests that he was only African American. Patrick was adopted by two all African American parents, but his birth mother was Irish, African American and Native American.

"When I was in eight grade, I remember a family trip we took to Florida," Patrick said. "I remember looking in the mirror and wondering why I was finding red hairs on my head. I remember thinking it was different from my all African American friends."

He said when he turned 16 and was going through his driver's license paper work, he felt weird only checking that he was African American. Patrick said his guardians didn't know the cultural heritage of his birth parents, so it was hard for him to claim that race when no one in his family actually knew.

But his story wasn't just unique to just Patrick. Natasha Shultz, secretary of AMBS and sophomore in dance therapy, could relate to Patrick as well.

"When I was younger, I used to think I was white," Shultz said. "I didn't think it was weird that my mom was Korean and my dad was white. I grew up around all white

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people. In high school, I was anti-social and an introvert. I had to learn to be more social at a job I had, but I realized something when I began to date. I felt like a novelty because I was half Asian."

Shultz said her friends had asked her why she didn't move to Korea to be better connected with her heritage. She said that when she was 10, she had gone to Korea, and the people there had told her she was white, because she looked more white than Korean.

"When I moved here to Manhattan, all of my friends at first were white," Shultz said. "I wasn't as close to them. But when I began to meet people who were mixed, I felt that I was closer to them. We had that commonality and we were able to talk and connect because of that."

Shultz said she thought it wasn't fair that K-State hadn't had a club like this before this year. Devlin Caldwell, vice president and public relations of AMBS and freshman in graphic design, said this club allowed people to find that niche that will help them discover who they were.

"When I was 14, my dad told me never to lose track of who I am," Caldwell said. "All throughout my middle school years, I was attacked and stereotyped for being black. It seemed off when teachers would ask me if I'm going out for basketball or track or some other sport. I was called and people wrote me notes asking me to come to the next Klan meetings. I was also called many racial names."

Caldwell said he went on to a high school where most of the kids from his middle school didn't. He said when he would have to compete in sports against the other high school – all of his defensive walls would come up. He wouldn't talk to other people from that school, h Alexandria Mitchell, senior in apparel and textiles, and Alicia Edison, instructor in american and ethnic studies, listen to guest speaker Laura Logan propose a joint movie showing between AMBS and other student organizations. is teammates or even his coaches. He said he accepted what had happened to him because that was the environment they were raised in. He said even today he still thought about the things that had happened to him, and he had came to terms with it.

"I had to find out who I was," Caldwell said. "My dad is African American and my mom is German. No one would guess that. People think I am Hispanic or Puerto Rican or even Egyptian. People are trying to figure it out rather than just assuming. This group [AMBS] gives students that niche to be able to truly figure out who they are."

This group was about figuring out who were based on your heritage. It was two years ago when Colby Hart, freshman in biology at Barton Community College, discovered that he was one-eighth Native American.

"I always get characterized as white," Hart said. "I had a great grandparent that was 100 percent Native American. Groups like things bring people together as a whole. Even though I was in a military family, when I was in high school, I saw incredible amounts of racial intolerance. I was shocked and didn't understand the racial intolerance."

Hart said being biracial or multiracial and proud took down those barriers. He said when people didn't embrace their different ethnicities or different areas of heritage, it created barriers for themselves and society. He said this group helped bridge the gap of intolerance between the mono-racial people and the mixed people in society.

"Hang out with people other races," Shultz said. "People are people no matter what."

"Just because you are mixed doesn't mean you know everything about your heritage. Sometimes, if people look like just one race, they just accept themselves as one race. People can easily see there are a great number of mixed individuals at K-State and they can learn from this group. Other groups who are exclusive to one race can also learn from us about what we are doing."

Clayton Patrick, President and Founder of AMBS and Freshman in hotel and restaurant management



Alexandria Mitchell, senior in apparel and textiles, and Alicia Edison, instructor in american and ethnic studies, listen to guest speaker Laura Logan propose a joint movie showing between AMBS and other student organizations.
Erin Poppe


AMERICAN
CRIMINAL
JUSTICE
ASSOCIATION
by Jakki Thompson

In the spring of 2012, K-State welcomed the new academic fraternity of the Kappa Upsilon chapter of the American Criminal Justice Association. Founded by a senior and a sophomore in criminology, the group has grown to more than 20 members in the matter of months.

"When I first started, I wondered if we could have a fraternity that I could use my skills and leadership in something where everything is included in the group," said Ronnie Hernandez, president of ACJA and senior in criminology. "The objectives of the group made sense to me. It will be phenomenal for me to look back and say I started that chapter and see where it will be in the future."

ACJA was a group for students who were interested in going into criminology related degree. This was a large range of various degrees and career paths. It included anything from being a judge to a criminal investigator to working in a prison to being a park ranger. This group pertained to a wide variety of interests, but could benefit all of them.

"This was something that interested me when I first heard about it," said Clint Jones, director of promotions for ACJA and senior in criminology. "I wanted to leave a part of me at K-State by being a founding member of a fraternity."

The group brought many various speakers to campus to help bring awareness both to the group and to the criminology degree. Jones said members of the group had been going into classes to help promote ACJA to freshmen. He said they weren't just handing out fliers, but they were actually approaching students about the group.

"Ronnie came to me and opened by eyes to the opportunities that this fraternity offers," said Jordan Oatsvall, director of student relations and freshman in criminology. "We want to give back to the university, with this group, for as much as the university gives to us."

With ACJA being a national fraternity, there were many opportunities for the active members. Students in the group were able to attend national conferences to network with perspective employers. ACJA also had the opportunity to bring in speakers from the local, state and national levels.

"The speakers we bring in showcase the multiple opportunities that are out there with this degree choice," said Chris McKinney, chief of staff for ACJA and junior in criminology. "It has been a good way for me to open up and explore the major more."

Even though the group was new and was still just starting up, in a sense, the current members were still really excited about the opportunities the group can serve.

"Even our freshmen are making it a priority to get involved and be professional," Hernandez said. "I have noticed that that have developed and matured. They are not quiet anymore. They speak out. If they have something to say, they will tell us their opinion."

Crystian Torres, vice president of ACJA and sophomore in criminology, said he didn't want the group to stop growing. He said after he graduated he planned to come back and see this particular chapter strong and with more members than when he was here.

"Ronnie is a senior and has a lot of leadership experience," Torres said. "He has taken me and other members under his wing to give us the tools we need to continue to be a successful group even after he has left."

Even though the group was incredibly career oriented and driven, there was more to it than just the academic side of it. The group had grown as a community and as a family. The opportunity for the involvement in the group led to many students, including underclassmen, to receive positions of leadership.

"This is my last semester here," Hernandez said. "What better way to graduate than knowing that I helped create something incredible."

LATINO LEADERSHIP

by Zach Zaborny

The number of multicultural student organizations on campus was large and each organization had something different to offer, but for the Hispanic American Leadership Association, also known as HALO, it offered Hispanic and Latino students the chance to lead in the community and around campus.

Some of the bigger projects that HALO took on during the year were doing things with the Manhattan Emergency Shelter and Habitat for Humanity.

"We try to work with the Manhattan emergency shelter a lot because Hispanics tend to sometimes be in that group where some are very poor and end up in shelters and we wanted to reach out and help them because of that," said Yessica Prato, sophomore in animal sciences and industry and president of HALO.

Outside of promoting campus leadership in the Latino and Hispanic community, being involved in HALO provided a way for students to get together throughout the year and connect with one another.

"The majority of the group is Latino-based, so it's nice to be able to find other people who can speak the same language as you because we are a minority on this college campus. So it's easier to communicate with people," said Uriel Barrera, sophomore in mechanical engineering and vice president of HALO.

While students didn't have to be of Hispanic or Latino decent to be in HALO, most of the students were.

For students who were involved in the group, each had their own reasons for joining.

"I just thought we needed more involvement with the Latino community and we needed more leadership skills and help in building them up and just getting our name out there," said Lili Flores, junior in public health nutrition.

Prato became HALO's president after running the organizations website her freshman year and said that as president of the group, she worked hard to bring awareness of the group to campus and to make it an enjoyable place for members.

"The organization is serious in everything it does but I also try to make it as fun as possible and as hands-on as possible," Prato said.

Other members agreed that it was a great thing to be a part of and they were glad that they joined.

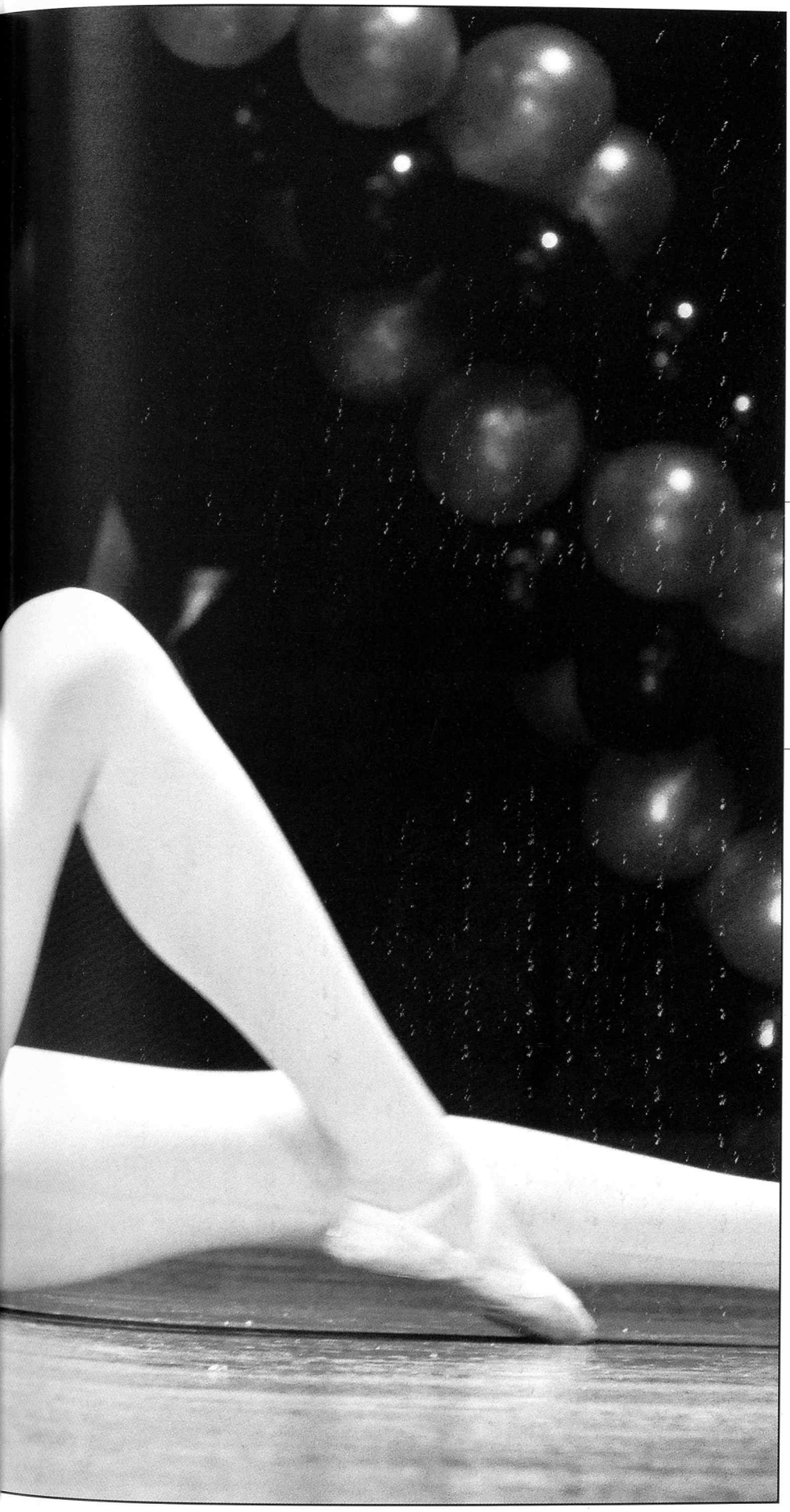
"You just feel like you're with your family," Flores said. "You can hang out and do whatever you want. You're in your comfort zone but they help you get out of it and do bigger things for the community and not just for yourself."



Members of the Hispanic American Leadership Organization Valencia Garcia, sophomore in political science, Jeffrey Andrade, junior in electrical engineering, Yessica Prato, sophomore in animal sciences and industry, and Uriel Barrero, sophomore in mechanical engineering, held a display at a fund raiser at the HuHot in Manhattan Towncenter on March 1.
Mike Sellerman


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Contestant 13, KeNeice Musgrove, freshman in hotel and restaurant management, competes in the talent portion of the Miss Black and Gold pageant Dec. 3. Out of 13 contestants, Musgrove was crowned Miss Black and Gold. She moved on to the regional competition.
Kyle Gowen

"This pageant has been a confidence booster for so many of the ladies. So many of these girls came in unable to articulate their thoughts or speak confidently in front of an audience. When it came to it, everyone performed so well."

Jamilah Watkins, Freshman in Biology

African Student Union

Front row: Frank Kyekyeku Nti, Eve Metto, Arlerta Ndlela, Moustapha Soumaila. **Back row**: Bernard Asare, Iddrisu Yahaya, Frank Maulana, Kevin Egide Ishimwe.

Apparel and Textile Graduate Students

Front row: Shelia West, Gayathri Pidatala, Kelby Polfer. **Back row**: Erin Monfort-Nelson, Fatemeh Ghayournejadian, Lushan Sarina Sun, Hayley Charles.

Blue Key Honor Society



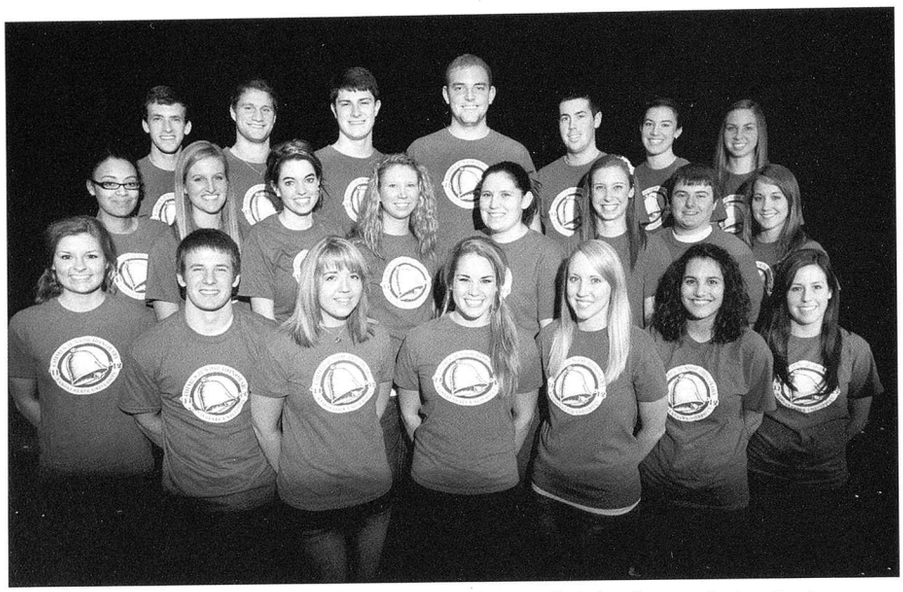
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Canterbury



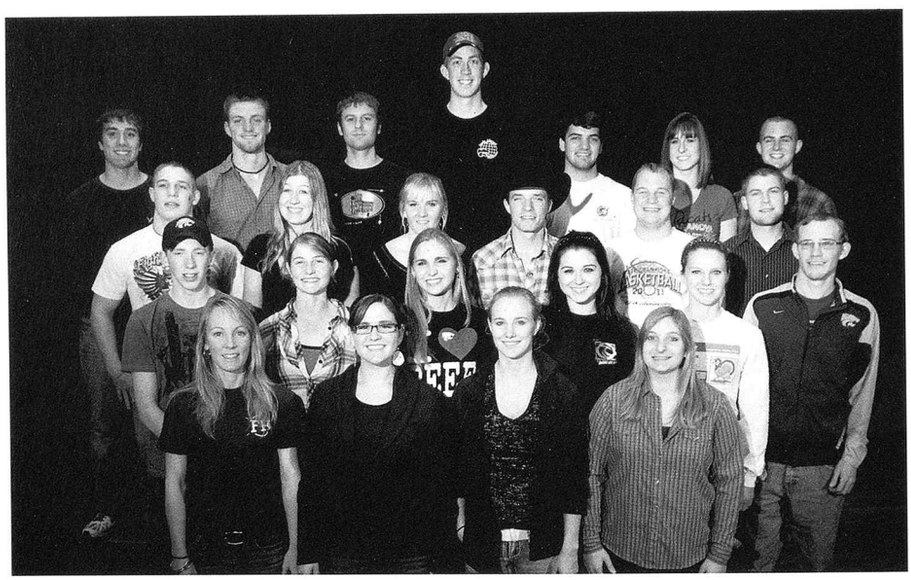
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Chimes Junior Honorary Society



Front row: Megan Grossenbacher, Eric Zinke, Sarah Carr, Christina Farmer, Andrea Fouts, Jordan Fief, Lauren Swirbul. **Second row**: Tara Coleman, Allison Penner, Margaret Swagerty, Rachel Weber, Torey Berndt, Natalie Truman, Theodore Stavropoulos, Lauren Koepp. **Back row**: Ryan Wofford, Matthew Hildebrand, Grant Hill, Andrew Kutina, Jerrod Reddick, Allison Dorau, Meredith Muller.

Country Swing & Two-Step Club



Front row: Crystal Cooper, Jasmine Phillips, Allie Henry, Ariel Vanhouse. **Second row**: Kyle Sykes, Joni Mengarelli, Courtney Schultz, Katherine Altendorfer, Tamera Tullis, Andrew Wagner. **Third row**: Andrew Van Holland, Stephanie Bender, Elizabeth Spurgean, Matthew Lutz, Bryce Joonas, Keith Lamb. **Back row**: Kevin Ronnebaum, Stetzon Schmutz, John Handke, Alex Potuzak, Ryan Yenni, Jamie Florack, Kolton Smith.

Early Childhood Education



Front row: Ashley Kennedy, Bronwyn Fees. **Back row**: Jillian Bettinger, Michelle Stork, Kathryn Minnix, Ellen Gatewood.

Engineering Ambassadors



Front row: Emma Brace, Krystal Duer, Rachel Klassen, Megan Walkowiak, Natalie Truman, Meghan McNally, Megan Kelley. **Second row**: Adam Robl, David Ecklund, Nicholas Stueve, Keithen Meyer, Andrew Koch, Ryan Aeschliman, Jared Rogers, Brandon Schumacher. **Back row**: Michael Patenaude, Andrew Smith, Stephen Zuiss, Jay McDaniel, Ryan Woffard, Jordan Kreutzer, Joseph Yates, Juan Pastrana.

Engineering Ambassadors Executive Committee

Front row: Kathryn Zalenski, Audra Walker. **Back row**: Eric Zinke, Evan Myers, Travis Brockmeyer, Dominic Francia.

Engineering Student Council

Front row: Courtney Taylor, Sean Hood, Debbie Dolechek. **Second row**: Kelsey O'Hara, Kristine Larson, Emily Schnell, Mason Grittman, Brandon Brunner, Ryan Aeschliman. **Back row**: Kevin Diehl, Andrew Christensen, Brendan Bishop, Joe Losito, Gary Clark.

General Contractors Association of America



First row: Ryan King, Lorien Breckenridge, Stephanie Wilborn, Chad Jamison, Wade Adams. **Second row**: Alejandro De Luna, Kyle Montoya, Shane Evans, Noe Turrubiartes. **Back row**: Eric Bartholomew, Brian Schrotenboer, Chris Isern, Matt Johnson, Ray Buyle.

Golden Key



Front row: Shuhan Yang, Olivia Miller. **Back row**: Sara Morgan, Jennifer Barben, Mark Murray, Donita Whitney-Bammerlin.

Heifer International

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Hispanic American Leadership Organization

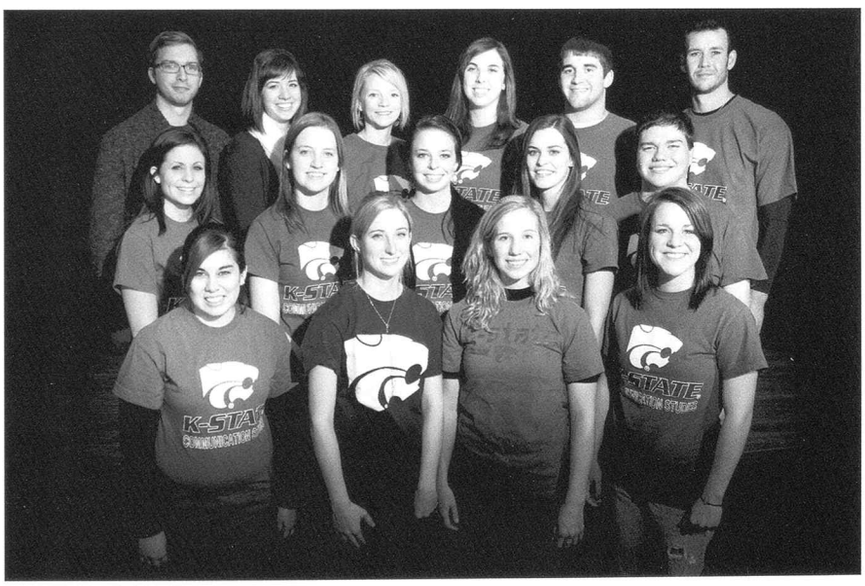
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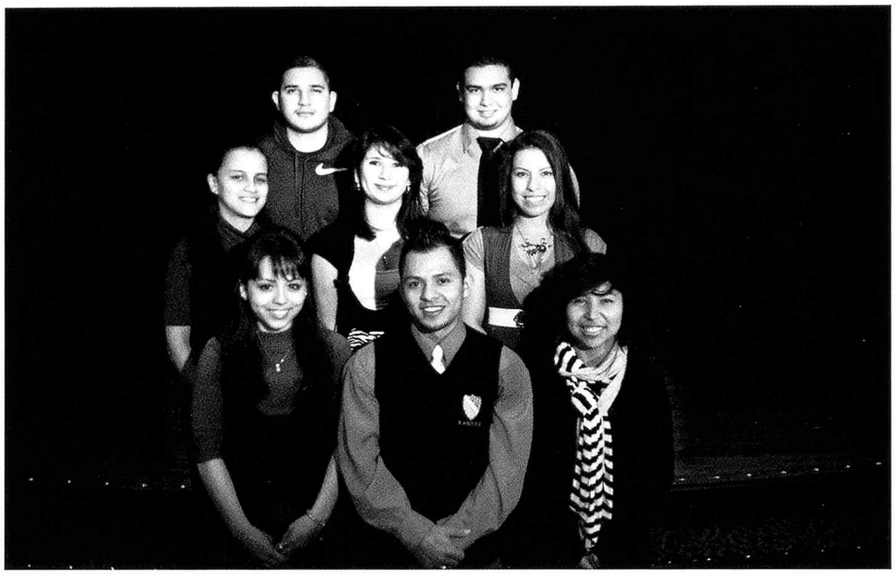
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Lambda Phi Eta



Front row: Sarah Schwartz, Lindsy Liggett, Chantalle Hanschu, Jennifer Kucharo. **Second row**: Haley Lloyd, Jenna Surprenant, Jaylee Henkle, Callie Erickson, John Reynolds. **Back row**: Brock Ingmire, Sarah Snell, Brooke Larson, Kelsey Yadon, Jordan Sterling, Caleb Edwards.

League of United Latin American Citizens



Front row: Pamela Maynez, David Villanueva, Cecilia Barriga. **Second row**: Cynthia Arias-Dowling, Daniella Garcia, Mitzie Rojas. **Back row**: Helder Alvarez, Carlos Morales.

Mortar Board Senior Honor Society



Front row: Brooke Lindell, Lauren Ewald, Taylor Veh, Jenn Engelke. **Second row**: Jessica Everhart, Callie Erickson, Abby Bauer, Klaire Jorgenson, Anne McClain. **Third row**: Connor Hartpence, Trevor McCarty, Wes Strouts, Mike McIntire, Lauren Beeman, Kelsey White. **Back row**: Mitchell Loeb, Chris Dolezal, Amanda Weishaar, Jay Timmerman, Hanna Wiltfong, Josh Neufeld, Chelsea Corkins.

National Residence Hall Association



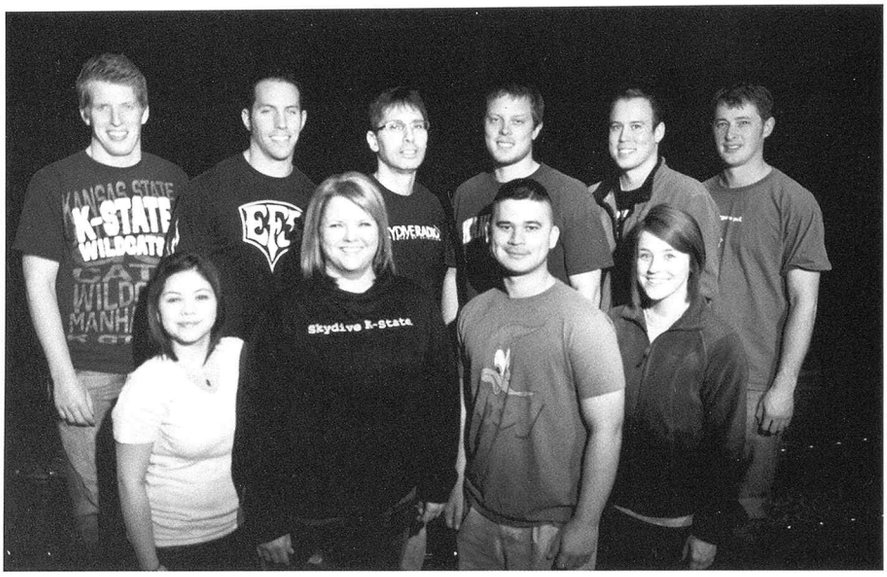
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Paintball Club



Front row: Deep Desai, Bryce Kuegler, Blake Allen, Anthony Acosta. **Back row**: Michael Offerman, Nate McGlaun, Logan Thomas, Carter Klise, Thomas Marietta, Vincent Karpinski.

Parachute Club



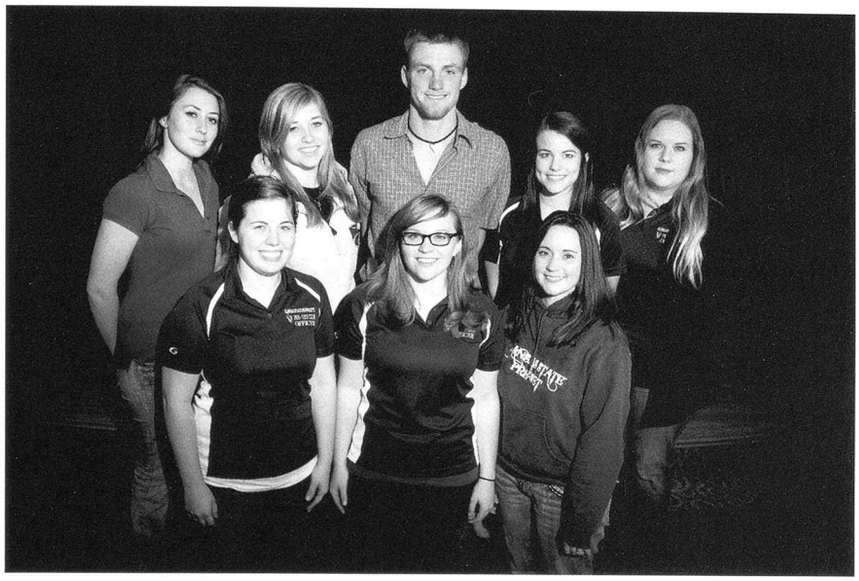
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Phi Eta Sigma



Front row: Morgan Stock, Alexandra Richmeier, Monic Strathman. **Back row**: Brittany Stevens, Parker Rayl.

PreVet Club



Front row: Makenzie Simpson, Madeline Anderson, Rena Hardesty. **Back row**: Darcy Messerly, Samantha Boyajiani, Stetson Schmutz, Shelby Parsel, Brittany Blattner.

Saudi Club



Front row: Abdullah Mohammed Alghobari, Nasser Saley Alhgbani, Fahed Saleh Aldossary, Nassar Saley Aldossary, Ahmed Abudllah Almadhi. **Second row**: Ali Mohammed Alhassan, Saad Abdullah Almalki, Ali Mofleh Alshogeathri, Sultan Alkhammali, Ahmad Ali Alayed, Asim Allsulami. **Back row**: Mohammed Alqhtani, Bandar Alhaidary, Yazeed Abdulaziz Alnasser, Mosaed Majrashi, Adel Alshaikh.

School of Leadership Studies Ambassadors

Front row: Whitney Davis, Emily Ruder, Theodore Stavropoulos, Erin Poppe, Jordan Fief. **Back row**: Rachel Ladenburger, Zachary Nelson, Grant Goodack, Laurel Pierson.

Sigma Alpha Lambda

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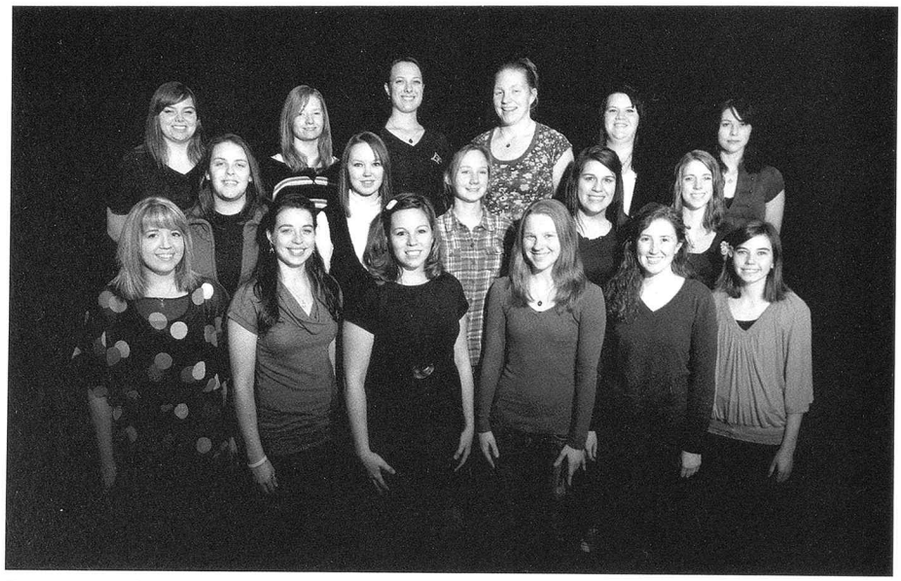
Silver Key
Sophomore Honor Society

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Smurthwaite
New Members

Front row: Aschlyn Heptig, Carol Kolins, Pam Rodriguez, Katie Benson. **Second row**: Merabeth Corbett, Kimberly Roberts, Jacey Holliday, Natalie Duling, Danielle Dick. **Back row**: Rachel Hinten, Eleanor Musil, Alexrandra Wilke, Clarissa Corkins.

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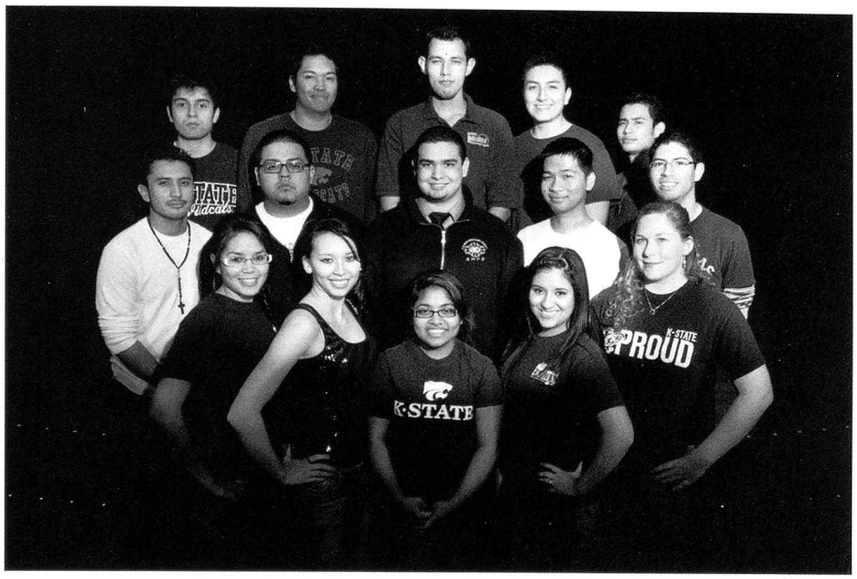
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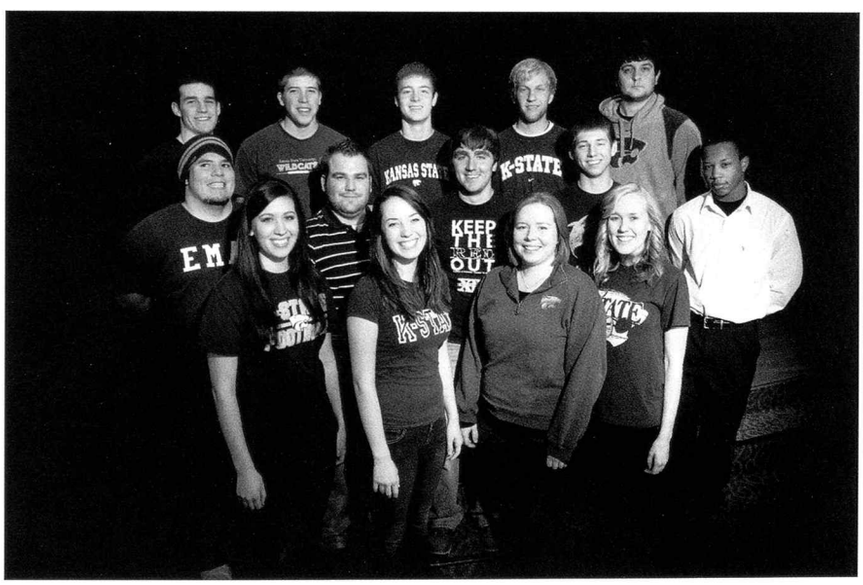
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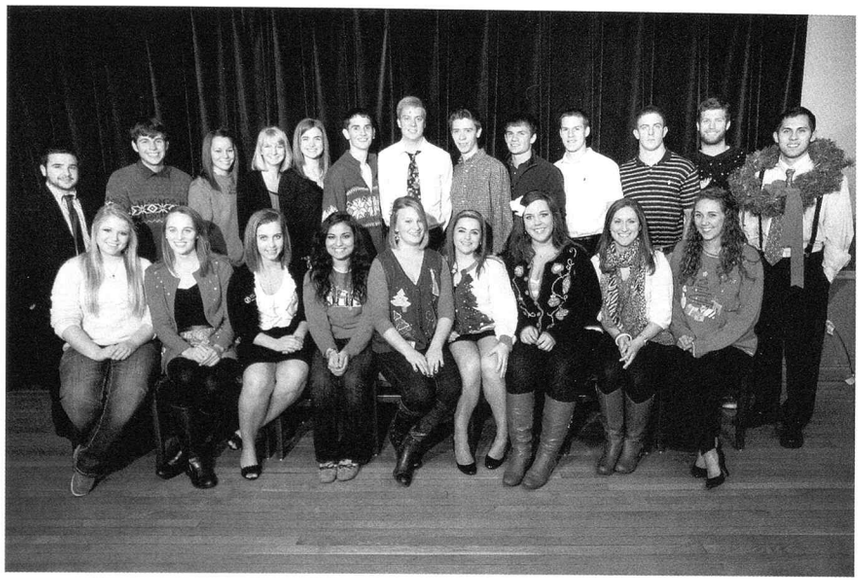
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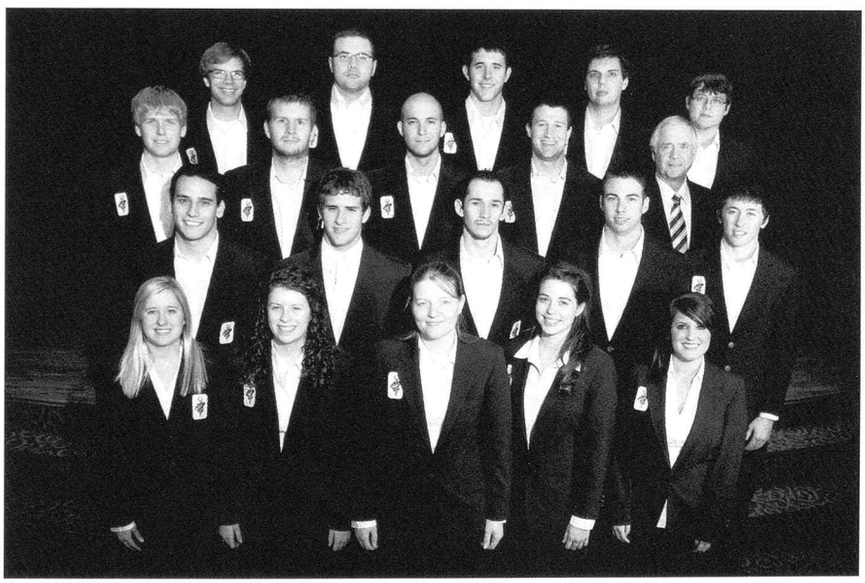
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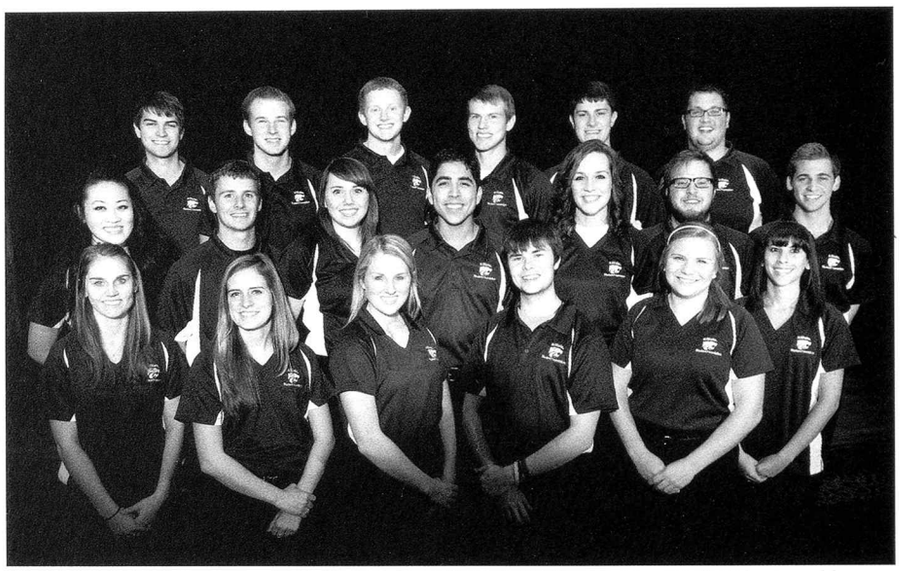
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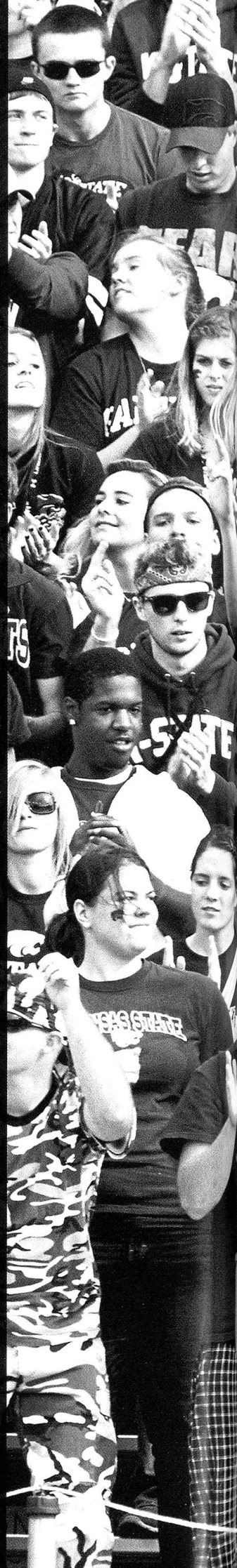
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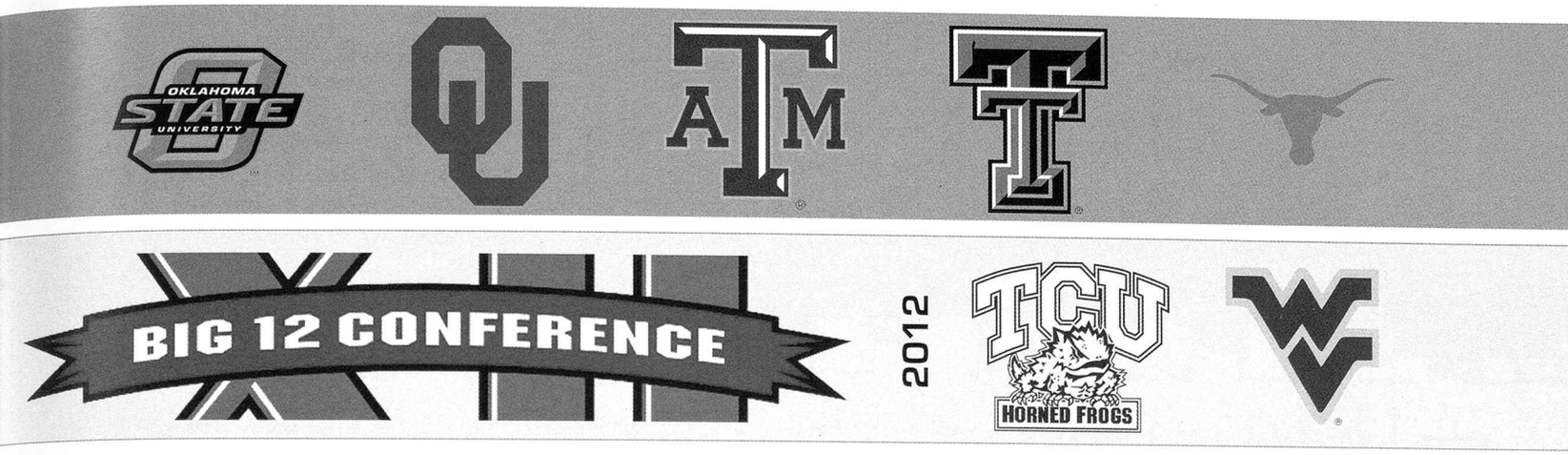


The student section at Bill Snyder Family Stadium does the wabash before the football game against the University of Oklahoma on Oct. 29. The Wildcats were defeated by the Sooners, 58 to 17. *Thommy Theis*


K-STATE
GAMEDAY



K-State's mascot Willie the Wildcat entertains fans during the football game against Iowa State on Dec. 3, 2011. A major part of the Big 12 Conference experience is the fans. *Evert Nelson*



by Zach Zaborny

BIG 12: REDEFINED

After much speculation, the conference plans to undergo many changes in the future.

After a year of conference realignment, with Nebraska and Colorado leaving the Big 12, more changes came during the fall of 2011 when both Texas A&M and the University of Missouri left the conference to join the Southeastern Conference, better known as the SEC.

The changes in conference membership started early on in the fall when in September, Texas A&M first decided to leave the Big 12. After Texas A&M spent its final season in the conference, the team was expected to head to its new home in the SEC effective July 2012.

As for Missouri, the decision to leave took longer. After A&M announced plans to leave, Missouri began to explore conference options and in November of 2011, Missouri announced that it had been accepted to the SEC as well. Like A&M, Missouri was expected to start in the SEC officially in July 2012.

Although K-State never made a conference change, the university was still involved in the process, since university president, Kirk Schulz, was the chair of the Big 12 expansion committee.

"I think with him being on the expansion committee, he's been instrumental and it really goes to show that K-State is a very strong organization within this conference," Ryan Wilkerson, senior in finance and accounting said.

As chair of the expansion committee, Schulz helped bring in two new members, Texas Christian University (TCU), and West Virginia, schools that both had connections to K-State through coaching.

TCU football coach Gary Patterson, 1983 graduate of K-State, started his coaching career with the Wildcats as a graduate assistant.

On the opposite side, West Virginia head men's basketball coach Bob Huggins served as the head men's coach at K-State for one year in 2007 and was responsible for bringing with him, at the time, assistant coach Frank Martin, who was hired on as K-State's head coach after Huggins left.

"It's exciting to get West Virginia who has a huge historic program in football and we'll get to face Huggins in basketball," Steven Cooper senior in marketing said.

In what ended up becoming a preview of future conference match-ups, the K-State men's basketball team was set to take on West Virginia in a neutral site game in Wichita in December of 2011.

While conference and university officials, as well as students were welcoming to the two new programs in the conference, not all K-State students were glad to see Texas A&M and Missouri leave.

Paul Minter, graduate student in college student personnel originally from Missouri, still felt that the Big 12 should have retained the schools.

"When I look at what's happening in the Big 12 with some of our traditional rivals and schools that helped form the Big 8 and the Big 12 leave, it makes me sick. I think that a lot of this comes from searching for money and while at the end of the day, I still think what is best for K-State is the most important thing, it still makes me sad to see schools leave," Minter said. "There is a lot of history and tradition here. I think that we do have some great partners and at the end of the day, K-State competes well in the conference."



The foundation is set as the construction progresses. The facility will include many different kinds of offices and courts for the team's uses. *Evert Nelson*

Building for the Future

by Zach Zaborny

The university's basketball program gets a state-of-the-art facility to call its own

Rising up along the east side of Bramlage Coliseum, a building was under construction that would help change the future of K-State basketball. This building, expected to be completed in the Spring 2012, would offer both the men's and women's basketball teams a chance to have separate practice space and an opportunity to help show off Wildcat basketball in a place they can call their own.

In the past, the men's and women's teams were forced to practice inside Bramlage Coliseum because only one court was available at a time, which didn't allow the teams the opportunity to be as flexible with practice as they might have liked.

Over the course of several months of construction, the athletic department had offered a website with information about the new facility that included a photo gallery of progress and a live webcam so K-State fans around the world can watch the progress.

"The thought of providing our young men with a state-of-the-art facility gets me excited. Assisting our student-athletes with first class training facilities, along with the ability to maximize their growth is what the K-State experience is all about. This building will allow our basketball program to continue to compete and solidify who we will be 20 years from now," K-State men's basketball head coach Frank Martin said, from comments on the K-State athletic department website.

According to the website, the new training facility would offer several great amenities: two full size practice courts, offices for head and assistant coaches, locker rooms for both programs and coaches, private players lounges, coaches offices, a weight room and a film room with theater style seating.

To help coaches get a better view of practices and the courts, assistant coaches would have their offices overlooking the courts so they could keep an eye on what was going on below them.

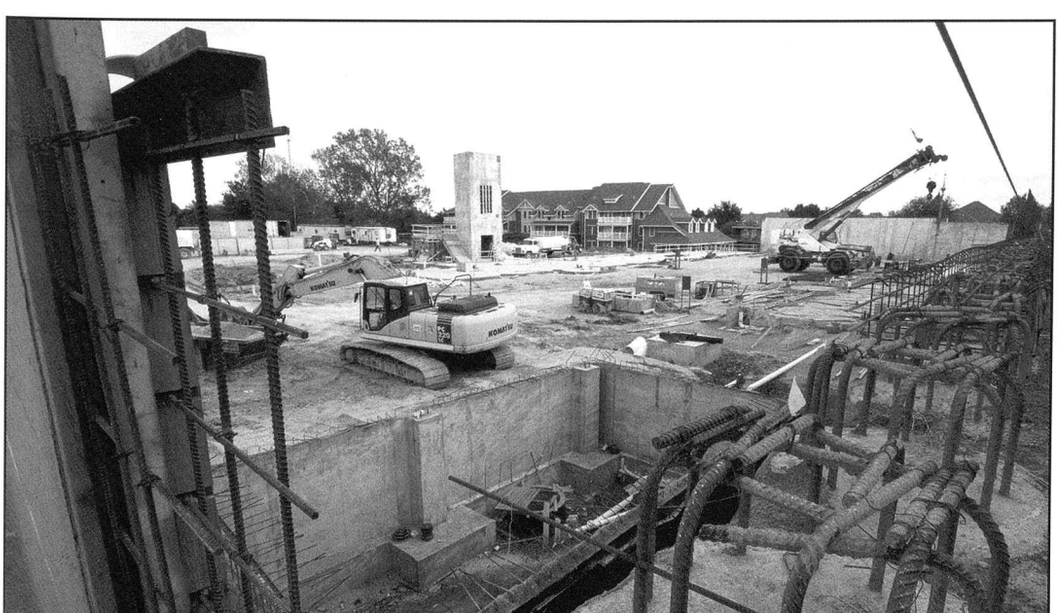
Both coaches from the men's and women's teams are excited about the practice facility and all it would offer to the athletes they coach.

"I look so forward to seeing the joy and pride in our players eyes each day as they walk into a first class facility comparable with those of our Big 12 peers. But what I am most thrilled about is that our players will have full time access to an awesome and much needed multi-basket court and this facility will open a tremendous door of opportunity for individual player and team development," women's head coach Deb Patterson said on comments from the website.

K-State athletics director John Currie offered similar comments posted on the department's Web page.

"This is not just about a building. This is about a once-in-a-generation opportunity to leverage our strengths – a championship heritage and a passionate fan base, coupled with unprecedented national excitement and visibility. This project marks a moment in time that will springboard our basketball programs back into a permanent leadership position in intercollegiate athletics," Currie said.

While the football team had the indoor practice facility, the baseball team had the Brandeberry indoor complex, volleyball had Ahearn Fieldhouse and golf had Colbert Hills, the basketball team would finally have a practice facility to call their own, created exclusively for the future success of the men's and women's programs.

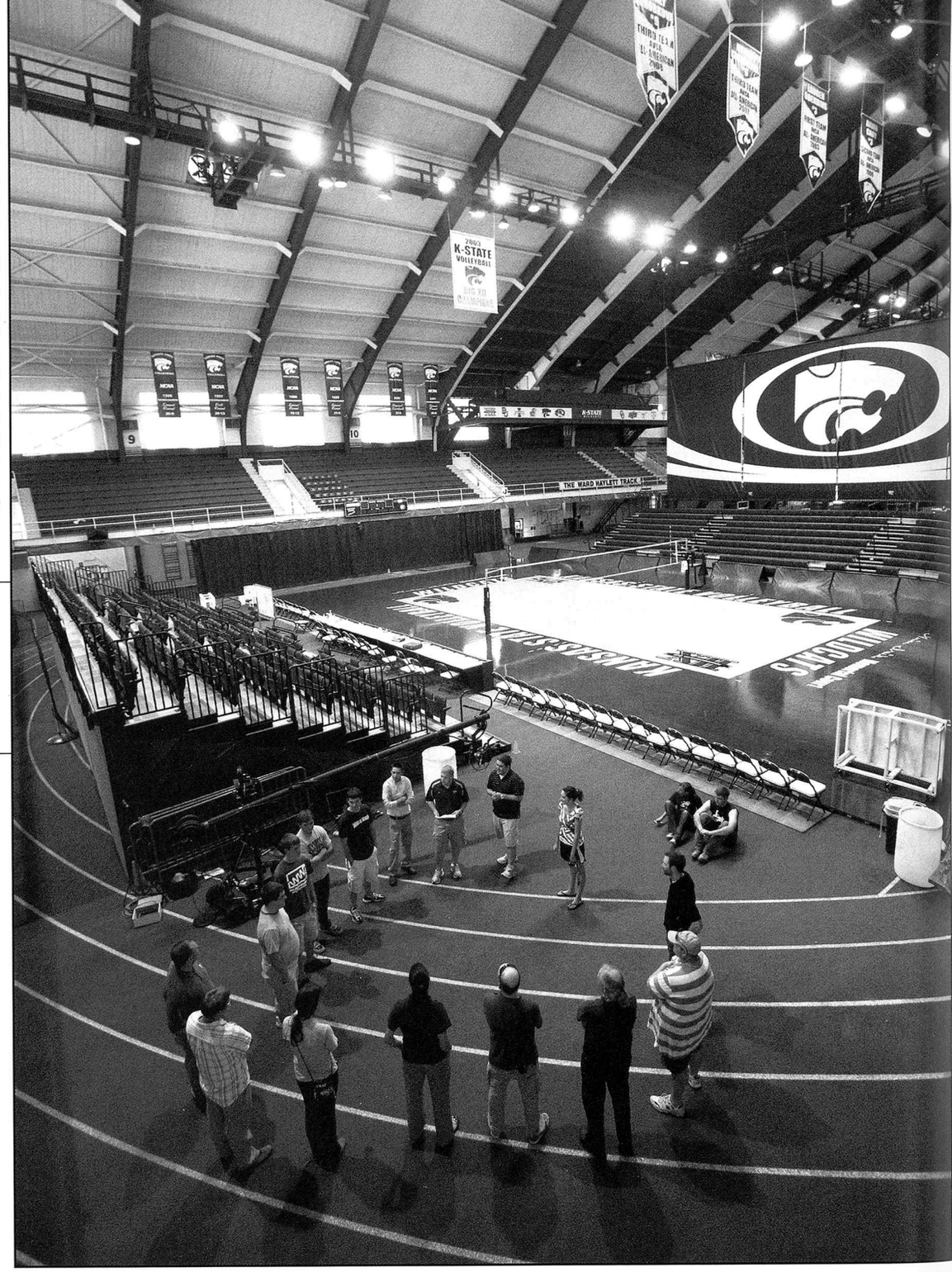


Construction continues for the new basketball facilities that are planned to open in the late Spring 2012. It will give the men's and women's basketball teams a new environment to practice and build as a program.
Evert Nelson

The production team gathered at Ahearn Fieldhouse for a production meeting for K-StateHD. TV's premiere broadcast at the volleyball game against Creighton. The leader of the meeting, Andy Liebsch, director of game day operations, divided set-up responsibilities among the crew so they would be prepared for production. *Lisle Alderton*

"We want to ensure that K-Staters anywhere in the world can watch the Wildcats."

Athletic Director John Currie



John Langer, broadcast engineer (left), and Jacob Mueller, junior in mass communications, teach two new employes Kelly Holton, sophomore in mass communications, and Michael Polzin, sophomore in computer in science, how to set up the upper level HD camera for filming a volleyball game in Ahearn Fieldhouse. *Lisle Alderton*



WILDCATS WORLDWIDE

University on cutting edge with creation of K-StateHD.TV

by Brent Gipson

The University of Texas created a precedent for Big 12 Conference member institutions: creating its own television network. K-StateHD.TV, the university's digital high-definition third-tier broadcasting network, will provide a worldwide connection to Kansas State University and K-State Athletics. It also established the university as an international leader in programming, accessibility and exposure. Under K-State's 2025 Visionary Plan, Athletic Director John Currie and university President Kirk Schulz hoped to create exposure on a national and global level with unique branding that highlights our academic and athletic success of our students and student-athletes.

"The launching of K-StateHD.TV is a tremendous step for Kansas State University as we continue on our path of becoming a top 50 public research institution in the country," Schulz said in a press release. "Our athletics and university staff members have been working tirelessly in concert over the past year to prepare for this debut and we are excited to showcase our brand to K-Staters world-wide."

The project, which debuted Aug. 30 when the K-State volleyball team defeated Creighton University, allowed athletic events that were not picked up by ABC/ESPN or FOX Sports to be broadcast on the network. All events being produced in high definition, classic athletic games, game replays, press conferences, original programming, on-campus lectures and performances were also produced and shown on the network. While most on-demand programming was free, all live athletic events and other premium content cost a viewer $9.95 per month, or $79.95 per year.

"We have a very distinctive and unique partnership with our university community and as we began putting together the pieces of this project, it became very clear that we had something special in the works that would provide us with an international platform to showcase our brand to our fans," Currie said.

Subscribers were allowed to see exclusive content, such as 'K-State Gameday', the official show for K-State HD athletic events, in addition to video productions aimed at increasing the visibility of all K-State athletic teams as well as on-campus activities and events. K-StateHD.TV was an extension of a service provided by K-State Athletics website provider, CBS College Network. The launch helped the network achieve the highest number of digital collegiate subscribers for CBS.

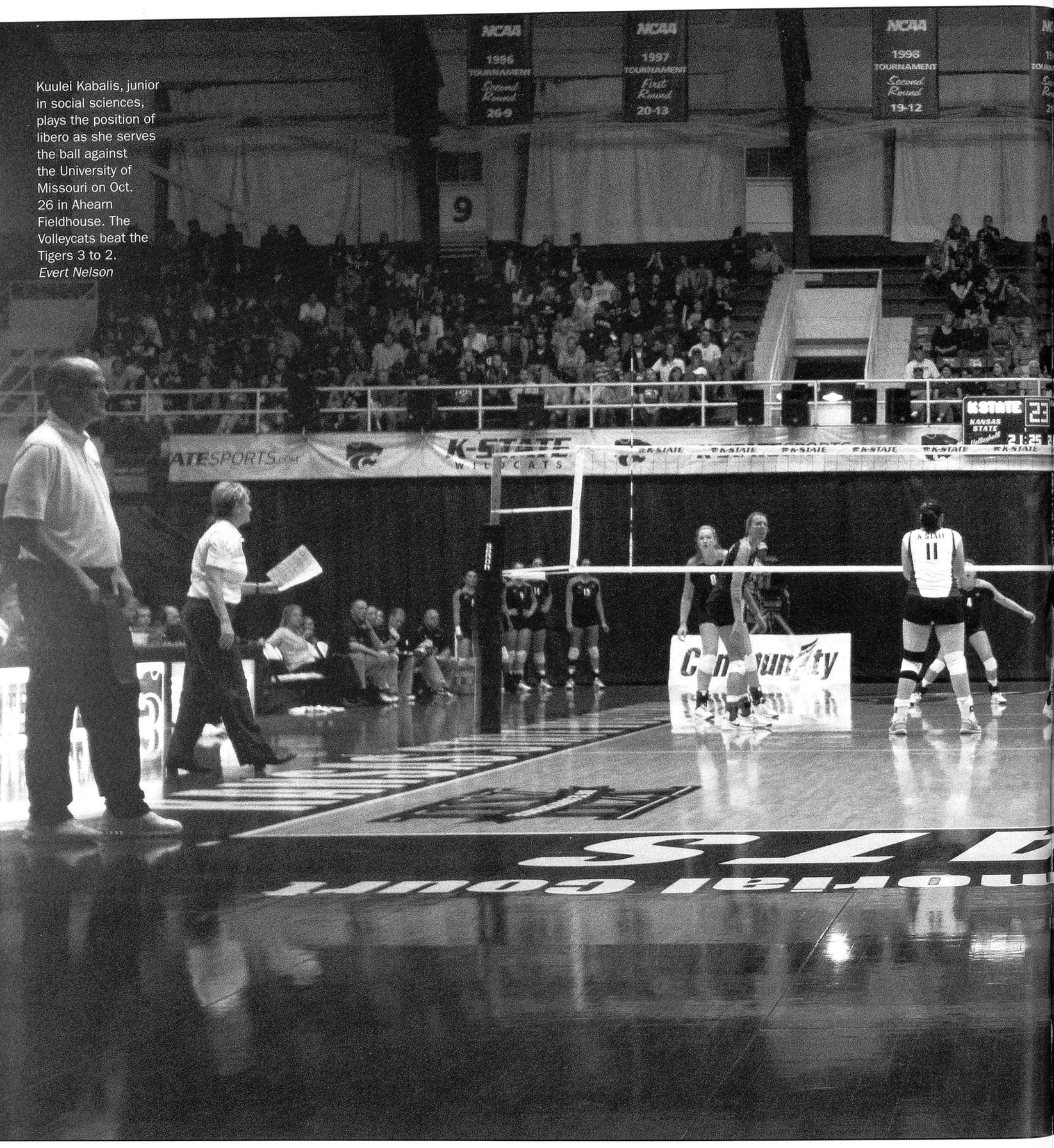
"We want to ensure that K-Staters anywhere in the world can watch the Wildcats," said Currie. "The fact that all of our new programming will be produced in high definition will also put us in a strategic position as we continue to explore future avenues for distribution."

According to Robert Nelson, chief engineer at K-StateHD.TV, the university spent about $500,000 for cameras and equipment to produce the all-HD content.

K-State planned to use five cameras for football games, four for basketball and baseball games and three for volleyball. To ensure that most fans will be able to view live content on the best possible bandwidth, the truck sent its feed to CBS Sports through ViewCast Niagara 4100 encoders, which built three streams of different quality, allowing end users to view the video quality best suited for their Internet connectivity, even if it was dial-up.

The project also provided an unmatched educational opportunity to both athletic department staff and students, allowing student workers to get hands-on experience utilizing the latest HD technology and programming equipment. K-State's Journalism and Mass Communications department adjusted curriculum to include classes that trained K-State students for K-StateHD.TV.

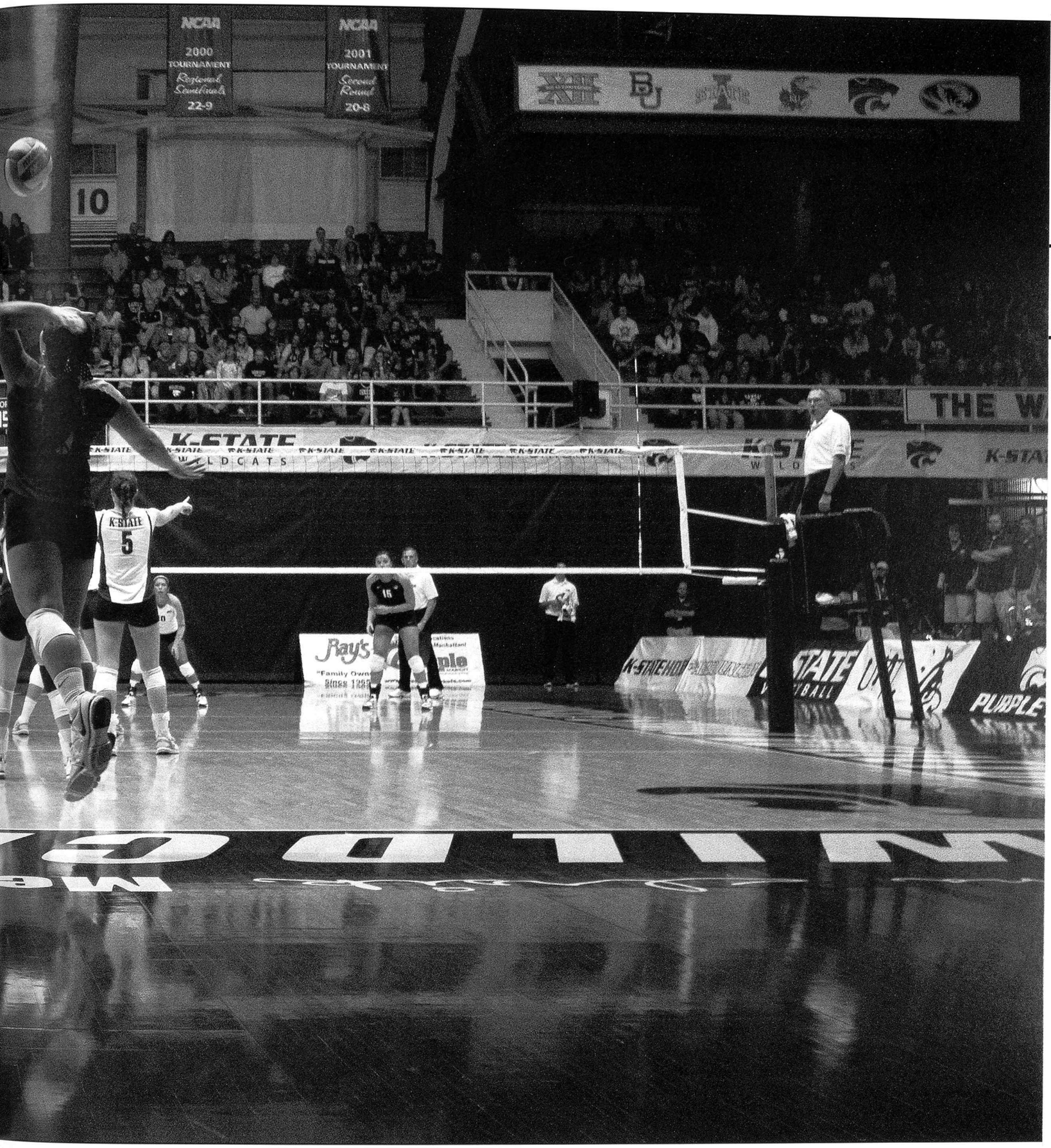
"We were very excited about the value that this project will provide to our university by giving K-State students the opportunity to exploit the latest and greatest HD equipment," Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students Pat Bosco said in a written statement. "By working with K-StateHD.TV, students will gain programming and production experience that will put them ahead of the curve in the job market and will enhance their prospects as they enter the professional sector."



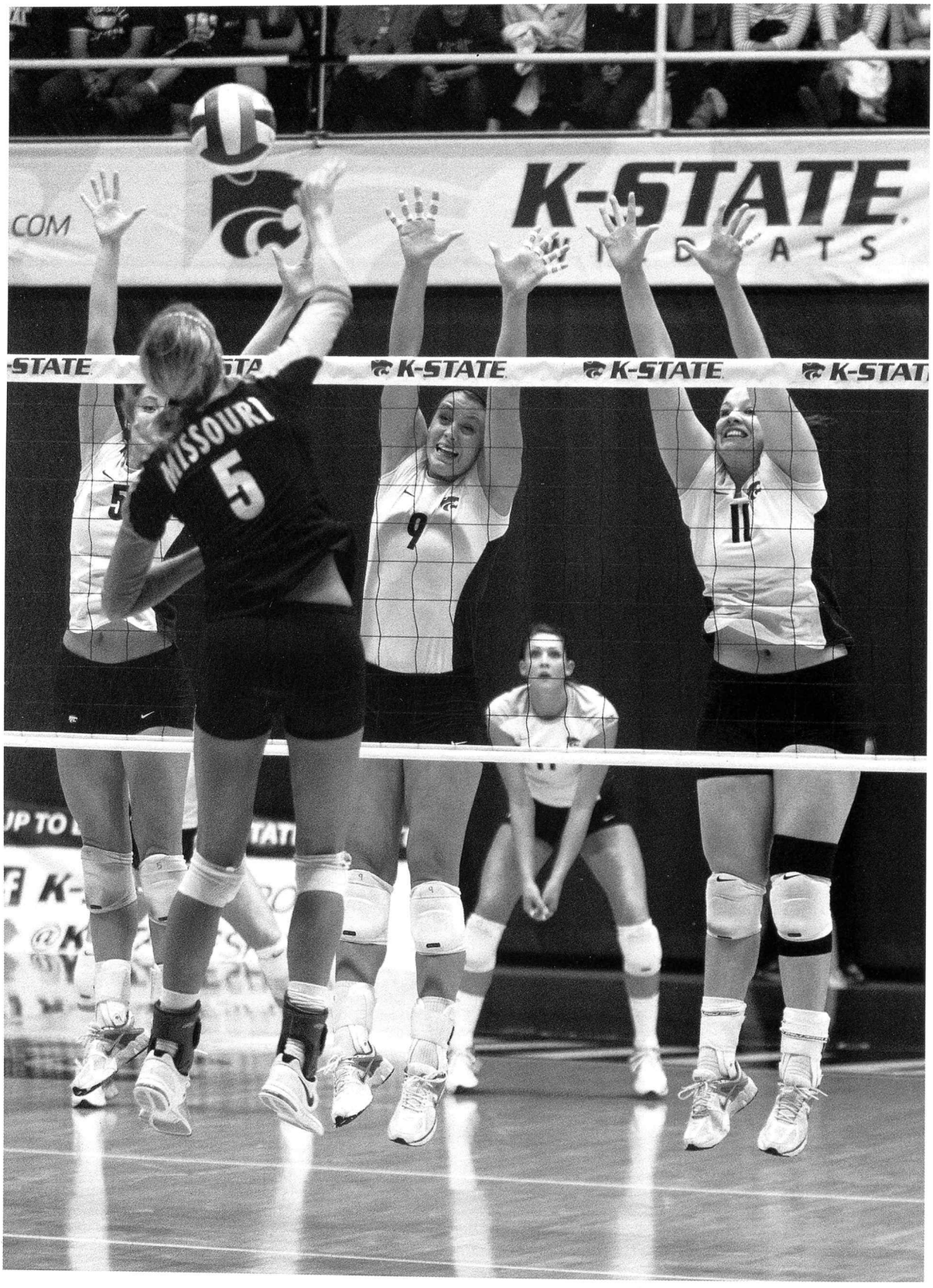
Kuulei Kabalis, junior in social sciences, plays the position of libero as she serves the ball against the University of Missouri on Oct. 26 in Ahearn Fieldhouse. The Volleycats beat the Tigers 3 to 2. *Evert Nelson*

A TALENT FROM THE ISLANDS

by Zachary Zaborny



Kuulei Kabalis plays in Ahearn Fieldhouse as the first-ever Hawaii-born volleyball player in school history. Transferring in her junior year, Kabalis hopes to lead the Volleycats to the NCAA Tournament.



Kathleen Ludwig, Alex Muff and Lilla Porubek go up for a block against the University of Missouri on Oct. 26. The Volleycats beat the Tigers by one match, ending the game with a score of 3 to 2.
Evert Nelson

The Volleycats huddle around assistant coach Jeff Hulsmeyer in between matches against the University of Missouri on Oct. 26.
Evert Nelson



The volleyball team had players from all over the country and all over the world step onto the court at Ahearn Fieldhouse to play. The year of 2011 was not an exception as the volleyball team welcomed Kuulei Kabalis, a junior in social science, as the first-ever Hawaiian-born player in school history.

Kabalis grew up in Hilo, Hawaii, and came from a family of great athletic background. Her two sisters played volleyball in college, and her mother was a player and coach at Hawaii-Hilo University, where she helped lead the team to the 1981 NAIA championship.

Being the first-ever K-State player from the Pacific, Kabalis was happy to come to Manhattan but experienced some difficulty adjusting to the Midwest.

"It's a huge culture shock. I didn't realize it was going to be this cold and a lot of snow every day in the winter," Kabalis said.

Another cultural difference for Kabalis was the language. Although English was spoken in Hawaii, natives spoke a slang version of it called pidgin. Cultural and geographic differences aside, Kabalis came to the university for one main reason: volleyball.

When she came in the fall of 2011, Kabalis was a transfer student from Western Nebraska University, where she helped lead the school to the 2010 NJCAA National Championship. The transition from junior college to Big 12 volleyball was considered a big adjustment but was one head coach Suzie Fritz thinks Kabalis made well.

"We felt like she could very quickly make the jump," Fritz said. "I feel like every new player goes through a transition process, but I feel as though she got through that process quicker than most."

When it came to her position on the team, Kabalis' role was as a libero. The main objective of this position was to play only in the back row during games and be used primarily on defense. That was a role that Fritz thought fit Kabalis well.

"Kuulei does all of the little things that nobody notices," Fritz said. "She has a very unselfish role on the team and helps do all the little things that make the big things happen."

Kabalis' teammates said she was a great silent leader on the court and a great teammate who did a lot of behind-the-scenes work.

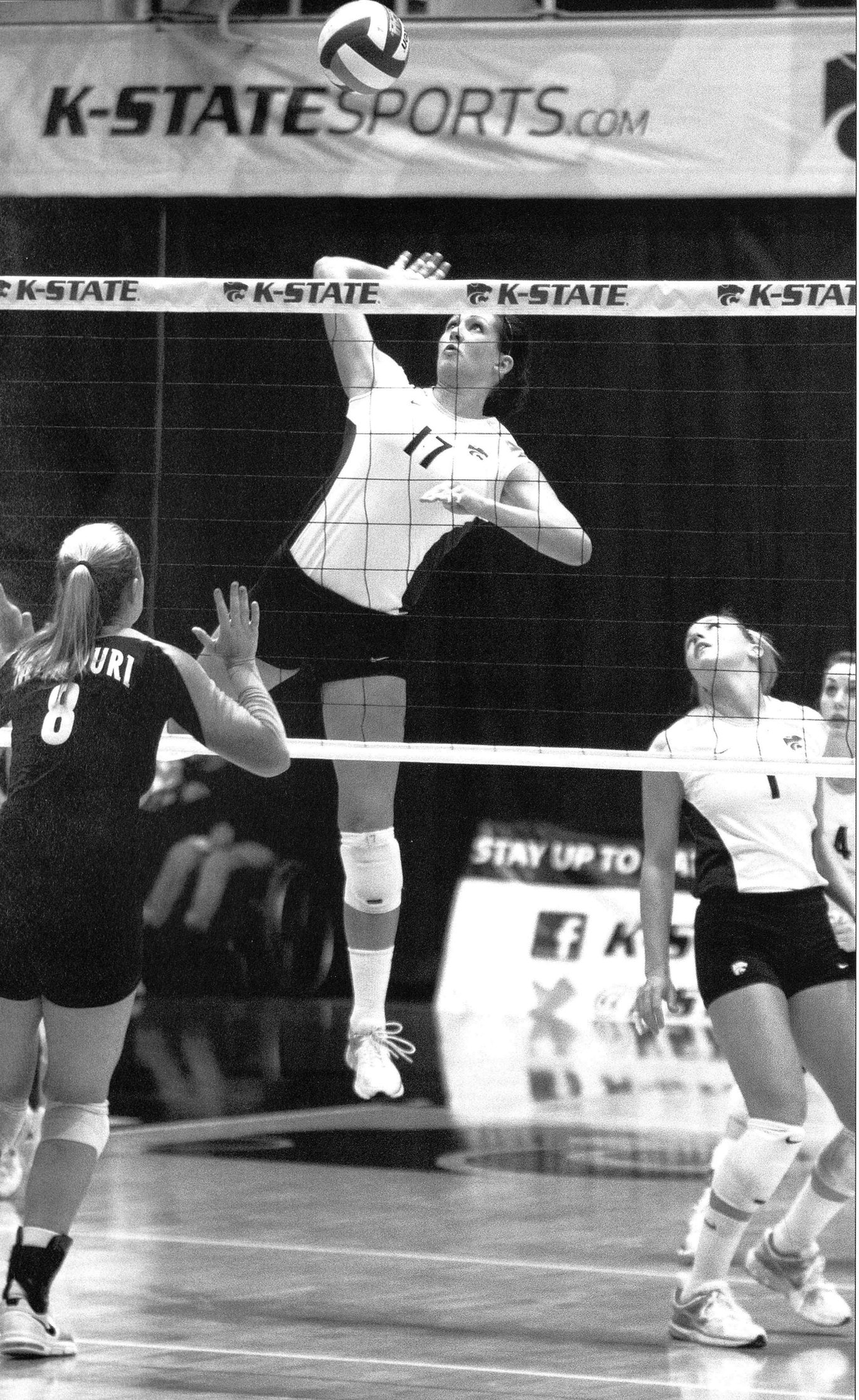
"Volleyball is a very chaotic sport and the best way to control that is to be composed and collected," said Tristan McCarty, sophomore in marketing. "When all things seem to be hectic, she's the one who brings us back down to earth and she's not losing her mind so it kind of helps us calm ourselves down."

Teammates agreed that Kabalis' communication on the court was an important part of the game.

"She's really good at keeping the calm on the team; it's the silent kind of talk that she has in the back row that keeps us all down to earth," said Courtney Traxon, sophomore in communications sciences and disorders.

While Kabalis may not have been the loudest person on the team, she had big hopes for the Wildcats.

"I know it's tough for a Division I school to go to the NCAA Tournament, but I'd like to make it a goal before I graduate to see if we can make it there," Kabalis said. "I enjoy playing volleyball. It's my life and I love it."





Head Coach Suzie Fritz relays a message to her team during a match. Fritz placed the paper to the side of her face to deter the opposing team from reading her lips. *Evert Nelson*

Kaitlynn Pelger, sophomore in family studies and human services, kills a ball during a match at home against Missouri on Oct. 26. This was Missouri's last visit to Ahearn Fieldhouse for a Big 12 Conference game before they departed for the SEC shortly after. The Wildcats won three to two and went on to play in a NCAA Regional Final match. *Lauren Gocken*



VOLLEYCATS SELECTED FOR 13TH NCAA TOURNAMENT APPEARANCE

The volleyball team was selected for its 13th overall program appearance in the NCAA Tournament this season, making it Coach Suzie Fritz's eighth. The 'Volleycats' were included in the tournament field after a selection show on ESPNU. After ending a three-year tournament drought, the team continued its season by taking on the Wichita State Shockers on Dec. 1 in Lincoln, Neb.

The Wildcats swept the Shockers in three sets, 25-18, 25-22 and 25-17. The Shockers struggled to score during the match as the team held them to a .119 hitting percentage. Alex Muff, senior in marketing, had 10 kills and led the team with a .412 hitting percentage.

On the Wildcat defense, Kaitlynn Pelger, sophomore in family studies and human services, led the team with 17 digs. Tristan McCarty, junior in marketing, had 12 digs and Kuulei Kabalis, junior in social sciences, had 14. Pelger also led the Wildcats with 15 kills.

"I think personally for me, in my first NCAA tournament, I didn't know what to expect," Pelger said. "I just had to realize it was just another match. We were one of 64 teams out of 300-something that still got to play."

When Nebraska was still a member of the Big 12, the Huskers defeated the Wildcats a total 82 out of 85 times they were matched up in conference play. With the Huskers being second-ranked in the field of 64, the Wildcats were predicted to not have a chance. The team pulled a shocking upset as they defeated the Huskers in five sets, 25-22, 22-25, 31-29, 22-25, 15-11. In the crucial fifth set, K-State was able to get a quick lead. The Huskers were able to bring it within one point, but the Volleycats did not secede. The team scored three straight points and went on to win.

"We spent a long time talking about playing our best volleyball in December. I think we finally hit our stride and peaked at the right time. We won a lot of fifth sets this year," Fritz said. "I don't have any magic dust I throw on them or anything. I just told them we've been in these before and we won them all year and let's go get one more. I liked the quality of volleyball we were playing at that point."

After coming off of a thrilling win, the Wildcats were in the Sweet 16. They traveled to Honolulu, Kabalis' home state, to face the No. 10 Pepperdine Waves of Malibu, Calif. The Waves offense proved too much and swept the Wildcats in three sets 25-18, 25-12, 25-23. Pepperdine came out to a fast start in the second set, leading 17-4 at one point. After the 10-minute break between sets, the Wildcats came out to lead 14-10 at one point. The Waves were able to climb to a 23-20 lead, until K-State went on a run, tying the set 23-23. The Waves scored two straight and secured the victory. Kathleen Ludwig, senior in elementary education, led the team with 12 kills and Pelger added 10. In program history, K-State had reached the Sweet 16 four times. They have never won a regional semi-final.

"That was not our best effort unfortunately," Fritz said. "When you were to that point in the season you simply needed to play well."





Willie the Wildcat does the famous K-S-U cheer midfield in Bill Snyder Family Stadium prior to the K-State football game against Kent State Sept. 17. The Wildcats won their second game of the season, 37 to 0. *Jonathan Knight*

"Willie is an important part of our school. It's tradition to have him on the field before every football game."

Devin Douglas, Junior in Information Systems

A ROUGH AND TOUGH TEAM

by Kelsey White

Women participate in growing sport with passion and drive.

Weather conditions, the amount of padding and protection, and the size of their opponents were all irrelevant when it came to this group of women. Practicing several nights a week for any circumstance it might have faced, the women's rugby club sports team was one of the toughest organizations on campus.

"It takes a tough girl to play rugby," said Rachel Pate, junior in elementary education and vice president of the club. "It's a lot like soccer, but we tend to call it 'elegant violence.'

It's a lot of fun, but it is unique. We tackle but with no pads. It is pretty intense and definitely takes a special person to play this sport."

Describing the sport of rugby and all of the "elegant violence" it entailed was one of the best ways the women recruited more members to play.

"I knew people who had played before. I like contact sports, they liked contact sports, so we had that in common. They said I should give it a shot," said Lisa Crevoiserat, senior in biology.

Besides the tackling and the physicality of the sport, another thing that made this club unique was the experience level of all the players. Most of the girls who came out for the team had no knowledge of the sport prior to that year. It was not a common sport in Kansas high schools, which for the club, was both an obstacle as well as one of its most appealing aspects.

"With rugby, not many girls have experience coming from high school, so when I came to my first practice, everyone was on the same page as me," Pate said. "It was something I could excel at and something I could learn."

Determination and effort were not in short supply with this team, and it was fully evident at practices. Packed with conditioning and agility drills, the women worked hard to get prepared for the matches and tournaments they played.

"When playing, you use a lot of stuff. There is running, there is contact, you use your muscles, you use everything," said Holly Wells, senior in biology.

The regular routine at practice started with the group running a lap followed with stretching as a team. Next, the team would do a drill called "running hands," which involved the women getting in lines to practice passing the ball horizontally from one player to the other. After their bodies and hands were warmed up, they would go straight into the tackling exercises involving the whole team, including the rookies.

"There wasn't much of a wait period in the beginning. I just got out there and started. I am a small girl so some of the people are pretty big here; I was a little intimidated at first," Wells said. "It hurts sometimes, but it's fun and it's worth it."

All of the practices seemed to pay off as the team traveled and played many matches and tournaments throughout the fall and spring seasons. The players were optimistic about the future, having recently experienced their first win of the season against Truman State in the fall.

"Hopefully, we can get more people to come through the summer and into next fall so we can make it into the district competition and we can get championships," Wells said.

Keeping the girls focused and involved through the years was one of the club's main challenges. The number of veterans would dwindle because of loss of interest or graduation, leaving the team dependent on the rookies. Constantly recruiting and looking for new girls, the players continued to practice hard to keep the organization strong through the years.



Lacy Salas, the recruitment chair of the team, tries to break away from a group of Mid-MO players on March 10. Players didn't have to be students to join the team, and no prior experience was necessary to become a part of the team.
Lisle Alderton

Colleen Danahy, senior in animal sciences and industry, tries to deflect a tackle from her opponent in Memorial Stadium during the team's first home match of the Spring season on March 10. Memorial Stadium was also where the team practiced every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday during the school year.
Lisle Alderton



Head football coach Bill Snyder leads his team and the rest of the coaches through the tunnel in Bill Snyder Family Stadium before the game against Oklahoma State Oct. 29. The Wildcats lost to the Sooners 58 to 17. *Tommy Theis*

WILDCAT DOMINATION

by Brent Gipson



After starting the year winning seven games in a row, the Wildcats finish the regular season with 10 wins and just two losses.



How did they do it? Head Coach Bill Snyder didn't even know.

"We played good enough to win," Snyder said. "But not good enough."

The Wildcats came into the season being picked to finish eighth in the preseason Big 12 poll. In the end, they won 10 games, placed second in the Big 12, were ranked No. 8 in the final BCS poll and were invited to play in the Cotton Bowl against Arkansas on Jan. 6 in Dallas.

David Garrett, senior in sociology and defensive back on the team, summed up the season in one statement.

"We stuck together and continued to play," Garrett said. "We refused to lose."

The season started with a bang, as Snyder chalked his 150th win as a collegiate head coach. Under a sold-out crowd, for the third consecutive time on a home opener, the Wildcats defeated the Eastern Kentucky Colonels in a 10-7 victory. Chris Harper, sophomore in open option and wide receiver on the team scored the games only touchdown.

"It was a good moment," Harper said. "The last time I scored, I got hit in my stomach so I really did not get to enjoy it, but then it kind of set in. It was just one of those moments that I will remember forever."

The Wildcats recorded their first shutout of an opponent since Florida Atlantic in 2006 in their second game, defeating the Kent State Golden Flashes 37-0 at home.

"I am always happy when we can do that [shutout]," Snyder said. "It is not an easy task. We were fortunate in that they were penalized in a few scoring situations. "

K-State traveled to Miami for the first road game of the season and was able to stop the Hurricanes from scoring late in the fourth quarter to seal a 28-24 Wildcat victory. John Hubert, junior in social sciences and running back on the team, ran for a career-high of 166 yards.

"He [Hubert] played reasonably well. He made some plays on his own, he broke a few tackles," Snyder said. "He wasn't without his mistakes. He had the ball on the ground a few times, fortunately we got it back. But I thought he overall improved his play."

The Wildcats earned their first win over a ranked team since 2007 in a home showdown against the Baylor Bears. Robert Griffin III, Baylor quarterback and Heisman trophy winner, threw his first interception of the season. K-State defeated the No. 15 Bears 36-35. Collin Klein, senior in business administration and quarterback on the team, threw for 146 yards and two touchdowns.

"The win erases a lot of the pain," Klein said. "I focused on the good feeling I have inside and not the external feeling. The external healed. There were good people taking care of us down in the training room."

K-State was able to secure its first 5-0 start after a 24-17 win over Missouri, the first of its kind since 2000 as Klein rushed for three touchdowns. Klein finished with 157 yards of total offense and Hubert added 126 yards.

"I love being the go-to guy and having the team on my back," Hubert said. "That is what I am here for and that is why they recruited me. That is what I am capable of and that is what I am going to do."

The team, now ranked 17th, earned their first win at Texas Tech since 1997 led by Klein's four touchdowns. The squad secured bowl eligibility for the 14th time under Snyder. Tyler Lockett, freshman in open option and wide receiver on the team, returned a 100-yard kickoff for a touchdown.

"The first crease I saw was in the middle when I was running outside," Lockett said. "It was a little bitty hole and I thought I could squeeze



Quarterback Collin Klein, junior in finance, celebrates with his Wildcat teammates after scoring a rushing touchdown in Lawrence against Kansas Oct. 22. The Wildcats defeated the Jayhawks 59 to 21.
Logan M. Jones



K-State linebacker Arthur Brown, senior in social sciences, gets to Eastern Kentucky quarterback Jared McCalin in the second half of the game on Sept. 3. The Wildcats won 10-7.
Logan M. Jones

through it and I made it."

In the Sunflower Showdown, the Wildcats were able to win the Governor's Cup for the second year in the row and tallied 59 points in the win for the second straight season in Lawrence. No. 12 K-State defeated Kansas 59-21.

The Wildcats eight-game winning streak was ended by Oklahoma, losing to the Sooners 58-17. Klein was sacked seven times, and the Wildcats were penalized a total of five times in the game. K-State led once in the game, 17-14 midway through the second quarter. Klein rushed for 92 yards in the game.

"All teams in the Big 12 are very similar," Lockett said. "We knew what we were going to face each team that has their own individual style of play. I think Oklahoma was really physical. We battled with them a lot in the first half, and we just did not have the same desire going into the second half."

In a fourth-quarter showdown at Oklahoma State, the Wildcats were able to have a chance at overtime, taking the ball at 2:16 remaining in the game, but Klein's pass on third and goal from the OSU five-yard line fell incomplete as time expired.

"We did some good things, but I also made some mistakes that we can't afford to have in critical field position situations," Klein said. "We hung tough, and fought together through the whole game, but ultimately we just came up short."

After two straight losses, No. 14 K-State won a 4-OT thriller over Texas A&M, 53-50. Klein was able to score on a quarterback sneak in the fourth overtime to defeat the Aggies. Klein threw for 281 yards and added 103 yards rushing.

"We addressed responding in the fourth quarter a thousand times," Snyder said. "With the exception of one ballgame, they did it week in and week out. There is no guarantee that it will be that way in the future. It is all about how we respond to things."

The team was able to defeat Texas 17-13, and earn a win against the Longhorns for the fourth consecutive time.

"I think we just came prepared to play," Tre Walker, sophomore in business and linebacker for the team said. "Our coaches, did a great job and preparing us for new alignments and shifts because they shift a lot. Sometimes when you don't communicate that much, its hard for your defense."

Hubert ran for 120 yards and the game winning touchdown, defeating the Iowa State Cyclones 30-23 in the final regular season game. Although the game was delayed 90 minutes due to lightning, the Wildcats only needed 15 seconds to score on a play. Klein floated a pass to Tramaine Thompson, junior in social sciences and wide receiver on the team, on a 68-yard touchdown.

"This season was crazy. This whole season has been a magical season for everybody on this team," Thompson said. "We expected to do well, but I do not think a lot of people expected us to be where we are right now. It is good to see all the support we have from our fans."

After finishing 10-2 on the year, the Wildcats accepted an invitation to play in the 2012 Cotton Bowl against the Arkansas Razorbacks. A handful of awards were garnished upon the team, including Snyder receiving Big 12 Coach of the Year from five different media outlets, including the AP, as well as National Coach of the Year from four different outlets. Klein received first-team All-Big 12 from four different outlets, including ESPN. He also received the ESPN Herbie Award for College Football's "Unsung Hero of the Year."

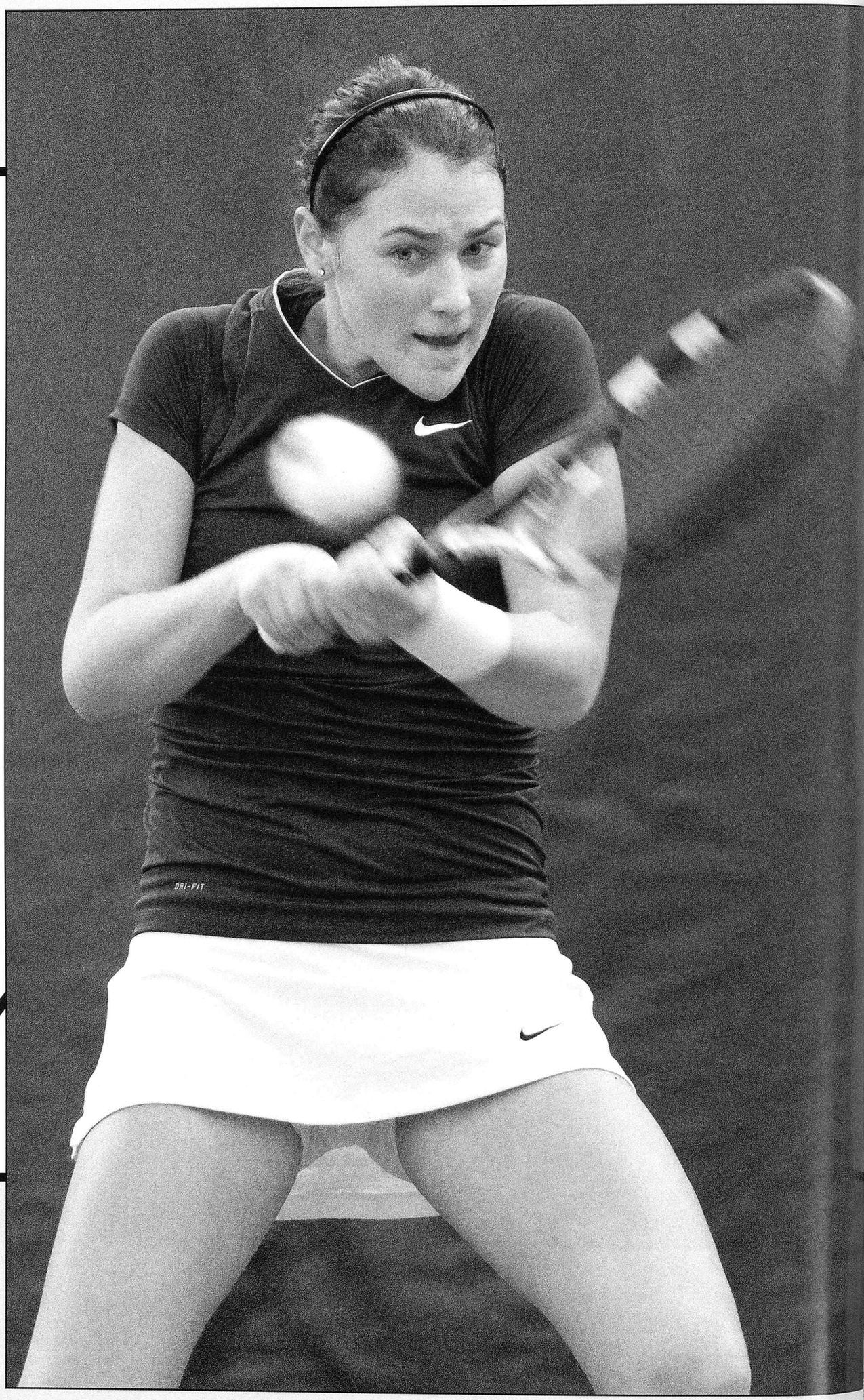

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The 2012 Cotton Bowl kicks off inside Cowboys Stadium on Jan. 6 in front of nearly 81,000 screaming fans. The bowl game featured the Kansas State Wildcats from the Big 12 Conference and the Arkansas Razorbacks from the SEC. The Wildcats lost, 29 to 16. *Logan Jones*

"Dallas Stadium was just incredible, being in the game with all the fans was awesome. It was cool to be able to cheer on the Cats at the Cotton Bowl my last year at K-State."

Matthew Crow, Senior in Construction Science



Karla Bonacic, junior in psychology, returns the ball during the doubles match with her partner Carmen Borau Ramos, junior in civil engineering, against Arkansas-Little Rock in Manhattan, Kan. on Feb 18. The duo won 8 to 5, helping the Wildcats win overall 7 to 0.
Tommy Theis

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A lifetime of tennis playing helps one female student athlete succeed at a highly competitive level.

by Jenay Unruh

Nationally ranked singles tennis player and junior Karla Bonacic went 3-0 for the Cats in Tulsa, Okla. Bonacic and her doubles partner, Carmen Borau Ramos, junior in civil engineering, won their doubles match against UT-Arlington's Giada D'ortona and Natalia Mayuk 8-7, (7-2). In number two singles, Bonacic defeated Mayuk once again 6-0, 6-2.

"Karla Bonacic increased K-State's lead to 3-0, with her sixth win this spring at number two singles. Bonacic is now 45-30 in her career and 12-6 this season," said K-State's head coach Steve Bietau, according to K-Statesports.com.

Bonacic's wins contributed to Bietau's career win record of 250.

Bonacic prefers singles. Her career-best overall singles record of 21-9 showed it was her specialty. Bonacic also competed in doubles teams with roommate Ramos and the number one singles player, sophomore in economics Petra Niedermayerova. When the girls competed for their spots on the team, it could result in conflict within pairs of doubles.

However, Bonacic said in regards to Petra, "I'm happy that she is a good player and we are all on the same team. I'm not the jealous type." Bonacic adds "I think it's good for the team."

She saw a mostly individual sport as a team sport instead.

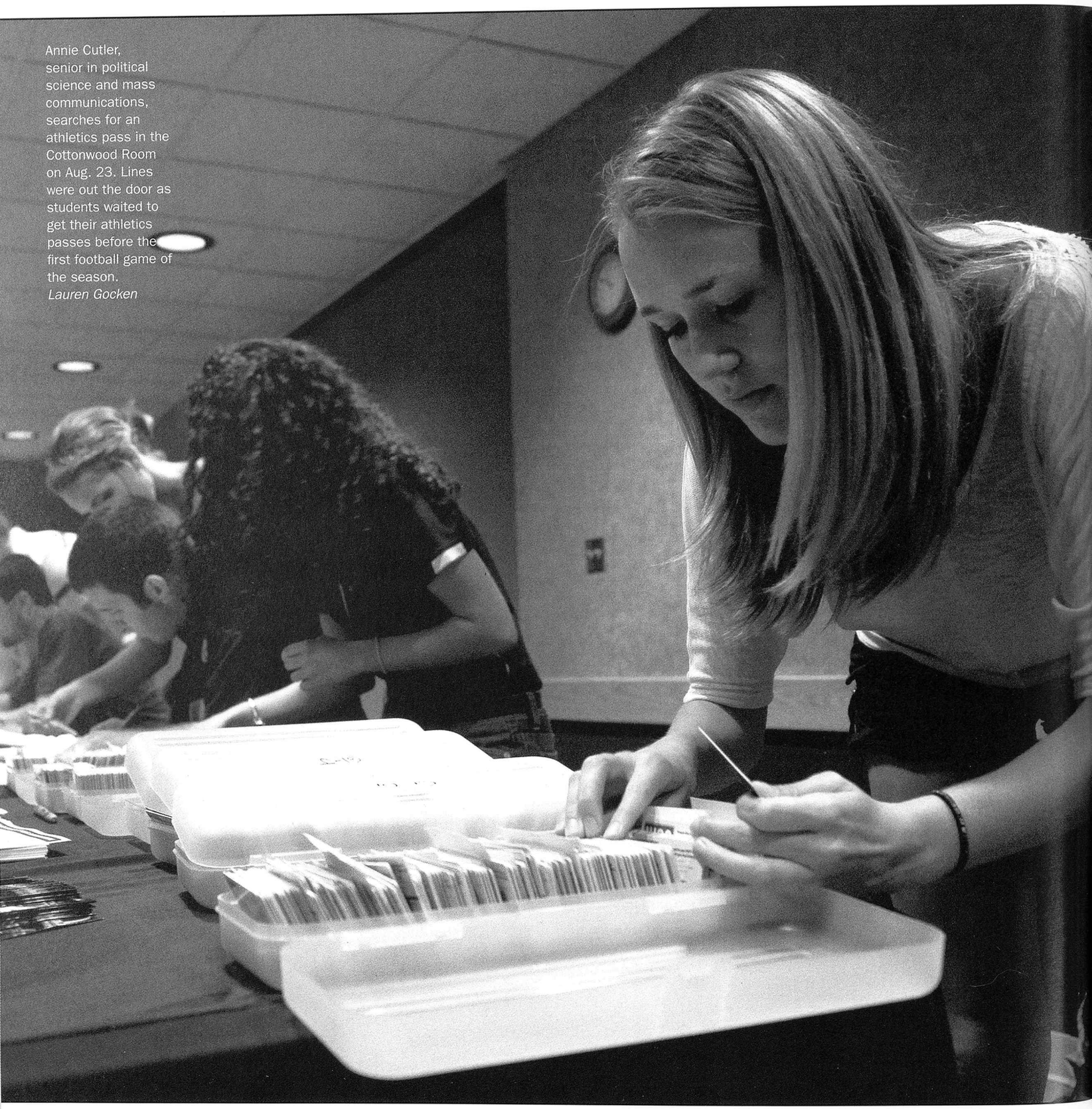
Bonacic had been playing tennis for 12 years. "I lived right next to the courts and I always wondered how someone could hit the ball that fast," said Bonacic. "I started playing out of curiosity." Bonacic was born in Split, Croatia. She joined a small tennis club when she was 9 years old and began training with a personal coach at the age of 12. At 15, Bonacic made one of her favorite tennis memories.

"I made it into finals of the Croatia Junior Championships while being 3 years younger than everybody," she said.

This international competition was held in Split, Croatia, Bonacic's hometown.

During her high school years, Bonacic planned to go into professional tennis instead of going to college. Then, in 2008, Bonacic's future plans came to an end when the cartilage broke in her left wrist during her fall senior season. This injury repeated itself her sophomore year at K-State after being recruited by Bietau.

"Karla understands what she has to do on a day to day basis to be a good player," Bietau said.



Annie Cutler, senior in political science and mass communications, searches for an athletics pass in the Cottonwood Room on Aug. 23. Lines were out the door as students waited to get their athletics passes before the first football game of the season.
Lauren Gocken



AN ALL-ACCESS PASS

by Shelby Brunk

Improvement. It was the one word that struck the minds of the athletic department when it came to the student ticketing system.

This year, tickets were placed on a student pass. When accompanied with a K-State student ID, the pass granted students access into their specified sections.

"I think the new tickets are working well with students. There have been no issues communicated between the students and the department," said Scott Garrett, assistant athletic director.

The new system was presented with three different packages: the ICAT Combo Plan, General Admission Combo Plan and the Football Only Admission Plan. Students chose from these packages, which then were placed on the students' cards. With plans ranging from $150 to $295, each package was popular among various students.

But forgetting the passes had been a common issue among the student population.

"If the student forgets their ID, there is nothing we can do about it. However, if they forget their athletic passes, we have a system to look them up. We can reprint the tickets for that event and then the student has access to the game," Garrett said.

Students shared the same concern: remembering the pass. Although, there had been a consensus that the new system made it easier to attend games.

"On the first game I had left my student ID at my house because I had no idea I needed it. The staff was super helpful in getting me in and assured me I would be able to sit in ICAT still," said Katie Maxon, sophomore in business. "I really like the new system compared to last year's."

The ticketing system changed this year because of numerous problems students faced regarding scams, reprints and Internet issues that were campuswide.

"When Internet issues faced us on game day, there was a point when we did 400 reprints," Garret said. "When students were needing to print tickets, we figured we were making it more difficult than it needed to be. We worked along the Student Governing Association and saw what other universities were doing to make it easier for students."

The passes still allowed students to let others borrow unused tickets, but needing an ID and the activities pass created complications. Lending tickets to others caused students to be more cautious about who they lended their tickets to, in the worry of getting both their ID and student passes back.

"It's definitely given me a second look at who I will let use my tickets," said Joey Walter, sophomore in business. "Last year, you would be able to give your athletic tickets away to just about anyone."

it's OK I'm with the band: confessions of a twirler

by Zach Zaborny

A view of university pride from a unique perspective

Putting on a football game during the fall always meant one thing: a performance from the marching band. Every Saturday, Lauren Meis and Katelyn Bradbury, K-State twirlers, accompanied more than 300 band members onto the field.

Meis, freshman in elementary education, and Bradbury, sophomore in kinesiology, held the titles of 2011 feature and Wildcat twirlers.

The role of feature twirler went to Meis, who in 2011 became the first person to hold that unique role in four years. As the feature twirler, Meis was responsible for leading the football team onto the field.

Bradbury, as the Wildcat twirler, still did all of the same things as Meis, the only difference was that Meis got first pick for twirling at things like pep rallies and community events. Bradbury held the position of the Wildcat twirler every year on the squad since arriving as a freshman, three years prior.

Regardless of the different titles, both girls agreed that being a part of the marching band experience and getting the chance to represent the university were some of the main reasons for why they participated in twirling.

"I think seeing how influential the band is throughout campus and the community, we really are the heart of the game and we keep everybody going," Bradbury said.

Although the twirlers did not play an instrument, they still practiced alongside the band each week at Memorial Stadium.

"We come in an hour early on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and then we have practice with the band on those days, too," Meis said.

Gameday was wasn't any different; the band and twirlers practiced five hours before each game so that they could get their work in before the football team showed up.

While Bradbury and Meis both thought performing with the band was a highlight of what they did. For Bradbury, her favorite moment was something smaller.

"I love the third and fourth quarter when we get to go around the track and twirl for the students and families because you get to meet people. It's more real and more down home, kind of like what K-State is all about," Bradbury said.

Bradbury and Meis were under the direction of Shannon Meis, who was not only a K-State Alumni and a former feature twirler back in the late 1980s, but also the mother of Lauren Meis. The mother and daughter duo were the first K-State twirler legacy.

With mom and daughter working alongside each other, there were some unique challenges, but both Shannon and Lauren put their relationship aside on the field.

"She's been my coach my whole life so I'm used to it, but I really like it because it's another connection that we have outside of being mother and daughter," Meis said. "We've had to learn when it's mom and daughter time and when it's coach and student time, but we've found that balance really well and we work well together."

Band director Frank Tracz hired Shannon in 1998. Shannon said getting the chance to come back and coach twirling at her alma mater has been worth it to her every step of the way.

"I enjoy being able to share this part of the coaching aspect with not only my former students that I'm able to continue working and teaching with, but my daughter especially," Shannon said. "It truly is a blessing to continue to work with her in a sport that I'm passionate about to watch her become passionate about it as well."

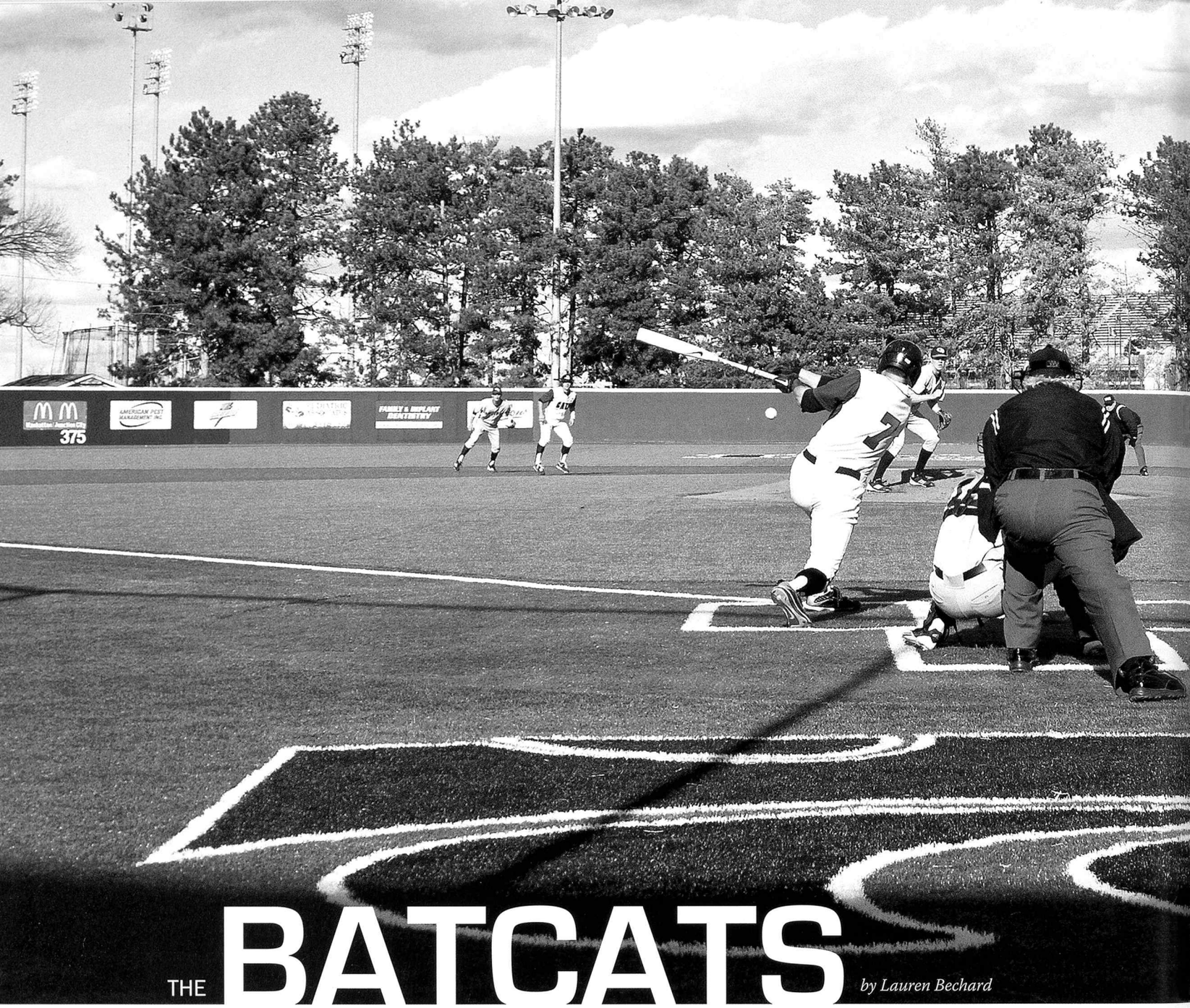






Katelyn Bradbury, left, and Lauren Meis, right, perform with the marching band during a rehearsal before the homecoming parade on Oct. 28. The band held practices in Memorial Stadium in the fall before every football game.
Lauren Gocken

Katelyn Bradbury, sophomore in kinesiology, stands on the 20-yard-line with the rest of the band for the pre-game routine against the University of Oklahoma on Oct. 29. The Wildcats were defeated by the Sooners 58 to 17.
Lauren Gocken



THE BATCATS

by Lauren Bechard

As the winter season shifted to spring and the weather warmed up, so did the attitudes of many K-State fans toward the approaching baseball season.

Baseball games on the Frank Myers Field in Tointon Family Stadium became an increasingly successful attraction as the home-game attendance had been ranked among the top 50 in the nation for the past three seasons.

The $3.1 million stadium renovation, which finished in 2002, provided a comfortable and inviting atmosphere within the stadium – one aspect that intensified fan interest greatly.

Exteriorly lined with limestone to match the exterior of many of the other buildings on campus, Tointon Family Stadium had the capacity to hold more than 2,300 fans. These fans had various seating options including general bench seats, chairbacks or indoor seating.

Although the stadium capacity was the second smallest in the Big 12, the Wildcats regular season average exceeded many of those schools that had the ability to hold a larger crowd. In 2010, K-State was ranked sixth in the Big 12, filling 73.5 percent of the stadium on average.

Also in 2010, a record total of 46,290 fans filled the stadium among all 27 home games. This feat has yet to be surpassed, along with the single-game record of 4,745 fans packing the house as KSU took on Wichita State University.

Head coach of the baseball team, Brad Hill, said he was very pleased with the ever so increasing interest in the program.

"The stadium is as good as it gets in the Big 12 as far as the atmosphere," Hill said, prior to last season, "It's not the biggest stadium, but when you come out, you enjoy it; it's clean, it's a fresh atmosphere and I think we've put a good product on the field the past three or four years. Fans come out and they enjoy watching what we're doing."

The fact that the baseball team had also increased in success was another reason for the increase in fan interest. With a 68-21 record from 2009-2011, fans weren't only



Ross Kivett, sophomore infielder, connects with a pitch during the game against Pacific. The relatively new stadium provides a great atmosphere for the players and fans. *Evert Nelson*

provided with a great atmosphere at home games, they were also enjoying the action on the field.

"Our fans have really jumped on board with our program. I think it's fun to follow teams that have success," Hill said. "But then I think between our marketing department, ticket sales and season ticket committee, I think word is getting out there much better about our program."

There were 30 scheduled home games for the 2012 baseball season, giving fans plenty of opportunity to experience the exciting atmosphere for themselves. A variety of ticket promotions were planned for this season to help add to the rising fan base.

The first promotion fell on March 3 at the home-opener games against Pacific that attributed to Wildcat Weekend. Fans were able to buy tickets at a discounted price and enjoy their first chance at watching the baseball team live this season.

Each Sunday during the season was Family Day at Tointon Family Stadium and fans had the ability to purchase packages including bench seat tickets and select concession items for four people. Also on Sundays, the children who attended the game had the ability to run the bases after it was over.

Pre-game tailgate parties hosted by the baseball program were scheduled on select Friday and Saturday games. The tailgates, taking place just behind the left-field fence, attracted many fans with the inclusion of games, music, food and more.

Military Appreciation Day and Bring Your Dog to the Ballpark Day have also been penciled in on the schedule of promotions for the 2012 baseball season.

With promotions such as these and the successful strides in which the Kansas State baseball program has been making on the field and in the stadium, fan interest in the program will see nothing but increase year after year.

Record numbers for THE BAND

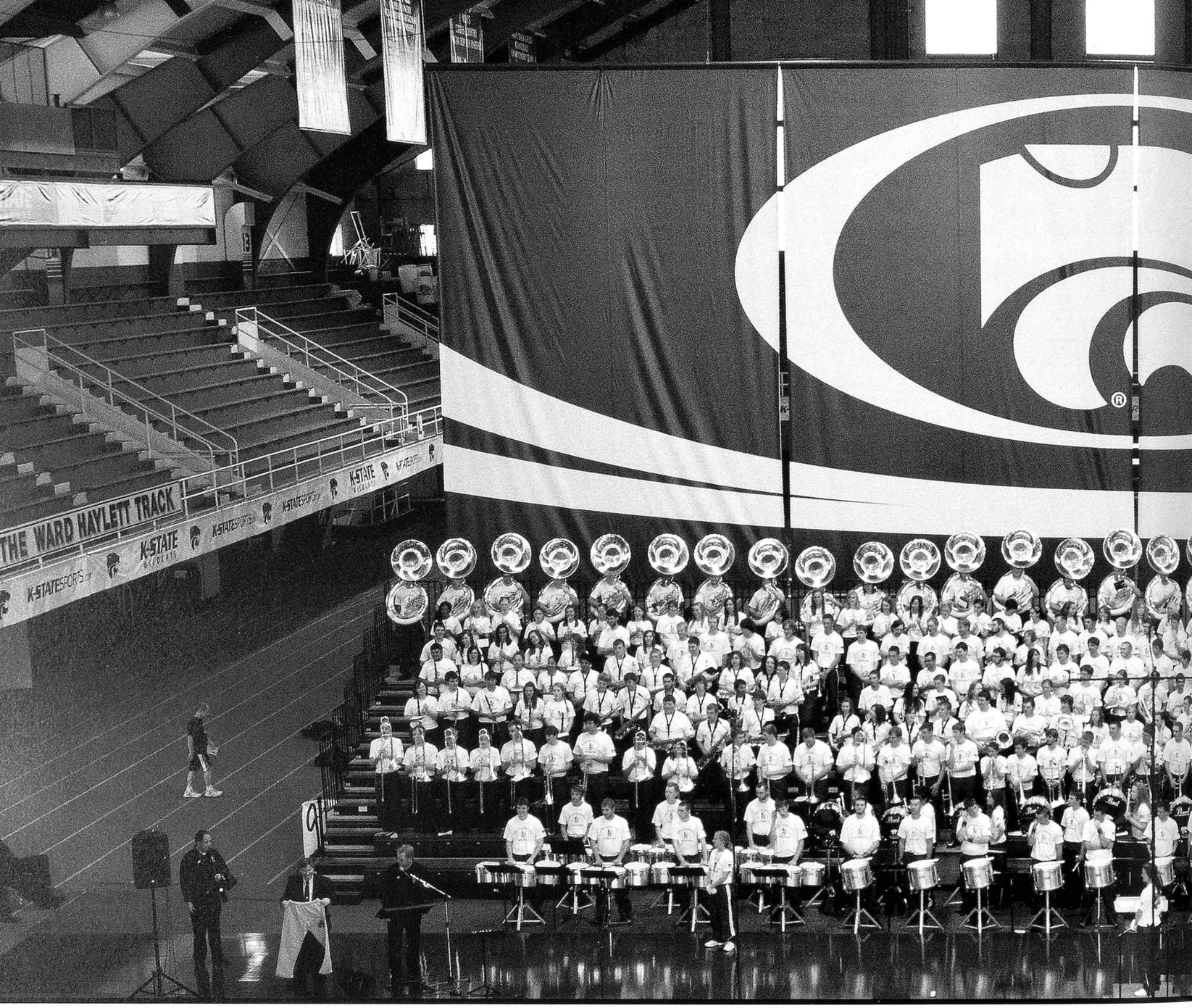
by Zach Zaborny



Frank Tracz leads members of the K-State Marching Band as they practice in the heat at Memorial Stadium on Aug. 25. The band used Memorial Stadium to practice their routines during the week before game days. *Tommy Theis*

After recruiting heavily, Frank Tracz leads the highest number of students in K-State Marching Band history.





On fall afternoons at K-State, students could step onto campus and hear music coming from Old Stadium. If they followed the noise, they would have discovered the K-State marching band practicing under director Frank Tracz.

With 335 students on the field in 2011 and 365 students in the band overall, compared to 304 students on the field in 2010, Tracz, who had lead the band since 1993, helped get record enrollment numbers for the band with what he considered years of hard work and recruitment.

"We made phone calls, we wrote letters, and we visited people. We've done a lot of outreach things to get kids interested in the band. And when you see them– why would you not want to be a part of this?" Tracz said.

Just like in sports recruiting, band recruiting was a year-round thing. Tracz spent part of his week traveling to high schools around the state, trying to get students to play in the band.

Although having more members in the band was great for the music program and the university, there were added challenges to having those extra students on the field. The athletic department had to give the band another row in Bill Snyder Family Stadium, more instruments had to be given out and more food had to be fed to hungry band members.

While Tracz said the extra needs were good problems to have, he didn't see the band getting any bigger in the future and thought K-State was at the number that was going to fit them for quite a while.

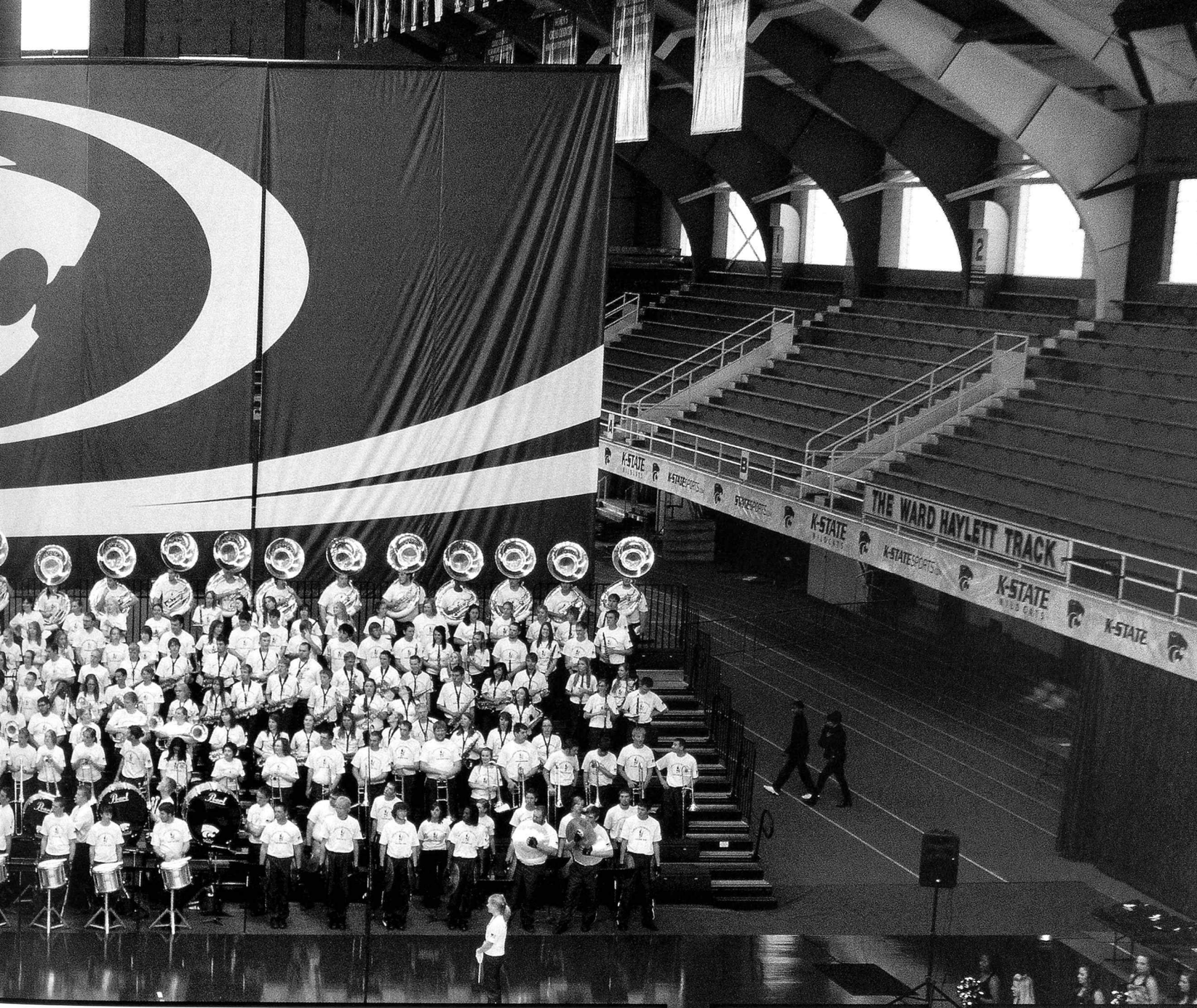
Aside from the role he played on the field as director, Tracz had a big role in actually getting students to come out and play.

"I didn't know Dr. Tracz before I got here, but he's taught me to always give 110 percent and never anything less," Cassi Dean, freshman in music, said.

Fellow freshman Austin Motley met Tracz on a college visit and was encouraged to join the band then.

"He talked to me in the band office and gave me one of the band CDs and I just loved his idea of the band," Motley, freshman in mechanical engineering, said.





However, it wasn't just Tracz who was encouraging students to join the band. Older band members played a role as recruiters, too.

"I did band all throughout high school and I had a friend who was in band last year as a freshman and he said it was awesome so I joined," Autumn Snesrud, freshman in food science, said.

Going from a high school band to a college band can be a big adjustment for students, but freshmen made the transition well.

"It's phenomenal," Dean said. "There's so much more work ethic and everyone wants to be here instead of just being forced to be here. It's awesome being able to play great music and work with awesome people."

While the experience of playing at the college level and meeting new people were some of the best reasons freshmen could think of when asked why they enjoyed band so much, one common thread always went back to Tracz.

"He's definitely a persuasive man," Snesrud said. "The first time you meet him, you want to be in the band because you want to experience what it's like to have him as a director."

KSU Marching Band performs an ensemble sponsored by the Dept. of Music Nov. 13 in Ahearn Fieldhouse. "It's awesome being able to play great music and work with awesome people," said Cassie Dean, freshman in music. *Tommy Theis*

LEADING LADIES

by Brent Gipson

Keeping with the well-known history of women's basketball at the university, the team played strong and made sure the Wildcats were a force to be reckoned with.

Guard Tasha Dickey, graduate student in counseling and student development, dribbles down the court against Washburn on Nov. 8 in Bramlage Coliseum. The Wildcats defeated the Icabods, 52 to 50.
Evert Nelson


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Jalana Childs, senior in hotel and restaurant management, tries to get past Iowa State's defense March 8 at the 2012 Phillips 66 Big 12 Championships in Kansas City, Mo. The Wildcats defeated Iowa State for the first time all year, 67-63.
Logan Jones

The women's basketball team exceeded pre-season expectations, initially being picked to finish ninth out of 10 teams in the league and ended tied for fourth. They were able to finish at 19-12 on the season, with a 9-9 mark on the conference slate.

In the season-opener against the Big Green, senior Tasha Dickey led the team to a 54-20 win. Dickey scored the most points by a Wildcat in their career debut since Laurie Koehn poured in 27 in 2001. As a team, K-State recorded a sound defensive effort by allowing just 20 Dartmouth points. Those 20 points were the fewest allowed by the Wildcats since 2006.

"I am very happy that we got a win as a team. The only reason I was able to get that many points was because I had my team supporting me and helping me through it," Dickey said.

Against BYU, the Cats were able to use a second-half run to demolish the Cougars, winning 59-46. Heading south of the border for their first away games of the season, the Wildcats went 0-2 at the Cancun Challenge held at the Moon Palace Resort in Cancun, Mexico over Thanksgiving.

The Wildcats returned home for the Big Ten/Big 12 challenge, defeating Iowa 81-78 in overtime. This was the first time in program history that there were two overtime games played consecutively. Chambers and Childs combined for 43 in the win. K-State was able to stifle neighbor Wichita State 60-34 in early December. Chambers recorded the 1,000th point of her career during the night, and ending with 17 points.

"It is a great honor, and it is something I am glad is over with. I attribute that to my teammates like Brandy (Brown), Mariah (White) and Jalana (Childs). It is great to play with them, and it has been amazing. They really get me open and set me up for a lot of shots that I would not have made without them," Chambers said.

Finishing out the month of December with five road games, the Wildcats smothered the Jackrabbits in a trip to Brookings, S.D. for a contest against South Dakota State. K-State started the game with a 20-3 lead, holding the Jackrabbits to a 2-of-25 performance from the field to lead 31-14 at the break. The two made field goals tie the school record for fewest field goals allowed in a half.

The Wildcats then traveled to Las Vegas, Nev. to play in the BTI Invitational, hosted by Basketball Travelers. K-State was able to dismantle North Dakota State, 70-47, and extend

their winning streak to four. The next day, they posted a strong defensive effort against Northwestern and won 64-45. Before the Christmas break, K-State was unable to overcome a sluggish offensive performance against UNLV in the final game of the invitational. The Lady Rebels won 44-38 and ended K-State's five-game winning streak.

The Wildcats ended the non-conference schedule with a trip to New York, holding off a gritty Marist team 57-56. At one point in the second half, the team held a 12-point advantage.

Departing Big 12 member Texas A&M would come to Bramlage for the opening of the conference season. K-State was able to fend off the Aggies in overtime, 71-69, defeating the defending national champions.

"The offensive balance is what propelled us to the victory tonight. I thought we were terrific in sharing the ball. We had people who stepped up and who wanted the responsibility to make and finish plays. When you look at the stat sheet, quite frankly, there was no one who played that in one way performed that did not impact us offensively," head coach Deb Patterson said.

In the Dillons Sunflower Showdown, the Wildcats defeated KU at Allen Fiendhouse 63-57. K-State registered its sixth 2-0 start to Big 12 play in program history.

Improving to 3-0 in conference play, the Wildcats were sparked by a career high 23 points by junior Mariah White to defeat Missouri 72-46.

The Cats earned their first road win over a top-10 team since 2002 in a road trip to Lubbock, Texas, defeating Texas Tech 62-61. The Wildcats were able to enter the polls, ranked at No. 23 after their performance.

The Oklahoma Sooners began a three-game skid for the Wildcats, and ended the teams five game winning streak by defeating the Wildcats at home 65-57. In a road trip to Waco, Texas, Baylor's Brittany Griner, the top women's college basketball player, proved to be too much for the Wildcats, as the team was defeated 76-41.

The team picked up two road victories on an extended trip, defeating Oklahoma State in Stillwater, Okla. 67-56. The Wildcats then traveled to Austin, Texas, and won for the first time since 2008 at Texas 64-55.

Returning home, the Griner factor once again proved to be too much as she scored 29 on the Wildcats. No. 1 Baylor defeated the Wildcats 70-41.

In a poor offensive night, the Wildcats then travelled to College Station, Texas for the last matchup in Big 12 conference play with Texas A&M. The team was stymied by A&M 67-36.

K-State rebounded nicely, and once again defeated the Jayhawks 47-43 in a home contest. K-State has now won 21 of its last 23 meetings with KU.

"I thought that the numbers indicated how big Brandy and Jalana,Äôs willingness to assume responsibility on the offensive end was. That is what you have to do. You have to put the games on your shoulders somewhat when our perimeter game is locked down and they both did it," Patterson said.

K-State held onto a six-point lead with five minutes left in the game, but Oklahoma proved too much and went on a 13-1 to close out the contest as the Sooners topped the Wildcats 68-62 in Norman, Okla.

In two home games, the Wildcats added two victories. Three Wildcats reached double figures in a victory against Texas, 65-45.

Childs led the Wildcats with 22 in a matchup against Oklahoma State, as the Wildcats won 53-50. White broke open the tied game with under a minute to play on a two-point field goal.

"I think it is good for our team to find a way to win, besides Jalana, we were hitting nothing in the first half. Somehow, we found a way to stay behind by one at the half, which at that point, it could have been a 10-point deficit," Chambers said.

To end the regular season, K-State had a three game skid, tallying three losses in three contests. The Wildcats fell at Missouri in overtime, 61-56.

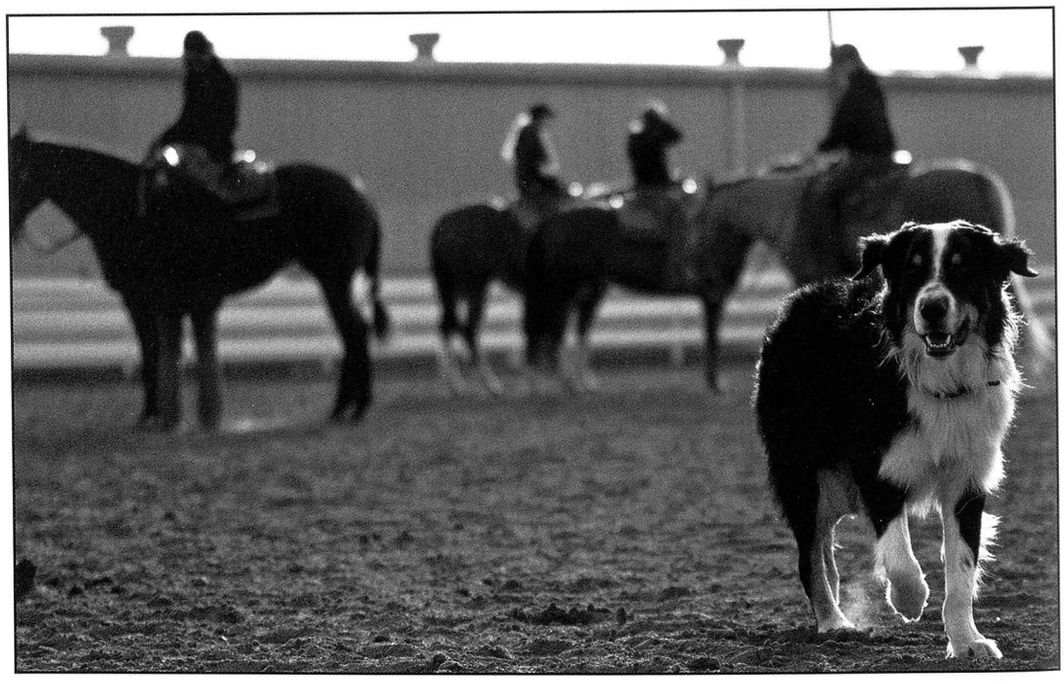
In a trip to Ames, Iowa, the Wildcats were unable to rebound, being defeated by Iowa State 57-33. Dickey led the Wildcats with 11. K-State shot just 28.9 percent from the floor in the contest, which included going 3-of-15 from three-point range, while also committing 20 turnovers and going to the free throw line just five times.

To end the season, K-State gave up a double-digit lead to Texas Tech, and then fell behind by double digits to nearly complete an incredible comeback on senior night, falling to the Lady Raiders 64-63.

"This was a game that I felt was a game of spurts and in the beginning of the second half, I felt we continued a run of empty possessions offensively. So as Texas Tech got physical, which Big 12 teams are going to do, they are going to come back at you. As they increased their intensity, we fed off of that lack of energy on the offensive end. Our defense got a little passive," Patterson said.

As the season drew to a close, the Wildcats awaited their fate, and were announced as members of the 64-team NCAA tournament field, and once again exceeded pre-season expectations.

Members of the equestrian team meet on their horses at Timbercreek Stables after practice. "Throughout the season we have seen our team perform very highly, it's just the matter of us all getting on the same page," said coach Casie Lisabeth.
Evert Nelson



Frank the dog runs around the paddock while the equestrian team gathers and talks strategy for the championship after practice Jan. 25. This year for the Big XII championship competition, the equestrian team was in charge of planning for the event.
Evert Nelson

hosting the horses

by Emily Wolfe

The team prepares to host conference tournament while gaining funding and popularity.

This year, the K-State women's equestrian team had more to plan for than just their routine competitions. They were chosen to host the first-ever official Big XII championship competition where equestrian was be recognized as a sport.

"It is amazing to be backed by our conference, and having the first official tournament at K-State will be a great kick off for the program," said Samantha Etsell, co-captain of the Kansas State women's Equestrian team and junior in animal science and industry.

The Big XII was the first conference in the NCAA to have a championship competition for equestrian teams. In the past the tournament was called the Big XII championship, but only recognized as a post-season invitational tournament as an Emerging Sport.

"It's the first year the Big XII conference is funding the event, helping staff the event, and actually recognizing equestrian as a sport," said Casie Lisabeth, third year coach of the women's equestrian team.

The last time Kansas State hosted the unofficial tournament was five years ago, and by chance of rotation the team had the opportunity to host the first official tournament on their home turf.

"Having the first official Big XII equestrian tournament here in Manhattan will be great publicity for our team. Since equestrian is an emerging sport, not many people know much about it," said Etsell.

Unlike most college sports, the hosting school's student athletes were in charge of a majority of the planning for the tournament, on top of actually competing. Lisabeth said the team was ready to rise up to the task and put on a really good event.

"I hope that we can give the other teams a good taste of Kansas hospitality. Everyone at K-State is so friendly and welcoming and I hope that shows when the other schools come for the weekend," said Kali Yates, co-captain of the team and junior in communication studies.

The women would be hosting and competing against women from Oklahoma State, Baylor and Texas A&M.

On top of hosting the event, the school also provided the horses for the competition which at times could be at the team's disadvantage.

"You have to separate knowing those horses, knowing what they are going to be competing on and not have an expectation for that," Lisabath said.

As excited as the team was to host the event, their ultimate goal was to win the first official title.

"While this tournament is a big deal, it is just another show and it is important for us as riders to remember that," Etsell said.

Coach Lisabeth said the women put a lot of pressure on themselves to win which was a very feasible goal.

"Throughout the season we have seen our team perform very highly, it's just the matter of us all getting on the same page on the same day," said Lisabeth.

On the weekend of March 30th the team expected a lot of supporters including family, friends, members of the community and spectators who are just becoming familiar with the sport. Yates said their ultimate goal was to make the K-State community proud.

"At the end of the day everyone wants to win and everyone is capable of doing it. It will just come down to the team that wants it most, and I know how bad I want to win."

Parker Staats, junior in open option, breaks away from a tackle as members of the defense try to stop him during practice inside Ahearn on Jan. 30. *Tommy Theis*



Because of the cold weather, Michael Chen, junior in business administration, does passing drills indoors with members of his team on Jan. 30. *Tommy Theis*

by Shelby Brunk

SOME ROUGH COMPETITION

The men's rugby team came out of the gate ready for this season like no year before. With the pre-season record of 2-1 in league play, the rugby team was ready to have an even better season that the last.

Looking back on last season, the team commemorated the job well done.

"We did good last season, even though we lost a lot of key players, we've gained a lot of good talent," said Garrett Williams, sophomore in engineering.

Practice for the team began in the middle of November and the season began March 2. The way the team saw it, the team would like to extend the season out until the middle or end of May, based on how far they took it this year.

"Last spring we made it to the Sweet 16 and have a good chance to do that again this semester," said Tyler Bedell, member of the team and sophomore in engineering. "We beat Oklahoma State and Truman State, but fell short to Kansas University."

Although the team was sponsored by USA Rugby, which was an organization that teams at the collegiate level were sponsored by, they were still a part of the NCAA tournament.

"We play other division one teams that are in the Big 12, such as Kansas University and Missouri University," said Mary Jane Kluempers, junior in athletic training and 'team mom'. "USA Rugby was registered with other teams across the nation, so we are not alone. We play in the Sweet Sixteen and Elite Eight just as any other Big 12 teams."

With the K-State rugby team rising to the top, the fan base for the team was growing.

"We could always use more fans. We have a few ideas this semester to get fans out considering football and basketball will be over," Bedell said.

The team hosted a game with Arkansas University on Saint Patrick's Day, which it hoped would bring a lot of fans out to support.

"We promote the Kansas University game as much as we can, because everyone hates KU," Kluempers said. "A lot of parents, roommates and fraternity brothers are much of our fan base, but if you like football and contact sports you will like rugby."

Currently, the team was continuing to work on more players to host two sets of a team. Although only 15 players play at once, the team was looking for a regular season with 20 to 25 men.

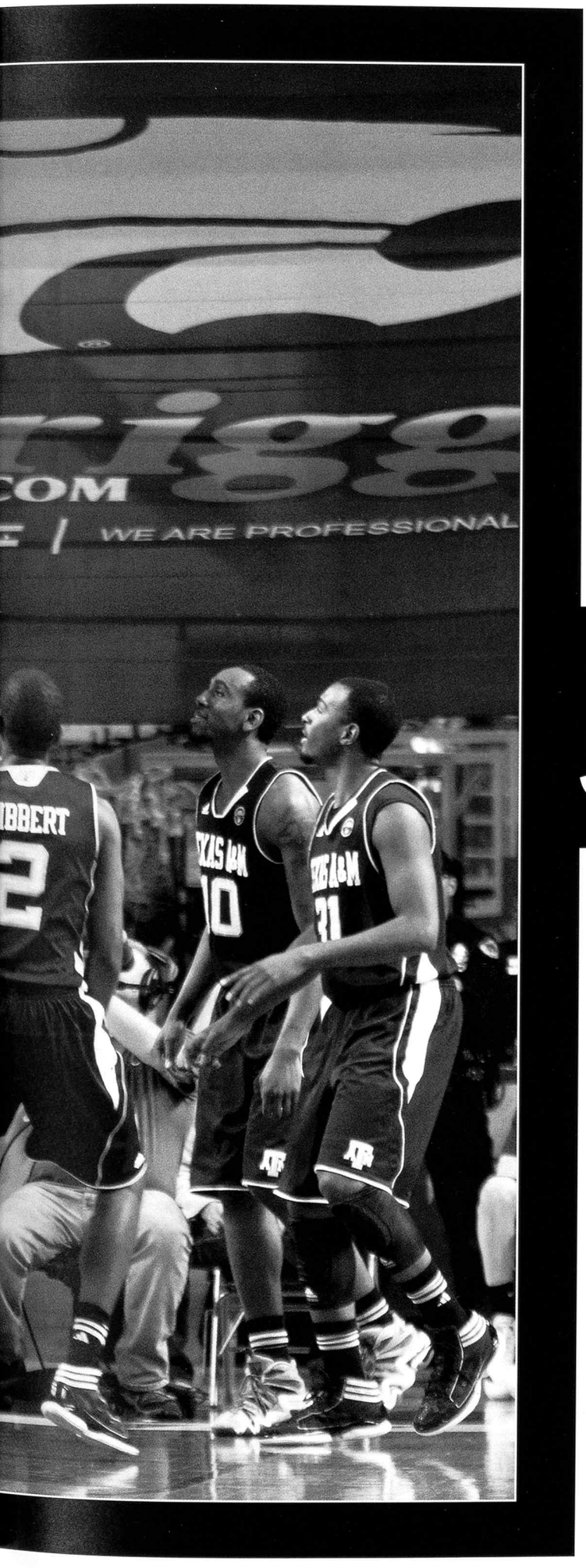
In a way of "brotherhood bonding," the team hosted parties that was part of a tradition in the rugby community.

"After you host a game at your school or home field you host a get together after the game," Kluempers said. "You provide food and drink for the visiting team as well as your team. It's a really good bonding thing for the guys and it provides a good sense of companionship."

Results from the Fall 2011 Season

vs. Alumni - Tie
Oklahoma State Tournament - 3rd Place
Heart of America College 7's Tournament - 2nd Place
vs. Topeka Men's Club - 43-13 Win
vs. Oklahoma State University - Win
Big XII 7's Tournament - 5th Place
vs. Truman State University - 37-35 Win
vs. University of Kansas - 5-36 Loss


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the SUCCESSORS

by Morgan Buchholz

With the absence of Jacob Pullen, the Wildcats rise up and prove themselves as a younger, talented team.

Jamar Samuels, senior in social sciences, dunks on the Texas A&M Aggies in Bramlage Coliseum on Feb. 4. The Wildcats won 64 to 53. *Evert Nelson*

Martavious Irving, junior in social sciences, chases down a ball from Texas' J'Covan Brown. Irving had two steals on Jan. 19 to help gain a 84-80 victory against Texas at Bramlage Coliseum.
Evert Nelson

The men's basketball team has had their challenges this year with dual losses to KU, OU, and Iowa State. But their wins against top-ranked teams such as Baylor and Missouri have continually gave the fans hope as this young team powered through their rocky season.

With a roster of 16 players and over half of them the team underclassmen, creating a team with immense potential proved to come with times of immaturity as well. This could be seen during big moments when leadership and experience were needed to pull us through.

"With being a young team comes growing pains and inconsistent play by the team," said David Korth, a junior in marketing and a regular attendee to the games. "We were hot after Hawaii, fell apart in conference play, and have seemed to pick it back up. Look at the field goal percentage and turnover rates, that will give you an idea of our teams youth."

Frank Martin, head coach, made a name for himself as one of the top coaches in not only the Big 12 but in the NCAA as well. After a heartbreaking loss to Baylor at home in January, Martin was more than heated at the press conference when he referred to the amount of turnovers in the game.

"The guys wearing our uniforms threw the ball to the guys wearing their uniforms so they could go down and dunk," he said. "Hard to play good offense and hard to play defense when you throw the ball to the other team so they can go down and dunk. Our turnovers were guys that wouldn't run offense, and they'd hold the ball. They were careless no-look passes, hard to win that way."

This was a common occurrence towards the beginning of the season, but as the months progressed, so did the Cats. They came back and beat the number 10 ranked team Baylor and the third-ranked team Missouri in February.

A satisfied Martin commended freshmen players Thomas Gipson and Angel Rodriguez for the way they stepped it up during the Missouri game.

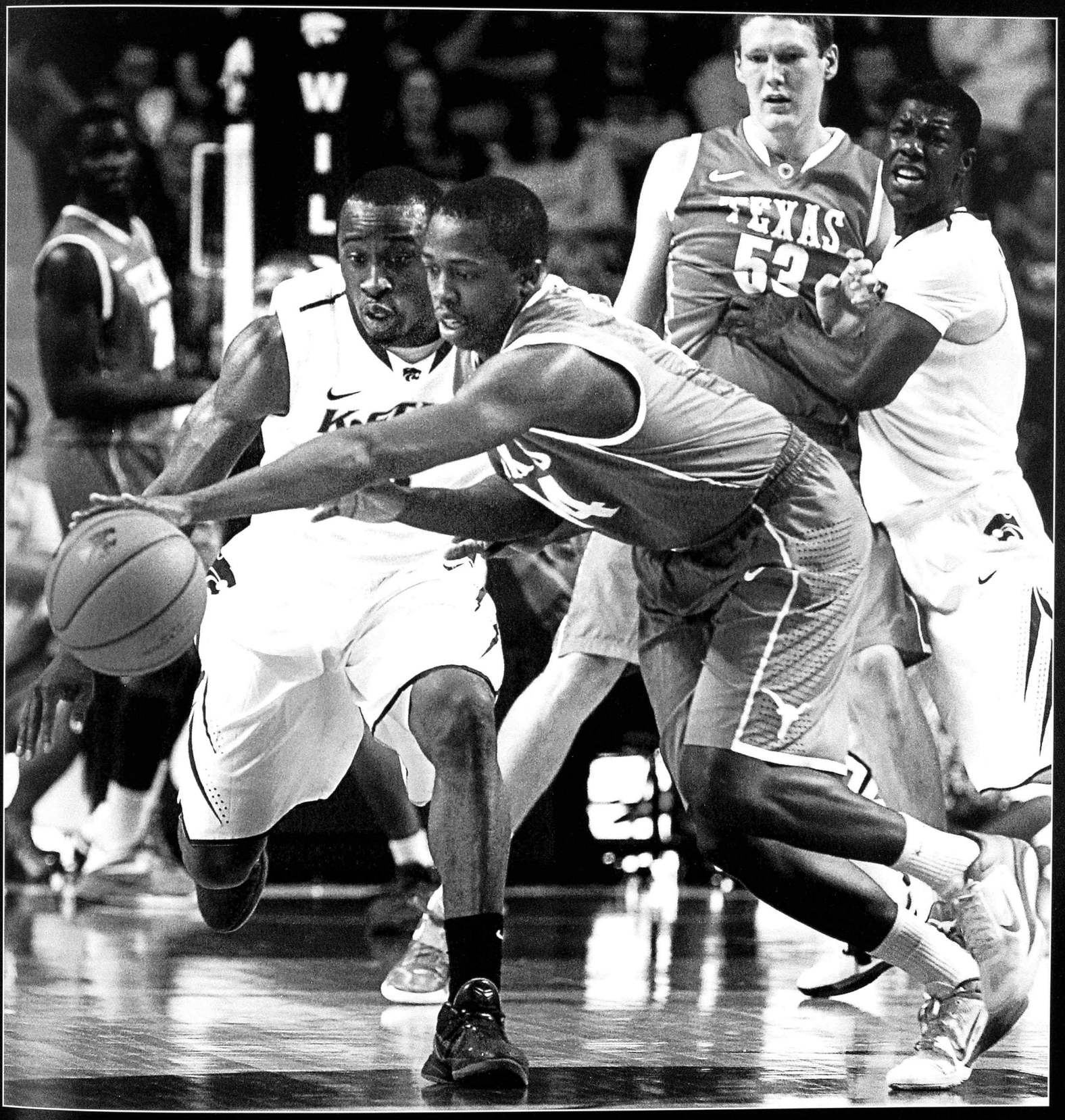
"Gipson gave us an unbelievable presence at the rim that we needed," Martin said at the Missouri post-game conference. "Angel struggled for a certain part of the second half, then he makes that big time baseline drive, raw pass. You have to have courage to do that."

Nick Cook, a junior in athletic training for the team, said the team's season was constantly going up, and then down.

"If you look at when you played Baylor at home they struggled to close the game out," he said. "Yet later in the year at Baylor and Missouri they had a couple of good stops. Instead of being timid they stepped it up and played well on offense and defense. With a young team, you get a roller coaster season."

Growth stems from immaturity, and growth was what the Cats had to look forward to as they moved into postseason play.

"The pressure of winning the next game, it's not there because fate is there," Martin said. "You win you keep playing, you don't win, you're done. So there's not that nonsense that you have to win certain games so you can get to postseason play. We're in it now. I think we've handled the regular season well enough. Now we get opportunities to go achieve our goals and we've prepared the best we can."


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Wyatt Thompson's office oversaw the Bill Snyder Family Stadium football field, and his door opened up to miraculous basketball court of Bramlage Coliseum. His reverie gaze looked out the window told he was not taking this view, his life for granted.

Thompson, the "voice of the wildcats," was a man who had paid his dues.

Growing up in Soloman, Kan., a small town in between Abilene and Salina, only 50 miles away from Manhattan, Thompson grew up a K-State fan.

Thompson attended Colby Community College where he was introduced to broadcasting by a friend and gave up a scholarship to study journalism, with an emphasis in broadcasting.

After graduating, Thompson began his career by bouncing around small Kansas radio stations.

He recounted memories starting out where he broadcasted high school football and basketball games.

"I can say I've done a football game standing on the sidelines, or in a bucket of a tractor or on a flatbed truck with a table on it during some small games in Ray, Colo., Brewster, Kan.," said Thompson. "I lived that a lot."

One instance he remembered clearly.

"I was working at KLOE, in Goodland, radio/tv stations," said Thompson. "They had a press box that was very small. Small enough that the radio media couldn't be in it and still be functional with their call operators and their press guy. What they did was they had a tractor, and they pulled it up angled to the side and I was sitting in that. The wind was blowing the press box back and forth."

Thompson said he also remembers a basketball game in Concordia, Kan., where instead of sitting on the side of the court giving him a full court view, he was placed at the end of the court on a stage, in a crow's nest. Thompson said he wondered how he was going to manage it, but you make it work.

After covering high school sports for eight year in northwest Kansas, northeast Colorado and southwest Nebraska, Thompson took a step forward with his career.

"I really got my first real break when Bob Davis, who's the KU voice, left Hays, Kan., and went to Kansas City, was doing KU and then later got the Royals gig," said Thompson. "I followed him at Hayes and was there five years."

Thompson said Fort Hays State University provided him great training at KAYS radio doing play by play for the two high schools there, as well as all of the Fort Hayes State games.

"That was a really nice part of my career," said Thompson. "I learned a lot."

In 1989, Thompson made the big leagues. He moved to Colorado to become the play by play voice of the Colorado State University Rams football and basketball team.

"I had spent more than 11 years at Fort Collins," said Thompson, "started off as a studio host, color analyst, and took over the play by play duties in '97."

In 2000, Thompson moved to Denver to work at KOA radio, where he continued to do play by play for Colorado State, and became part of the Bronco network.

"I was there for a year and a half and thought I was going to be there for the rest of my life," said Thompson.

During Thompson's tenure at Colorado State, he worked with Tim Weiser and Casey Scott who left Colorado State, and became Athletic Director and Associate Athletic Director of Operations at Kansas State University.

"In 2002, when K-State awarded its radio rights to Mid-America Ag Network, we were able to create a departmental position for Director of Sportscasting and Public Relations, which we hired Wyatt to fill," said Scott.

On July 1, 2002, Wyatt Thompson, the K-State fan, came

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by Michael Boeck

home to join the K-State family.

"At the time, this position was unique in that Wyatt was one of the few broadcasters who was actually employed by the institution and worked on staff," said Scott.

Since then, Smoller joined the K-State program, becoming the Sportscastor and Director of Powercat Vision/K-State HD, and shared the same office as Thompson.

Smoller said that he saw Thompson as a role model in his aspiration's to one day become a "voice" for a university.

"One of the great things that I appreciate about Wyatt, and what I think our K-State fans have grown to love about him, is that he's an every man's man," said Smoller. "Wyatt is genuinely interested in everybody he meets."

"He is the main contributor, the constant voice, that our fan base can hear about K-State athletics from," said Tom Gilbert, the assistant director of Athletic Communications at K-State.

When it comes down to Thompson's job description, talking doesn't come cheap.

"That's the one thing a lot of people don't see and they think that he rolls in and calls it (games), but that's far from the truth," said Gilbert.

"Basically, from the first of August, until whenever baseball ends, a lot of my job is the broadcasting," said Thompson.

Broadcasting, however, involved never ending prep work. One of Gilbert's duties was to provide as much information for Thompson as he needed.

"He really preps and works hard, and there's a lot of stuff that people don't see where he is in here, after hours or on weekends working on his charts to get ready for a broadcast," said Gilbert. "He's not going to short change K-State fans on preparation."

The job didn't stop there.

"In addition to his play-by-play duties, Wyatt serves as host of the Bill Snyder and Frank Martin radio and TV shows and serves as spokesman and master of ceremonies at many of our community outreach functions throughout the state, such as the Catbacker club gatherings and special donor events," said Scott.

His weekly schedule was nothing short of difficult, consisting of two-minute daily show, two player interviews, interviewing John Currie, the athletic director, coach Snyder and coach Martin, and attending football and basketball practices.

Going week in and week out of constant working, there's nothing Thompson said he would rather do. He said he's never woken up and not wanted to go to work that day.

"A lot of times people can be especially at this point in their careers and at the level he's at (Wyatt), they can be rather off-putting and egotistical, and that's not Wyatt," said Smoller.

You would think he would get tired of talking, but Thompson said that's never the case.

Thompson said it's hard to when talking about athletes.

"It's part of the gig," said Thompson. "And not if I'm talking about K-State."

Thompson loves the dedication and passion of K-State fans.

"From 68 to 93, he was making that trip watching pretty bad football," said Thompson. "That's why I have such an appreciation of what our fans are."

After all the talking of his experiences and the work he's done to get here, he looks out his office window and it puts things into perspective for him.

"I've been pretty fortunate," said Thompson. "I always try and think about how there's about 120 Division One football programs in this country, and being one of those 120 guys doing this, makes you realize how special it," said Thompson. "I feel like I'm one of the luckiest cat's around."

"When you're young and enthusiastic and you're experiencing everything for the first few times, there's something special about living something like that, because it gives you such an appreciation for 'being here."

Wyatt Thompson, the "voice of the Wildcats"



Fans hold signs with Martin's facial expressions on them before the home game against Texas University on Jan. 18. The Wildcats defeated Texas, 84 to 80. "Martin has elevated our program to high levels of success, he has made us a regular in post-season tournaments, he has impassioned our fan base about Kansas State University basketball," said University President Kirk Schulz.
Lisle Alderton

Martin joins a huddle on Jan. 11 at the game against Charleston Southern in Bramlage Coliseum. "I want to thank Coach Martin for the job he has done leading our program over the last five years. Certainly, the foundation and platform for basketball success at K-State has been elevated as a result of his efforts and his coaching staff," said Athletic Director John Currie on March 27.
Logan Jones

FAREWELL TO FRANK

by Ellie Long

Wildcat Nation was in an uproar when students, alumni and fans heard the news that Frank Martin, men's head basketball coach for five years, was leaving the university to coach the South Carolina Gamecocks.

The Gamecocks, a team that was one of the lowest scoring teams in the country and finished last in the SEC for the 2011-2012 season with a record of two wins and 14 losses in league play and 10 wins and 21 losses overall, offered Martin a six-year contract worth $11.9 million, making him the 4th highest paid coach in the SEC conference.

"I love challenges. Some people run away from challenges, I run to challenges," Martin said in a press conference in South Carolina on March 27.

Prior to Martin's press conference, an investigation of a wire transfer receipt led to the suspension of senior Jamar Samuels before playing the No. 1 seed Syracuse in the second round of the NCAA tournament. Martin backed Samuels every step of the way, even after the loss to Syracuse.

"It would have made my weekend a lot better if a receipt hadn't shown up in our compliance office," he said. "Once it came into our possession, for us to do nothing would have risked the integrity of the institution, the integrity of our men's basketball program."

Currie said he did everything possible to have Samuels cleared to play, but his efforts fell short. During the press conference, Martin put to rest any strife between him and Currie, and that his relationship with Currie was not a factor in his decision to leave.

"John has been great," Martin said during a conference call. "It's unfortunate that I make a difficult decision and everyone's got to figure out a way to blame someone for the decision. That's not fair to anybody."

President Kirk Schulz claimed he had not talked to Martin for a matter of weeks and didn't discuss with the media reasons for Martin's resignation.

"We've always had interest in Frank Martin being part of the long-term fabric at K-State," Currie said during a press conference at Bramlage Coliseum. "That started from the time we got here."

Martin led the Wildcats to three straight NCAA tournaments and in 2010 took his team to the Elite Eight. He had 117 wins and 54 losses during his time at K-State and also defeated the University of Kansas twice in Bramlage Coliseum.

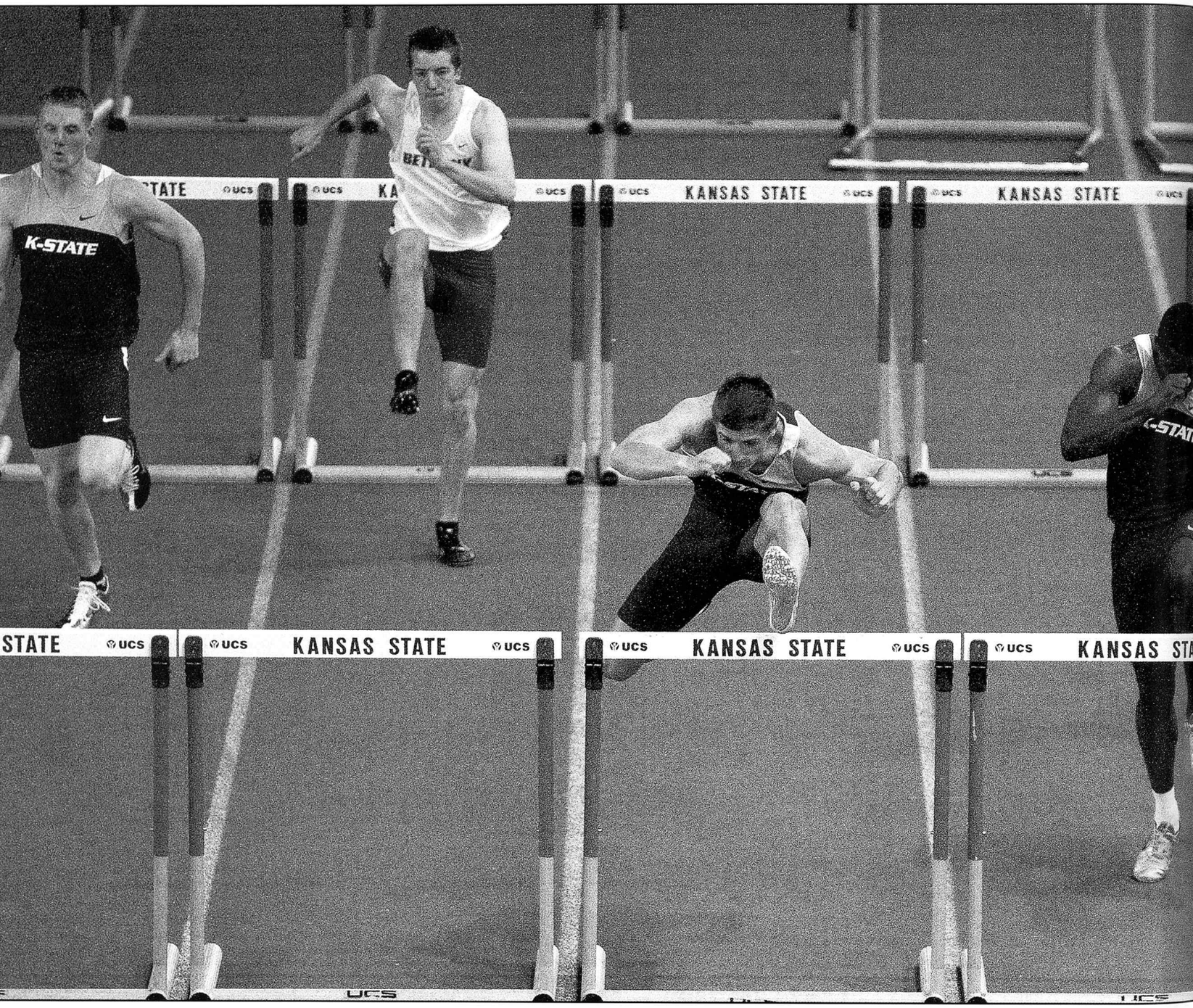
"Our league will miss him. I'm sure people in Manhattan will, too," Bill Self, head coach at the University of Kansas, said according to Fox Sports Southwest. "He was nothing but good things for our basketball league."

Currie said at the press conference on March 27 that when Martin called to tell Currie that he was taking the job at South Carolina, Currie asked him if there was anything he could do for him, but Martin said it was time for a change for him and his family.

"Transition is part of life," Schulz said. "I completely understand how much many of our fans appreciate coach Martin. I, too, share that appreciation."

As Martin left K-State, the search for a new men's head basketball coach had begun.

"He has good working relationships with our coaches. Are there disagreements at times? Absolutely," Schulz said. "We're going to be judged by the quality of individual that we bring in, but I feel good that we have the right guy to go out and find somebody."


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Silkauskas, (middle) senior in social sciences, competes in the 60 meter hurdles at the Wildcat Invitational on Jan. 21 at Ahearn Fieldhouse on the Ward Haylett Track. *Lisle Alderton*

Mantas Silkauskas led the 60 meter hurdles with a time of 7.69 seconds, breaking the school record and meet record. He broke the NCAA's automatic qualifying mark of 7.70 seconds, automatically qualifying him for the NCAA Championships in May. It was the No. 1 time the NCAA had recorded that season.

A Putt Above the Rest

by Hannah Henning

Gianna Misenhelter had been making a name for herself on the golf course from the moment she came to K-State. As a member of the women's golf team, she had experienced many accomplishments in golf since coming to the university.

Misenhelter, sophomore in business administration, had been a leader on the women's golf team since her freshman year. As a freshman, Misenhelter participated in all 11 tournaments the team competed in. She ended her freshman season with a 40th place finish in the Big 12 Championship along with scoring the second best stroke average of the team. During the 2011 summer, Misenhelter won the Kansas Amateur Championship tournament hosted at Sand Creek Station in Newton, Kan. Going into her sophomore year, Misenhelter was optimistic about her season.

"The past year has been good to me," said Misenhelter. "I could not wait to see what this year had in store for me."

In the fall season of her sophomore year, Misenhelter competed in all five tournaments along with earning the best stroke average for the team with a 74.07. Misenhelter earned two top-5 finishes at the Smith/Sunflower Invitational and the Johnie Imes Invitational. Misenhelter rounded out her fall season with a tie for sixth place at the Palmetto Intercollegiate tournament.

Misenhelter played golf since she was just three years old. Her interest in golf sparked when she accompanied her father and grandfather to the golf course on Saturdays growing up.

"My mom worked on Saturdays," said Misenhelter. "My parents didn't want me in daycare on Saturdays so I went to the golf course with my dad and my grandpa."

Misenhelter entered her first golf tournament when she was only six years old. However, golf was not the only sport Misenhelter played while growing up. She was involved in softball, basketball, dance and other various sports.

"There was just something special about golf," said Misenhelter. "It's the sport that stuck with me and it's my passion."

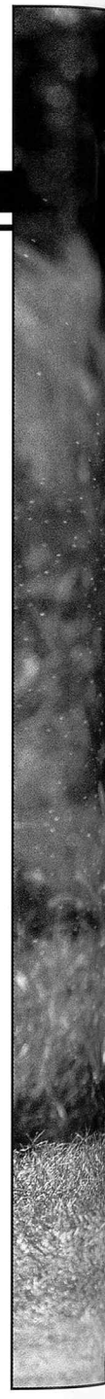
Misenhelter attended St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic High School in Overland Park, Kan. In her high school golf career, she won three individual Kansas State High School Championships. Misenhelter won 29 out of 35 high school tournaments, including four regional titles. As a junior at St. Thomas Aquinas, Misenhelter was named the National High School Golf Coaches Association All American.

Although Misenhelter knew she wanted to play golf in college, she was unsure of where she wanted to play.

"I knew I wanted to play in the Big 12 conference because I am constantly surrounded by the Big 12," said Misenhelter.

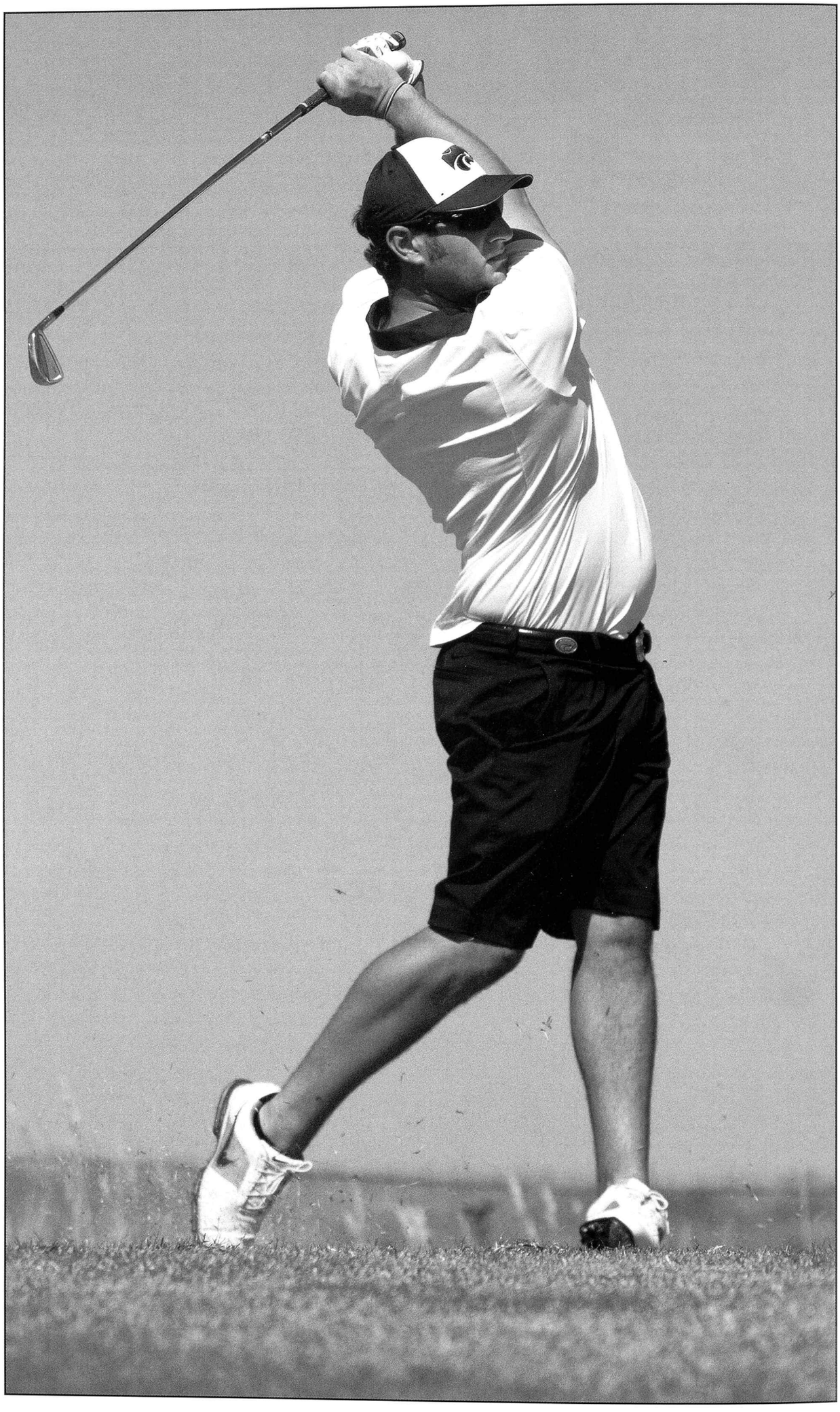
Misenhelter was recruited by many Big 12 schools including Baylor, Missouri, the University of Kansas and K-State. In the end, Misenhelter chose K-State because more opportunities were available and K-State was a mere two hour drive from her hometown of Kansas City, Kan.

"Coming to K-State has been one of the best decisions of my life," said Misenhelter. "At K-State, I am surrounded by so many people who want me to succeed, whether that is my coach, professors, or trainers. Everyone here is looking out for my best interest; they only want me to get better."



After a disappointing second shot, Gianna Misenhelter, sophomore in business administration, lobs the ball out of a sand trap on 15 at Colbert Hills. This was during the Marilynn Smith Sunflower Invatational on Sept. 26. The team placed 2nd.
Evert Nelson



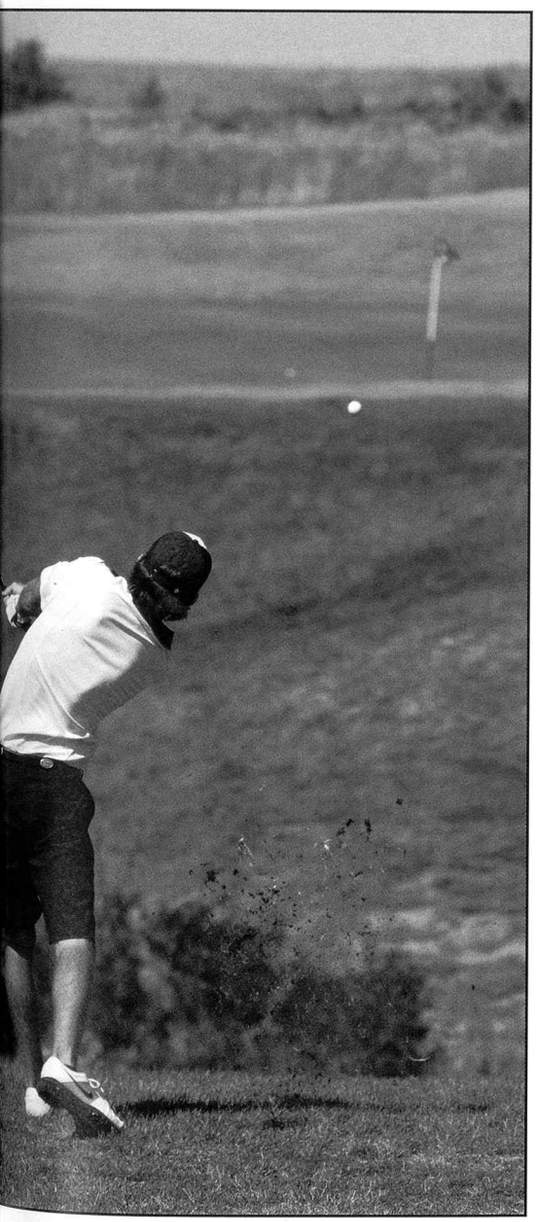


Chase Chamberlain, senior in life sciences, tees off at hole 17 during the Jim Colbert Intercollegiate Golf Tournament on Oct 3 at Colbert Hills. Five members of the team finished in the top 20, Chamberlian tied for 10th place.
Evert Nelson

Curtis Yonke, junior in entrepreneurship, hits his second shot during the first day of the Jim Colbert Intercollegiate Golf Tournament on Oct. 3. The Wildcats placed 3rd in the tournament, Yonke individually tying for 16th place overall.
Evert Nelson

family on the fairway

by Mitchell Kellner



Tim Norris has coached hundreds of different players in his tenure as men's golf coach, but the past couple years have provided Norris with a new player-coach experience different from all his previous ones at the university. The difference was that his son, Tyler Norris, was a part of the men's golf team.

Norris originally began his collegiate coaching career at the University of Texas El Paso, where he guided six teams to the NCAA West Regionals and three NCAA Championship appearances. But despite his success at UTEP, Norris's revival of the K-State Men's Golf program may have been even more impressive.

Prior to Norris, K-State had finished last in the Big 8 conference 14 straight seasons from 1978 to 1991 and had only had only earned one NCAA Regional appearance back in 1969. Since Norris took over in 1997, four teams have competed in NCAA Regionals and several individuals have made it to the NCAA Championships.

"He definitely knows a lot about the game," said Tyler Norris, son of Coach Norris, sophomore in finance and member of the men's golf team. "He always tries to tell us all he knows and he really knows how to get the most out of your golf game. I'm very happy to be playing for him."

Although he was only five years old when his father began coaching at K-State, Tyler believed being around the men's golf team from an early age definitely had a significant impact on him. Being able to see how hard all the previous players worked, the time they put into their games, and the positive results they received really helped prepare him for the intense level of Division I golf.

Tyler started to show some of those benefits while on the golf team at K-State. He gradually improved his scores from his freshman season and posted a new career best 54 hole score at the Shocker Classic in the fall semester.

"I can definitely say I have improved a lot as a player. I haven't quite performed in tournaments the way I would like to, but I'm still a sophomore so there is plenty of room to grow. I like where my game is going," Tyler said.

Aside from his golf game, Tyler also performed well in the class room. According to his father, Tyler hadn't received a B grade since being in college. But Tyler was certainly not the only player who has benefited from Coach Norris' strong emphasis on academics. Tim had 32 different players receive an academic award throughout his first 11 seasons.

"When I was at Fresno State I kind of put all my eggs in one basket and probably spent too much time at the golf course and not enough at the library," said Norris. "I made a vow that the players I recruited would be committed to getting their degree."

While coaching his son at a Division I level is something very few people have the chance to do, Norris stressed the importance of treating his son no different than any other player on the team."Obviously there is a fine line there. Are you dad or are you coach," Norris said. "But ultimately I have to treat him just like another member of the team, because that's what he is. It's a two-way street, and I think he's also done a really good job with it."

Other members of the team also felt like Norris and Tyler did an excellent job of not allowing their father-son relationship become an obstacle for the team.

"They make it so it is like a regular player-coach relationship and it's not awkward," said Kyle Weldon, freshman in civil engineering and member of the men's golf team. "Everyone knows about it, but it's to the point where everyone can basically just ignore it."

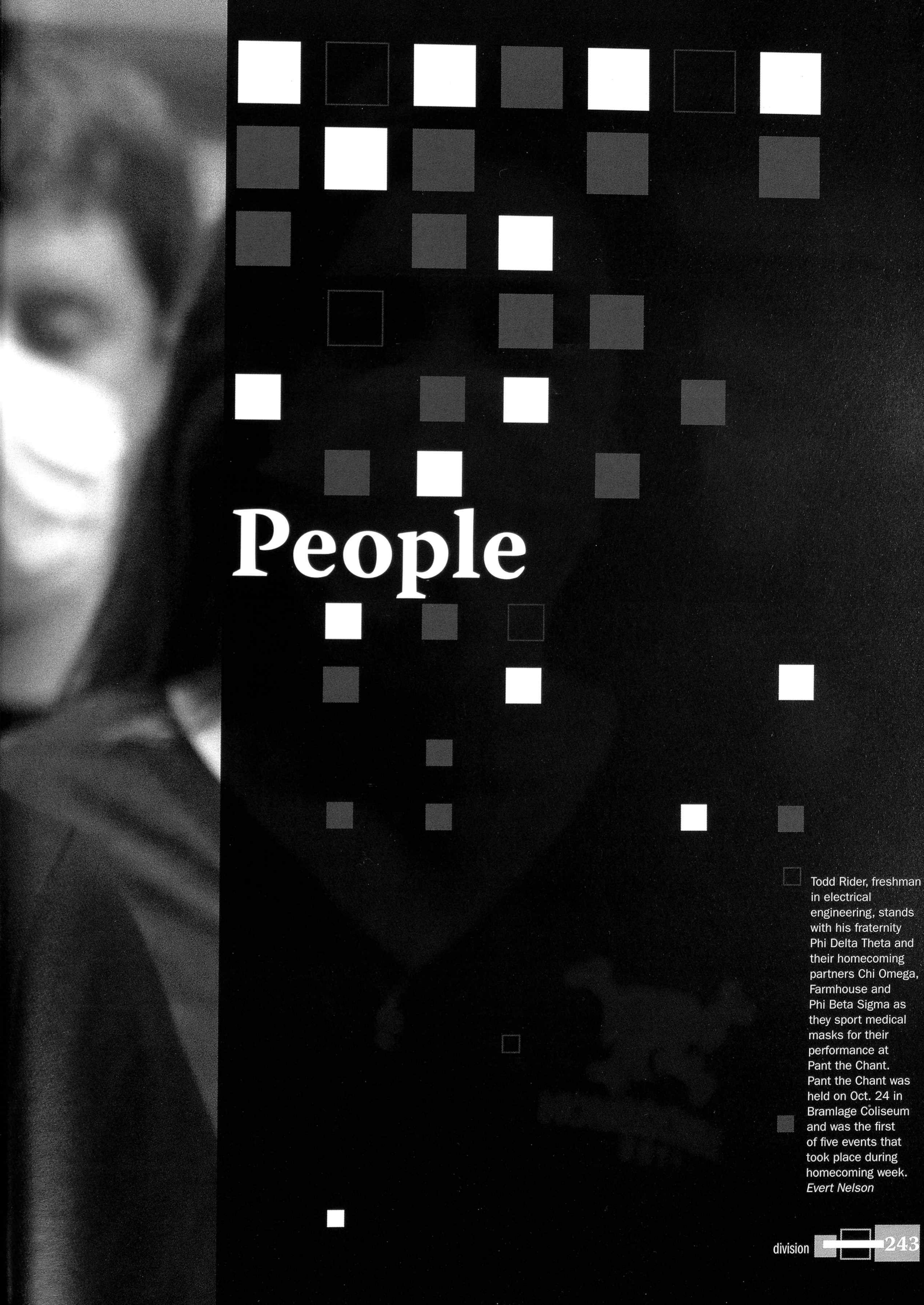
When discussing the similarities of Tyler and Norris' golf games, the old saying "like father like son" definitely held true. Both Tyler and Norris agreed that they demonstrated many of the same qualities when it came to golf.

"My mom always says we are really similar on the golf course," Tyler said. "We know what each other are thinking and we both have common thoughts. I think it just makes everything a little easier."

Despite his improvement as a player, Tyler was still willing to admit that his father most likely would have had no problem beating him in a game of golf back in his prime.

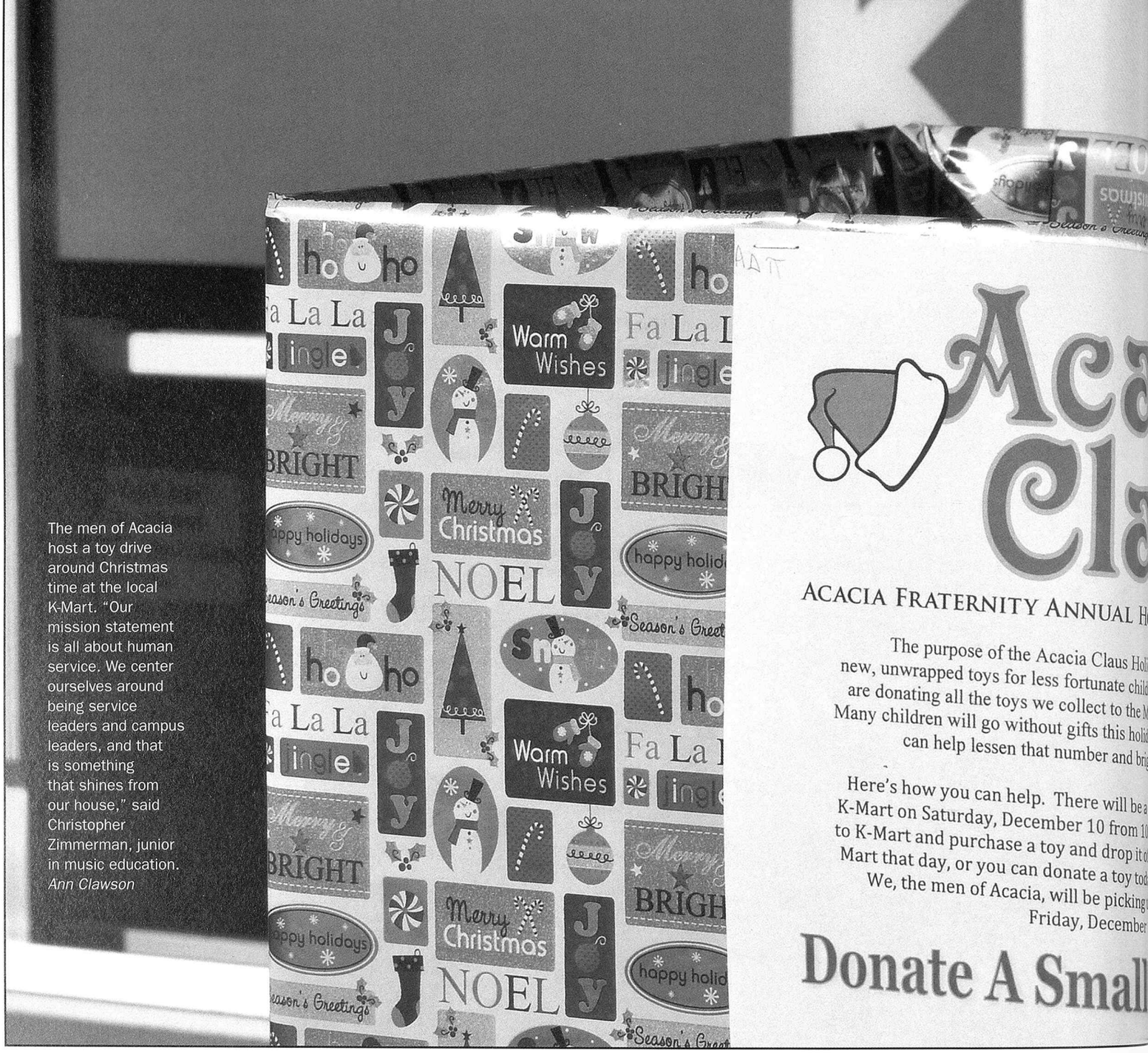
"He was a stud back in college, and he's still good now," Tyler said. "I would probably pick him."


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Todd Rider, freshman in electrical engineering, stands with his fraternity Phi Delta Theta and their homecoming partners Chi Omega, Farmhouse and Phi Beta Sigma as they sport medical masks for their performance at Pant the Chant. Pant the Chant was held on Oct. 24 in Bramlage Coliseum and was the first of five events that took place during homecoming week. *Evert Nelson*



The men of Acacia host a toy drive around Christmas time at the local K-Mart. "Our mission statement is all about human service. We center ourselves around being service leaders and campus leaders, and that is something that shines from our house," said Christopher Zimmerman, junior in music education. *Ann Clawson*

As a chapter of the Greek community at the university, it was difficult at time to get past the glaring stereotypes that society had of the Greek system and all that it entailed. The Acacia Fraternity knew that challenged all too well. However, instead of looking at the obstacle as something inhibiting, the men of Acacia decided to rise to greatness.

Back in 2001, Acacia was reinstated as a Greek chapter at the university and from then on, the men have been doing everything to move onward and up. They had previously been tied down with stereotypes and negative associations, but during the reinstatement, a new type of fraternity was established.

"We basically started anew in 2001," said Mason Grittman, junior in accounting and mechanical engineering. "The farther we got, the more we learned, and the better we were able to figure out the way things needed to work to recruit good members. The more good members you have in the house, the more they can bring to the house as a whole."

With the pillars of human service, development, and friendship, the men of Acacia have been recruiting and promoting the highest type of manhood within their organization, as well as on campus. In addition to these values, the opportunity for change and growth seemed to prove very appealing to potential members.

"I chose to pledge Acacia because it was fertile ground," Brandon Brunner, president of the chapter and senior in electrical engineering and mathematics, said. "There was not a lot of people set in their way, so they didn't resist change. Going to Acacia, I knew I could craft a vision for the group and actively participate in achieving those goals. That seemed like an opportunity that you can't find very many places so I was happy to grad at the chance."

The "new fraternity" that the men are striving for was one that would promote spiritual, mental, and social development for the members and to take and in turn promote that same kind of growth on campus.

"I was intrigued by the fact that as a member of Acacia, you are positively influenced to do good things," said Ross Allen, freshman in economics.



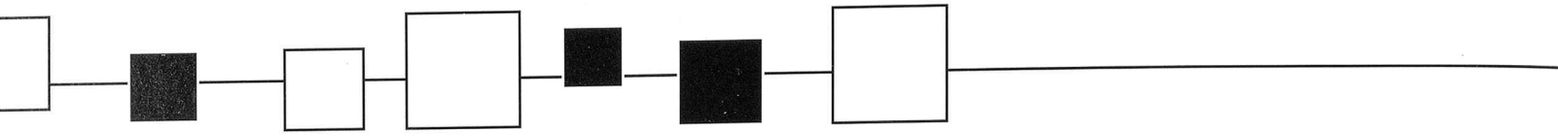
Since 2001, their new focus and outlook on Greek life helped their flourish enormously. Starting with 7 members total during the year of their reinstatement, Acacia was able to grow exponentially to the 60 members they had to date. Over the past decade, the leaders of the chapter took it as their responsibility to keep the chapter moral high and keep members focused on the pillars.

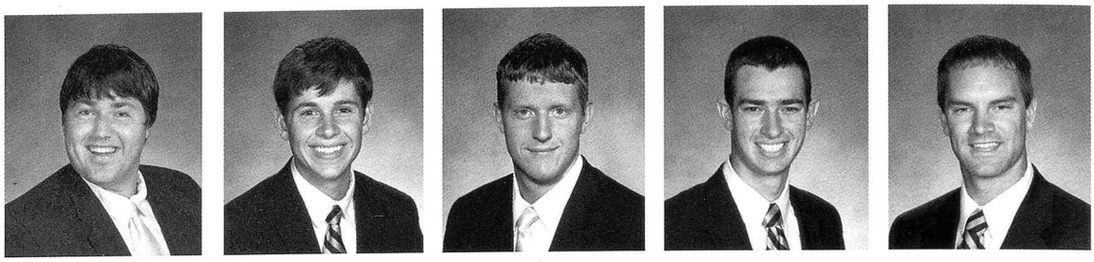
"The dynamic of leadership has changed so much even in the past few years," Christopher Zimmerman, junior in music education, said. " People are implanting change, but then always looking for the next step. It is the attitude of the people in the house that has changed for the better."

With ambitious thoughts of growth in the future, the chapter wanted to hold a solid number of members in the upcoming years but not expand too widely to loose the focus on the friendship and brotherhood that a close-knit chapter can provide. Overcoming the obstacles that the last decade faced them, Acacia embraced the bright future ahead of them.

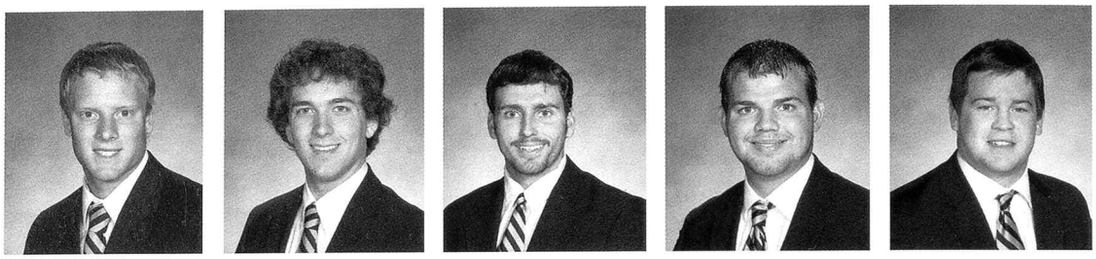
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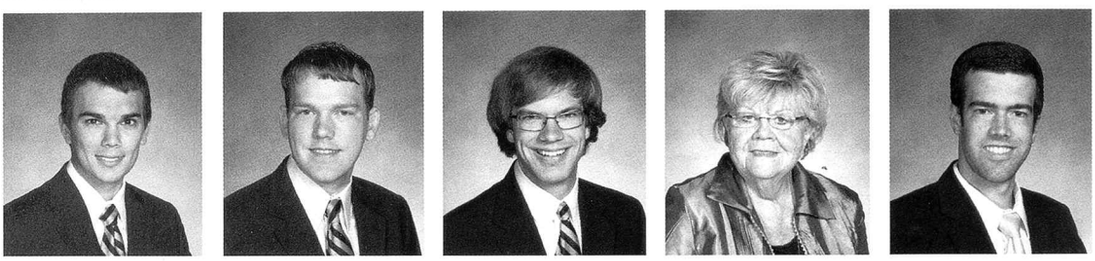




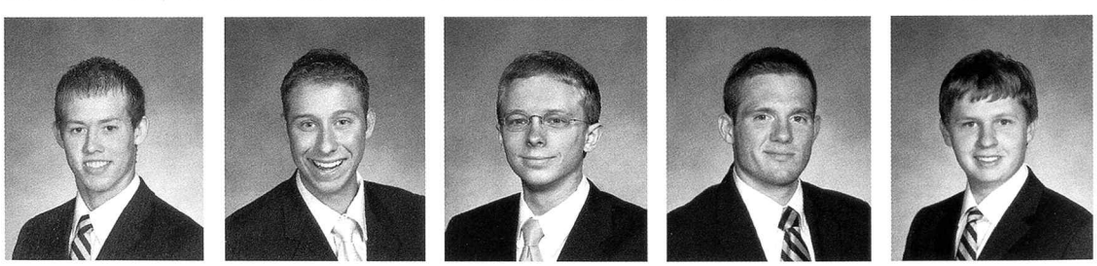
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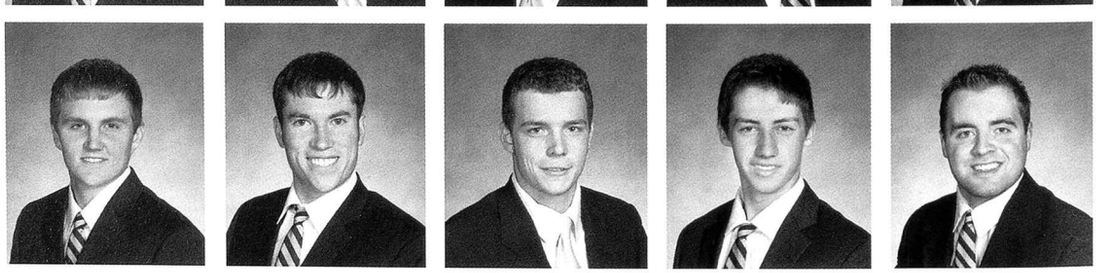
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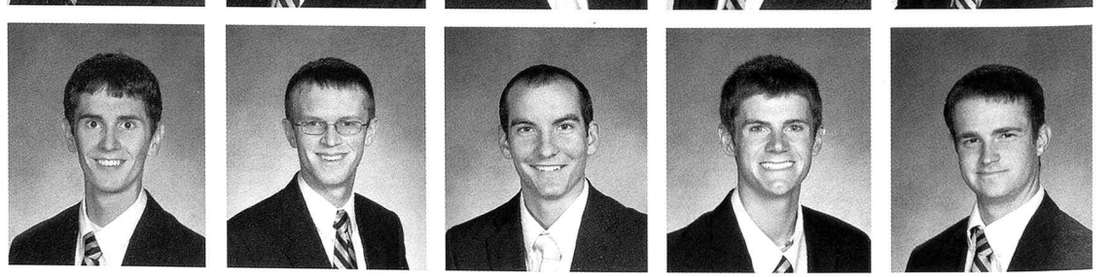
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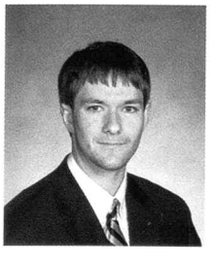
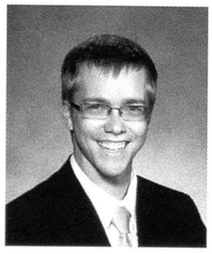
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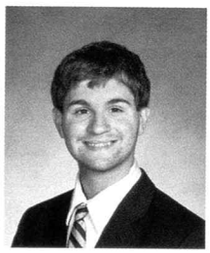


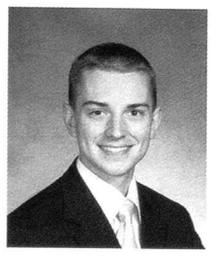
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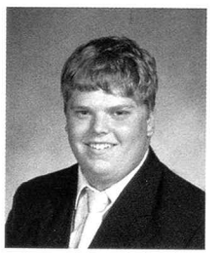
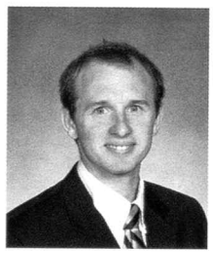
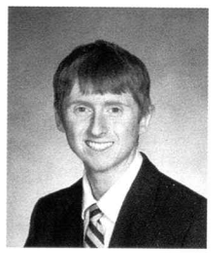



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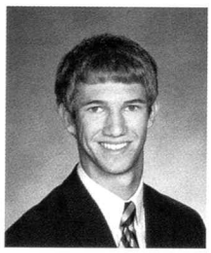


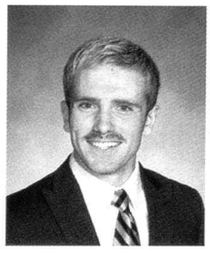
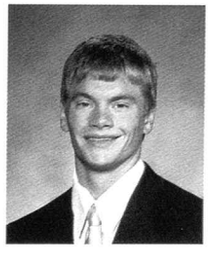

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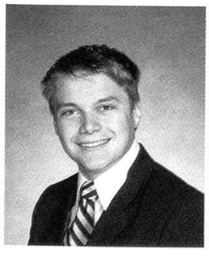
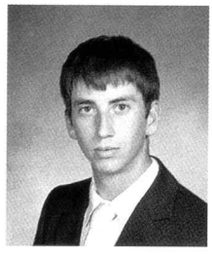


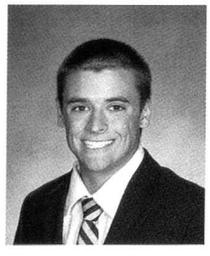
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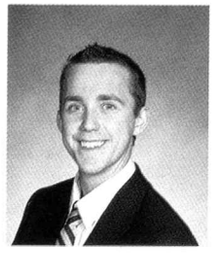



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ΑΧΩ ALPHA CHI OMEGA

by Kate Gillespie

Women of AChiO take a stand against domestic violence

According to the Olsen Center for Women's Health, every nine seconds a woman was assaulted or beaten in the United States. It was a staggering statistic and one reason the women of Alpha Chi Omega launched an awareness campaign against domestic violence.

"I think the awareness campaign is a great thing because domestic violence is something that people don't want to talk about but awareness is the best thing we can do to give hope to the victims and prevent more domestic violence from occurring," chapter president Meg Howland, senior in elementary education, said.

Through various events, the women of Alpha Chi Omega worked to provide awareness. Many volunteered locally at the Manhattan Crisis center.

"We do three events every year: Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Light up the Little Apple, and Hope Blooms," philanthropy chair Megan Sorrick, senior in finance, said.

During the month of October, Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the women of Alpha Chi Omega put on an awareness event for students to participate in. The event took place on Oct. 19 in Bosco Plaza outside the Student Union. They put on the National Luminary Project and displayed candles and facts about domestic violence to raise awareness in the Kansas State and Manhattan communities. The candles represented victims of domestic violence. Throughout the month, the women of Alpha Chi Omega also set up booths where they passed out purple ribbons, the symbol for domestic violence awareness. They sold purple bracelets this year, with the funds going to support Domestic Violence Awareness and various crisis centers.

"Every year, we always have a luminary event one night during domestic violence awareness month, recognizing the lost souls who were taken as a result of domestic violence in Bosco Student Plaza," said Jana Miller, sophomore in communication sciences and disorders and family studies and human services. "We put little candles inside white paper bags, and then place numerous bags around the fountain, and then take a moment of silence in remembrance. It's a truly eye-opening and memorable event."

The women also planned to host an annual event during the spring semester. They teamed up with local shops to put on a fashion show called "Hope Blooms." The fashion show was created to raise awareness and support for victims suffering from domestic violence and abuse. The women of Alpha Chi Omega partnered with the Union Program Council and other campus groups as well as local businesses to host the annual fashion show.

"We set up a booth in the union where we passed out flyers, ribbons, and posters. We also sold bracelets and everyone [in Alpha Chi Omega] wore T-shirts supporting the event," said Hailey Celmons, junior in leadership studies and animal sciences.

Clemons said they wanted to do a fashion show because it was something different and it stood out more than just having a booth.

The Gamma Zeta chapter at the university organized the event with help of volunteer student models and many local clothing stores, including Anna-A-Lee's, Kieu's and Zotcis. All profits from the fashion show went directly to The Crisis Center, Inc. of Manhattan.

Focusing on the transition from dark colors to light colors occurring between winter and spring, the Hope Blooms Fashion Show symbolized the escape from abuse, and the hope of blooming into a new person through strength and the help of a supportive community.

"Since social networking is such a big factor for college age women and it's an age where it (domestic violence) starts we wanted to provide awareness for girls that may not know they are experiencing it (domestic violence)," Clemons said.

In their spare time, some of the women dedicated their time volunteering at the Manhattan Crisis Center.

Sorrick said the volunteers at the Crisis Center sorted donations, cleaned and played with children. Some had training to answer the state and local hotlines and one of the women worked in the shelter as a staff member.

"I think it's really important to actually get in and volunteer so we can see firsthand what it is like for women who are victims of domestic violence," Sorrick said. "This year during our Domestic Violence month we did some educating within the chapter. We had two women from the Crisis Center come and facilitate an activity called In Her Shoes. We were put into groups and simulated real life situations of women who are being abused."

They also went through Crisis Center training in the fall or the spring to educate themselves on subjects that might need handling through the center.

Clemmons said many girls volunteered weeks, answering phones on the center's hot line and occasionally playing with the kids at the shelter.

"It sheds a lot of light on the situation and makes you realize that every situation you make can turn out to be good or bad," Sorrick said.



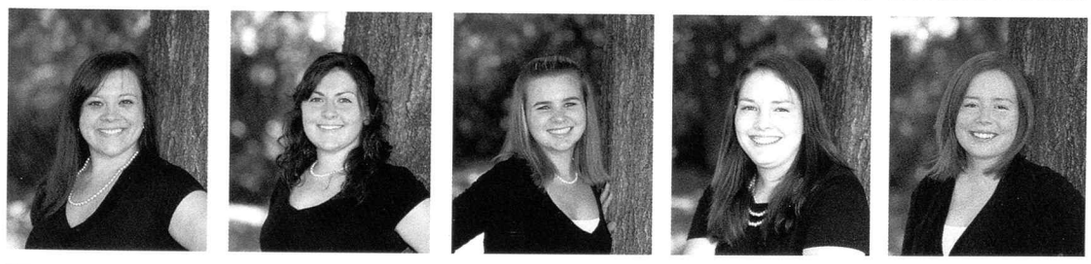
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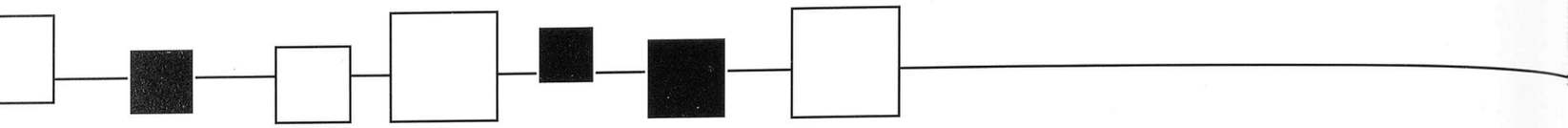
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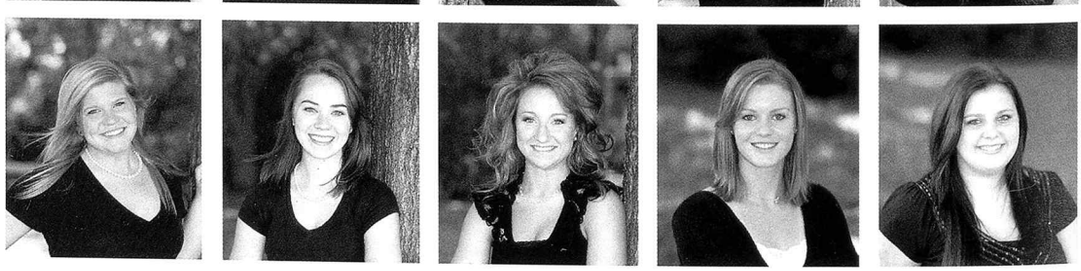
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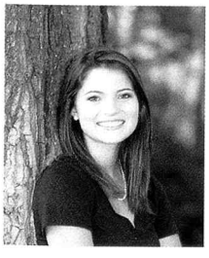




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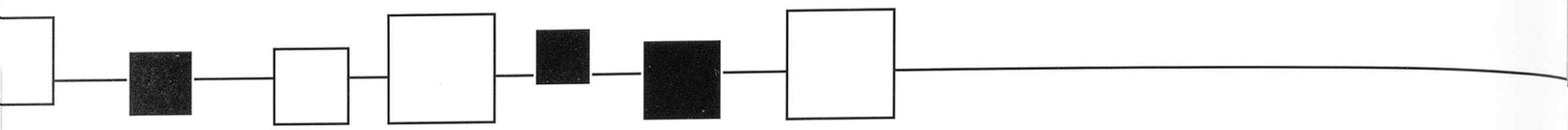






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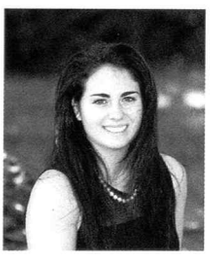






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ADPi sweeps homecoming for the first time in years

Homecoming was a big deal for the Greek community. It allowed fraternities and sororities the chance to express their school spirit and show the Manhattan community what K-State meant to them.

To the girls of Alpha Delta Pi, their enthusiasm and hard work in 2011's homecoming earned them first place overall among all Greek groups for the first time in decades.

For the 2011 homecoming theme, which was Wildcat Wave, the girls teamed up with fraternity Alpha Tau Omega for spirit competitions and for the homecoming parade float.

Homecoming chair Marissa Olberding, junior in business marketing and public relations said that planning started right around the time the fall semester began and that more house involvement was a key to being successful.

"I think everyone in our house participated which was something that we were lacking definitely in the past couple of years," Olberding said.

In order to be on subcommittees for homecoming, women who were interested had to fill out an application within the sorority house about two months before homecoming activities occurred.

While Olberding was one of the main chairs, Emily Campbell, junior in public relations and public relations chair for Alpha Delta Pi said that a group effort between all the chairs helped the house do so well.

"They made sure that they put in a lot of work this year because we haven't always been known for doing really well in homecoming," Campbell said.

Allie Straub, junior in management who was one of the float chairs during homecoming week, said that planning for the float started about a month and a half before the homecoming parade and that a goal for where the house hoped to place in events came up much earlier.

"At the end of each year we sit down and come up with goals for the next year and one of our goals was to place in the top three at homecoming because we hadn't done it in a really long time." Straub said.

While winning first overall was a great accomplishment for the women of ADPi, the experience gave them more motivation for future years that they would compete.

"Now we know what it takes to get first place and we know where the bar is set. We also know how much fun it is when you win and what that feels like and how proud you are when you actually win," Straub said.

"It's definitely going to be one of those memories that when I graduate from college it's going to be one of my favorite college memories," Campbell said.

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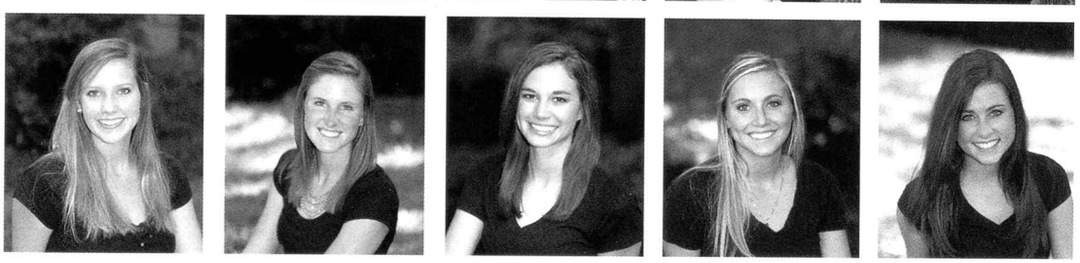
Members of Alpha Delta Pi paint on the windows of businesses in Aggieville for the Paint the Ville homecoming event on Oct. 26.
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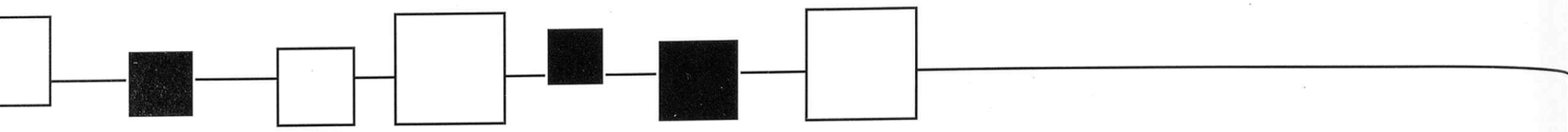
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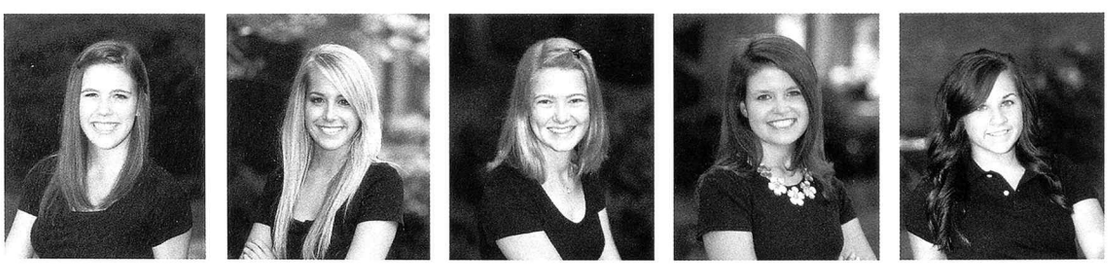


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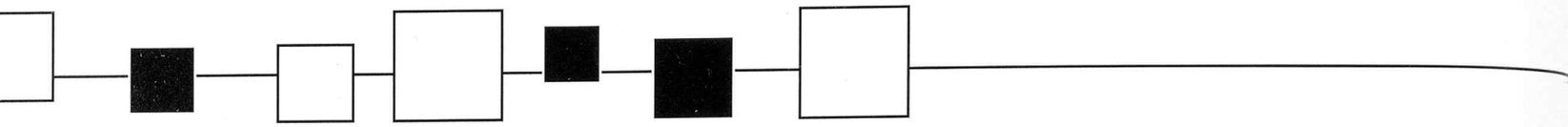
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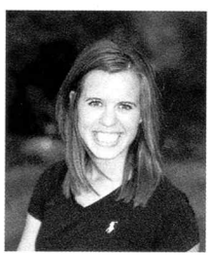
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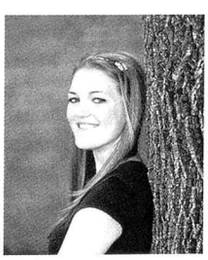






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ΑΓΡ ALPHA GAMMA RHO

by Shelby Brunk

AGR celebrates sesquicentennial along with Kansas

This year, the residents of Kansas collectively made a list consisting of the "things that make this America's best place to live" as part of the state's 150th anniversary. Each month, the Topeka Capital-Journal would release a list from cuisine to sports and destinations to education, marking the top five "best of the best" in those said categories.

"Best fraternity" was one of the categories listed. Not only were the top five fraternities listed all from the K-State campus, but Alpha Gamma Rho was ranked No. 1 among all fraternities state wide.

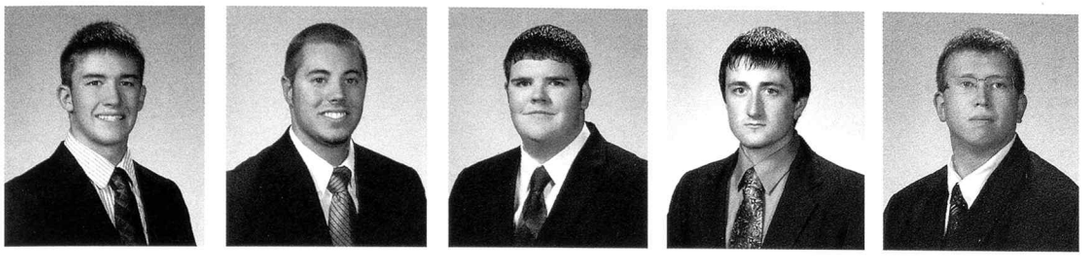
"We did not set any goals to be mentioned in the Topeka Capital-Journal. It came to us as a surprise," said Kevin Morgan, president of Alpha Gamma Rho and sophomore in agriculture economics.

The Topeka Capital-Journal's purpose was simply to give thanks to the winners for their achievements.

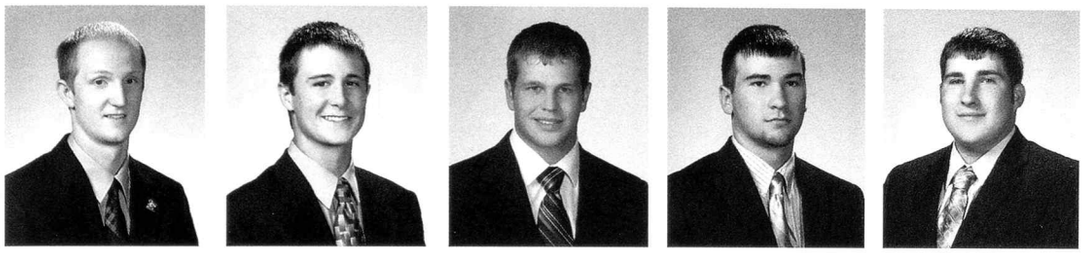
"They conducted a poll, and that's how we won. It was kind of a shock to us, we didn't know they were doing a survey," said Cody Burke, sophomore in animal sciences. "Our goal is 'to make better men,' and by doing this we have had an impact on many men throughout Kansas and the United States."

Such AGR alumni included Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback and Secretary of Agriculture Dale Rademan. And with the most recent recognition across the state, the men representing the chapter had not felt prouder.

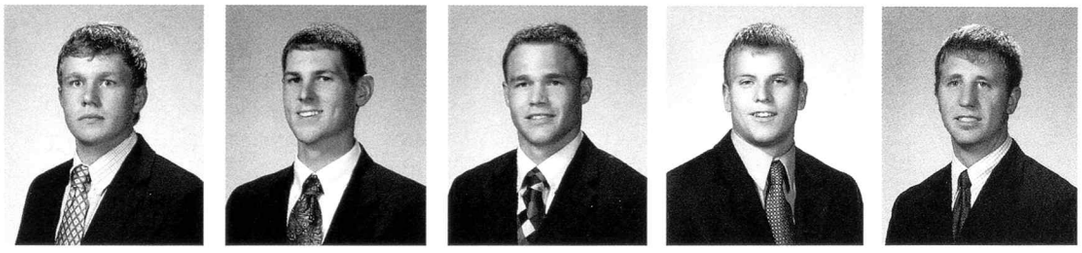
"It is a great sign of accomplishment," said Kendal Clawson, junior in finance. "It is just a sign of what we have for the years to come."



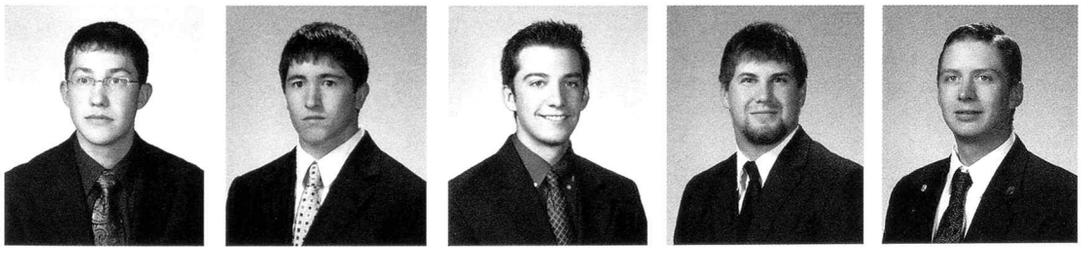
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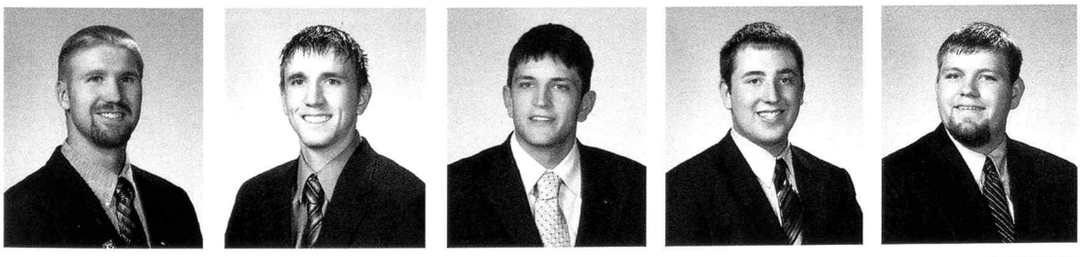
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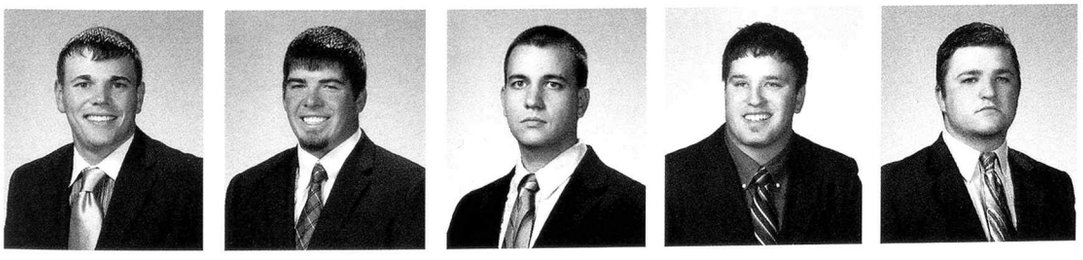
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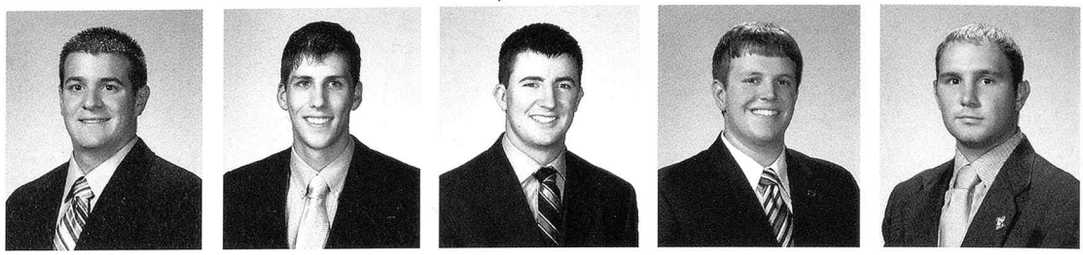
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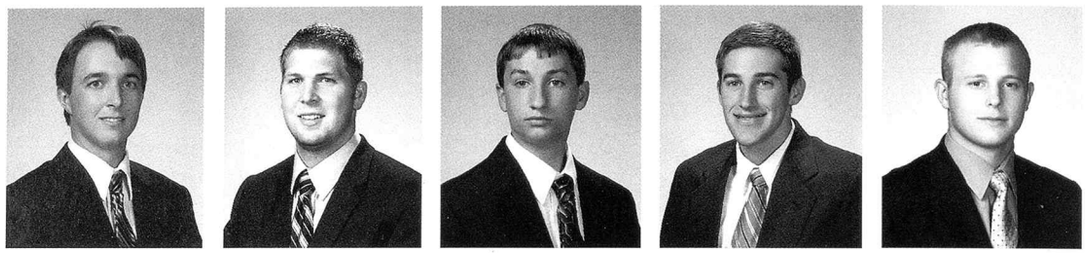
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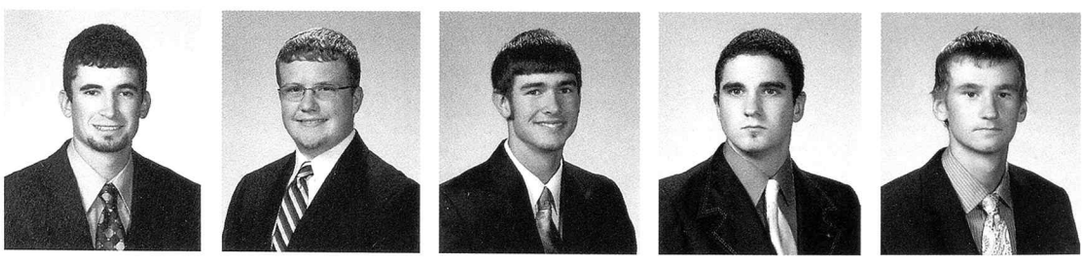
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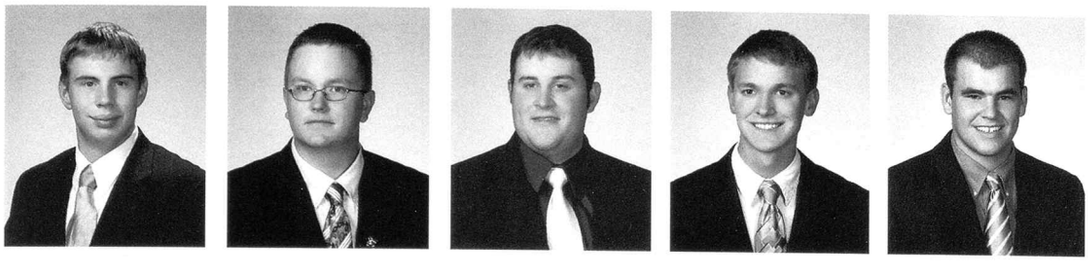


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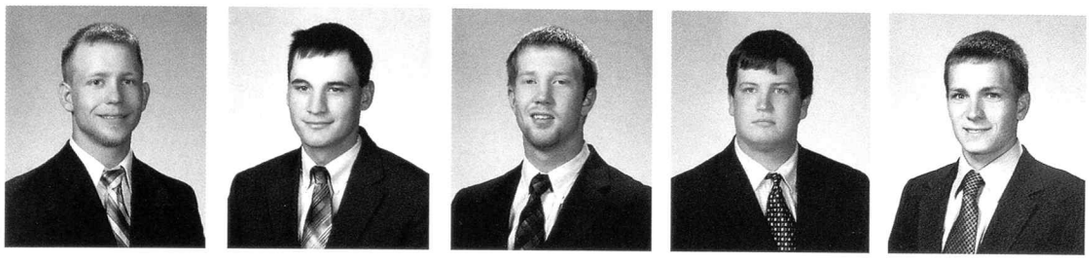


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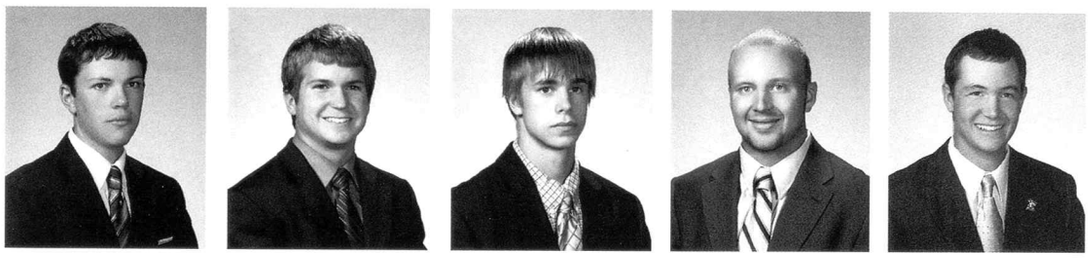




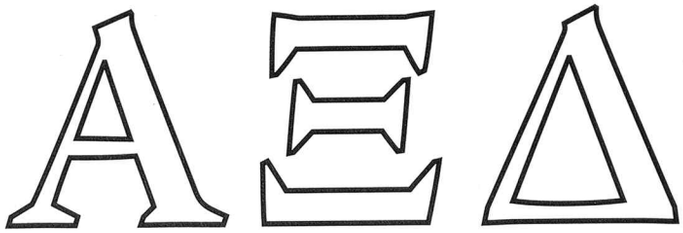
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ALPHA XI DELTA

by Shelby Brunk

AXiD steps up philanthropic efforts with Austism Speaks

Autism Speaks, and at Alpha Xi Delta it spoke louder than ever before.

"We are really stepping up our game this year when it comes to philanthropy," said Sarah Gillespie, president of Alpha Xi Delta and senior in finance.

In 2009, Alpha Xi Delta's philanthropy was nationally changed to Autism Speaks, which was the world's largest autism advocacy organization.

"Previously, our philanthropy was Choose Children and each chapter could chose a different organization to donate to, as long as it benefited children," said Nicole Wilbur, senior in elementary education and previous philanthropy chair. "We changed it to Autism Speaks as a National Philanthropy so that all of our chapters could donate to and support the same cause."

These women were dedicated to raising awareness for autism in their communities to support the organization which was close to their hearts.

"The Alpha Xi Delta National Fraternity partnered with Autism Speaks due to increasing need to raise support and awareness for this growing cause seen from statistics," said McCaela Kelly, philanthropy chair and junior in anthropology.

The statistics Kelly was referring to were the staggering numbers that gained the chapter's attention every year: One in every 110 children were diagnosed with autism, one in 70 boys will be diagnosed and every 20 minutes a child was diagnosed. The numbers spoke to the members of Alpha Xi Delta.

"I personally did not know what autism was until I joined this chapter and I feel many others have not been educated. I also feel like it is a great way to connect with some of our Alumni who may have children that fall under the autism spectrum from chapters throughout the United States, because we are uniting together in order to support their families," Kelly said.

The chapter believed there was a growing need to help fund research for the cure to autism as well as funds to help the countless families affected.

The mission of Alpha Xi Delta was to not only raise support and awareness, but also to educate the community on the disorder.

Beginning in the fall, Alpha Xi Delta started their fundraising with the annual Fiesta Feed. Businesses across Manhattan donated in effort to the philanthropy by giving items such as chips, salsa, bowls, silverware and gift cards. The fun began by inviting the community to celebrate in the awareness by providing an "all you can eat" nacho bar, including music, raffles and a jalapeno eating contest.

"In a typical semester we raise about $5,000 for Autism Speaks and this semester we have already raised over $10,000," Gillespie said.

The support did not stop there. The women of Alpha Xi Delta attended the "Walk Now for Autism" on Sept. 24 at the Kansas City Speedway. As well as walking to support the cause, the women supported by selling blue wristbands with "Autism Speaks" on them, and all proceeds were given to the organization.

"We raised $11,039 this past year for the walk. This is a fun way for us to experience first-hand families that are affected," Kelly said.

Continuing to be faithful to the support of the cause, the women hosted a second event in the spring. "Xi Man" was the AmaXing Challenge which was a male beauty pageant that consisted of three rounds: formal wear, talent and a question and answer session. Men interested from fraternities were able to sign up and were assisted by two Alpha Xi Delta coaches.

"There is also a T-shirt sales competition held, which helps the fraternities gain points for the event," Kelly said. "Each fraternity choose a different color and wears it to support their brother in the pageant."

The month of April was deemed Autism Awareness Month. To help spread even more awareness, the women participated in "Light Up Blue," and their house was lit with spotlights to raise awareness.

The issue of autism spoke to the woman of Alpha Xi Delta and they proudly supported the Autism Speaks organization.

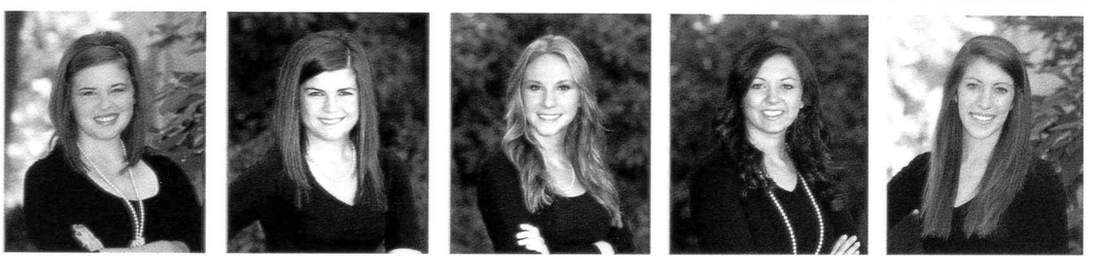
"I believe my sisters are proud of our national philanthropy and we are constantly creating new ideas in order to gain increasing support and awareness," Kelly said. "I feel that this philanthropy has become a bond for all of us and has a special place in our hearts."



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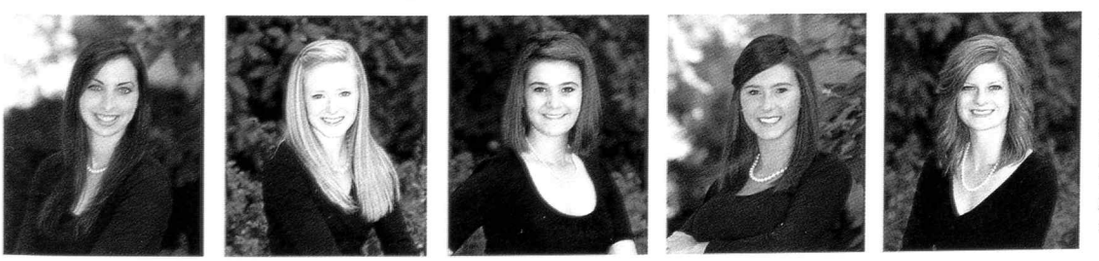
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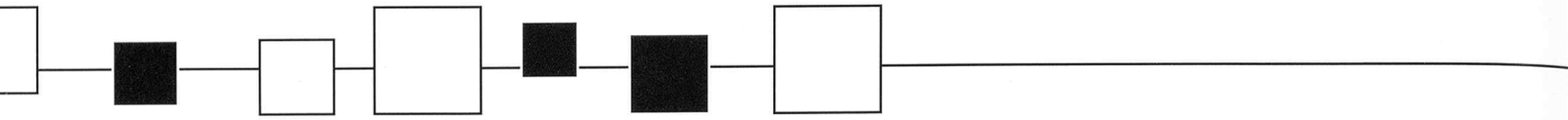
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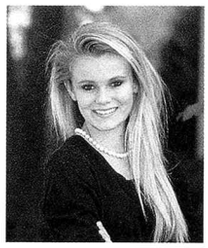


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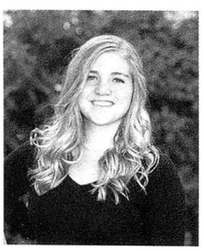
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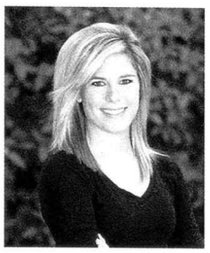
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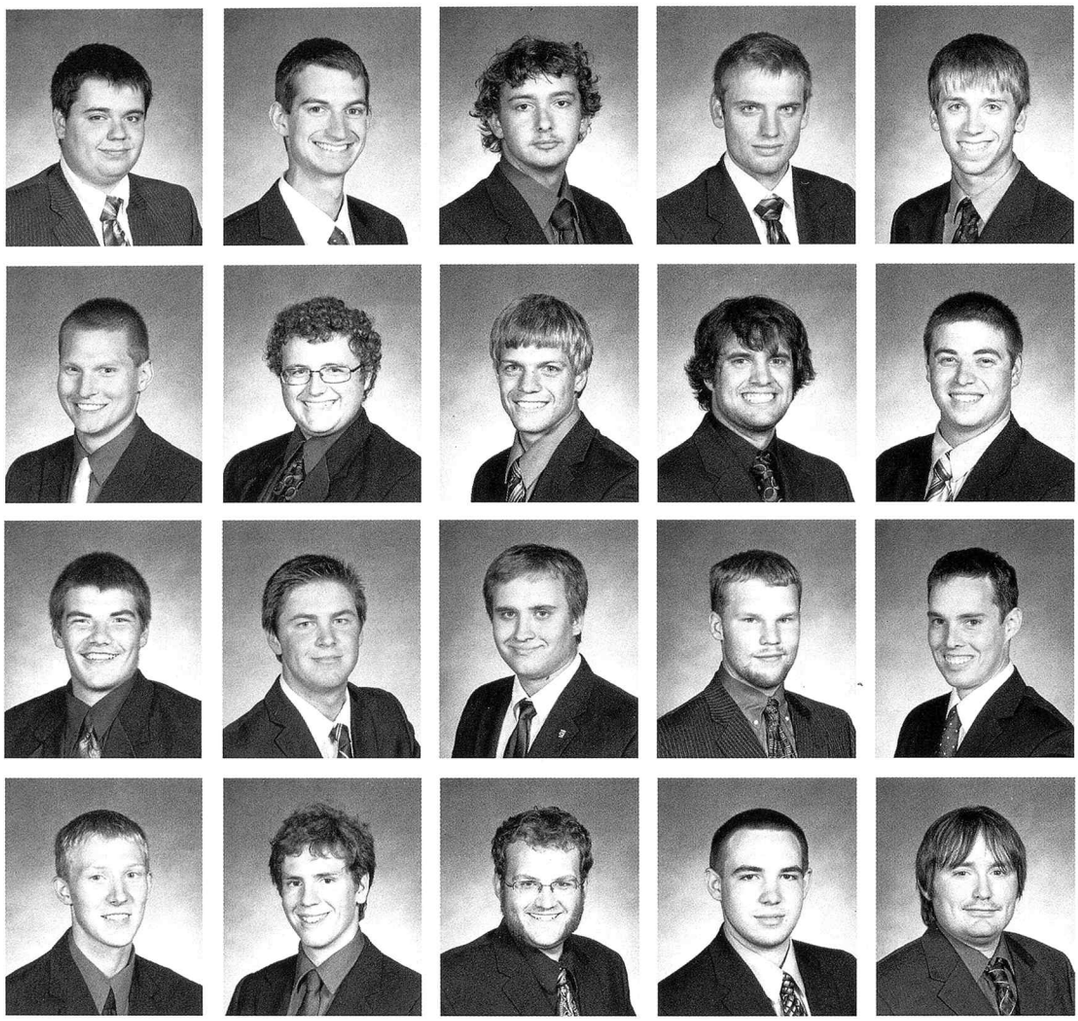


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Taran Carlisle ▪ Kansas City, Kan.
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Dustin Schmidt ▪ Canton, Kan.
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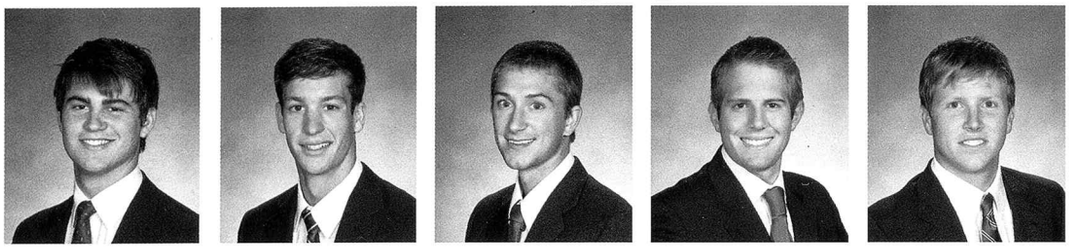
"Beta Sig is the best place to be because it gives me everything I need to be successful."

Taran Carlisle, Freshman in General Agriculture

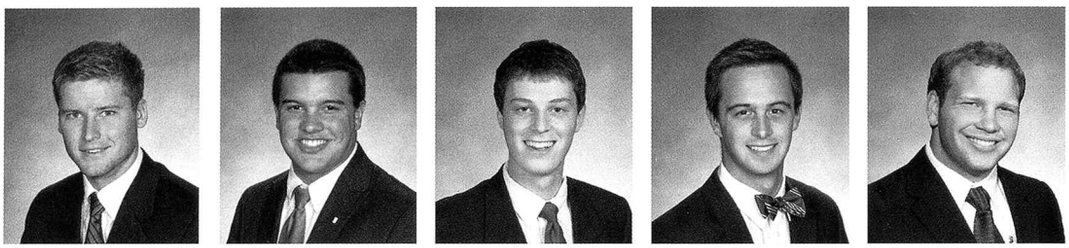


Students walk through campus in the quad during the fall. Walking and biking were popular ways students went from class to class during the year. *Logan Jones*

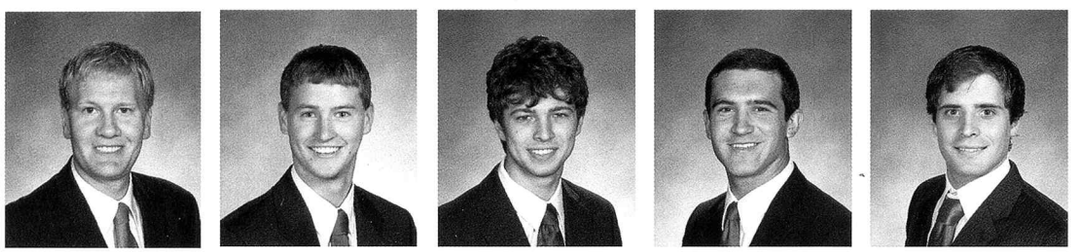
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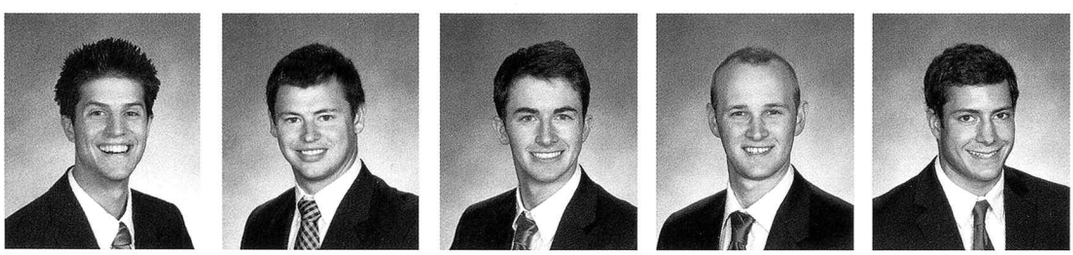
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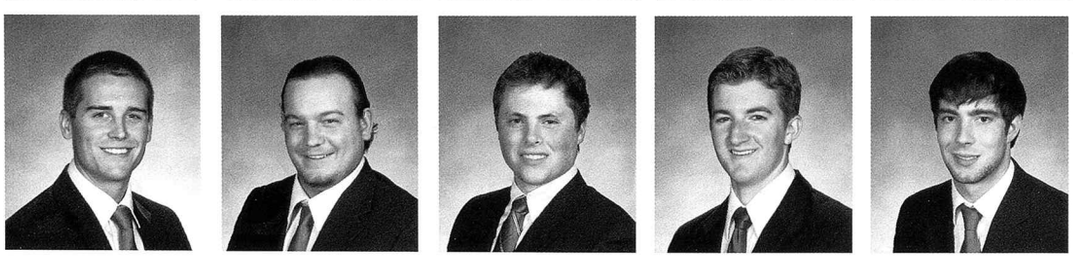
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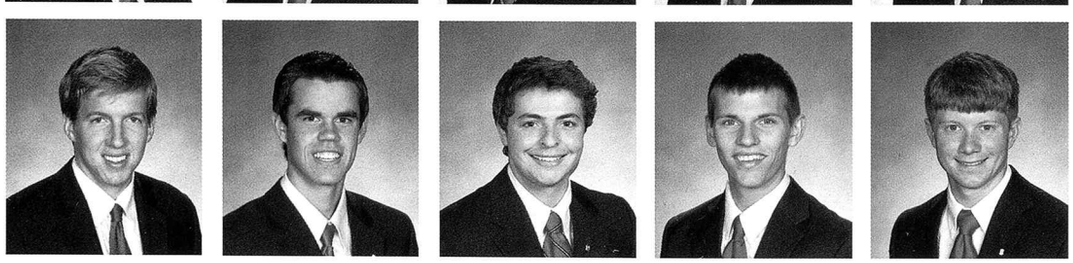
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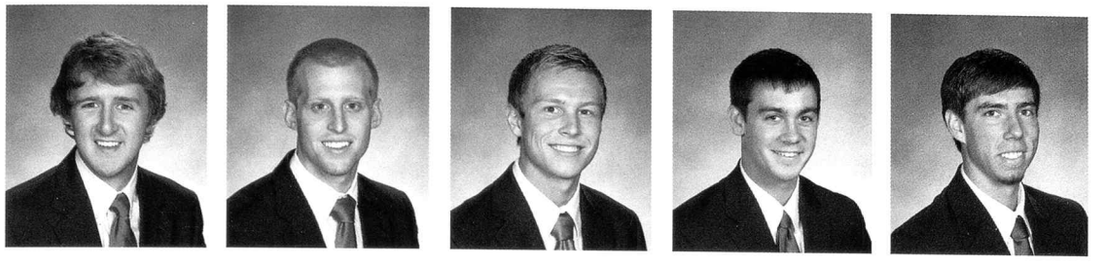
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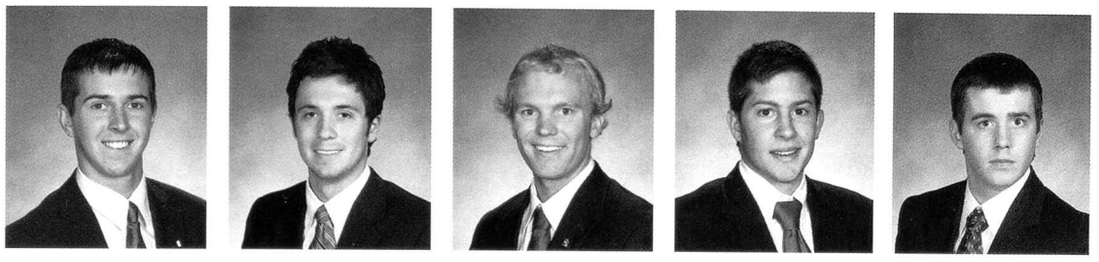
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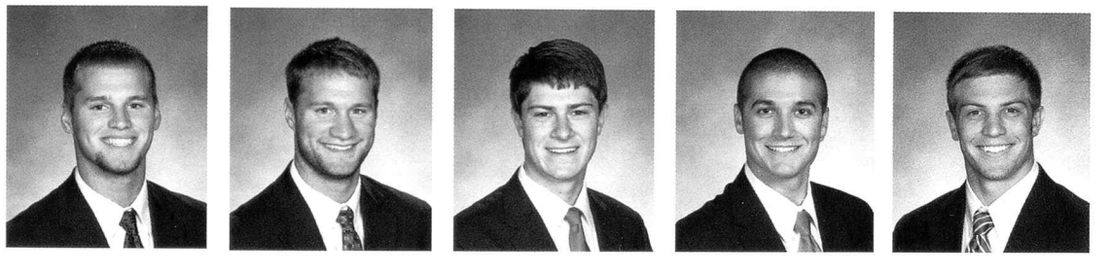
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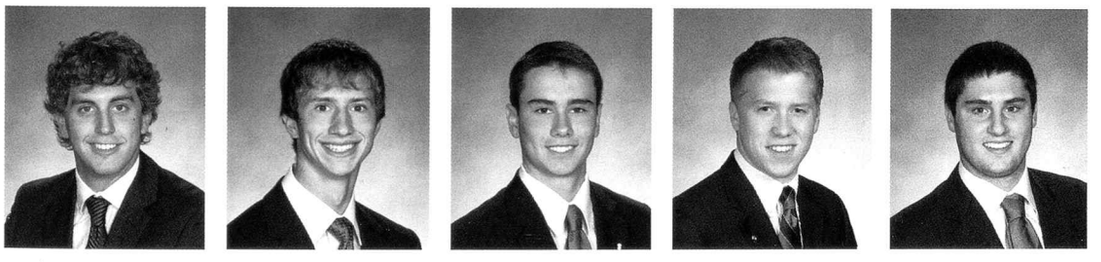
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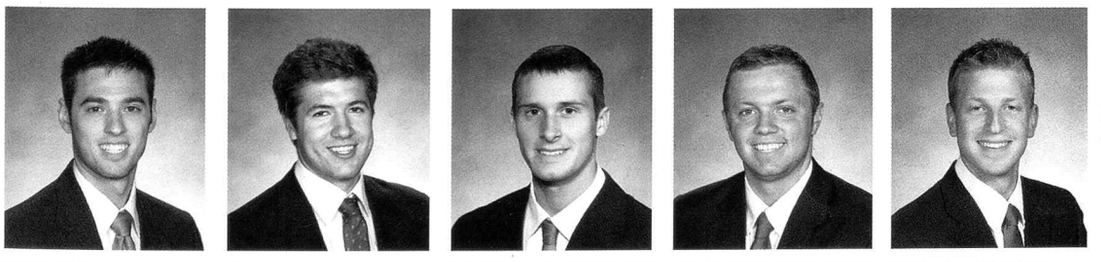
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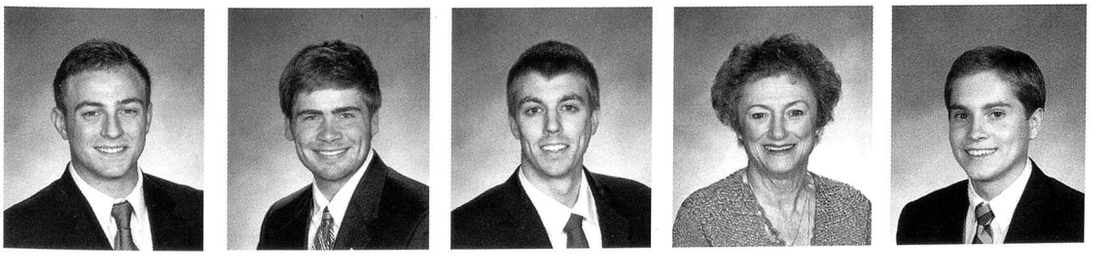
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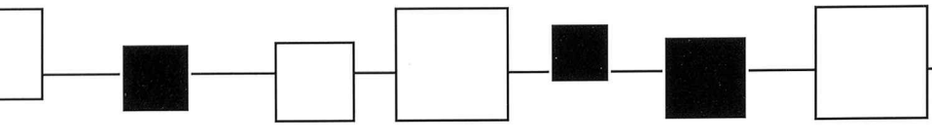
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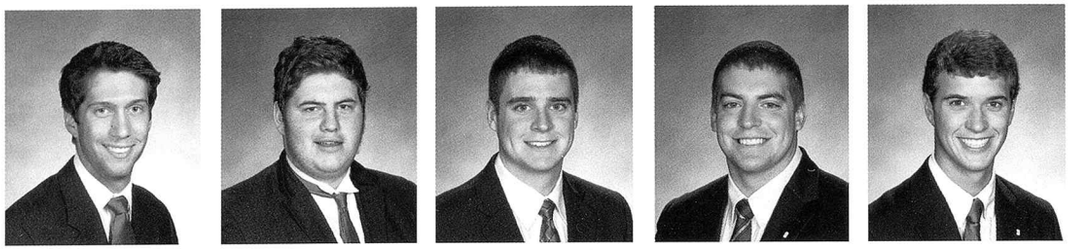


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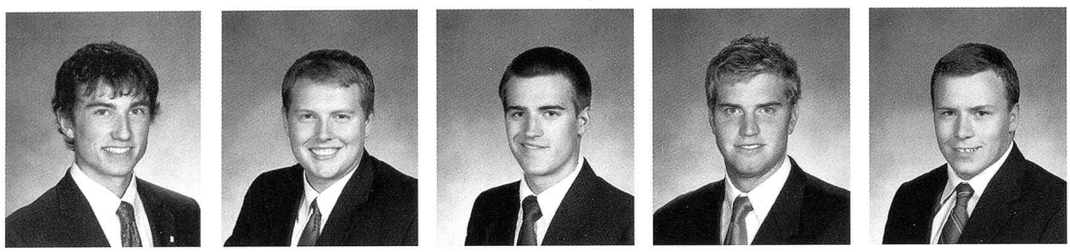


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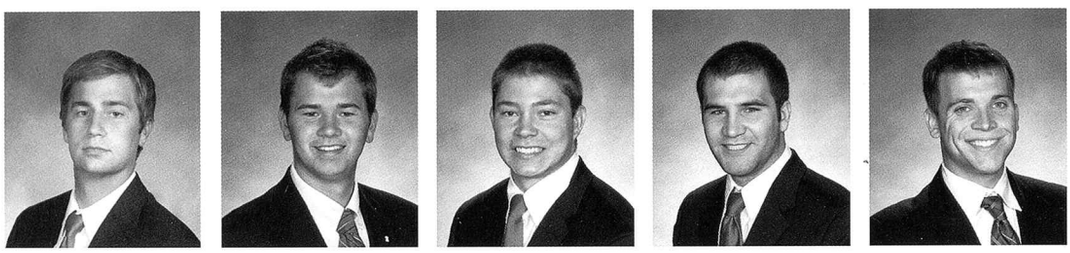
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SR, Wildlife and Outdoor Enterprise Management
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JR, Horticulture
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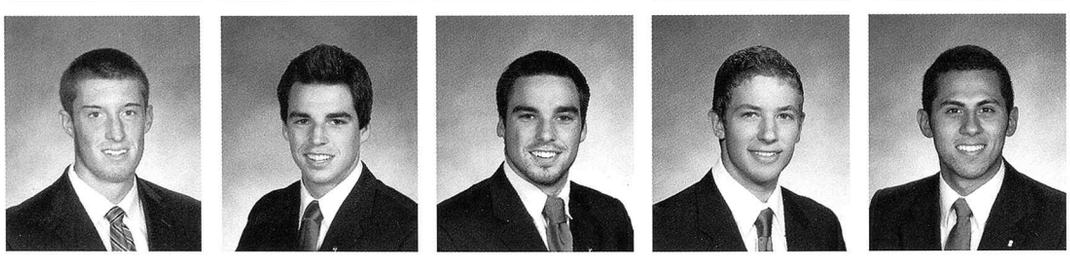


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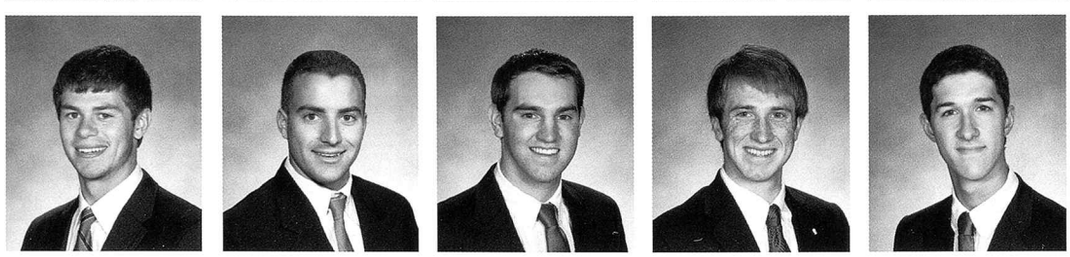
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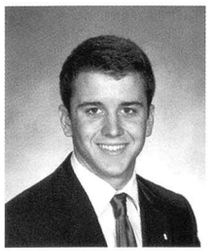


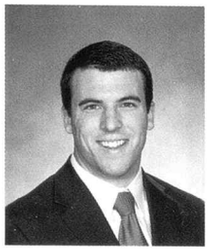
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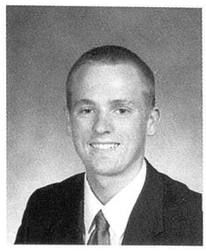


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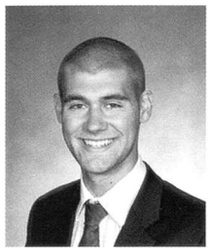
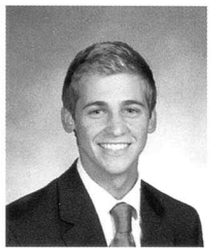
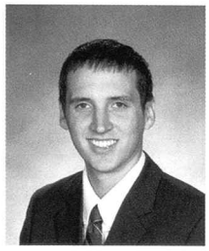
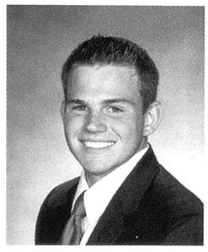
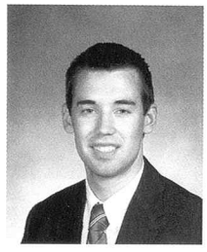




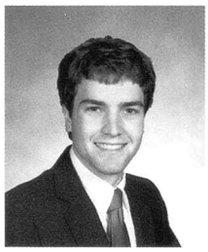
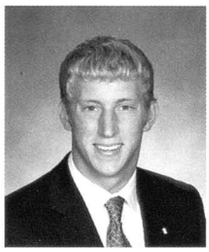




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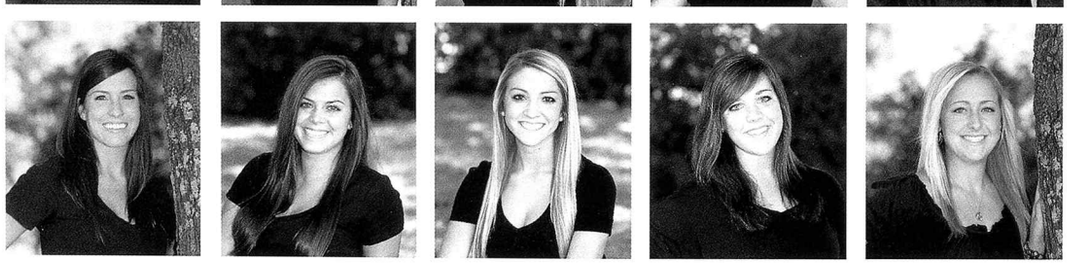
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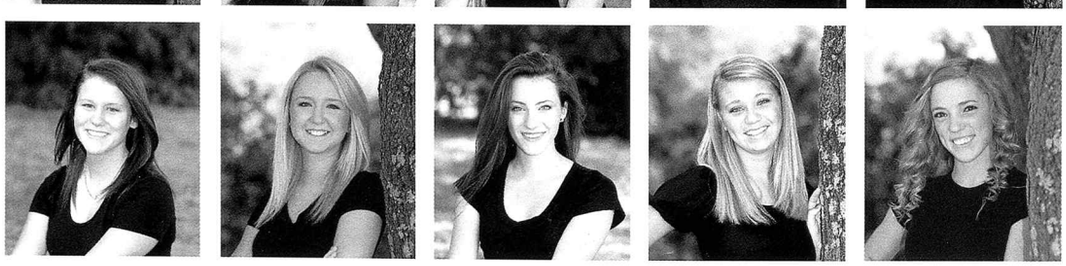
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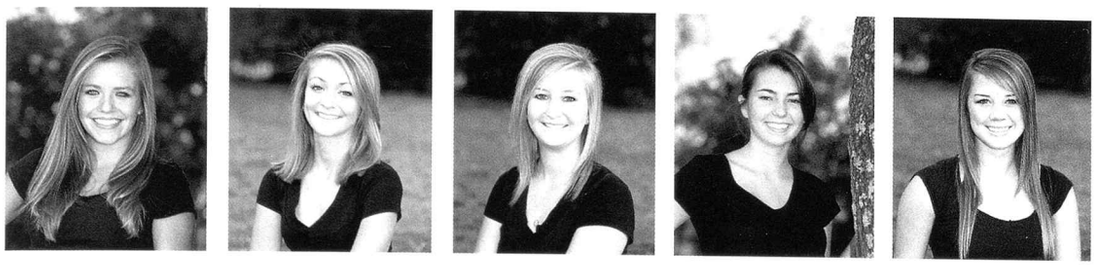


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FR, Elementary Education

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JR, Architectural Engineering
Emily Hays ▪ Olathe, Kan.
SR, General Art
Kelsey Hedlund

Lauren Heim



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SR, Theatre
Michelle Hill ▪ Wichita, Kan.
SO, Agricultural Economics
Amanda Hinkley ▪ Overland Park, Kan.
SR, Mass Communication
Theresa Hoang ▪ Wichita, Kan.
SO, Biology
Kacie Hoctor ▪ Overland Park, Kan.
SR, Mass Communication



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FR, Electrical Engineering
Morgan Hofmeister ▪ Overland Park, Kan.
JR, Family Studies and Human Services
Brenna Hogan ▪ Coppell, Texas
SO, Elementary Education
Jourdan Hull ▪ Olathe, Kan.
SO, Fine Arts
Lindsay Hunt ▪ Bonner Springs, Kan.
SO, Open Option



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Natalie Jordan ▪ Topeka, Kan.
SR, Biology
Katie Kane ▪ Hays, Kan.
SR, Communication Sciences and Disorders
Jessa Karst ▪ Lenexa, Kan.
SO, Social Work



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SR, Hotel and Restaurant Management
Mallory Keating ▪ Shawnee, Kan.
FR, Business Administration
Jordan Keller ▪ Olathe, Kan.
SR, Social Work
Kylie Klockenga ▪ Lincoln, Neb.
SO, Hotel and Restaurant Management
Brooke Kueser ▪ Francis, Utah
SR, Secondary Education



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Madison Lathrom ▪ Lenexa, Kan.
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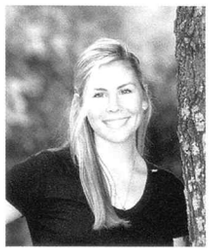






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SO, Hotel and Restaurant Management
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JR, Fine Arts
Kate Macholan ▪ Omaha, Neb.
SR, Apparel and Textiles
Merrill Marine ▪ Overland Park, Kan.
JR, Modern Languages
Ashley Martin ▪ Hesston, Kan.
SO, Apparel and Textiles
Deidra Mason ▪ Great Bend, Kan.
SR, Hotel and Restaurant Management







Kathi Mayfield
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Kenzie McAnulty ▪ Wichita, Kan.
FR, Open Option
Keely McKernan ▪ Seneca, Kan.
SR, Kinesiology
Alexa Mealy ▪ Overland Park, Kan.
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SO, Business Administration







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Kelsey Moore ▪ Wichita, Kan.
JR, Sociology
Lindsey Moser ▪ Wichita, Kan.
FR, Chemistry







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Rachel Mustain ▪ Olathe, Kan.
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Kaitlin Myers ▪ Olathe, Kan.
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Emily Orscheln ▪ Overland Park, Kan.
FR, Life Sciences







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Lauren Pistotnik

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Morgan Riederer ▪ Holton, Kan.
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Erica Rohr ▪ Flour Mound, Texas
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FR, Communication Sciences and Disorders
Cassie Routh ▪ Alma, Kan.
SO, Business Administration
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SR, Horticulture



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SR, Family Studies and Human Services
Macks Schmeidler ▪ Hays, Kan.
FR, Business Administration
Allie Schmidtberger ▪ Edgerton, Kan.
FR, Animal Sciences and Industry
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SR, Kinesiology



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SR, Mass Communication
Madeline Seggelke ▪ Bayport, Minn.
FR, Anthropology
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JR, Mass Communications
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SR, Elementary Education



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SR, Animal Sciences and Industry
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SR, Interior Design
Becca Stack ▪ Wichita, Kan.
SR, Interior Design



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JR, Biology
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SR, Life Sciences
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Meagan Stauffer ▪ Andover, Kan.
SR, Family Studies and Human Services
Paige Steele ▪ Washington, Iowa
SR, Economics









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Rebecca Sullivan ▪ Leawood, Kan.
SR, Food Science and Industry
Paige Thomas ▪ Lawrence, Kan.
FR, Apparel and Textiles
Jennifer Timmons

Casey Trug ▪ Olathe, Kan.
FR, Sociology







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JR, Hotel and Restaurant Management
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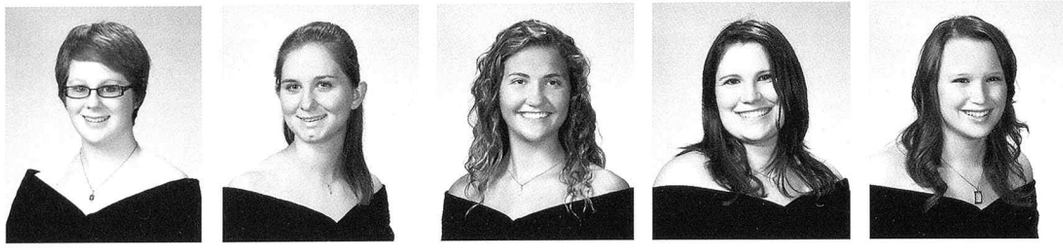
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SR, Mass Communication
Sarah Works ▪ Humboldt, Kan.
SR, Political Science




Robyn Zey ▪ Salina, Kan.
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JU, Agronomy
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SR, Hotel and Restaurant Management
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Hillary Breene ▪ West Greenwich, Kan.
SO, Agribusiness
Courtney Chacon ▪ Hutchinson, Kan.
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Jinzi Chen
Management
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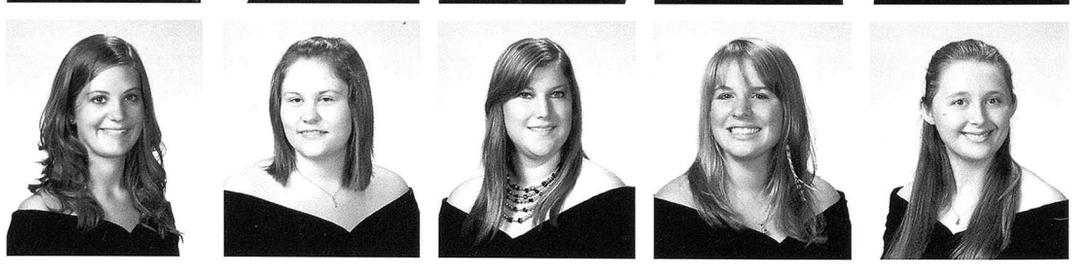
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FR, Elementary Education
Erin Eckels ▪ Manhattan, Kan.
FR, Food and Science and Industry



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Melissa Gaddis ▪ Olathe, Kan.
SO, Environmental Design
Caysi Gatts ▪ Ozawkie, Kan.
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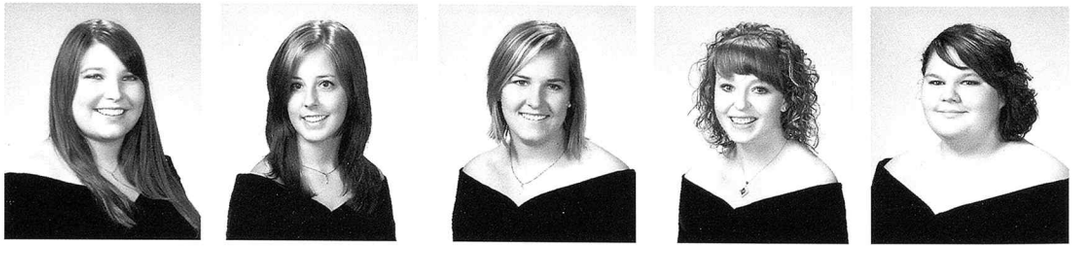


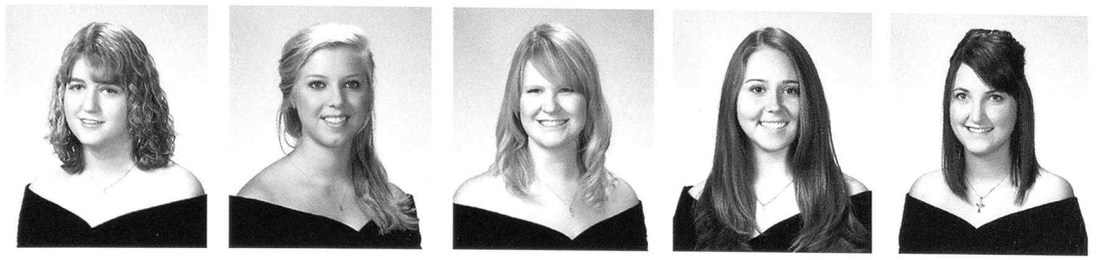
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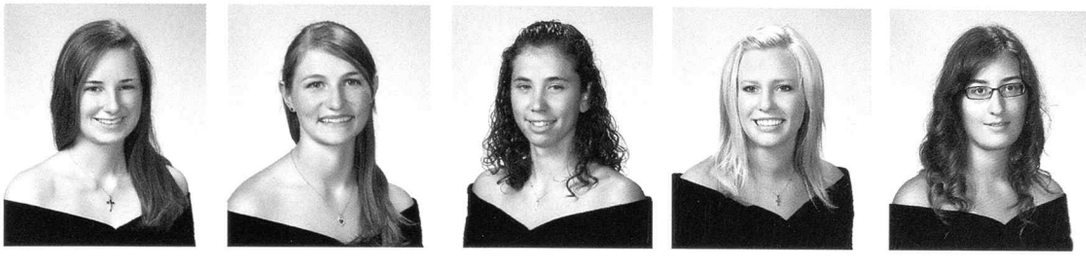
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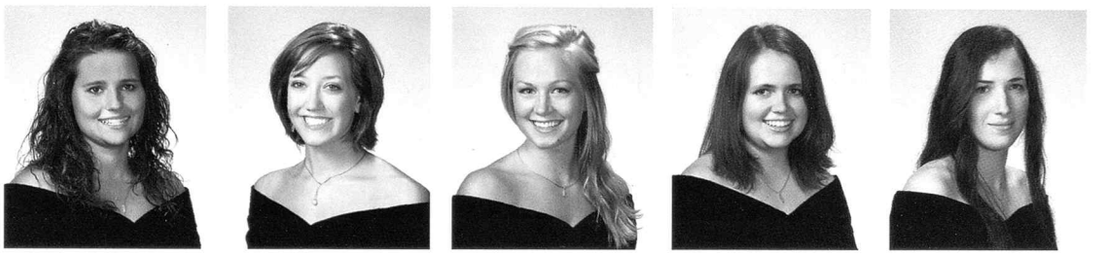


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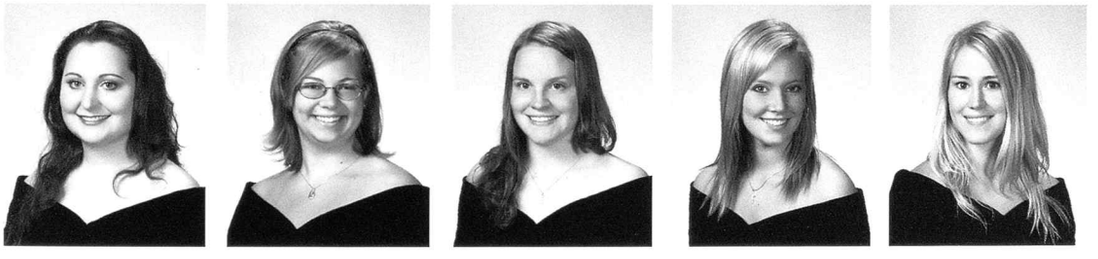


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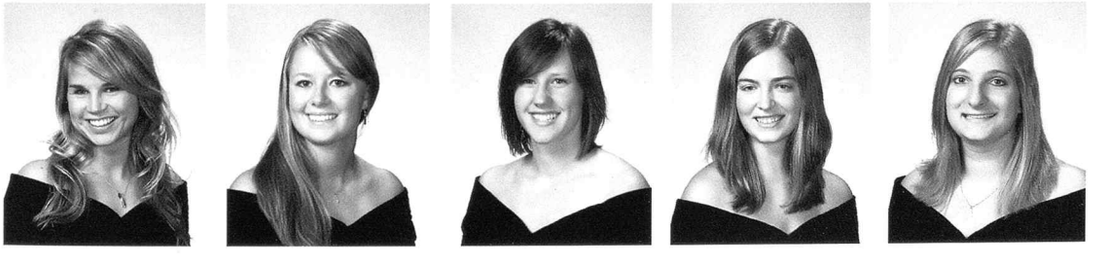
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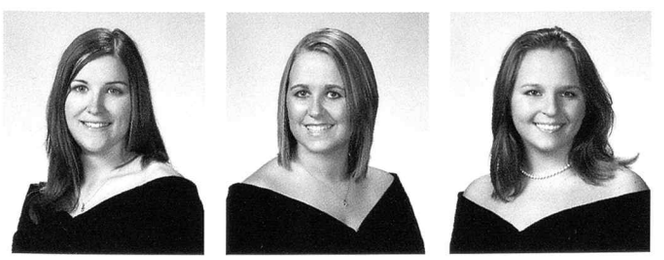
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FR, Animal Sciences and Industry
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JU, Interior Design
Katherine Price ▪ Valley Center, Kan.
SR, Animal Sciences and Industry
Alecia Pyle ▪ Towanda, Kan.
SR, Animal Sciences and Industry



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SO, Public Health Nutrition
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Brooke Stamm ▪ Washington, Kan.
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SR, Hotel and Restaurant Management
Laura Unruh ▪ Newton, Kan.
JU, Agribusiness
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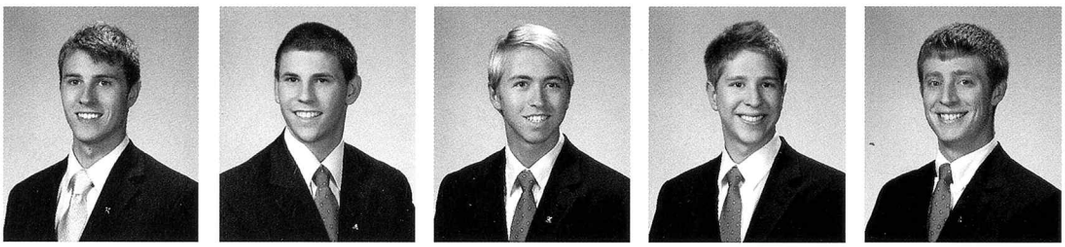
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FR, Architecture Engineering
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SO, Architecture Engineering



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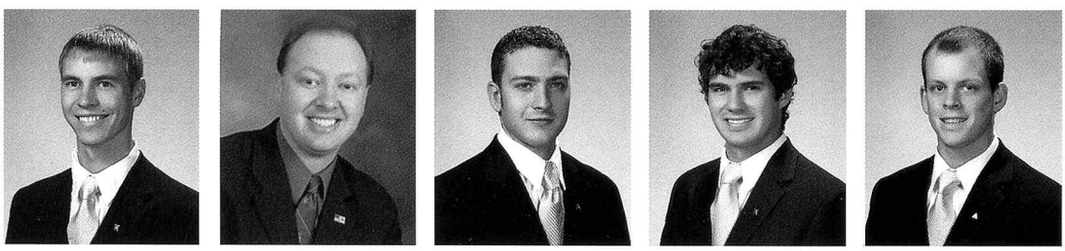


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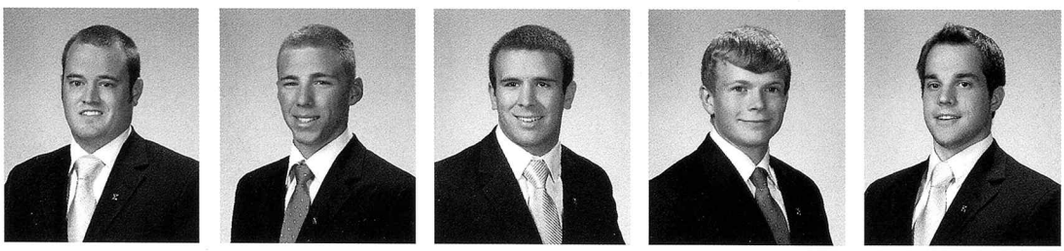


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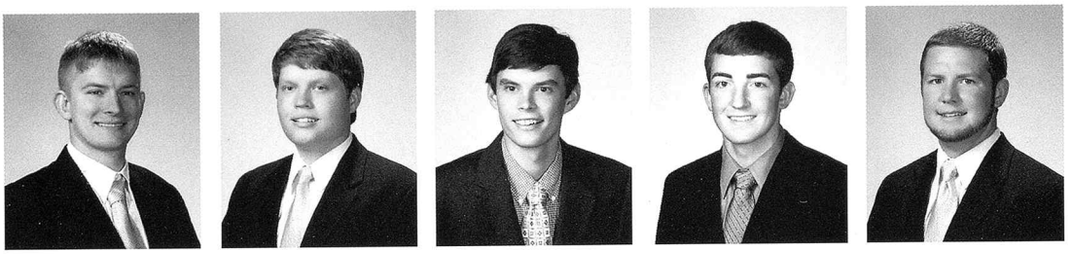
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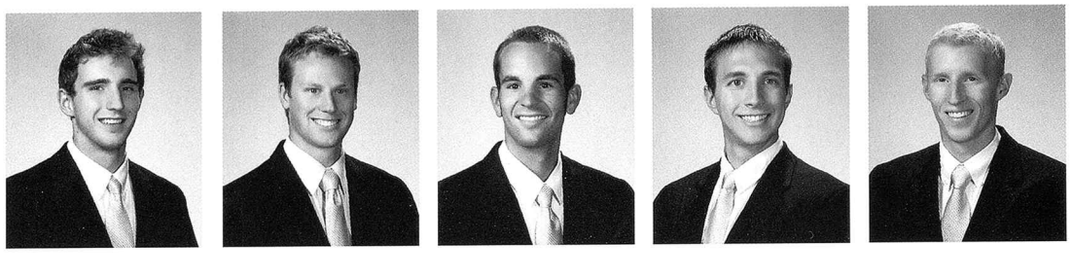
A guitarist performs with his band at the 6th annual Multi-Genre Live Music Festival at Aggiefest on Sept. 24. Bands from all over Kansas came to perform for students and the community in Aggieville. Many local businesses participated in Aggiefest, and for the first time ever it displayed art from local artists.
Tommy Theis



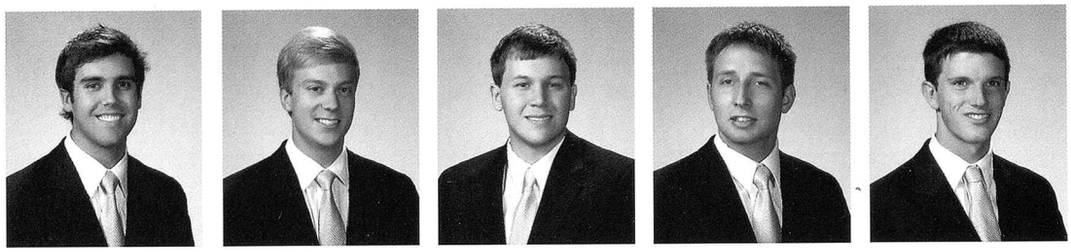
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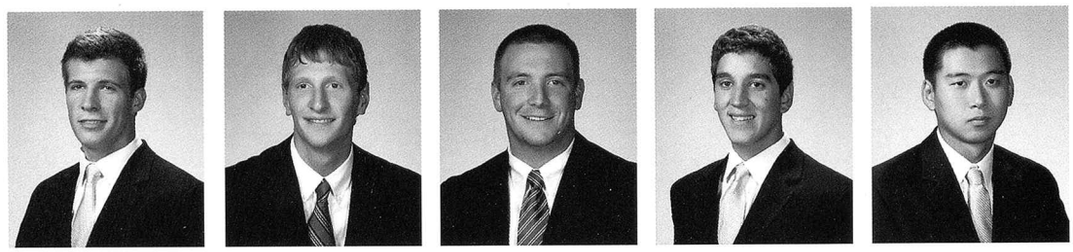
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SR, Social Sciences
Marshall Anliker ▪ Scott City, Kan.
SO, Construction Science and Management



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SR, Milling Science and Management
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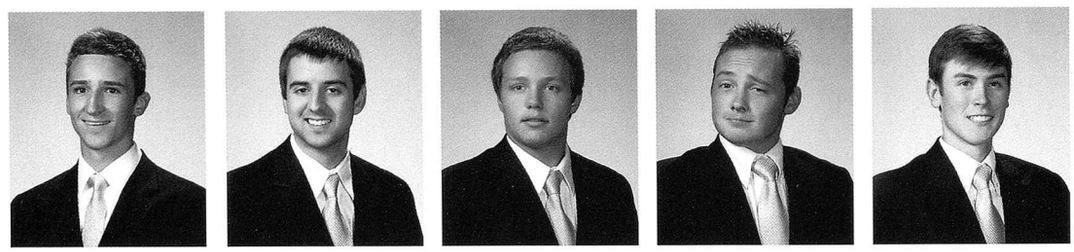


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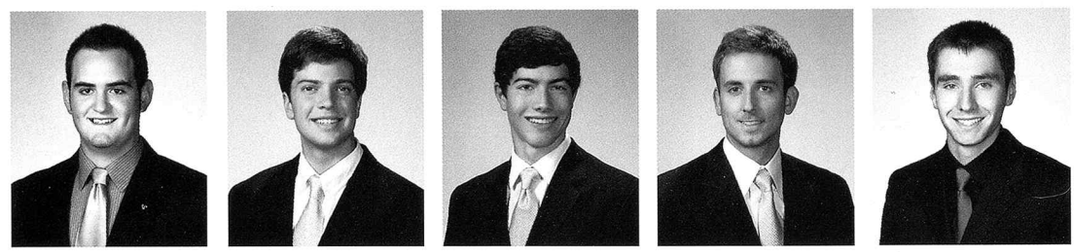


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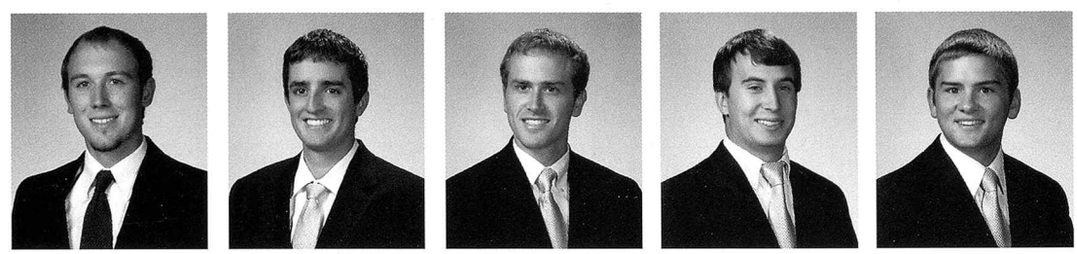
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Gordon Chang ▪ Manhattan, Kan.
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Blake Cornell ▪ Orland Park, Ill.
JU, Management
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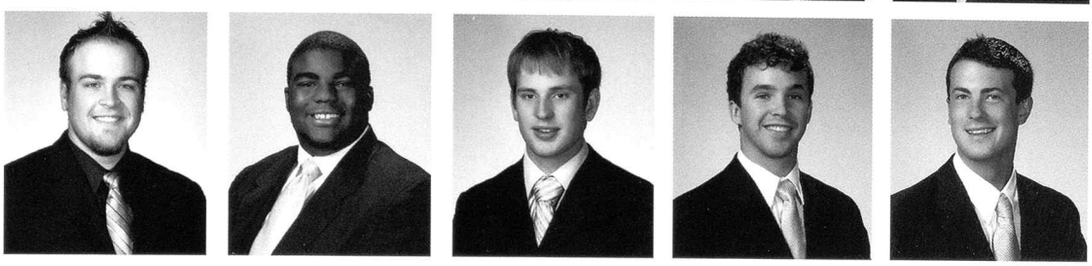
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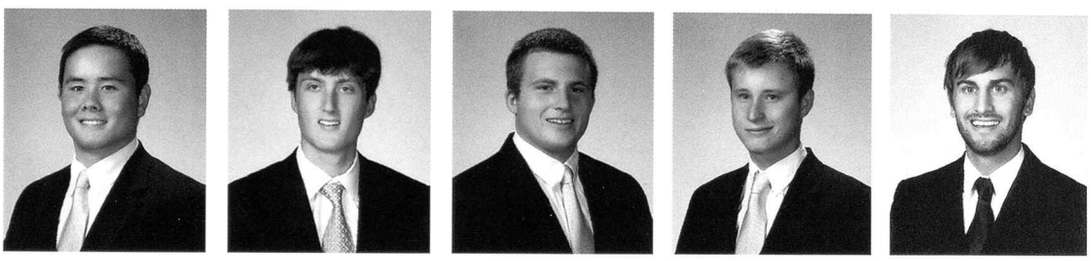
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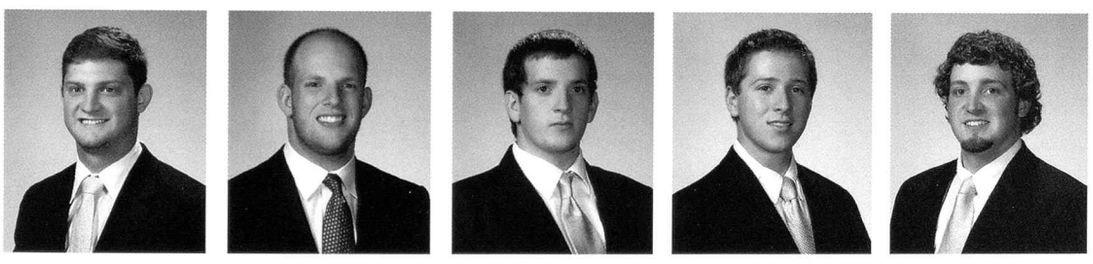
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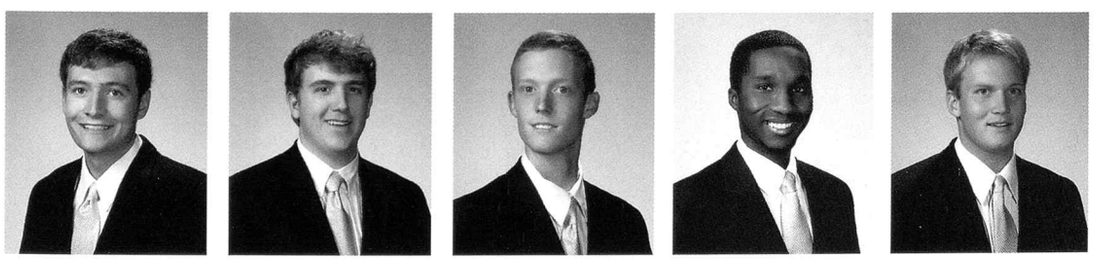
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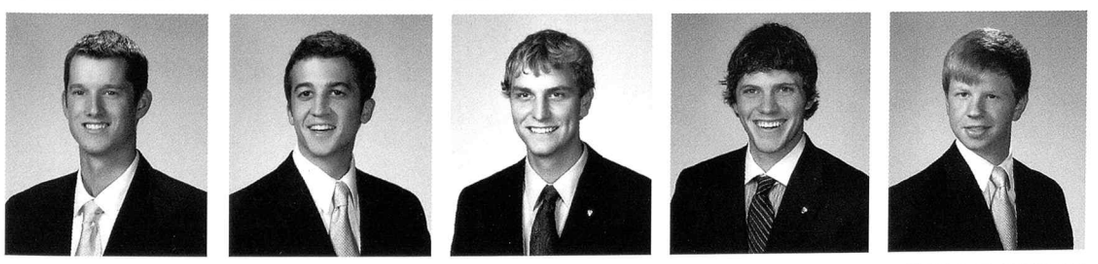
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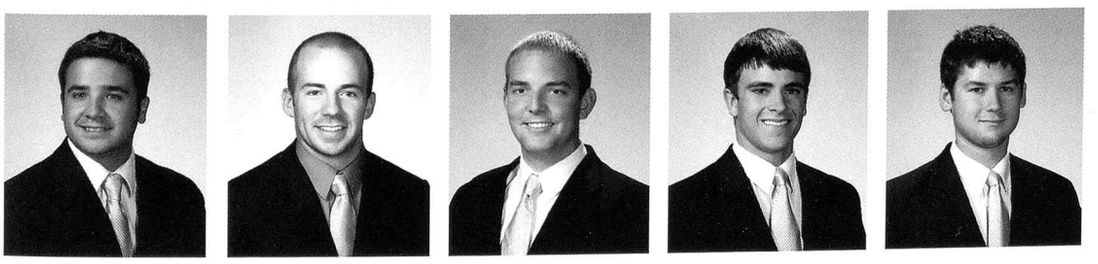
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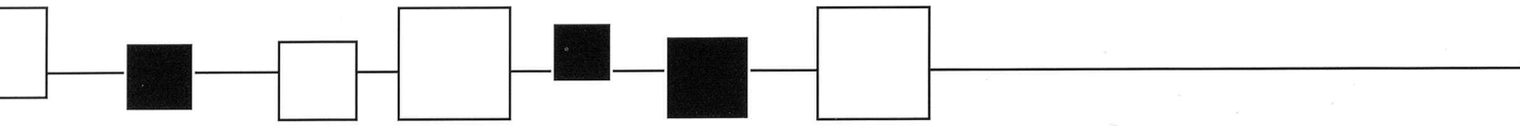
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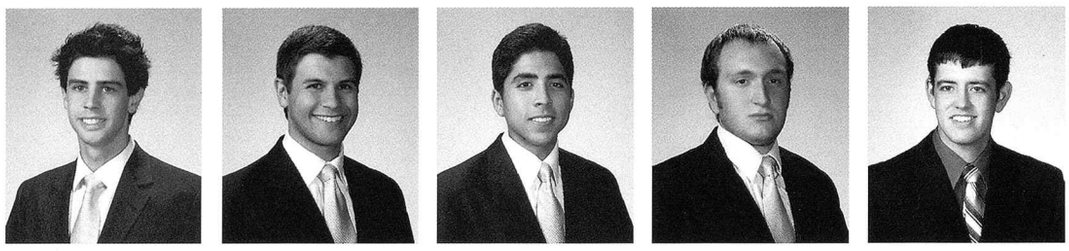
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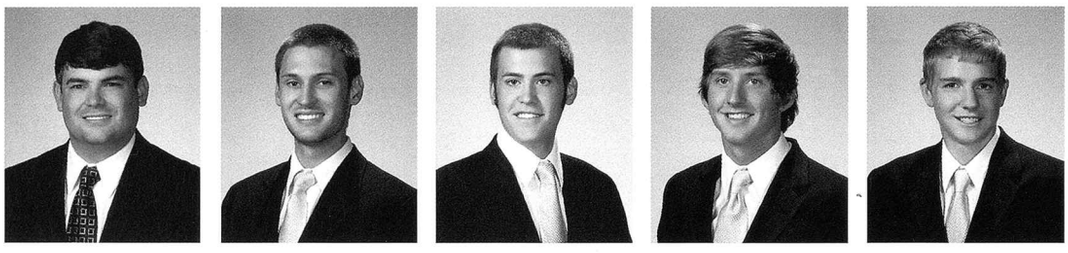
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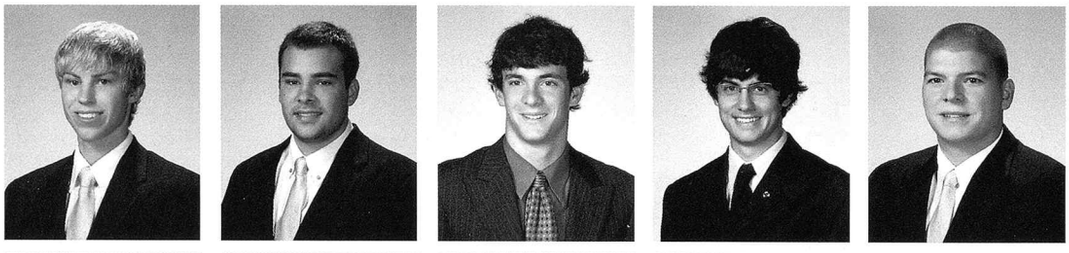
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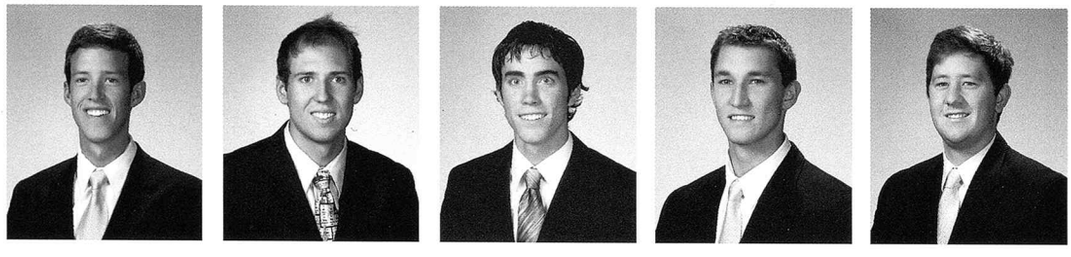
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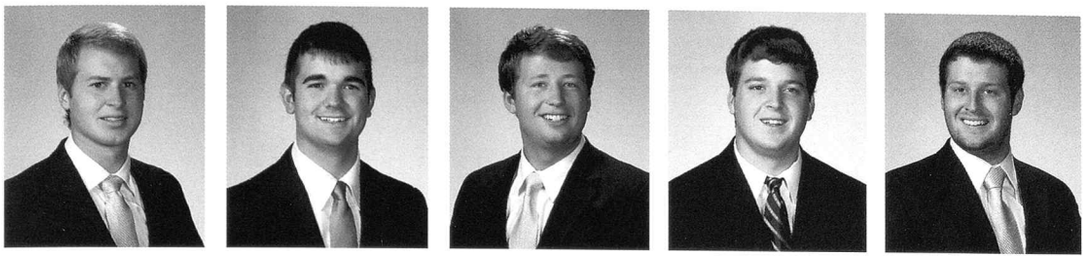


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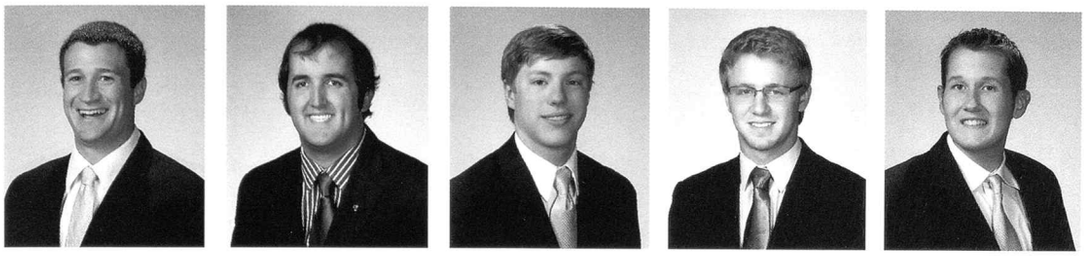


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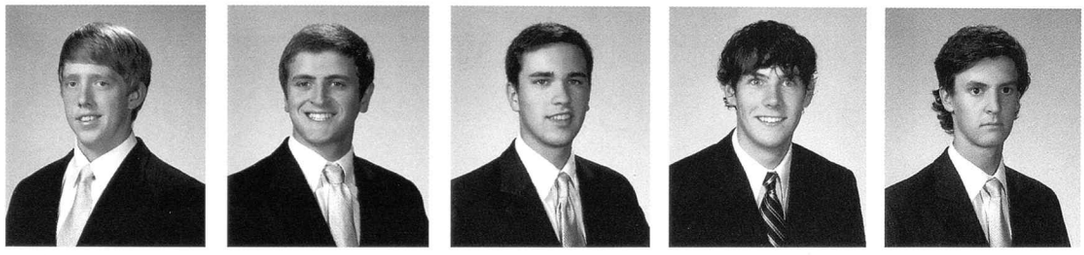




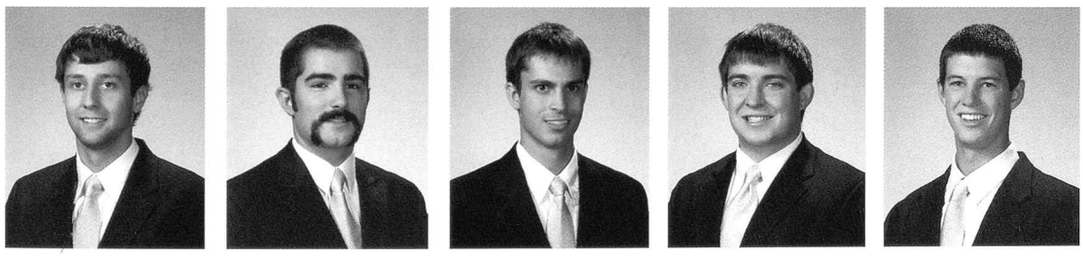
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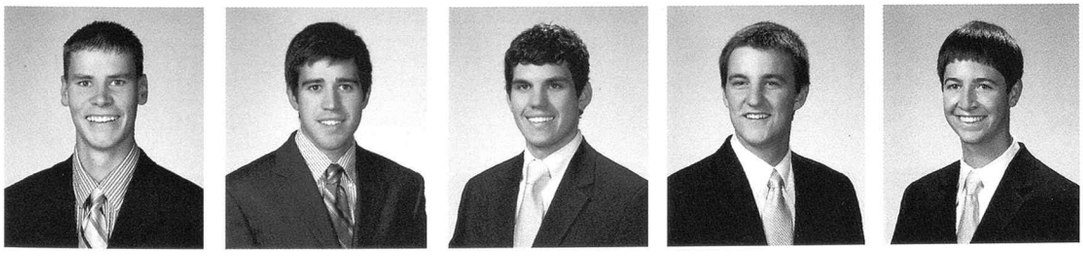
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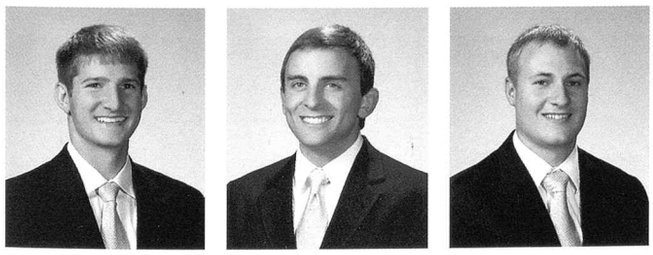
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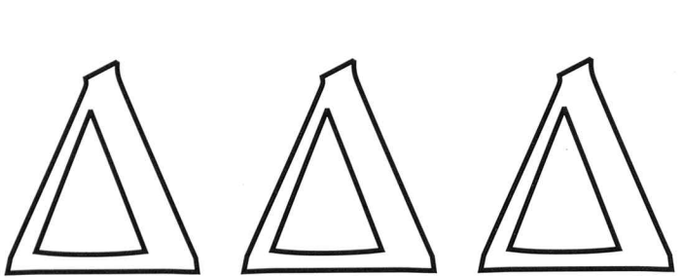
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by Kate Gillespie

Tri-Delts work to raise young women's self asteem

In 2004, Dove surveyed millions of women for their Real Beauty Campaign. They found that only two percent of women around the world considered themselves beautiful, and that 81 percent of women in the United States strongly agreed that the media and advertising set unrealistic standards of beauty for most women that they can't achieve. In addition to these statistics, the study uncovered only five percent of the women felt comfortable describing themselves as pretty and nine percent felt comfortable describing themselves as attractive.

Fat Talk Free spokesperson and former Dove model Stacey Nadeau, along with the women of Tri Delta and Dr. Carloyn Black Becker, worked with the End Fat Talk Campaign to move American women and men to end negative body image talk.

Fat Talk describes all statements made in everyday conversation that reinforce the thin-ideal standard of female beauty and contribute to women's dissatisfaction with their bodies. Examples might include: "I'm so fat," "Do I look fat in this?" "I need to lose 10 pounds" and "She's too fat to be wearing that swimsuit." Statements that were considered fat talk didn't necessarily have to be negative; they could seem positive yet also reinforce the need to be thin.

"It was amazing to see the day to day conversations change for the better! The positive attitude throughout the house was contagious and it was only because we promised to dismiss 'fat talk' for one week," said Courtney Bothwell, Junior in Dietetics.

The Campaign also hosted a Fat Talk Free Week. An extension of Reflections: Body Image Program, the campaign was designed to engage members, campuses and communities in the conversation. Tri Delta was leading the way, taking a stance and declaring that it's time we take control over our own destinies, our own bodies, and our own inner dialogues.

"Theta Iota was chosen as one of eight chapters to pilot Tri Delta's national campaign for Fat Talk Free Week," said Ginny Robinson, chapter president. "[It] reconfirms Tri Delta's commitment to our founder's vision, to the hope of a lasting organization that celebrates a woman's inner beauty and character and fosters friendship and inner growth in women."

Body Imaging Coordinator, Mollie Colpit, was instrumental in the planning and organization for the weeks' worth of events.

The Theta Iota chapter hosted three fraternity volunteers and advertised for their Delta Denim Drive at the student union. At the event they collected old jeans in an effort to convey the message that keeping jeans that do not fit was detrimental to women's body image. The denim collected was donated to Cotton Incorporated to be recycled into sustainable insulation and used in the construction of homes for Habitat for Humanity.

"We are very proud to be a part of this holistic community project," said Robinson.

This year Tri Delta hosted their first Fat Talk Free week which started on Oct. 16 and ran through Oct. 21. The week started with a kick off carnival featuring four different booth activities, each of which worked to promote better body image. The women of Tri Delta also signed the online Fat Talk Free pledge, watched a film on body image, and brought in their own jeans to use for the denim drive. As the first day of the Fat Talk Free week came to a close the women of Tri Delta wrote notes about the things that they'd learned and then used the notes to decorate their house.

"It's extremely rewarding to be a part of something like 'fat talk free' week and to bring awareness of how often we take part in 'fat talk' whether it's with our friends or by ourselves," said Meredith Kogler, junior in apparel and textile marketing. "It happens everywhere and by bringing awareness to it we can hopefully make a difference to end 'fat talk.'"

The women of Tri Delta set up an educational booth in the union where people could learn more about the End Fat Talk campaign and drop off their jeans. Tuesday the women hosted an optional time of yoga, put on by Orange Sky Yoga. The special time focused on how women should be satisfied with the body they have.

The week-long event concluded with Dianna Schalles, Laffeen Dietician and SNACK School Nutrition and Body Image Choices Group Advisor speaking to the chapter about working to better their own body image.

"I think that the program is interesting and sets itself apart because it focuses on how men and women focus on themselves," said Colpit.

As the Women of Tri Delta work to make a positive impact on the issue of body image they believe their support of this ground-breaking program was an important step in confronting the thin-ideal standard of beauty that often contributed to body dissatisfaction among women.







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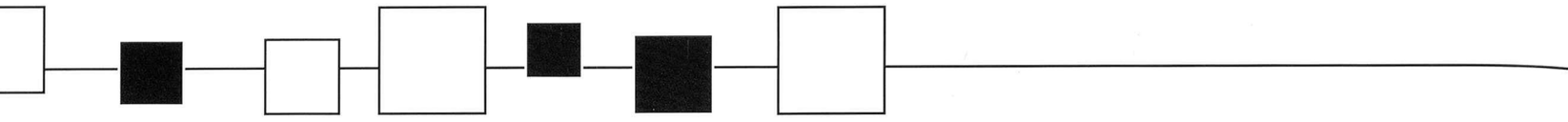
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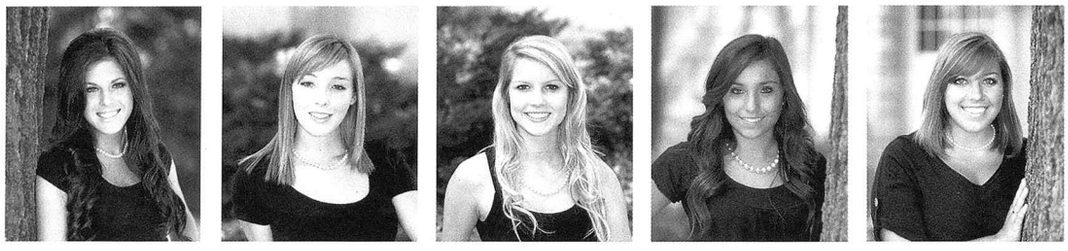
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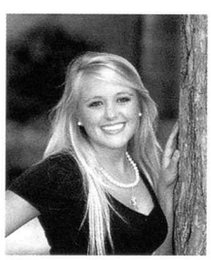
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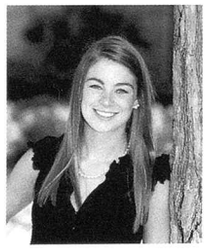

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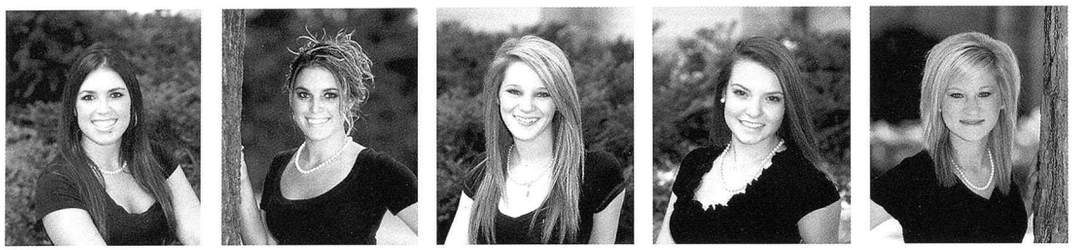


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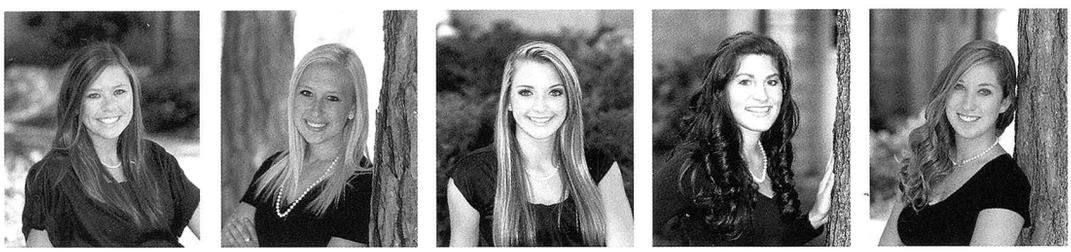
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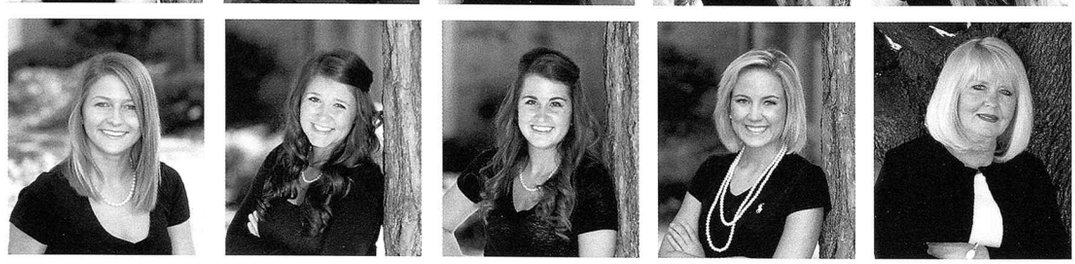
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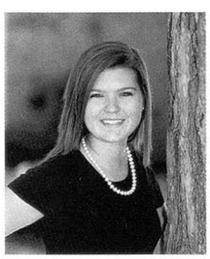
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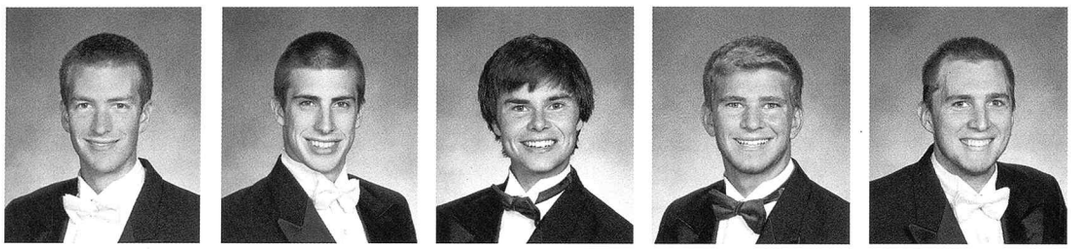

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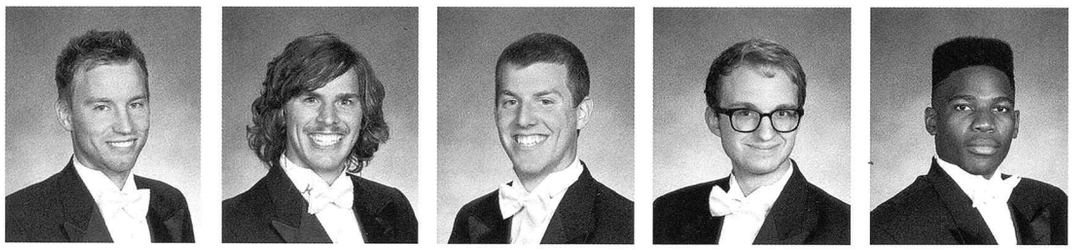


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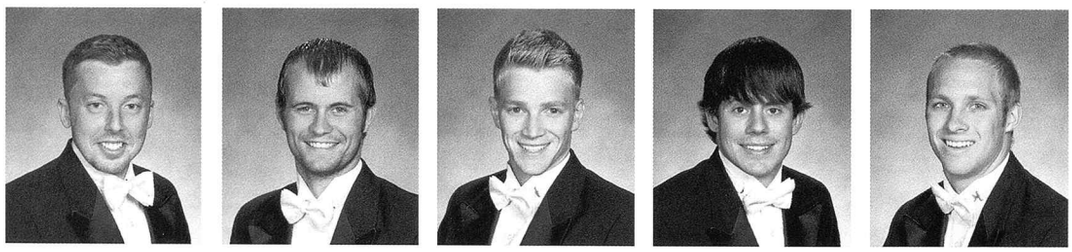
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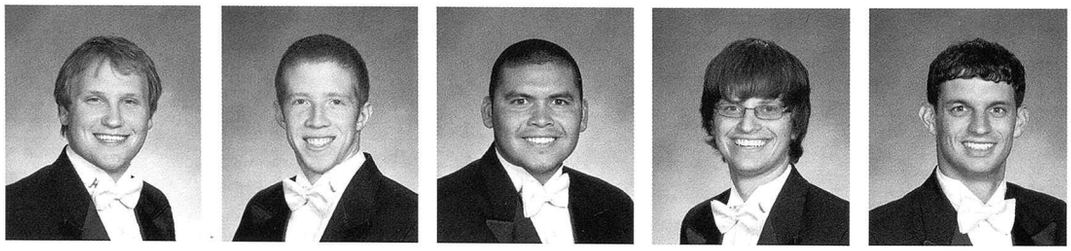
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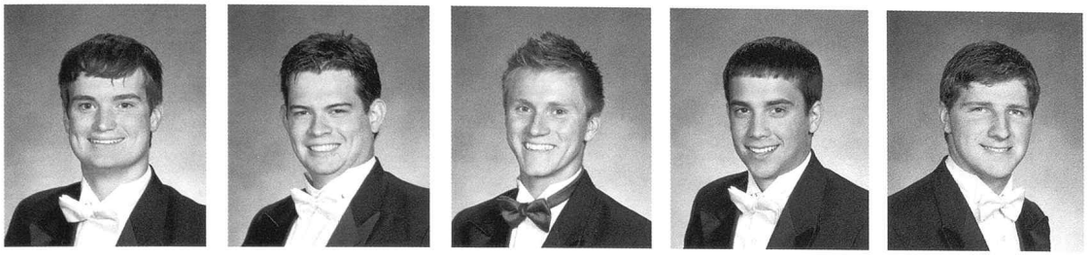
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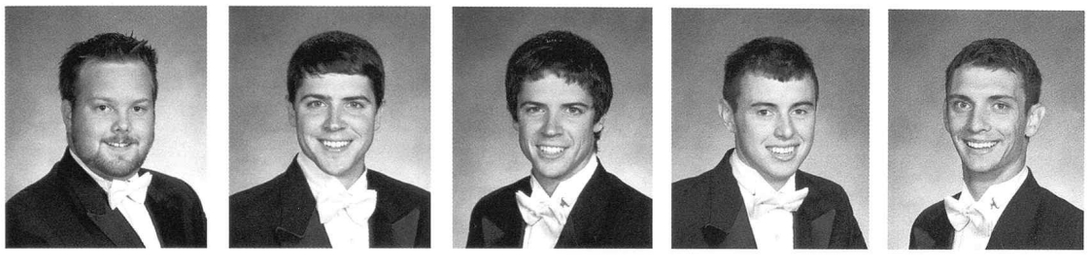
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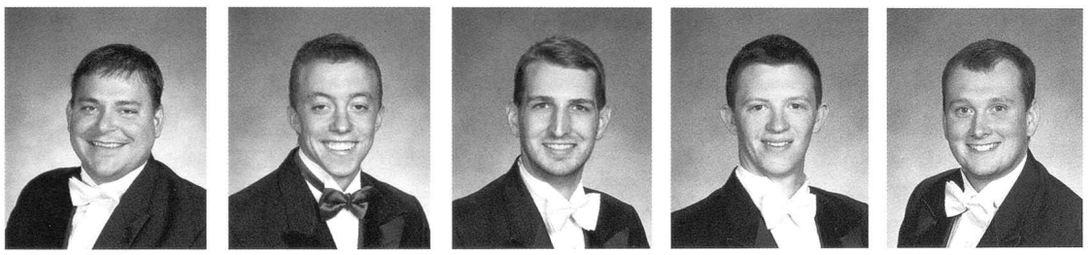


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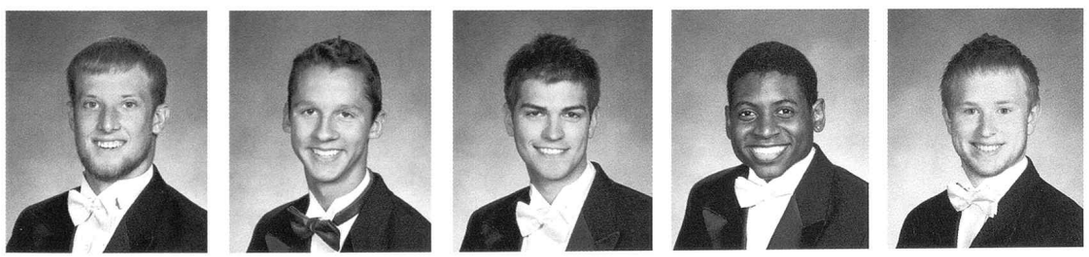


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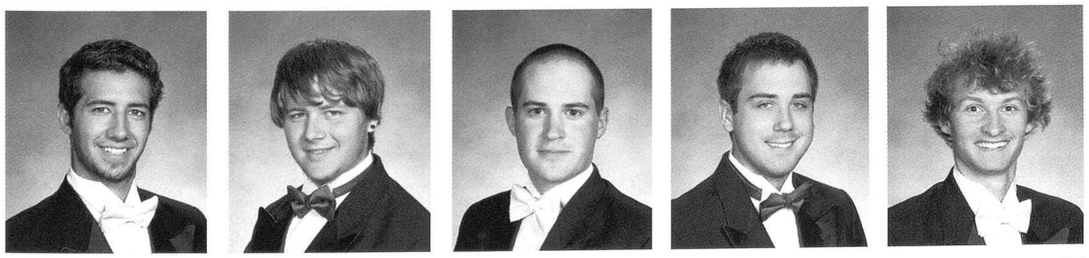
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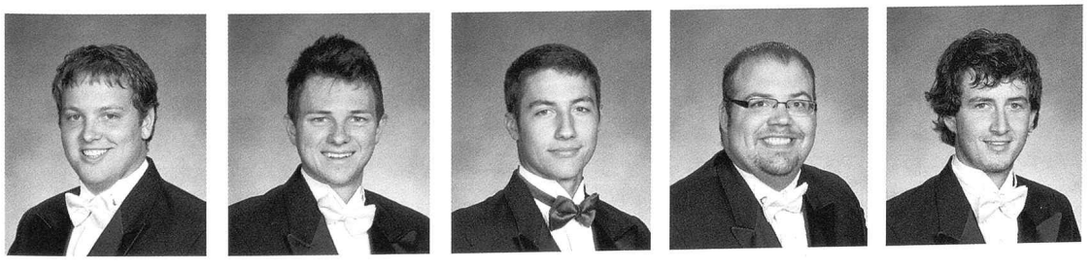
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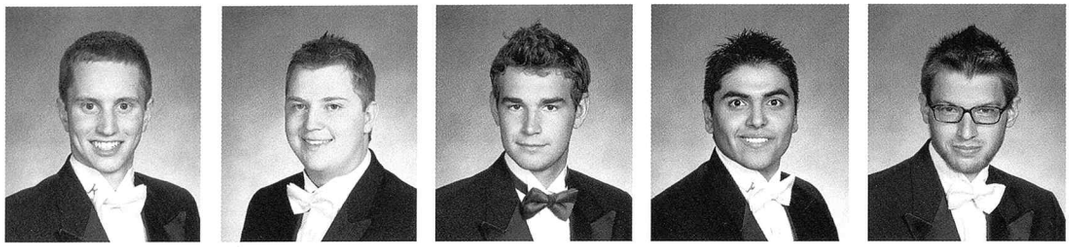


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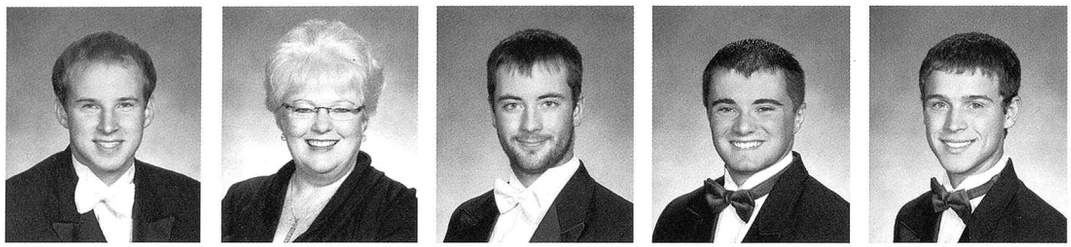


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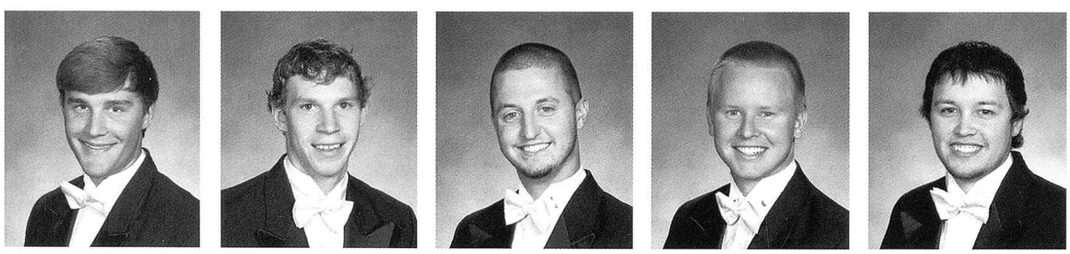
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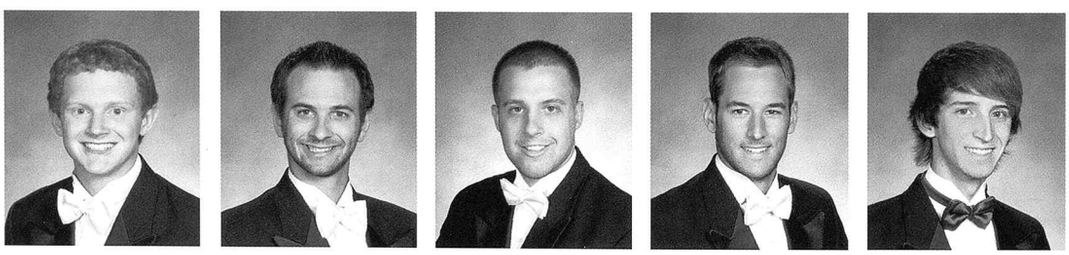
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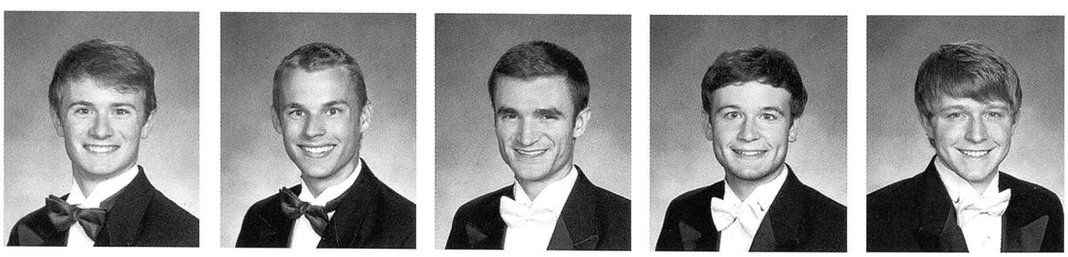
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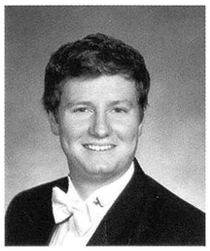
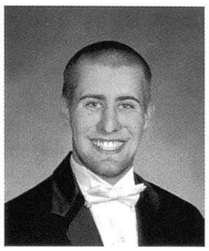
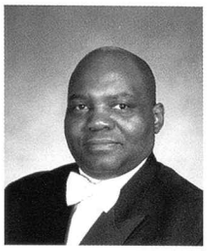
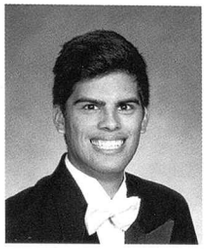
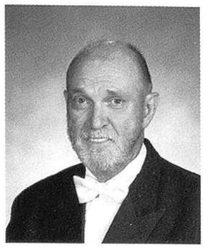


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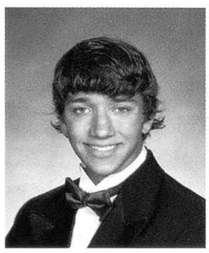
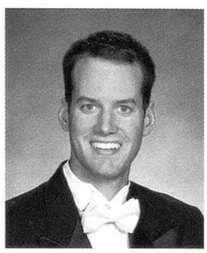
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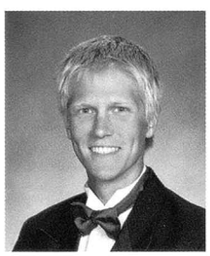
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FARMHOUSE

by Emily Wolfe

Members, alumni and family celebrate 90th anniversary

Although FarmHouse still had a strong tie to the agriculture heritage and Christian principles they were founded upon 90 years ago, they had a wide range of men with various majors.

Although no matter what their background was, the men of FarmHouse strived for the same four values: intellectual, physical, social/moral and spiritual.

Isaac Honer, senior in finance, said FarmHouse had a huge impact on him throughout his college years.

"Striving for excellence, one of our house mottos is one of the things that I have tried to do in every aspect of my life," Honer said. "The amazing support system and brotherhood in FarmHouse makes this incredibly easier and fun to try and do in my everyday life."

They ranked top three in grades in fraternities the past 10 semesters and received K-State's Top Fraternity award from 2006 to 2010. They also had a quarterly pancake feed, Philanthrocakes, in which proceeds were donated to various charities including Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, breast cancer awareness efforts, and Compassion International.

On Sept. 17 more than 300 members, alumni, family members, and special guests gathered at FarmHouse to celebrate the fraternity's 90th anniversary.

Alumni Relations Chairman Eli Schooley, junior in political science and gerontology, was in charge of the day's events.

The day began at 10 a.m. with an open house and social hour. After lunch the program began at 1:30 p.m. followed by an alumni meeting and FH Wives Event. Afterwards the house went to Bill Snyder Family Stadium to tailgate at the game against Kent State.

Schooley said the coolest part of the day was seeing alumni interact with one another.

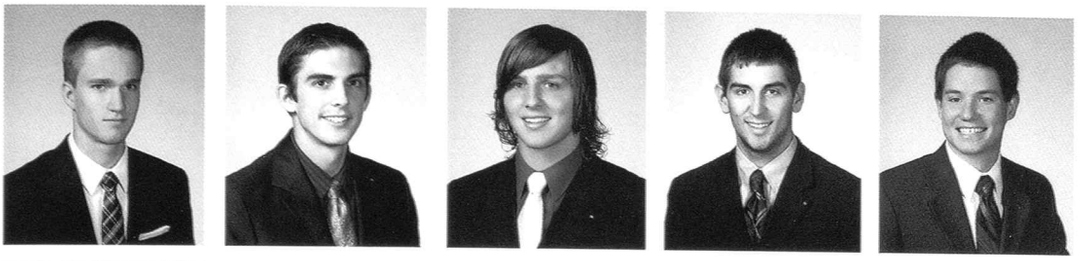
"Even if they were of completely different ages and from completely different walks of life, they all shared the commonality of being a FarmHouse alumnus. That was awesome to see."

Brian Moore, junior in agriculture economics, was assistant to the alumni chair and helped plan the day's events.

"All of the hard work from the men of FarmHouse is what made the day a success," Moore said.

Honer said brotherhood, quality of its members, and uniqueness of members was what he thought set FarmHouse apart from other fraternities on campus.

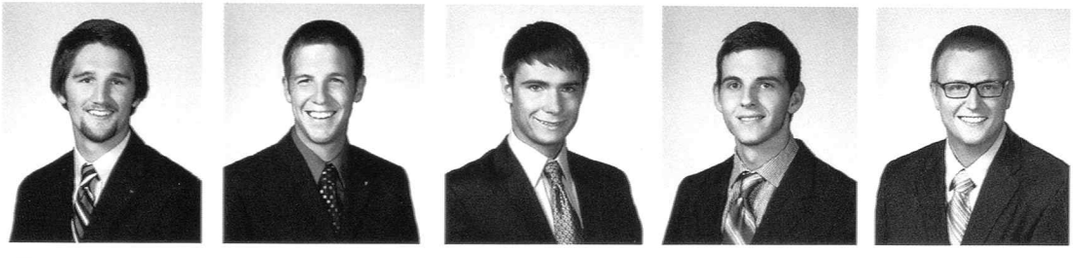
"As seen at the 90th alumni celebration, brothers across generations, such as ones in my pledge class, can talk to brothers who were in the house even 40-plus years older with openness and still connect with them," Honer said.



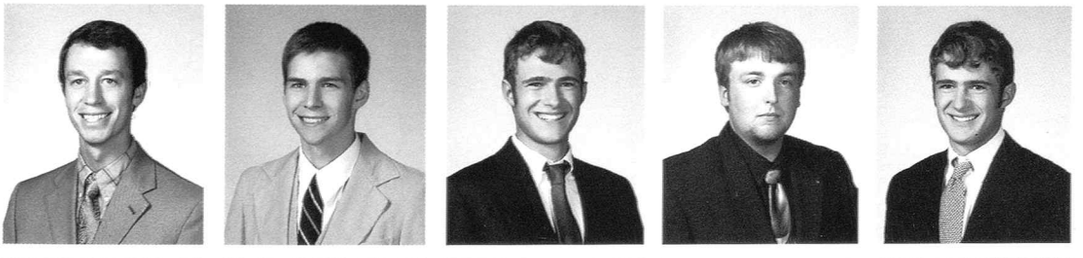
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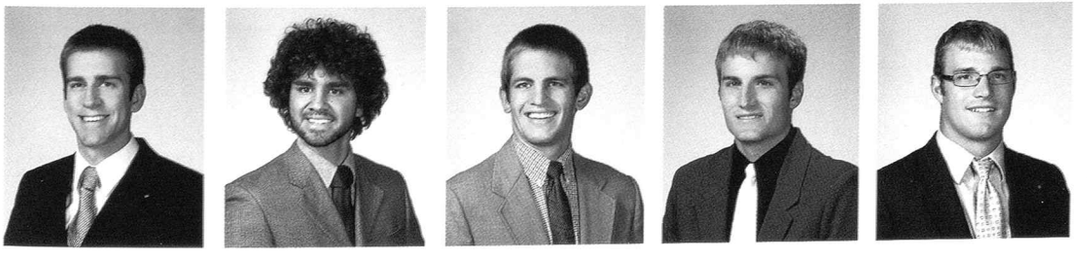
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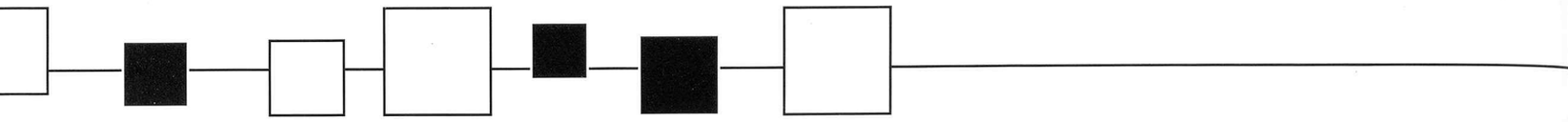
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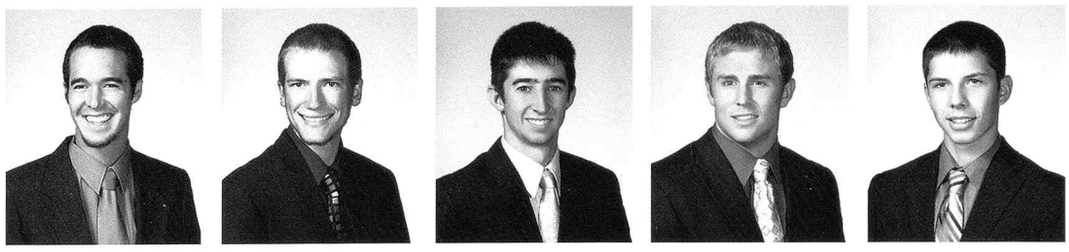
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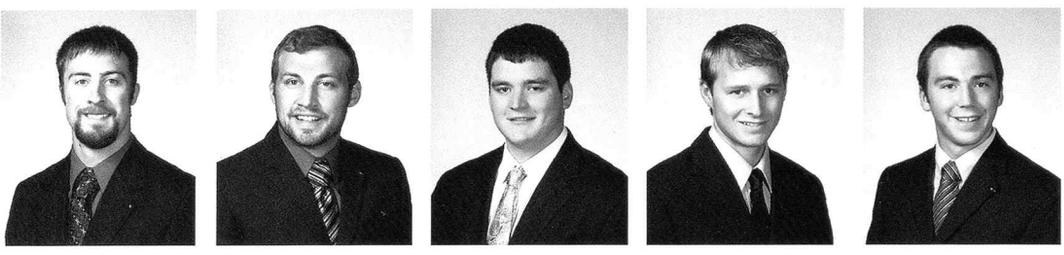
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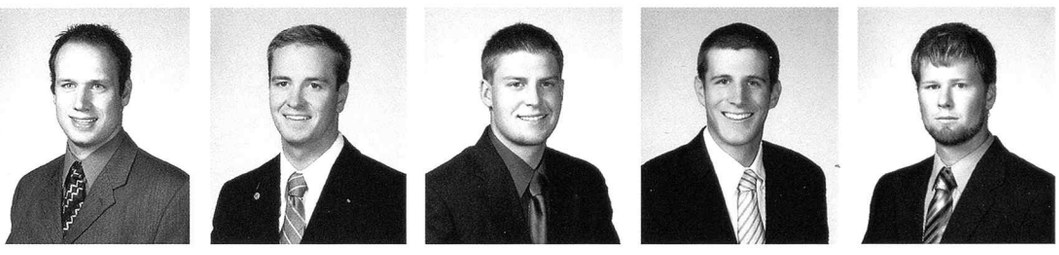
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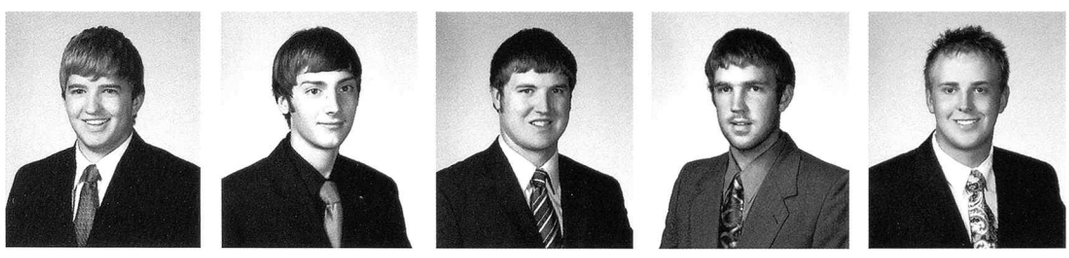
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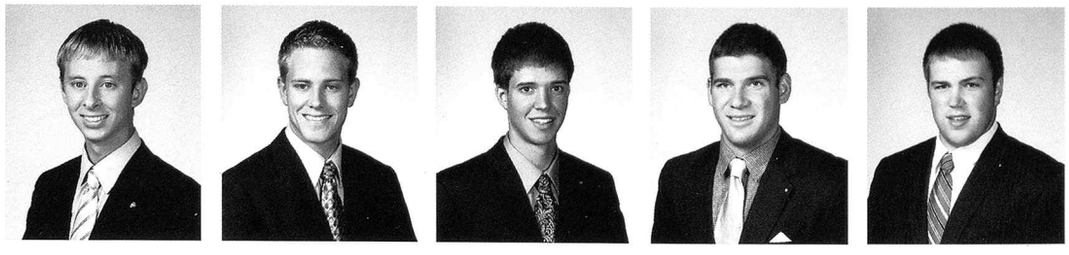
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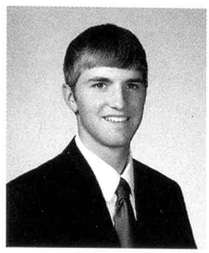
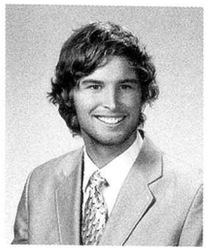
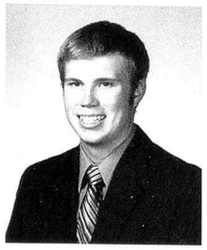
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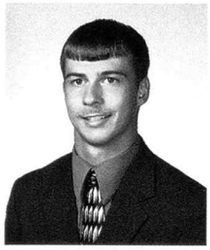
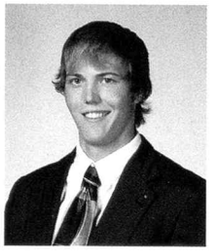
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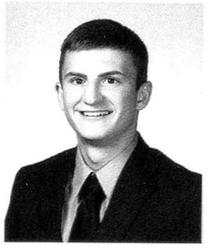
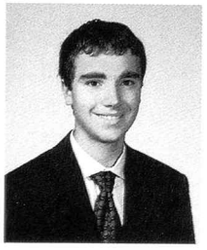




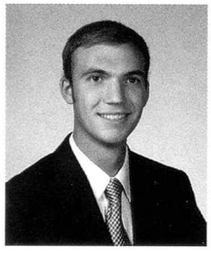




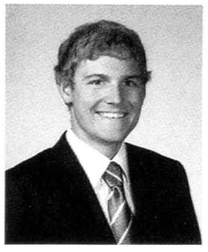
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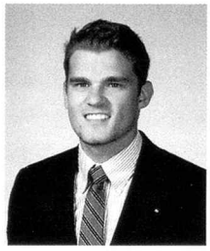



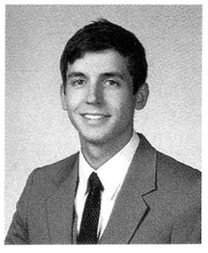
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ΓΦΒ GAMMA PHI BETA

by Ellie Long

Sorority woman thrives in college under unlikely circumstances

Mariah Charland flipped the light switch on as she entered her bedroom and grabbed a mask hanging on the wall. She stepped on the scale and waited for it to read 112 pounds. She went to one of the boxes along the wall with red tape, put the mask over her face and began going to work, opening boxes and getting out the equipment she needed for the night. She attached three tubes from her dialysis machine to a connector taped to her stomach and took the 14 pills inside the container labeled "Wednesday."

Her room wasn't the same as other rooms in her sorority. There were boxes lining the walls where she slept and a machine the size of a small refrigerator next to her bunk bed. It constantly smelled of alcohol because it was cleaned so frequently. Her room wasn't the only thing that set her apart from the 59 other girls living in the house with her.

Charland was 12 years old when her kidneys failed, changing her life. Doctors told her they needed to remove her kidneys and put her on dialysis.

"At first it was as if we were plunged into this bad dream, this nightmare," Kimberly Charland, Mariah's mother, said. "And because you don't really understand what's going on, you know it's something bad but you don't really process it."

Since then, she had eight surgeries.

"I've had too many to name them all," Charland said. "I don't even remember what each of them was for."

Charland's dialysis machine replaced the function of her kidneys. It cleaned out the toxins in her blood and balances the water and fluid in her body. Her doctors thought a genetic mutation in her DNA, such as an autoimmune disease, attacked her body causing her kidneys to fail. Charland would probably be on dialysis the rest of her life.

"That's the way it's looking," she said. "I probably won't get a transplant because it's a genetic problem, and getting one would be a waste of a kidney."

Charland, a junior majoring in life sciences, didn't let her condition stop her from living the kind of college life she always wanted. She joined a sorority, Gamma Phi Beta, and was on the equestrian team her freshman year and competed in the jumping and equitation competitions. She had to quit the team after her freshman year because it was too much of a time commitment and with her condition, she couldn't balance her dialysis with riding.

"I miss riding daily and the friendships I made with all those girls," she said.

Charland had to be hooked up to her dialysis machine daily for nine continuous hours, which restricted what she could and couldn't do. She could split the hours, but hooking herself up to her machine required a new box of equipment each time, adding expense.

When she first considered joining the sorority, Charland had to think about factors such as space for her equipment, food and the girls in her house accepting her condition. This caused her to have second thoughts about moving into a sorority.

But housemother Pam Risley never had second thoughts about letting Charland move into the house.

"I knew it would be the best thing in the world for her to live here," Risley said.

Many of the girls living in Gamma Phi Beta had no idea about Charland's condition until she moved in the spring semester of her freshman year. Since then she had a positive influence on all of the girls in her sorority.

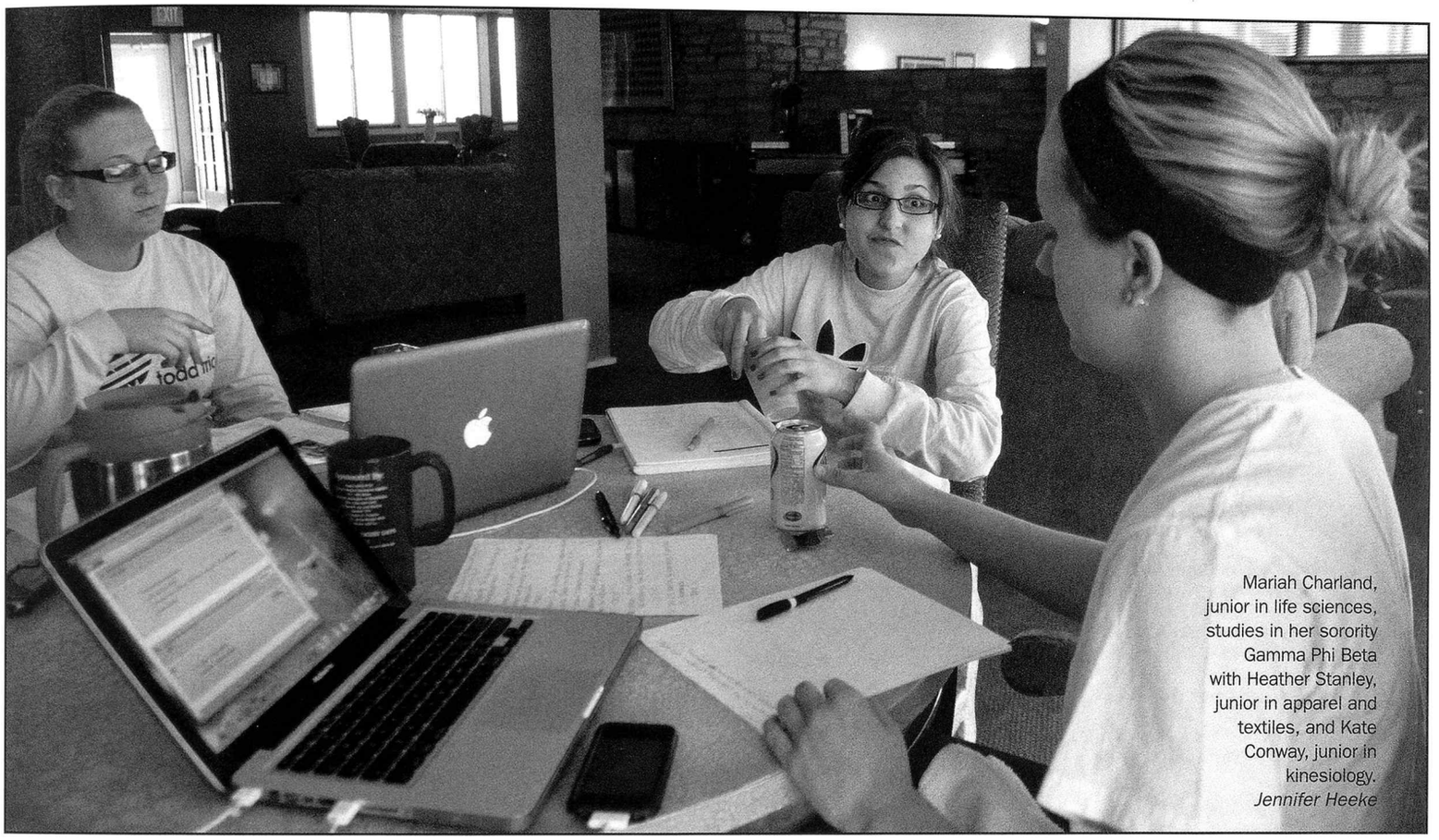
"She's like a hero," Amelia Meyers, senior in family studies and human services and Charland's roommate, said. "She could have taken it and been sad, but she didn't. She made it fun and positive. People have these life changes and they get grumpy or negative, but Mariah made it something that doesn't hamper her life."

Her room in the sorority was close to a bathroom so her machine could drain each night. She slept in a sleeping dorm, or room with only her and her three roommate's beds, because of her strict sleeping hours. The sleeping dorm was ideal because she needed storage space for her machine. She got 30 days of supplies for her dialysis machine sent to her at the beginning of each month.

When she hooked up to her machine, her roommates had to wear masks so they didn't contaminate any of the tubes. Her machine ran all night and made a humming noise. Her boxes of medication and supplies took up most of the sleeping dorm, but her roommates didn't mind.

"Being her roommate didn't affect me at all," Cassidy Fowels, senior in hotel and restaurant management and Charland's roommate, said.

Charland said without her parents' health insurance, she wouldn't be able to afford her two dialysis machines, one at the



Mariah Charland, junior in life sciences, studies in her sorority Gamma Phi Beta with Heather Stanley, junior in apparel and textiles, and Kate Conway, junior in kinesiology. *Jennifer Heeke*

sorority and one at her home in Manhattan.

"I don't even want to think about that," Charland said.

It cost $768 a day for the supplies and medication to run her machine, and her shots cost almost $400 for a month's supply. Charland said she's been hooking up to her machine every night for eight years. When she was about 15 her parents started making her do everything on her own.

"Because of her condition, she's the most mature person her age I've ever met, but at the same time she's the most immature person because of her sense of humor," Meyers said.

Charland entertained her friends by leaving hilarious videos on people's Facebook walls and talking in strange accents.

The only thing Charland felt like she missed out on was the social part of college. When girls went out on the weekend or went to late events on campus, she usually couldn't attend because of early morning classes and she had to be hooked up nine straight hours. Charland's roommates frequently stayed in on the weekends with her and hung out or watched movies in her sleeping dorm while she was hooked up.

"Most of the girls in the house would do anything for her, it makes me proud that we have her in our house," Risley said. "But 99 percent of the time she doesn't feel sorry for herself."

Charland said her friends and the girls she lived with are supportive of her condition, they helped her with her supplies and some girls stayed in on the weekends or hung out in her room with her when she hooked up early.

"I think it makes the other girls in the house thankful for what they have. I think we've grown to have her here," Risley said, "I'm proud of the girls for treating her the way they do."

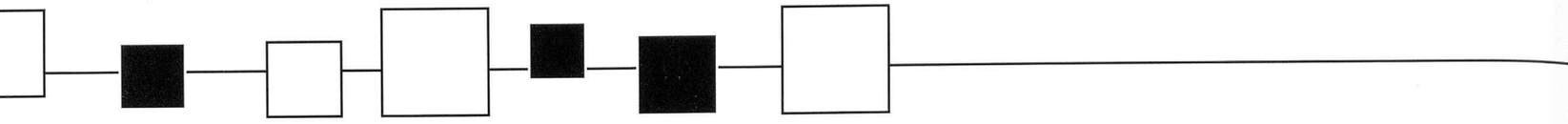
Charland didn't let her condition stop her from doing anything she wanted to, and her parents constantly supported her.

"We didn't think, and we didn't want her to think, she couldn't do anything she wanted to do before," Charland's mother said. "We see kids in the hospital when we go in for check-ups that use their condition as an excuse to not do whatever, but Mariah still does everything she could do before. She never got in the mindset that she couldn't do anything."

Even though she was burdened with this condition, Charland considered herself lucky.

"I'm just thankful for what I have." Charland said. "I feel like there are so many worse things out there than what I have to deal with. Mine's just a minor inconvenience."

It was only 9 p.m., but Charland was in her room preparing for bed. When she was done hooking herself up, she could only go as far as her tubes allowed. She stretched her hand out the door to hang a sign that reads "mask" and hangs three on a hook next to the knob, that way her roommates knew to put one on before they enter the room. She turned on the reading lamp next to her bed and began to study her human body book. Another night as a dialysis patient begun.



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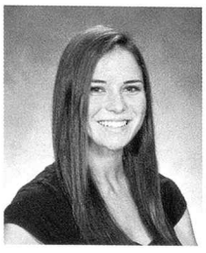
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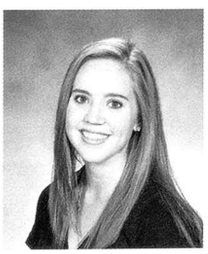
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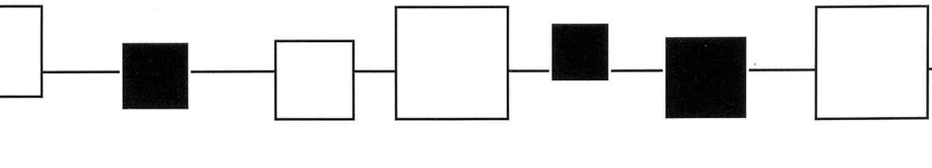


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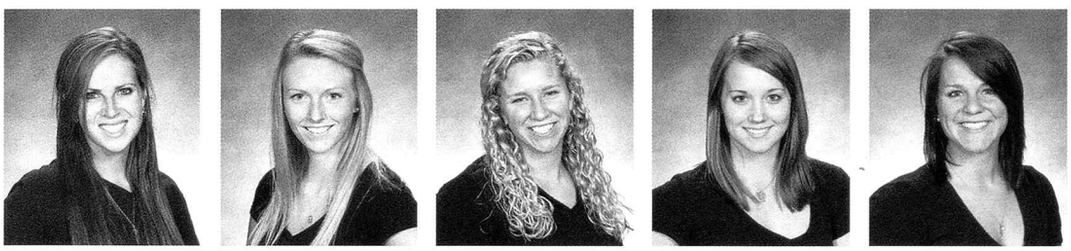
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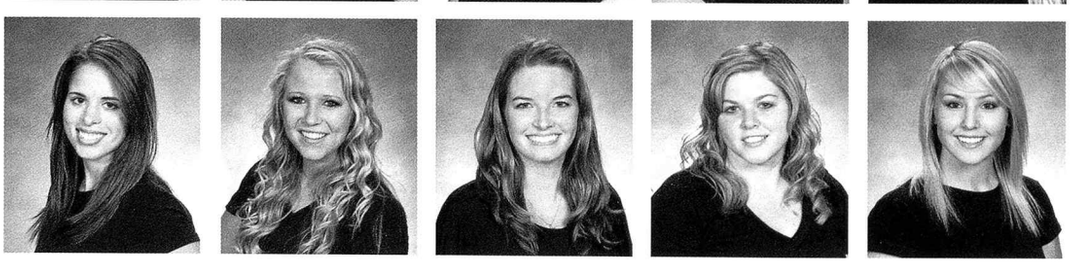


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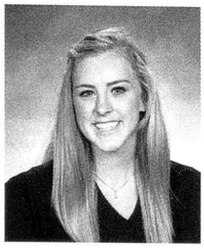


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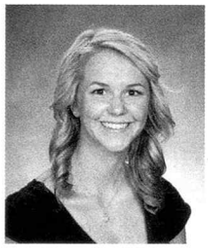

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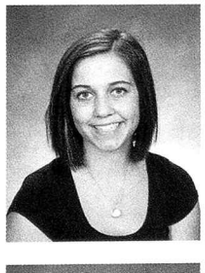




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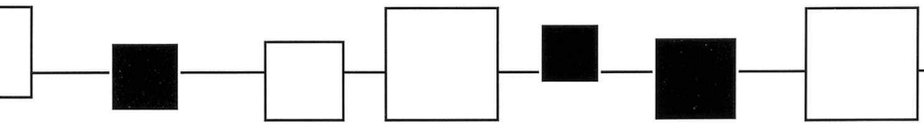
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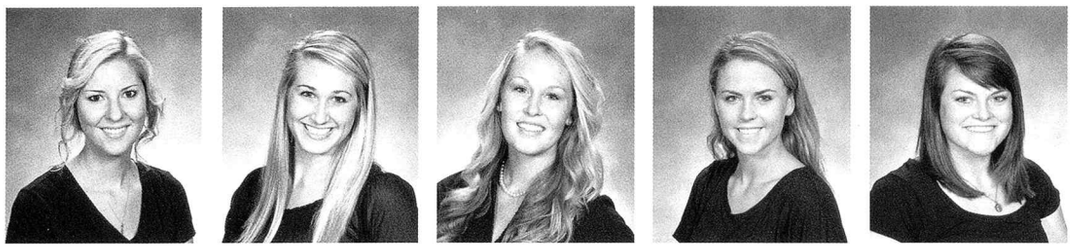




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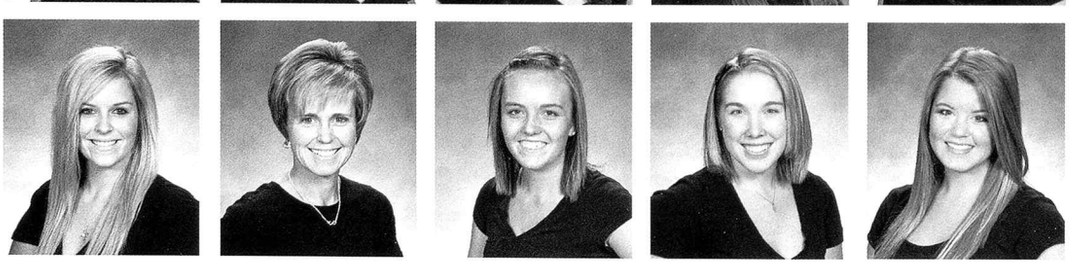
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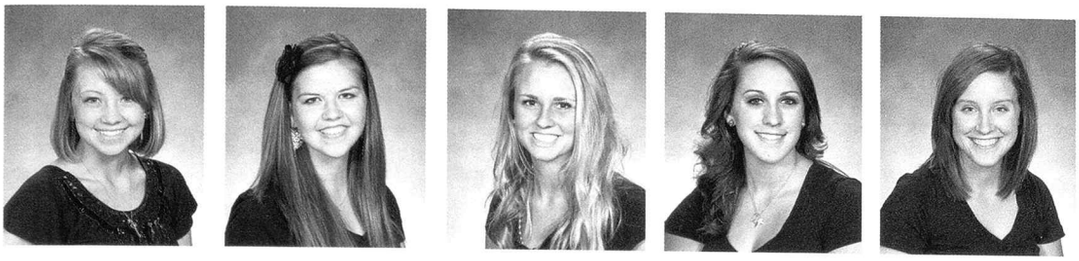


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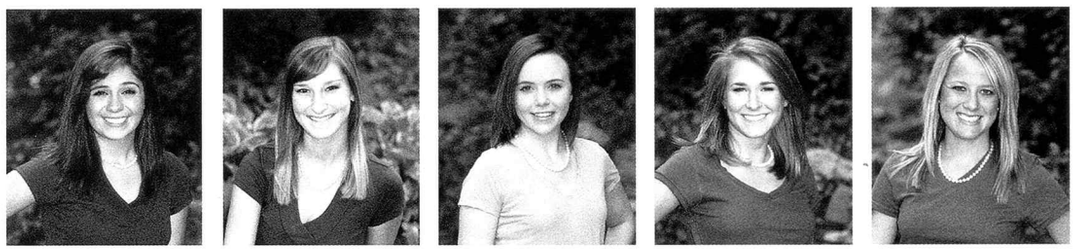
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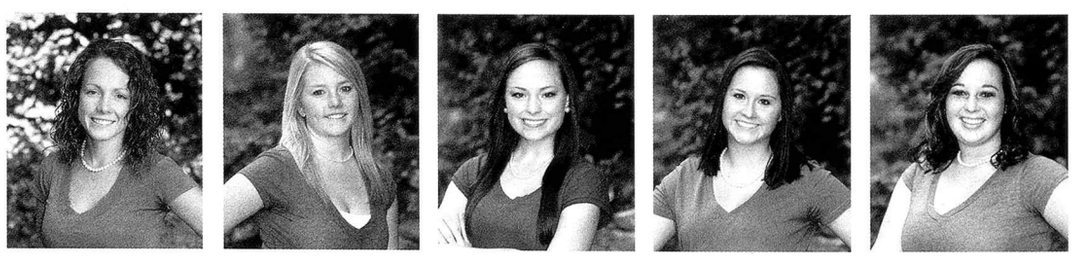
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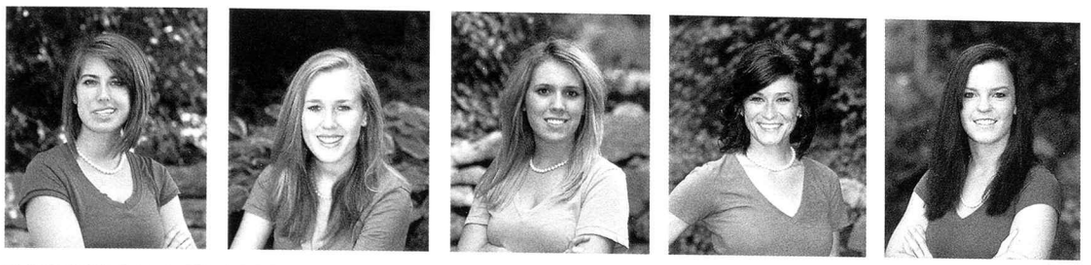


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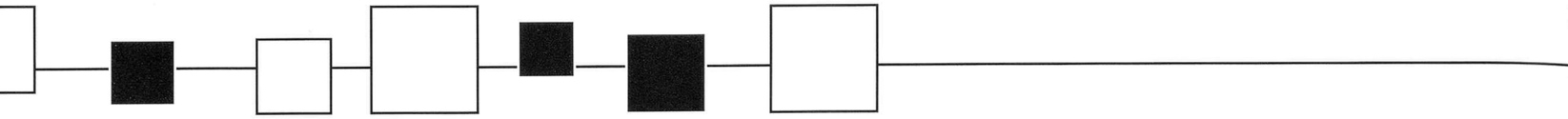
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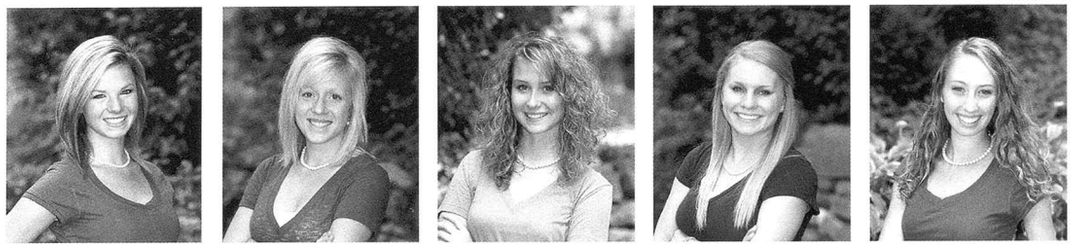
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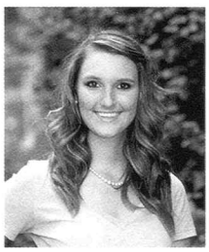








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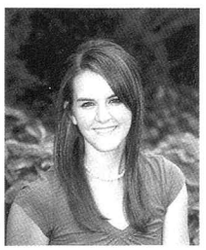




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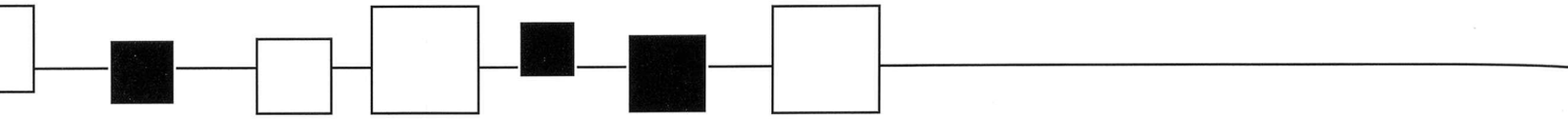
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KD women support organization to enable women

The women of Kappa Delta made it their mission to support the organization of the Confidence Coalition, which was a national movement that "enabled women to stand up to peer pressure and media stereotypes, to say no to risky behavior and abusive relations, and put an end to relational aggression, such as bullying, on the playground and in the office."

"I think it is an awesome initiative. It is cool because of what it represents for Kappa Delta and girls in general," said Allegra Gigstad, president of Kappa Delta and senior in public health nutrition.

Campaigns from Best Bones Forever to the Justine Magazine are partners in this movement to instill woman with such confidence in women and girls of all ages.

"We incorporate these messages to college girls as well as girls of a young age. It all relates back to so much on a local level," Gigstad said.

The women of Kappa Delta specifically reached out to Girl Scouts of America to increase confidence in younger girls as well.

"We host a lot of Girl Scout events that we interact with them that makes them feel like they have something and someone to look up to and be a part of," said Jessica Lopez, member of Kappa Delta and freshman in journalism.

The Confidence Coalition believed the lack of confidence in young girls was partly undermined by media and advertising, these girls "succumb to peer pressure to fit in." The coalition blamed school bullying, as well as participating in risky behaviors involving alcohol, drugs and sexual promiscuity as taking part in the loss of self worth.

"I feel as though what we are doing is more important now than any other moment before. Media is portraying images of woman and what they should become, and the source of these media commercials and magazine articles are young girls," said member of Kappa Delta and freshman in bakery science, Jessie Adams.

The staggering facts that Kappa Delta was presented with is what raised their attention as well as the national awareness: 90 percent of all women want to change at least one aspect of their physical appearance and 81 percent of 10-year-old girls are afraid of being fat.

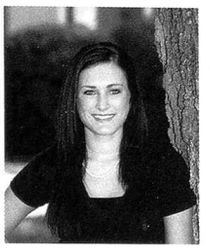
Not only has Kappa Delta worked to increase women's confidence through the years by communication through media outlets, but the Confidence Coalition launched a viral campaign and other measures to raise the confidence of women all over the nation.

In addition to working beside the Confidence Coalition, Kappa Delta created National Girl's Day. This day was dedicated to celebration and confidence-building that "will empower girls to realize their dreams and inspire them to make a difference."

"I think it's important to fight for women, for them to be confident and have great self-esteem," said Gigstad.







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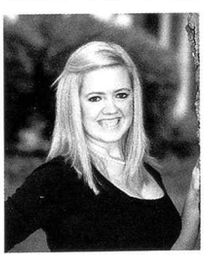






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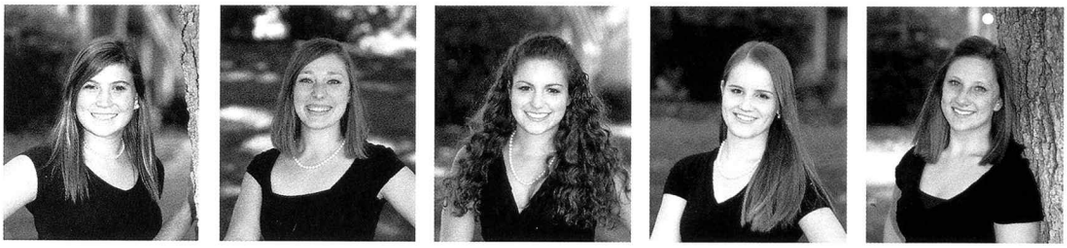
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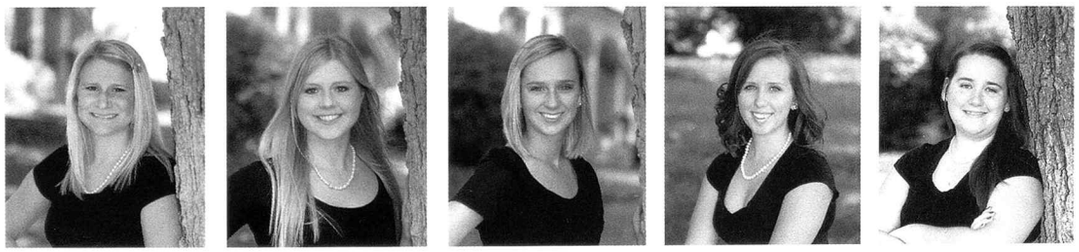




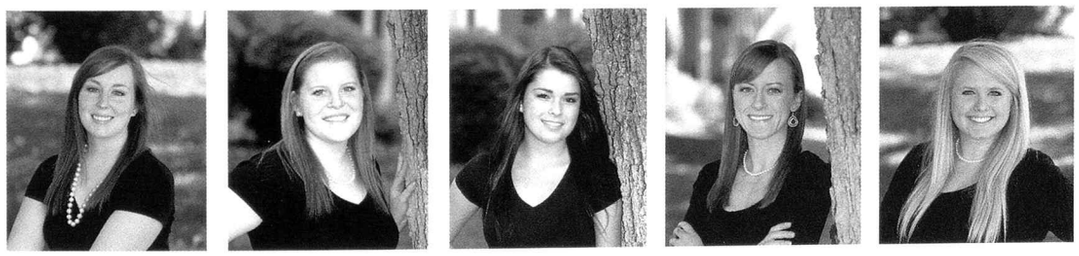
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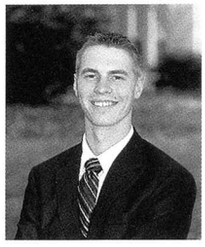
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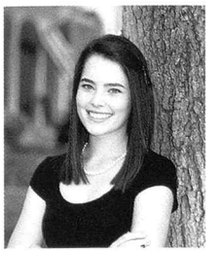


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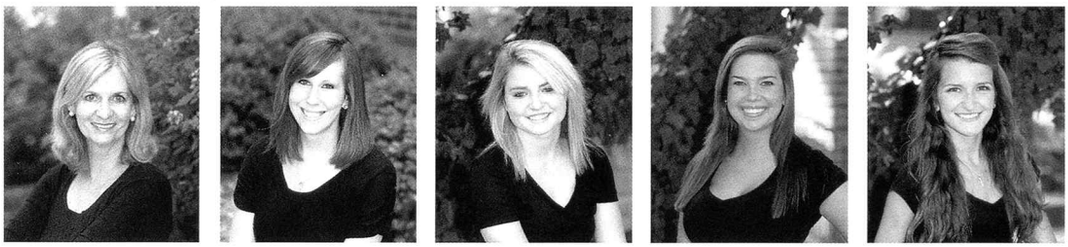
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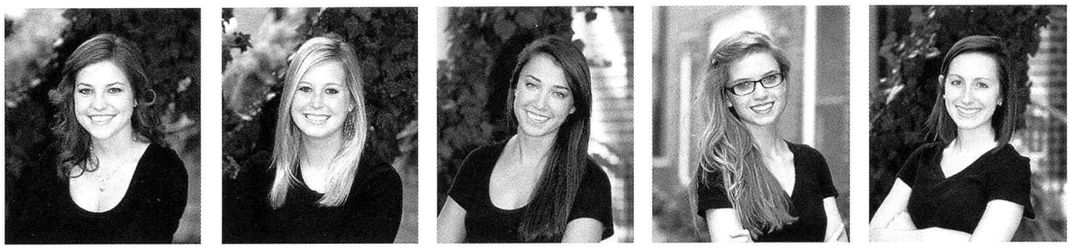


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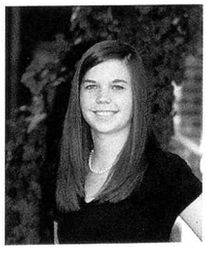






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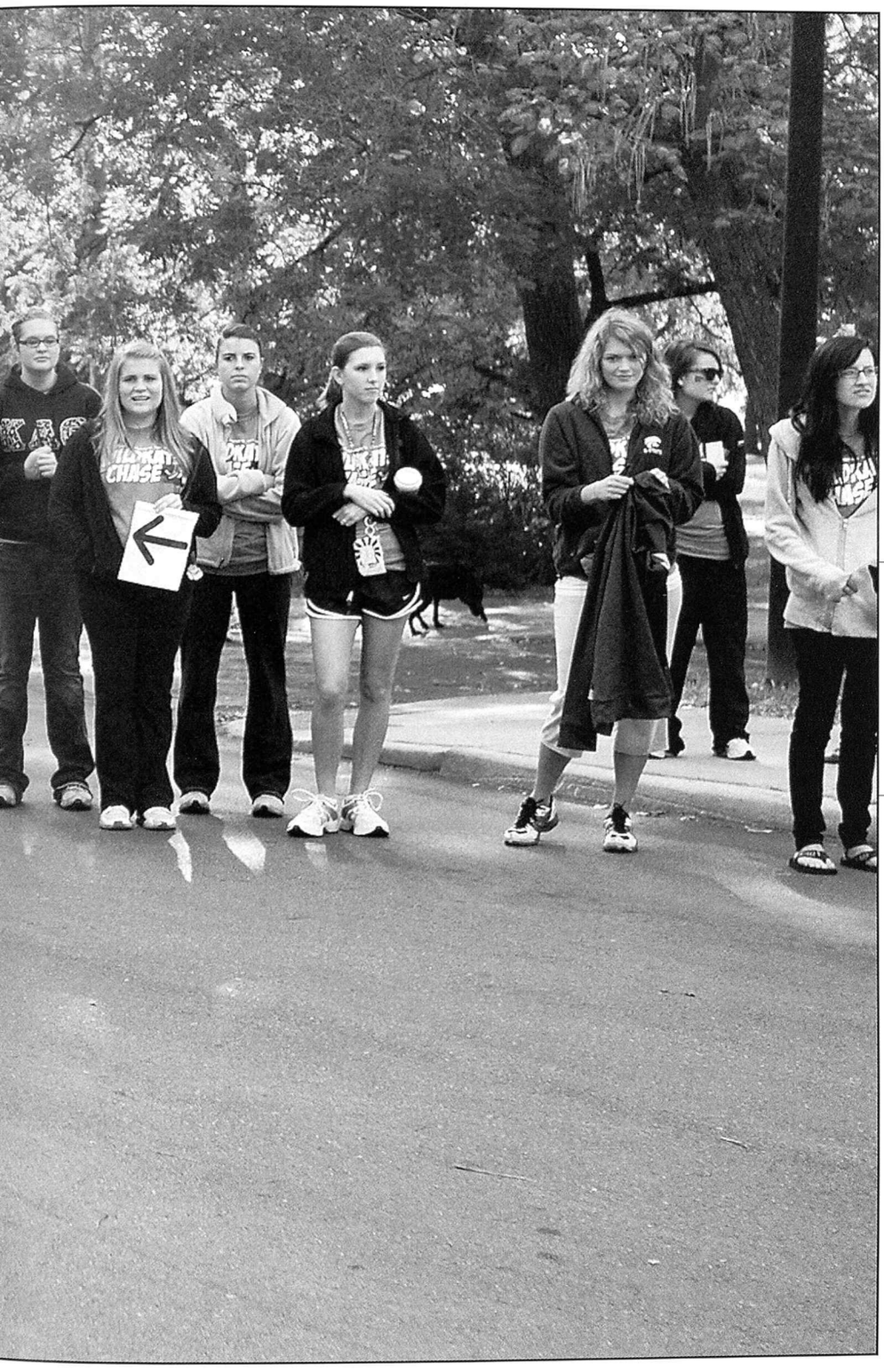


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The women of the Delta Eta chapter of Alpha Kappa Theta cheer on runners as they make their way through campus on Oct. 9 as a part of their philanthropy, Wildcat Chase.
Erin Poppe

"We were able to raise a significant donation for CASA in just one morning. It was a lot of work, but everyone had such a positive attitude."

Maddi Intfen, Senior in Elementary Education

Nate Spriggs, senior in agricultural economics and animal sciences and industry, hugs his running mate Grant Hill, junior in accounting, after winning 71 percent of the 2,274 votes in the Student Governing Association's student body president election. The pair defeated Garrett Lister, junior in agricultural economics, and Allison Penner, junior in microbiology, on March 7. Spriggs will return as the student body president for the 2012-2013 year after holding the same position the year before.
Erin Poppe



"We have a lot of work to do. With Nate's past experience, we are just going to hit the ground running."

Grant Hill, Junior in Accounting


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ΛXA LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

by Shaley Van Loenen

A fraternity becomes an eleven-time national award-winning chapter.

From successful philanthropies to consecutive national honors, the men of 505 Denison Ave. had much to be proud of regarding their chapter and its accomplishments.

The Gamma-Xi Zeta chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha was the third largest fraternity on the K-State campus, with over 100 active members annually. Eric Engelland, junior in construction and science management, said that the appeal for incoming freshmen was Lambda Chi Alpha's high standards.

"We work our hardest to not only be the best on campus, but also the best of our national general fraternity," Engelland said. "The Grand High Alpha award shows that we don't get satisfied and we keep working our hardest to always stay on top."

A nationwide leadership conference was held during the summer of 2011 in Ames, Iowa. There were members present from almost every Lambda Chi Alpha chapter in the country. Throughout the conference, awards were given out periodically at different assemblies. On the last day, the closing ceremony commenced, ending with the awarding of the Grand High Alpha award.

This highly coveted award is given nationally to the Lambda Chi Alpha chapter who has had three consecutive years of the highest overall chapter operations in the nation. The Gamma-Xi Zeta chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha received the award, their eleventh Grand High Alpha award to date. The chapter at K-State had won the most Grand High Alpha awards out of all Lambda Chi chapters nationwide. Aaron Deeds, senior in biology, was present to receive the award.

"I knew we had a great shot at winning, but I was on pins and needles waiting to see if we were one of the three chapters to receive the award," Deeds said. "Hearing our chapter announced will remain one of the proudest and most cherished moments of my life."Another worthy event was the Watermelon Bust philanthropy the fraternity held every fall semester at the "Power Play on Poyntz" event. Watermelon Bust was the longest running philanthropy at K-State and involved every sorority on campus. Women from each house participated in Olympic-style events involving watermelons to compete for a traveling trophy.

The philanthropy benefited the Flint Hills Breadbasket in Manhattan. The organization's mission was to minimize hunger and poverty through the distribution of available food and to nurture projects that will help alleviate hunger and poverty. In 2010, The Breadbasket took in 551,281 pounds of food and served 11,340 families in the Riley County area with the assistance of the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity's donations.

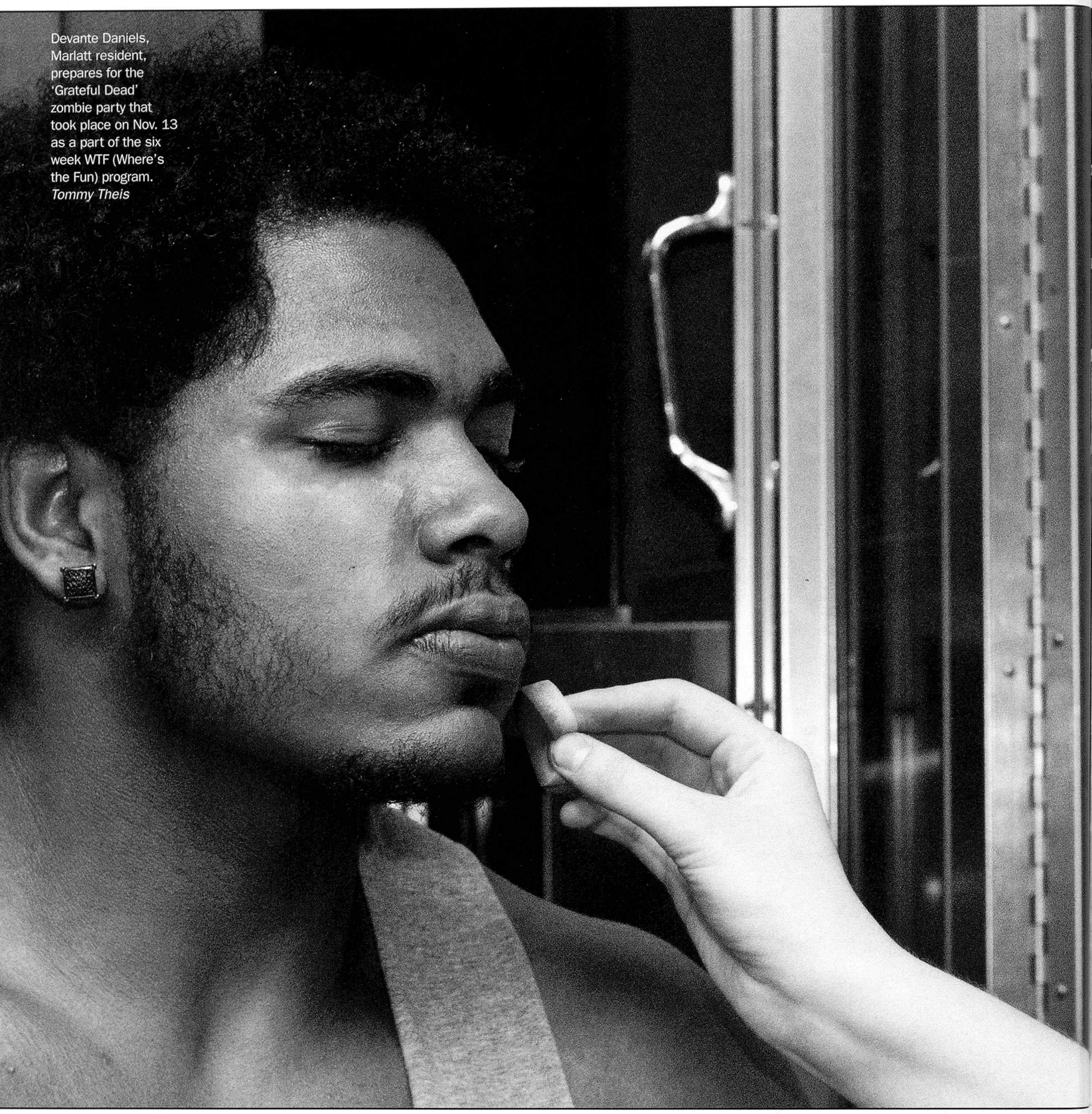
Curtis Bryant, senior in industrial engineering, was in charge of the event, from financing to event planning and selecting a T-shirt vendor. Bryant had others distribute and collect entry fees and T-shirt sales. Bryant said the philanthropy raised roughly $4,000 for the Flint Hills Breadbasket and $500 for MSD research, and collected over 400 pounds of food.

Bryant, Deeds and Engelland had a shared passion and gratitude for all their fraternity had given them.
"I feel very privileged. These guys are really great and I think we have set the foundation for the younger men to continue in excellence," Engelland said. "I hope I have given back to it as much as it has given me."





The Lambda Chi coaches cheer on their sorority teams of Kappa Kappa Gamma and Pi Beta Phi in a messy game of watermelon twister at the fraternity's event, Watermelon Bust. The philanthropy took place at Purple Power Play on Poyntz Ave. on Sept. 1.
Evert Nelson



Devante Daniels, Marlatt resident, prepares for the 'Grateful Dead' zombie party that took place on Nov. 13 as a part of the six week WTF (Where's the Fun) program. *Tommy Theis*

MARLATT RESIDENCE HALL

by Emily Wolfe

Resident assistants and coordinators in Marlatt Hall put on a six-week program of activities, WTF, or "Where's the Fun," in the fall semester. The program gave residents the chance to engage in areas of diversity, community engagement, interpersonal connections and social connections.

Andrew Thompson, resident life coordinator, said the WTF programming series started up three years ago when Marlatt went from an all-male hall to co-ed with international students.

"The hall was going through a big identity change from the all-male environment to the co-ed environment and some people were struggling with that transition," Thompson said.

The RAs and coordinators addressed the need for a way to connect the community.

"We needed to get the female population comfortable with being in the building and we needed the returning male population to see that being co-ed can be a great thing," Thompson said.

Thompson said after an afternoon of brainstorming, coordinators and RAs came up with the idea of WTF.

Returning to Marlatt was Resident Assistant Emilee Taylor, junior in sociology, said WTF was more than just fun social events.

"It is a program the first six weeks of school that gets residents engaged and some place to call home," Taylor said. "I loved how fun the atmosphere was along with the opportunity to get to know our residents early in the semester."

Some of the WTF activities were a progressive ice cream social, scavenger hunt, international dance party, two-day volleyball tournament against other halls where Marlatt took first place, and a cReAm' Em' event where money was raised for the Big Brothers/Big Sisters organization by selling pies for residents to throw at their choice of Marlatt coordinator or resident assistant.

Resident assistant Kaitlin Foley, junior in animal science, said one of the most popular WTF events was "Get Yo Drank On," which had an educational message for residents.

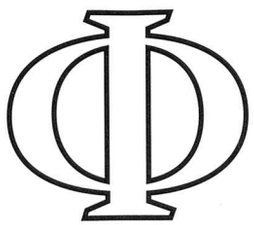
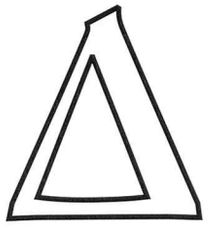
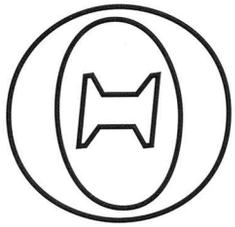
"An officer came in and talked to residents about the dangers of drinking and how to do so safely if making that life choice," Foley said.

At the event residents played root beer flip cup, beer pong and had a dance party. RAs used gummy bears to "roofie" residents to show how easy it can be if you aren't paying attention.

The final WTF activity on Nov. 13 was the "Grateful Dead," a zombie party where residents were invited to enjoy music and snacks on the second and third floors of Marlatt hall. Some students even dressed up for the event. Foley, who was in charge of the event, said it was a great way for students to get rid of end of semester stress for a couple of hours.

Marlatt resident Natalie Loggans, junior in secondary education, said "Grateful Dead" party was her first WTF event.

"This event was a great way to take a break from studying by getting up and moving and dancing."

PHI DELTA THETA

by Emily Wolfe

Brothers help keep sorority sisters safe

The fall semester was the first time Phi Delta Theta implemented a designated driver system for three sororities each Friday night along with their regular DD's for members of their fraternity.

"For every four girls picked up, that is one less car on the street that could be involved in an accident. The girls driving might not be drunk, but another driver on road could be." This was the mind set of John Roberts, junior in management, when he was approached by their chapter adviser about their designated driver system, called Friday Phi's.

Roberts said every Friday six members of Phi Delta Theta, usually freshmen, were assigned to three different sororities as their Friday Phi's for the evening. On Wednesday nights at the sororities' chapter dinner, Roberts, along with the assigned designated drivers, would go and leave the names and numbers of their Friday Phi's for that weekend.

Joseph Augustine, freshman in nutrition and kinesiology, explained how DD'ing for sororities instead of the normal DD for Phi Delt helped him meet more people.

"I definitely feel that doing the DD system helped me to meet a lot of new people at K-State and make some good friends. I was definitely more comfortable on campus and it helped me to feel more a part of Phi Delt and the Greek community," Augustine said.

Although many fraternities had DD systems in place, they would only take women home and to their fraternity or party that night, unlike Friday Phi's.

Roberts, the risk management chair of Phi Delt, had a personal stake in the new system.

"I have been involved in a drunk driving accident before," Roberts explained "I was at the lake driving home with a car full of my friends and a car coming from the opposite direction side swiped the driver's side. One of my friends sitting in the backseat flew forward and ended up in the front seat. We were all pretty shaken up, and it was obvious the guy was drunk because of the way he sped off."

Not only was the system implemented to prevent drunken driving, but also to prevent women from walking home alone at night.

It was also a great way for new members of their fraternity to meet people.

"Usually the girls using the DD's are freshmen or sophomores so they get to know people who are their age," Roberts said.

Augustine, who drove for Friday Phi's twice in the fall semester, said a group of women even bought him a pizza from Pizza Shuttle once because he was so busy that evening. Pledge fathers would often ride along with their pledge sons, which encouraged bonding throughout the house.

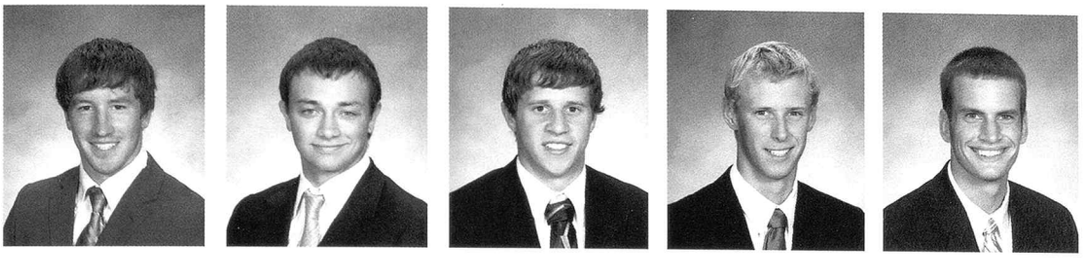
In the first semester each driver took between 17 and 20 women a night, and Phi Delt only expected it grow as the word spreads.

Drew Maddox, junior in finance and accounting with a minor in leadership studies, enjoyed being a Friday Phi.

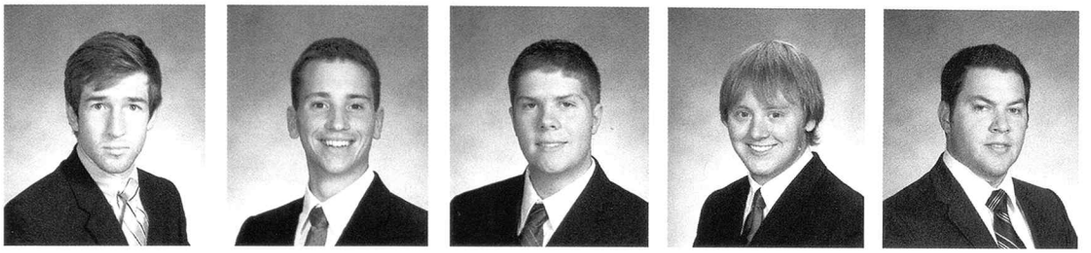
"It was fun helping people and hearing them talk about their fun nights," said Maddox.

Roberts said Phi Delt will definitely continue Friday Phi's next semester.

"I just don't want someone to go through what I went through," Roberts said.



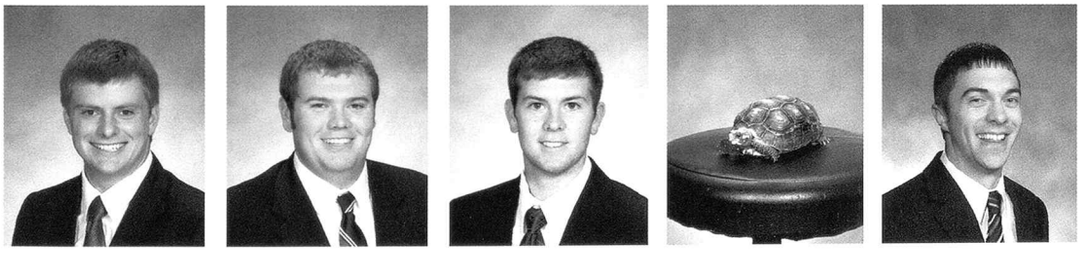
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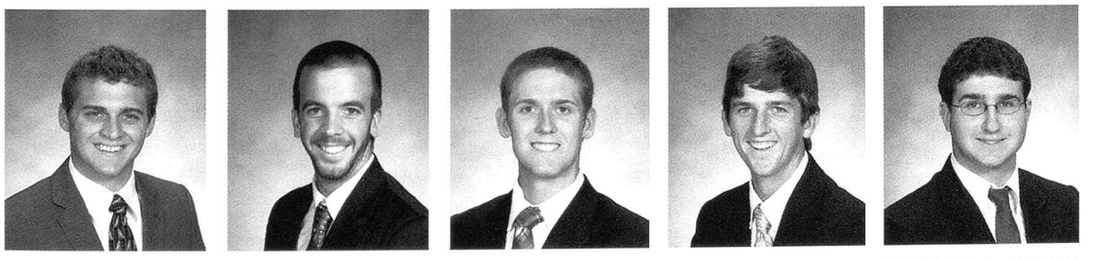
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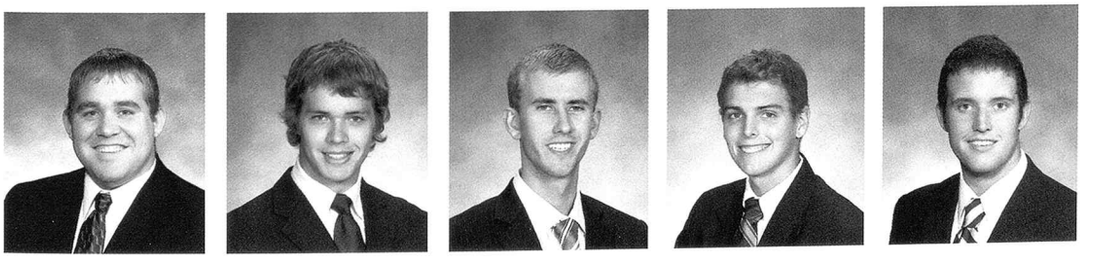
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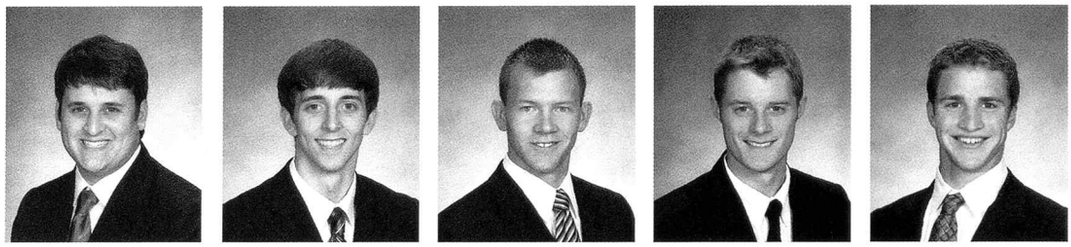
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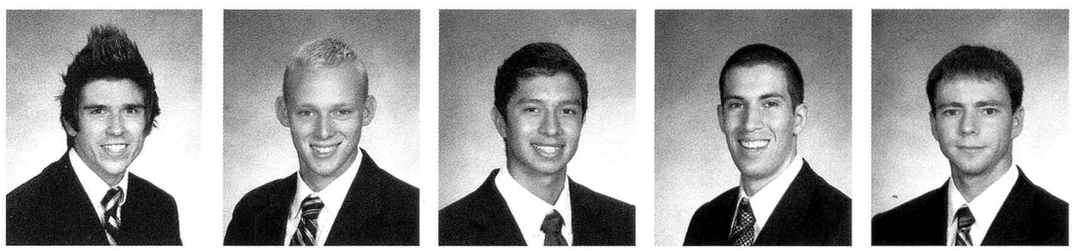
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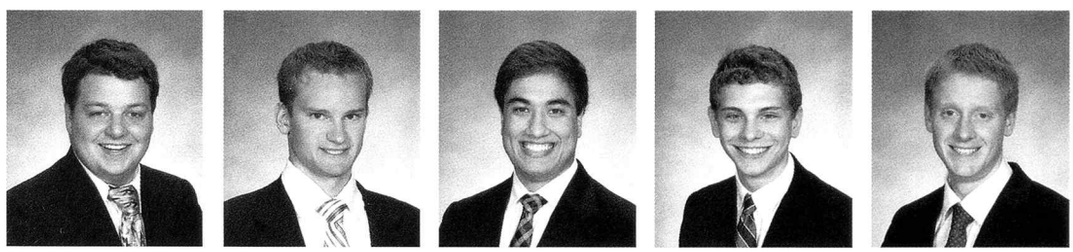


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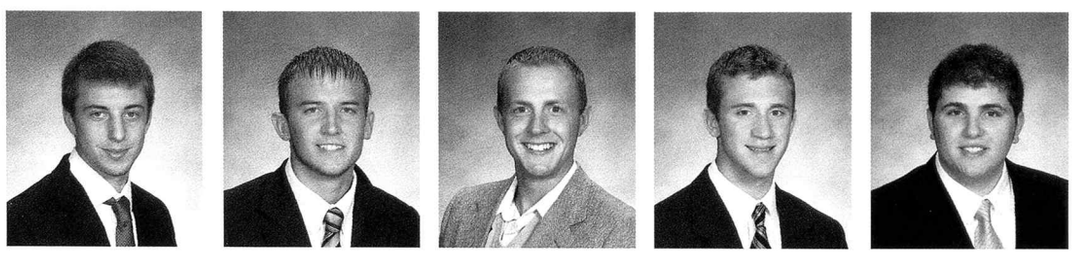
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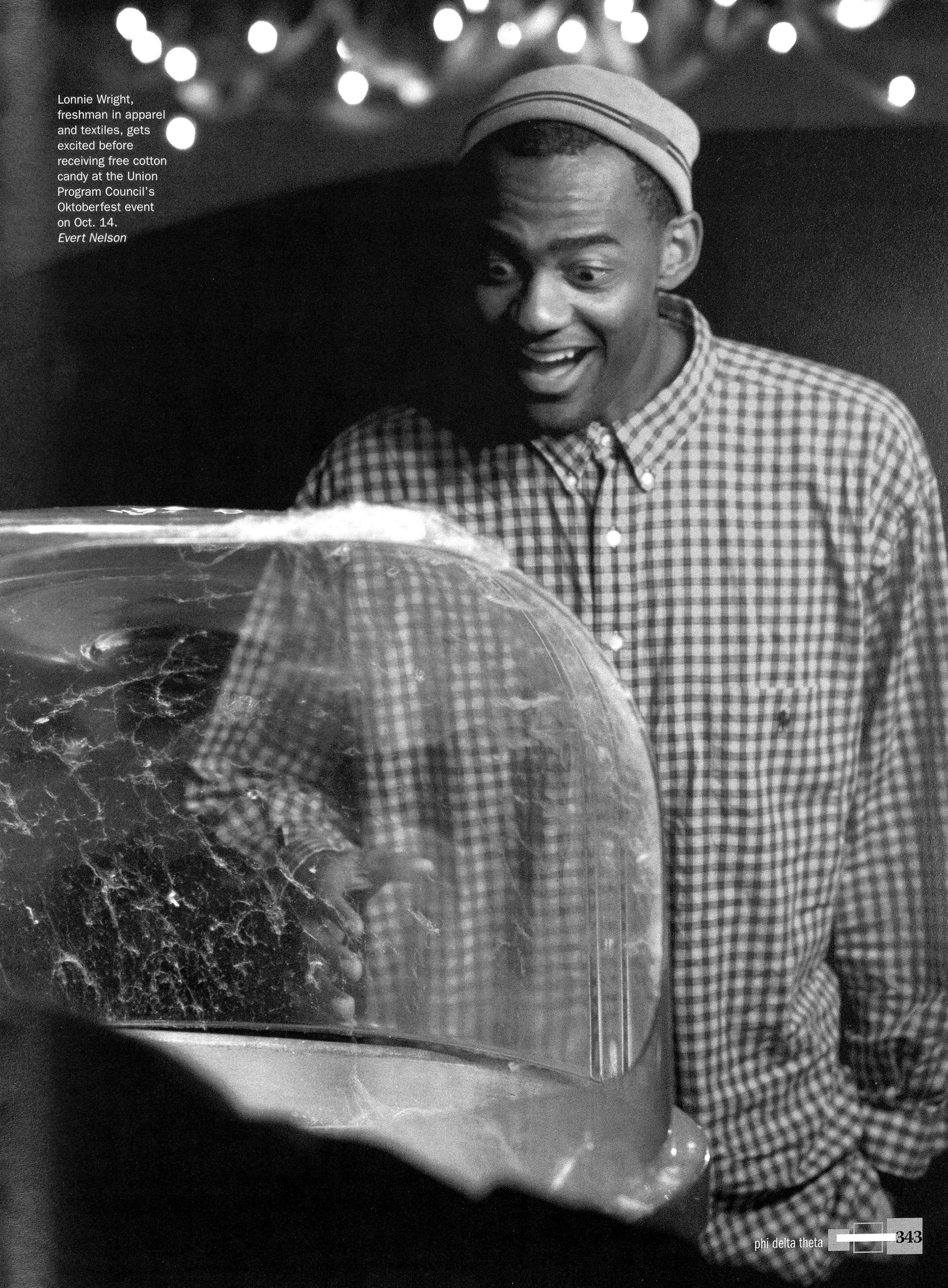
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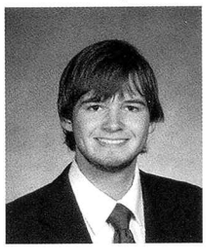


Lonnie Wright, freshman in apparel and textiles, gets excited before receiving free cotton candy at the Union Program Council's Oktoberfest event on Oct. 14.
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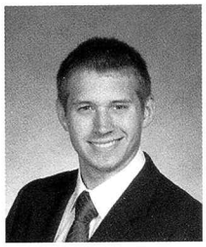
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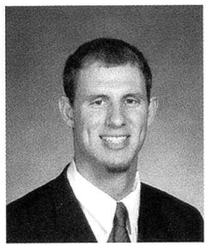
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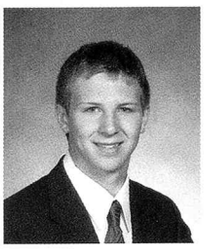
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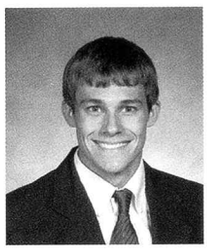
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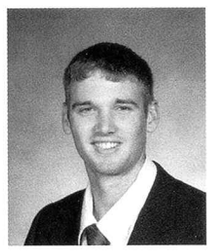
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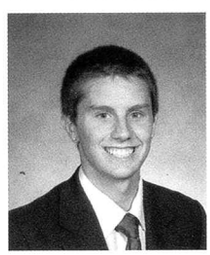
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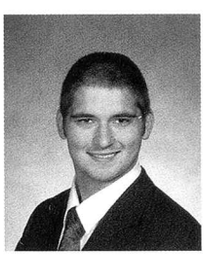
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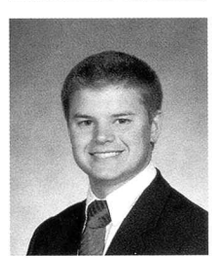
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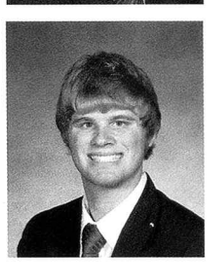
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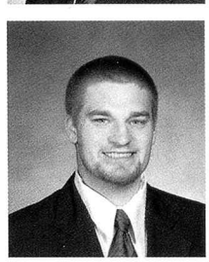
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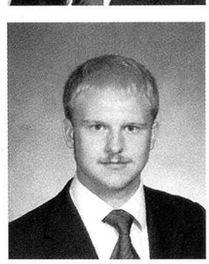
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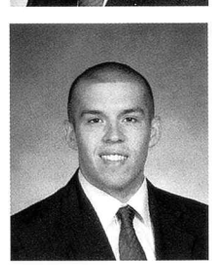
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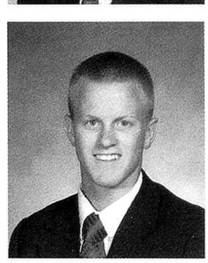
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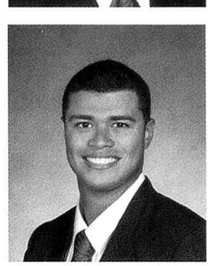
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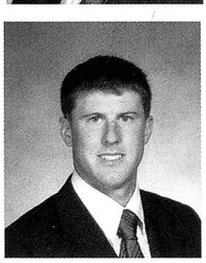
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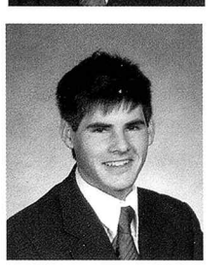
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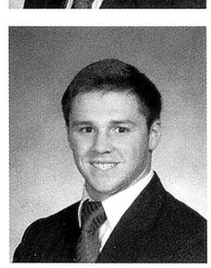
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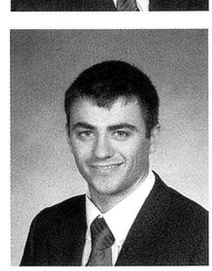
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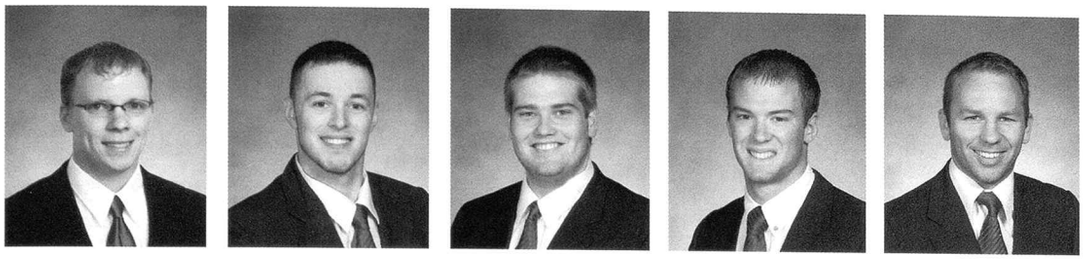
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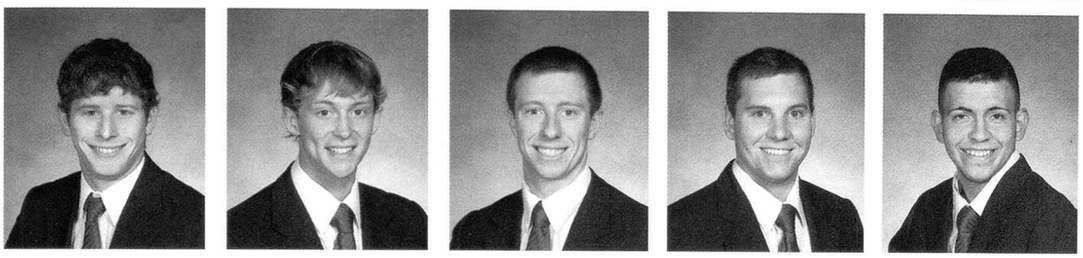
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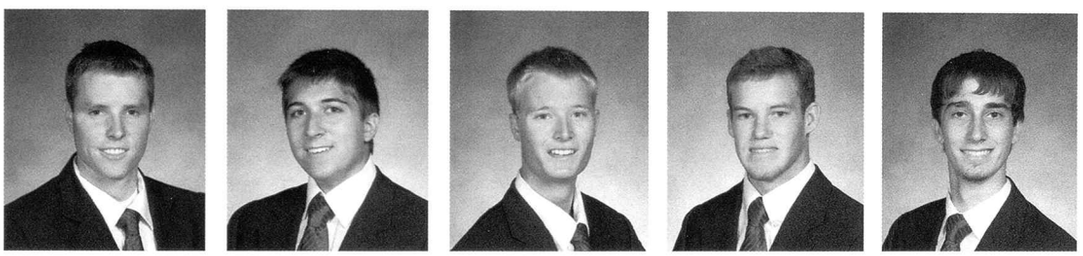
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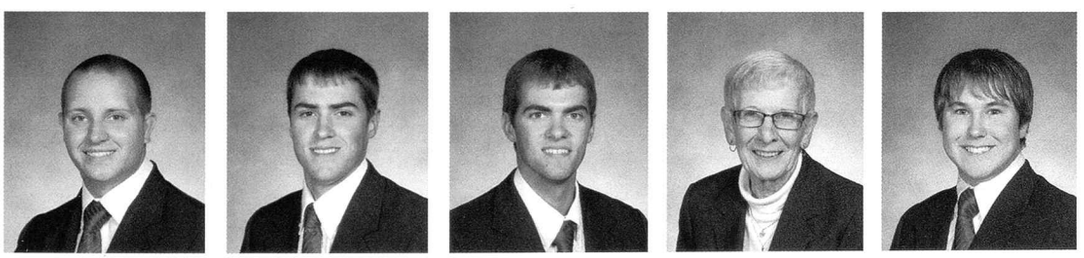
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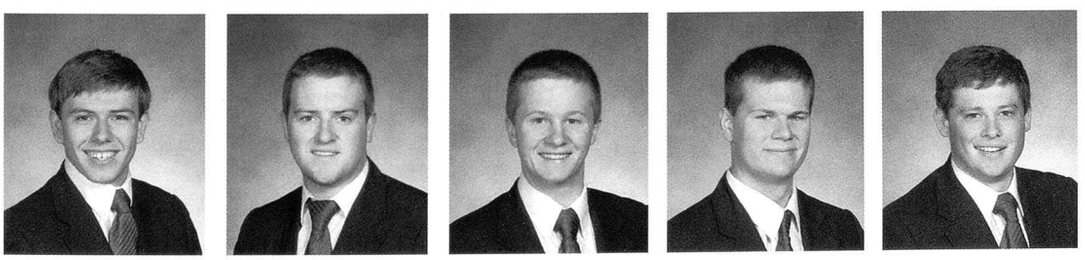
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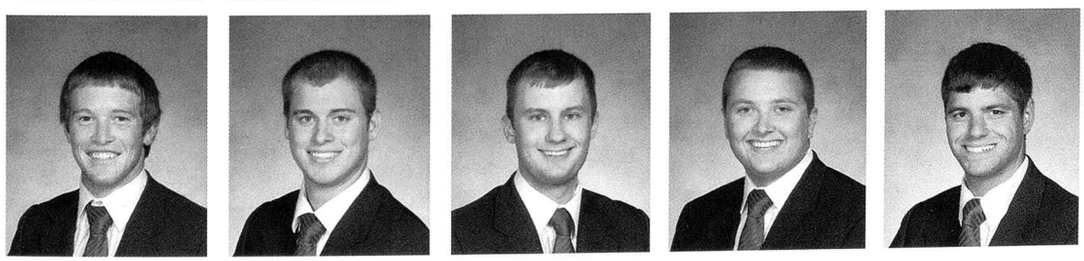
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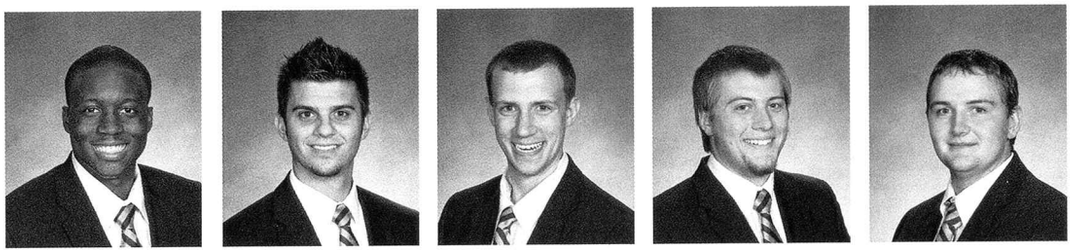


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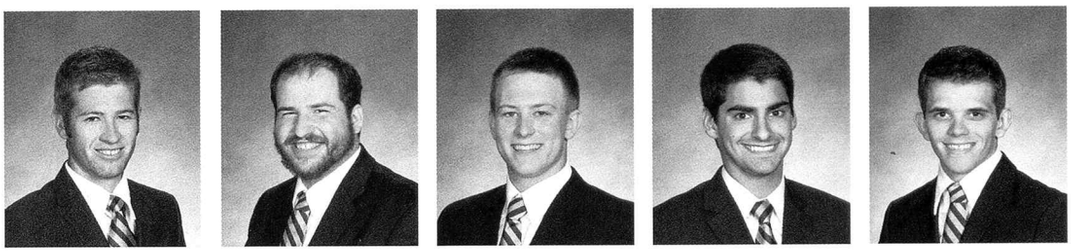


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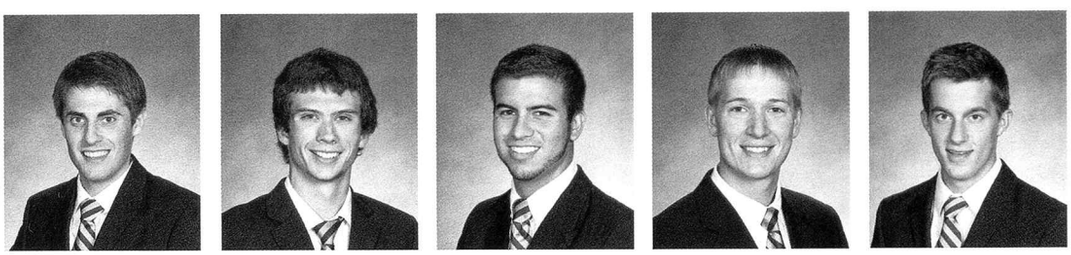
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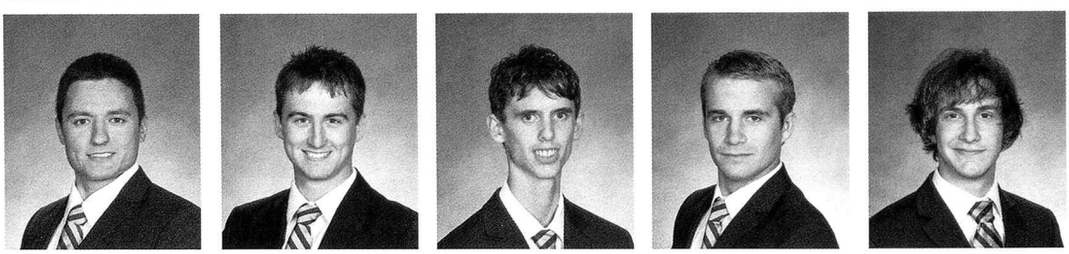
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The band Catch Amy performs in Bosco Student Plaza on Aug. 24 as a part of the Week of Welcome for students. The events were centered around the theme of student success. *Lauren Gocken*

ΠΒΦ PI BETA PHI

by Kate Gillespie

Fashion enthusiast spreads style through house

Keeping up with the latest styles and trends was hard enough within our own fashionable culture, but within the world wide spectrum, fashion had so much more knowledge to offer. London was seen as the perfect venue to study abroad for any fashion enthusiast, and this city happened to be senior Whitney Bachman's first choice.

Bachman, an apparel marketing major and member of Pi Beta Phi sorority, studied abroad in London during the summer of 2011 for 10 weeks. The study abroad program, conducted through American InterContinental University, usually had representatives come speak on campus in various classes and promoted their program to students who may be unaware of the available opportunities the awaited them. This was how Bachman found out about the study abroad programs that directly related to her major.

"I signed up for more information and was given an adviser to guide me step-by-step through the application process," she said.

While abroad, students had the opportunity to travel to nearby destinations. Although Bachman studied in London, she found time to travel to Dublin, Ireland; Edinburgh, Scotland; Paris, and Lagos, Portugal, to get the most out of her trip. Through these opportunities, Bachman was able to see the fashion world in a different way.

"I feel I have a greater understanding of the different cultures around the world," Bachman said.

Most students received certain academic credits while abroad that transferred back to K-State and went toward their overall graduation plan, but Bachman's experience was a little different. Not only did Bachman study abroad to receive credit toward her major, she also had an internship with Worth Global Style Network (WGSN) for five weeks while she was in London.

Bachman received professional elective credits for two courses including fashion styling and promoting fashion, and she also received internship credits through WGSN.

Through her internship, Bachman was able to get real-life, hands-on experience in the fashion world. A few of her tasks included analyzing trade shows and catwalks for prevalent fashion trends along with assisting the team members on reports published for the company website. Bachman even took part in formulating trend-inspiration boards for the company's consignment projects.

"I learned through interaction with professionals in an international work environment," Bachman said. "I also saw much more vintage fashion than ever before. People there take more risk in their personal style."

Not only was she able to observe the creation and originality of another culture's fashion, she expanded her entire perspective of fashion to a global image through traveling.

"I loved every aspect of living in London; it made me realize how much I want to travel whenever I have the chance," Bachman said.



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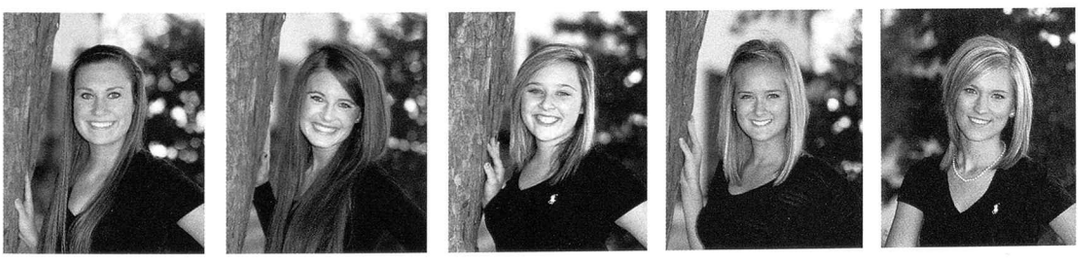
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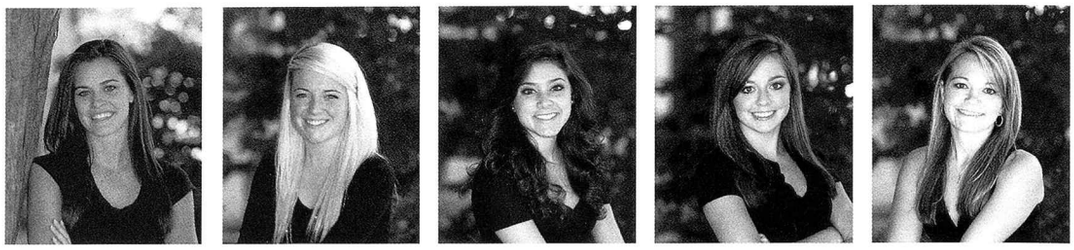


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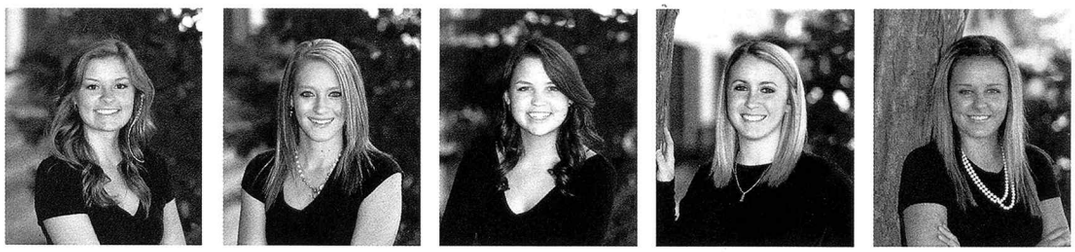
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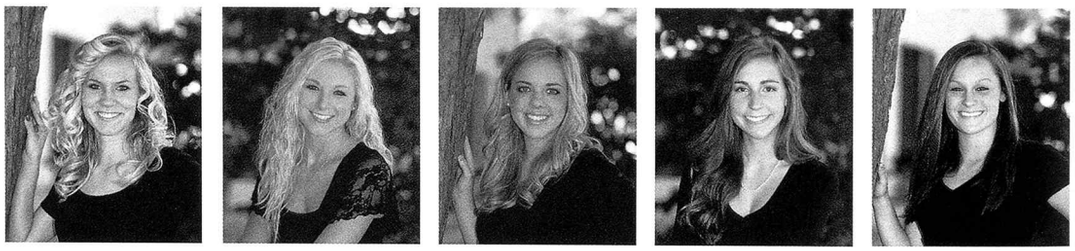
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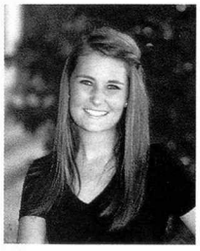
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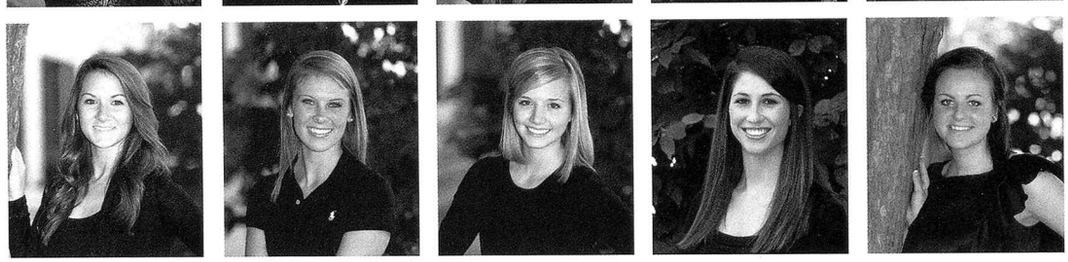
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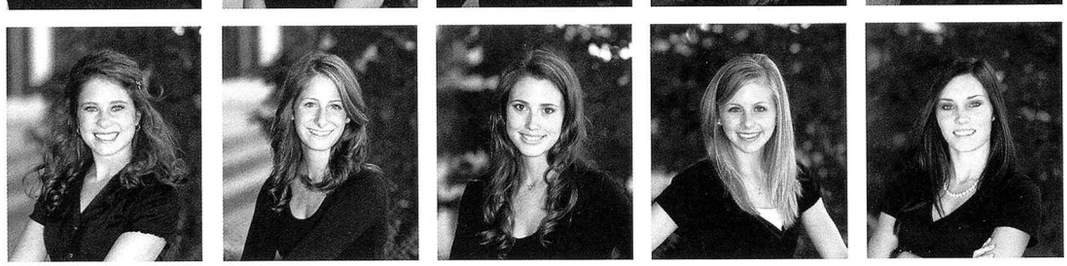
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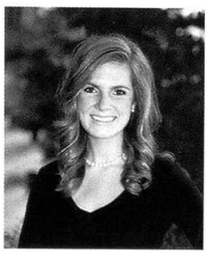






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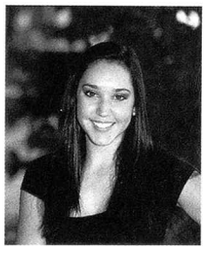




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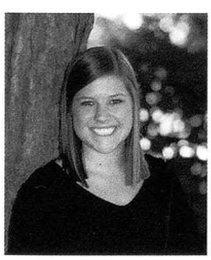






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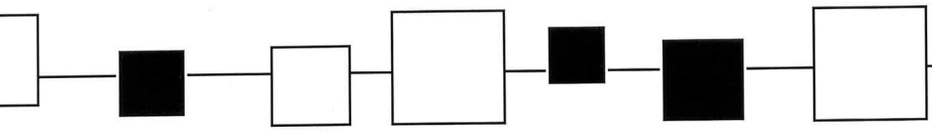
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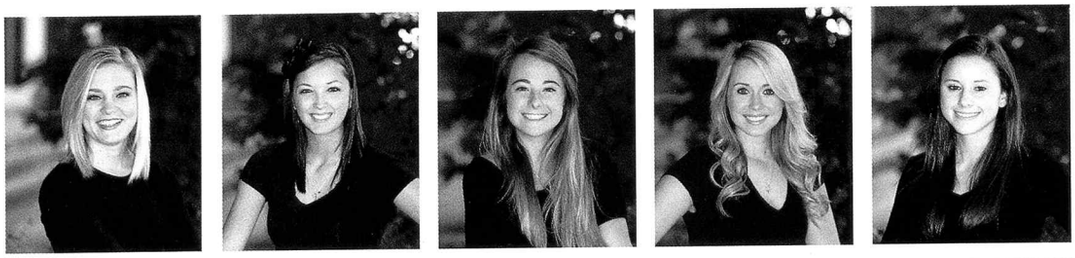




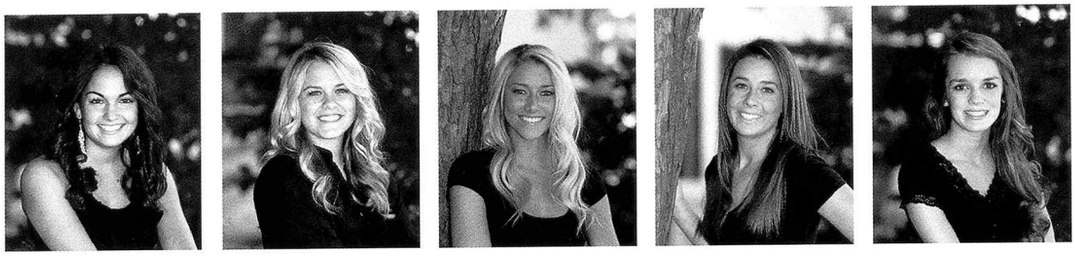
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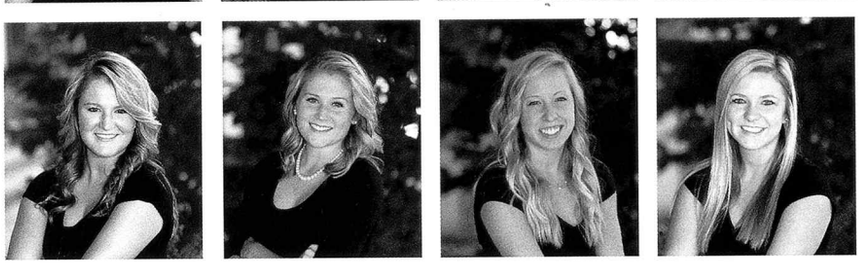
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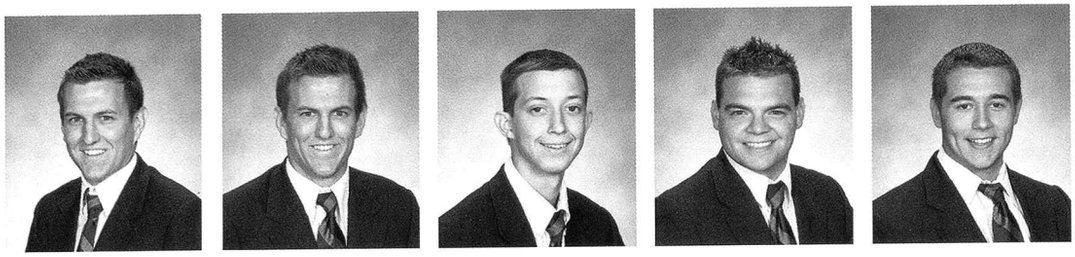
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An acrobat uses his amazing strength as he glides up a pole during the Static Pole Serenade during the Cirque Mechanics Boom Town performance in McCain Auditorium on Nov. 29.
Lauren Gocken

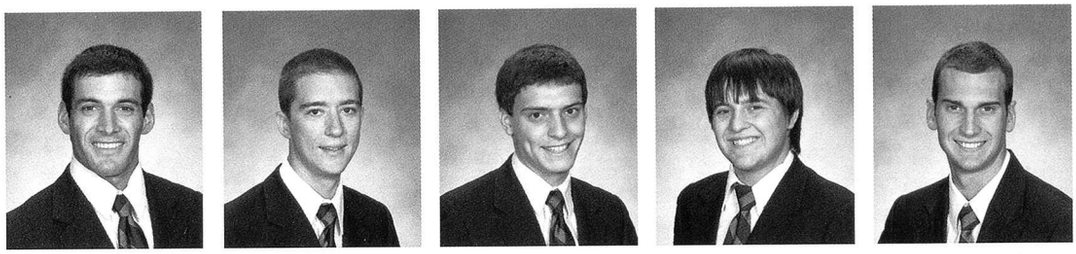
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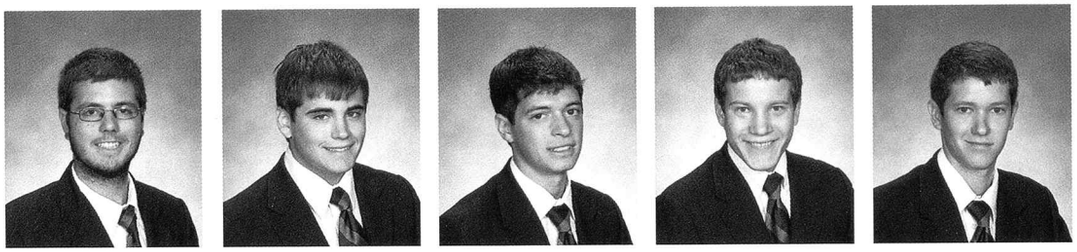
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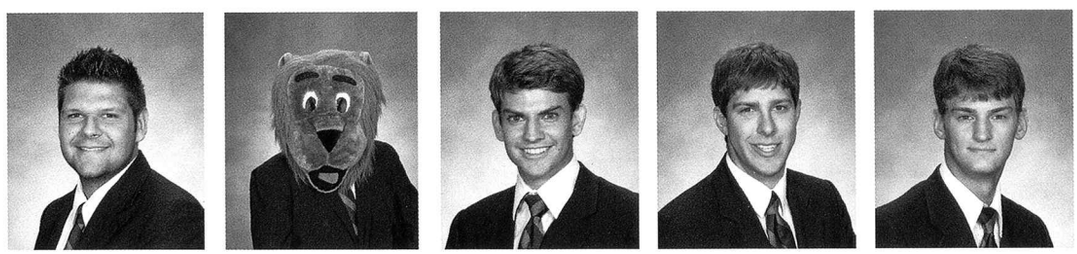
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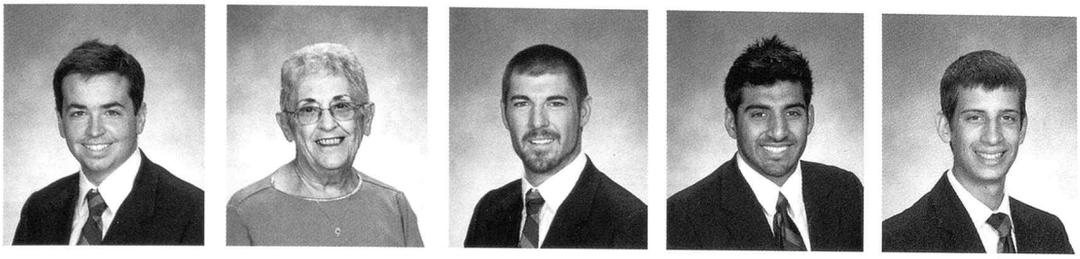
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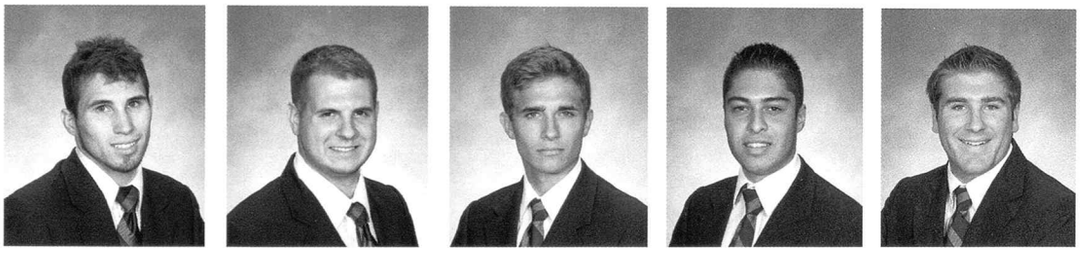
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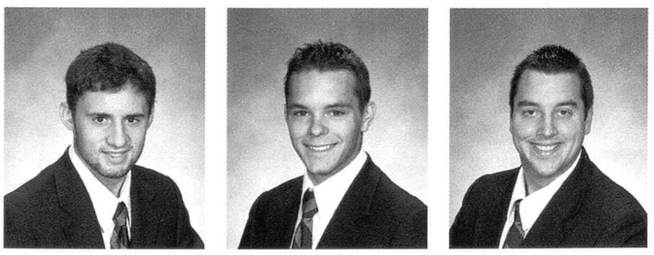
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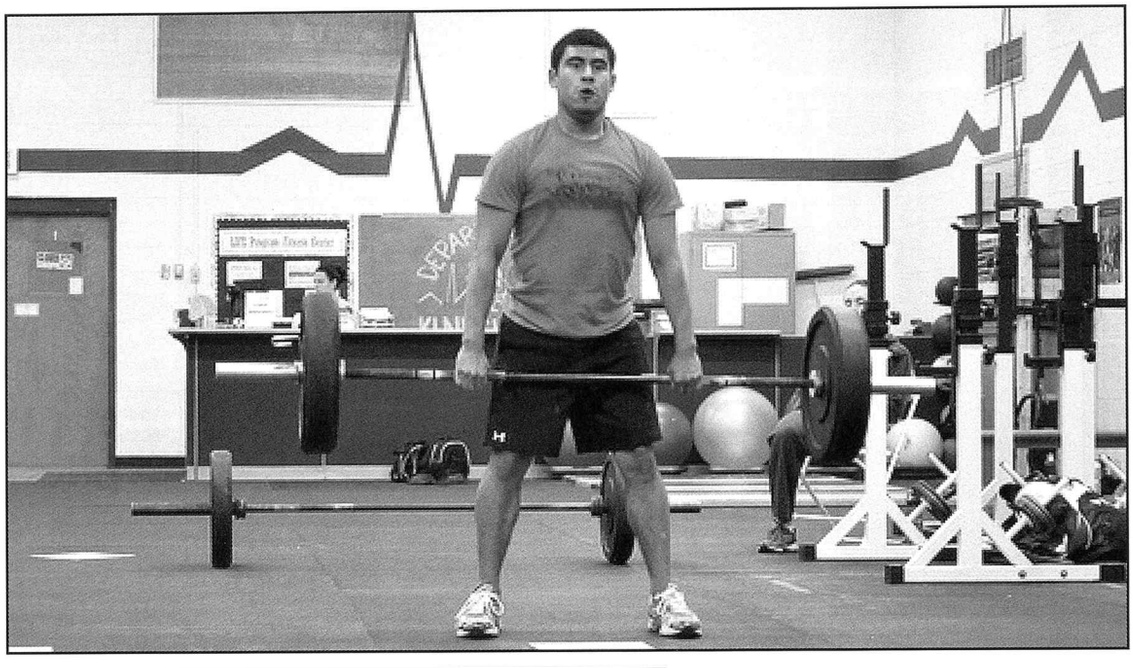
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Sid Arguello, junior in sociology, trains for his CrossFit competition taking place in Hawaii over Thanksgiving break. "Competing with someone you don't know makes you go even harder because you are pushing each other to go as hard as you possibly can," Arguello said. *Courtesy Photo*

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by Emily Wolfe

Student finds unique hobby in new exercise trend.

According to CrossFit Foundations, CrossFit was a program that "delivers a fitness that is, by design, broad, general, and inclusive. Our specialty is not specializing. Combat, survival, many sports, and life reward this kind of fitness and, on average, punish the specialist." CrossFit was not only a growing club on campus, but a program that was spreading to universities all over the country.

"It's not just a competition, but also about helping one another improve. I am going to beat you, but also make you better," was how Sid Arguello, member of the Sigma Chi fraternity and junior in sociology, described the program he had been involved in for eleven months since last March.

Arguello became interested in the program when his teacher and former Olympic runner in his K-State jogging course gave him CrossFit related workouts to do during class. Arguello was intrigued, so he went and watched a couple of CrossFit competitions.

Eventually Arguello started working out at Ahearn, the CrossFit gym on campus.

"It became kind of addicting," Arguello said. "It's a competition everyday just to try and get better."

The university's CrossFit gym offered classes and personal training supervised by a skilled coach that focused on 10 general physical skills: cardiovascular/respiratory endurance, stamina, strength, flexibility, power, speed, coordination agility, balance and accuracy.

Each day members were presented with a different workout usually consisting of weightlifting mixed with cardio, which would be timed, for sets or how fast the workout was completed.

"It's definitely for fitness, but is also about competition. You compete against the same people, but you never want to be last."

At one point Arguello injured his back and had to stop completely working out because of pinched a nerve.

"If you're not careful with exactly the precise movements you can hurt yourself beyond belief," Arguello said, "You have to gradually get into the process of it."

Over Thanksgiving break Arguello, along with other club coaches and members, traveled to Hawaii for a week and a half where they saw a military CrossFit competition between military personal.

"A hundred or more people competing from the Army, Navy, Coast guard, the Marines, you name it they were there," Arguello said.

The group also visited three different CrossFit gyms where they competed in small competitions. Each day the group did a different WOD (workout of the day), and on Thanksgiving Arguello was paired with an older woman.

"Competing with someone you don't know makes you go even harder because you are pushing each other to go as hard as you possibly can," Arguello said. "You are thrown into a completely different atmosphere."

In Hawaii, Arguello competed in grueling workouts. One workout called GI Jane consisted of 100 pull-ups and 100 burpees. Arguello left the gym with bleeding palms.

Arguello put in about six hours a week at Ahearn and was still learning new moves and positions. He planned on trying out for next year's team which consisted of twelve men and women.

"You are each other's mentors because you push each other every day," Arguello said.

Arguello even planned to look for CrossFit gyms at places when he applied for graduate school. "If you want to make it part of your life you keep going and start hanging out with these people, you start to realize it's not just a workout, but a family atmosphere," Arguello said. "It's amazing."

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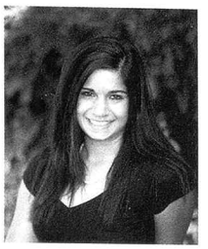
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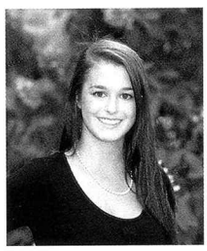




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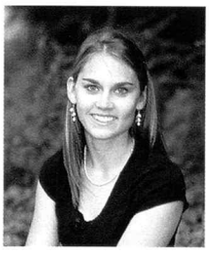








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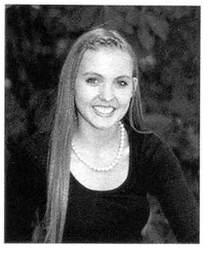






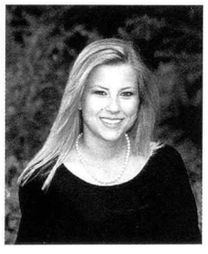
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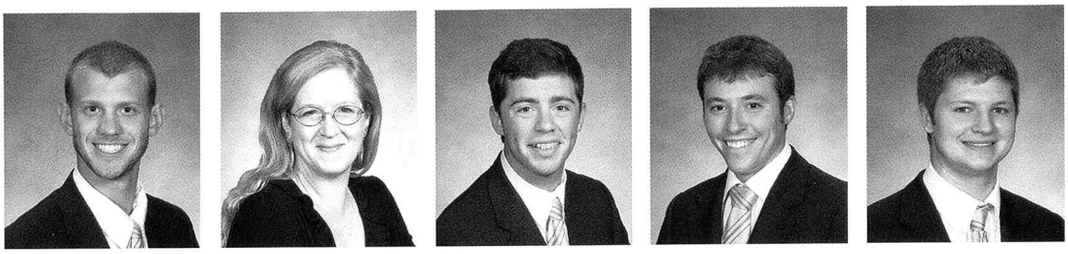


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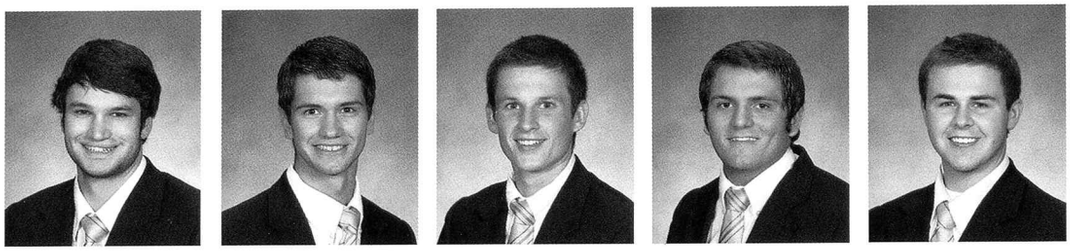


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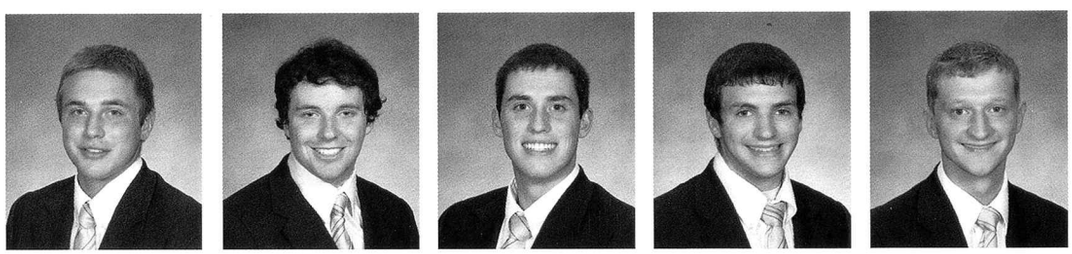


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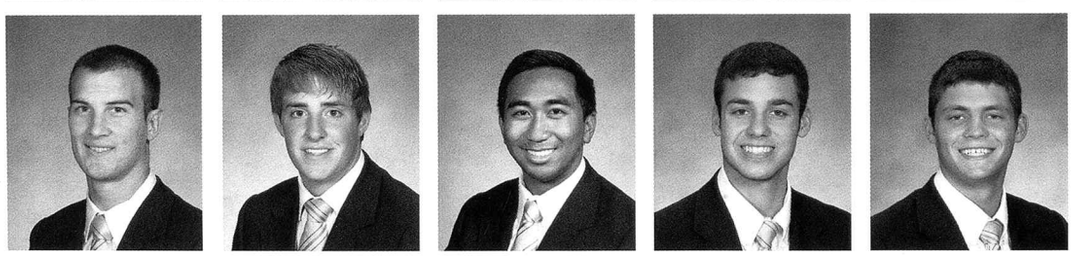


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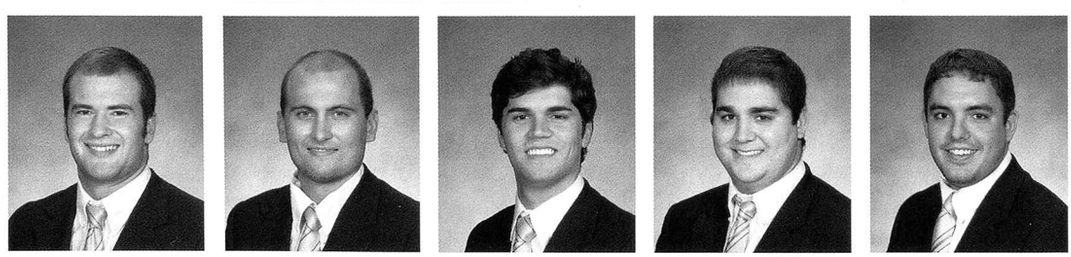
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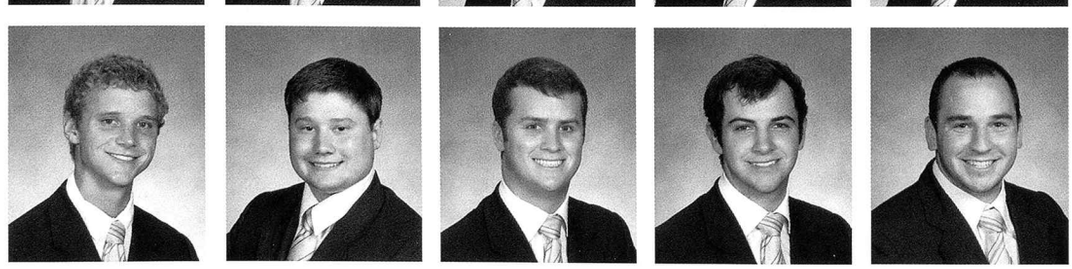
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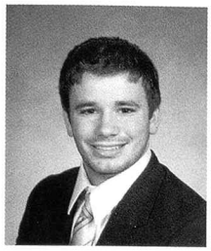
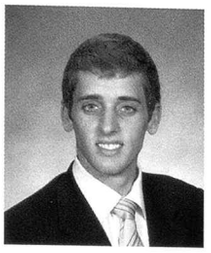
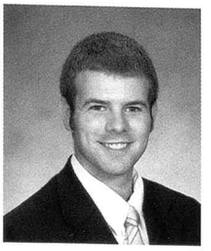
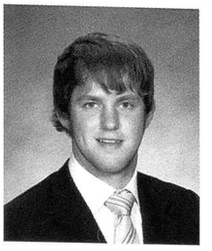
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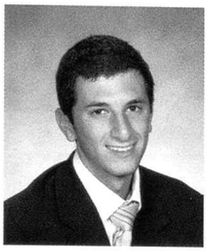
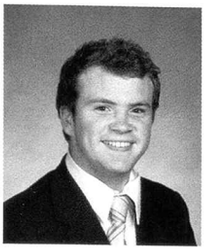
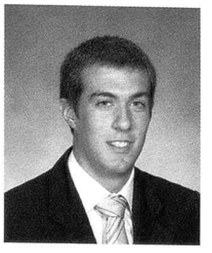
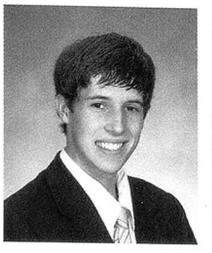
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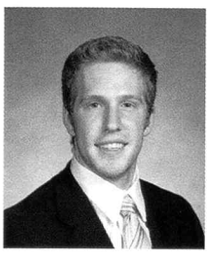
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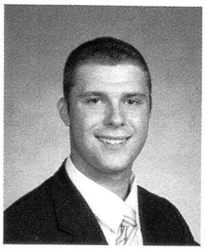
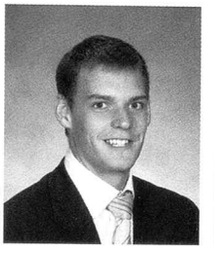






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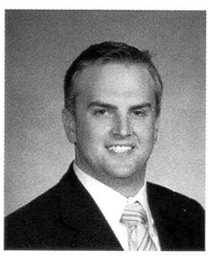
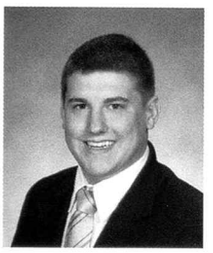
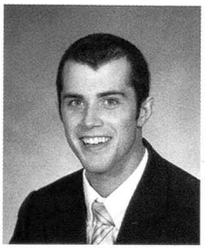
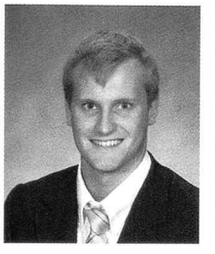
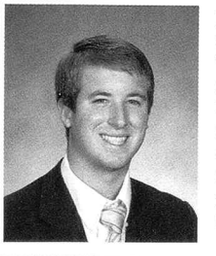






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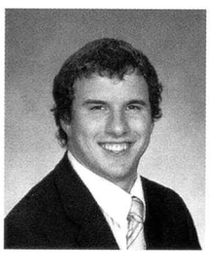
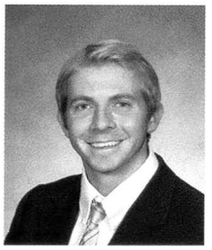


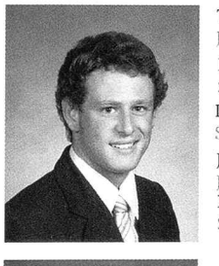




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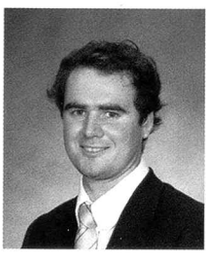
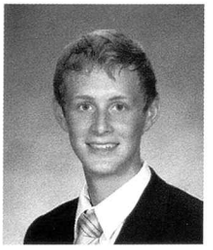






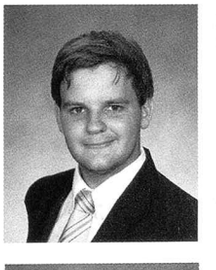
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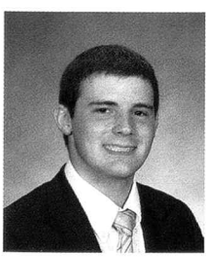



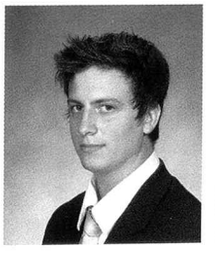
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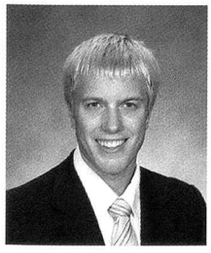
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ΣΦΕ SIGMA PHI EPSILON

by Shelby Brunk

Sig Ep creates Residential Learning Community

Since 2005, Sigma Phi Epsilon had the idea of becoming a Residential Learning Community (RLC). By completing the extensive process the RLC called for, Sig Ep completed every task asked of them.

"To become an RLC, the house as a whole must have an average grade point average above 3.0. Also, the house must have a library and office to accommodate for faculty holding office in the house," said Timothy Harmon, RLC vice president of Sig Ep and junior in finance. "In 2005 K-State Sig Ep completed a $2.5 million renovation of their chapter house. Having the RLC in mind, an office and library were built inside of our house."

The idea of becoming a RLC has always been a goal of the Sigma Phi Epsilon men, and this year, their wish was finally granted.

"Sig Ep is excited to be accredited as a Residential Learning Community and working to enhance the relationship between fraternities/sororities and higher education," said Kevin Ahrens, president of Sigma Phi Epsilon and senior in finance.

The accomplishment of these men was well earned after years of hard work between academics and commitment to the community. The RLC had a deep history with fraternities across the world, yet the Beta chapter had become a "trendsetter."

"The RLC concept started more than 800 years ago at Oxford and Cambridge Universities in England. Recently, there have been some universities in the United States adopting their own models of the RLC," Harmon said. "We are currently the only fraternity promoting the RLC. Also, only 20 percent of the 240 Sig Ep chapters in the country are accredited Residential Learning Communities."

Through all the work these men had completed, there were four values the men followed to promote the university-faculty involvement. These components consisted of faculty engagement, personal and academic development, facility or learning environment and a network of support.

"The main goals of the RLC program is to augment the fraternal experience with an academic focus beyond the classroom," said Jason Wahaus, vice president of communications of Sig Ep and sophomore in chemical engineering. "While college fraternities have been criticized for their lack of integrated and focused student learning among undergraduates, living/learning communities address these issues and link together useful academic opportunities."

The interaction with all components was key to the men, and was what they strived for during the academic year.

"The ideal RLC brings faculty in their house to teach classes, facilitate discussions, and even hold office hours. Each RLC house has at least one or two 'faculty fellows,' who are professors or instructors from the university," Harmon said. "They serve as mentors and advisors for Sig Ep members."

Although there were many steps taken to get the men of Sigma Phi Epsilon to where they were, there were goals put in place to ensure they would stay successful in the future.

"In the future we would like to have professors regularly holding office hours inside our RLC office, and also teaching classes in our chapter house," Harmon said. "Also, we would like to achieve a 3.2 average GPA every year."

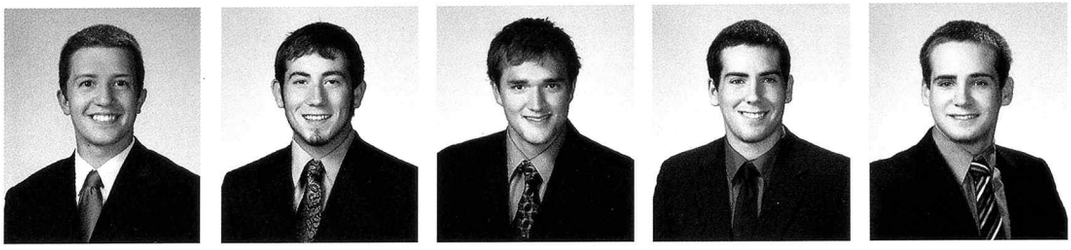


Michael Peterson, senior in kinesiology, and Jack Peterson, senior in milling science and management, get together with the rest of the Sig Ep intramural basketball team for a huddle and a pep talk at half time of their game on March 7.
Ellie Long

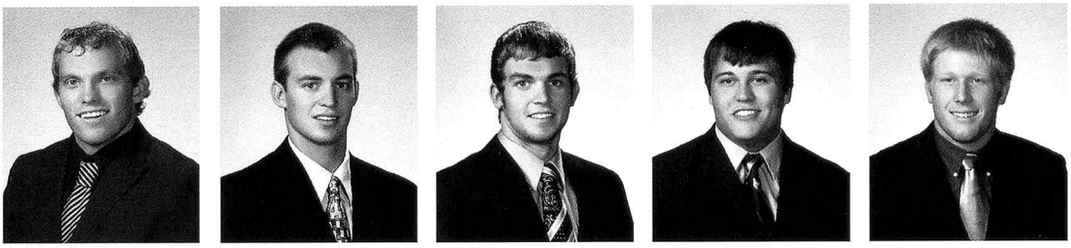
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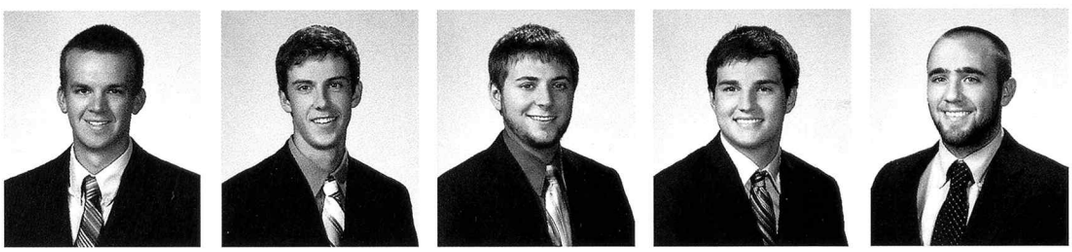
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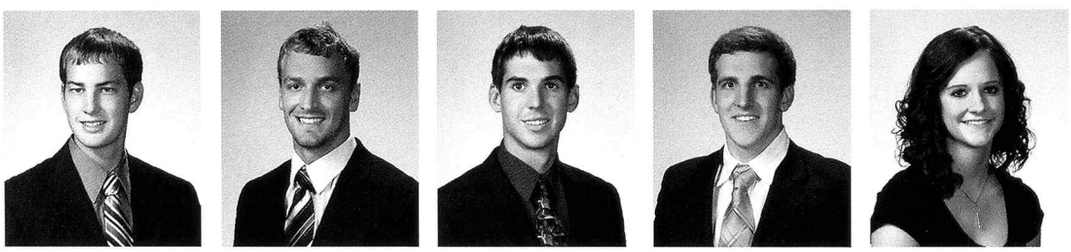
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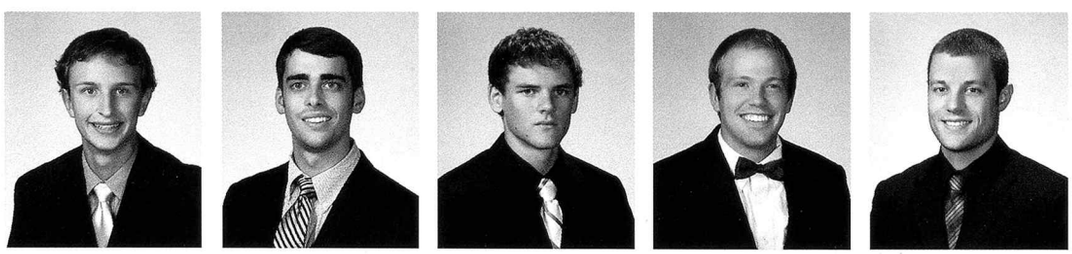
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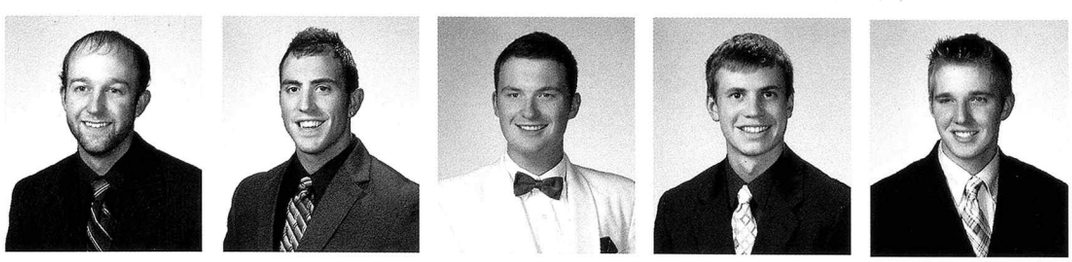
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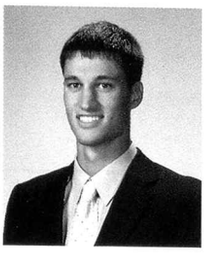


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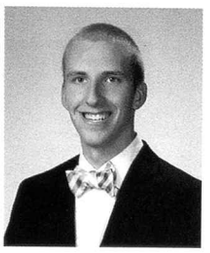






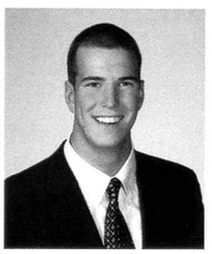
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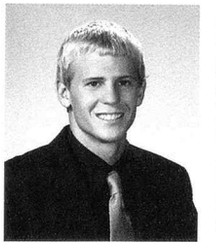






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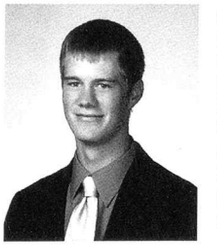



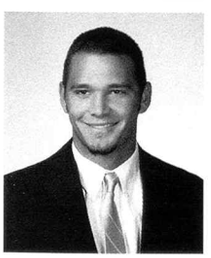
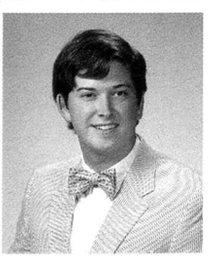
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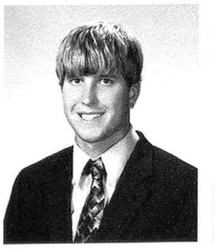
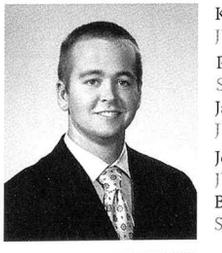




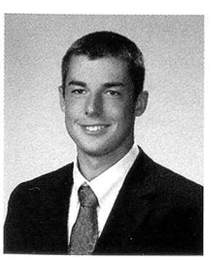


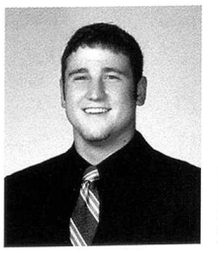
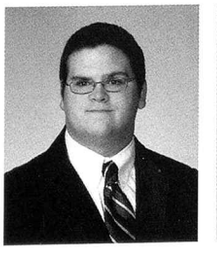
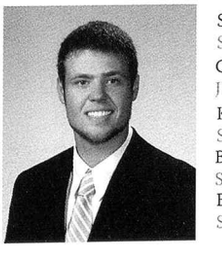
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VAN ZILE
RESIDENCE HALL

by Shelby Brunk



The students living in the Strong Complex had something the Derby Dining Complex residents didn't: choices when it came to dining.

For a college student, being able to have choices among dining centers was a perk. Not only were students in Strong able to dine at their own center that served breakfast, lunch and dinner, they were just a two minute walk from the Derby Dining Center as well. Students who were housed in the Strong Complex, which consisted of Van Zile, Boyd and Putnam, had the option that many students would of wished to have.

"I think we should have the option of getting to go where ever we want as well as they do," said Madeline Middleton, freshman in arts and sciences open option and resident of Ford Hall.

Van Zile students said on the other hand, Strong's size and limited hours justified the special privileges.

"I like it because it is smaller than Derby, so when I go to breakfast I don't have to worry about people seeing me in my pajamas," said Taylor Laskowski, freshman in biology and resident of Boyd Hall. "They serve all three meals through the week. The only thing I don't like is that they don't serve food on weekends."

As well as having choices, there were many benefits to living in Strong.

"I love Van Zile," said Courtney Ramirez, freshman in arts and sciences open option and resident of Boyd Hall, Courtney Ramirez. "I really like how it is smaller, and no offense to the Derby, but is a lot nicer and there's hardly ever a line to wait it which is awesome."

Even though Van Zile has more options when it comes to meals, according to Ramirez, there is always a nice alternative at the Derby.

Students sample different kinds of mushrooms to add to their pasta dish in Derby Dining Center on Oct. 17. Students living in Van Zile had the choice of eating at the Derby, Kramer or Strong Dining Centers. *Evert Nelson*



ZTA ZETA TAU ALPHA

by Zach Zaborny

Zetas move into old house and make it their own

Driving down Sunset Avenue would take you by several greek houses, the newest of which was opened in September 2011. Zeta Tau Alpha, which returned to campus after 70 years of being away, opened its new chapter house its second year back at K-State.

Zeta Tau Alpha originally colonized on the K-State campus in 1931, but due to the Great Depression and other factors of that time period, most women that were in Zeta left and the chapter shut down in 1940.

In 2010, Zeta came back to campus and members decided that instead of building a new house, they would purchase what was once the old Sigma Pi fraternity house and transform it into a place of their own.

The women of Zeta were supposed to move in at the beginning of the fall 2010 semester, but due to construction delays they ended up living in the Clarion Hotel for the first few weeks of the semester while the house was finished being refurbished and remodeled.

"Everyone who lives in the house lived in the Clarion," said Jenissa Hendrickson, senior in communication studies and president of Zeta. "Our nationals was really set on finding us a place since they said we would have the house done. They took it upon themselves that we all did have somewhere to live."

Starting out the semester in a hotel was an adjustment for many of the women.

"It was a little bit crazy at first," Brittany Southerly, sophomore in human resources, said.

Many of the women had become accustomed to living in the hotel for the first few weeks of classes, but when they were finally able to move into the house, they were excited to be part of the inaugural occupants of 508 Sunset.

"I think it's pretty awesome," said Audrey Trowbridge, sophomore in accounting. "You're the first people who got to be part of Zeta at K-State. You're the first people that got to live in your house. We are the ones that get to start the tradition of what Zeta really is looking forward to."

With 61 women living in the house, house mother Cathy Humphreys played a big role in keeping the new place running smoothly.

Humphreys, who was previously the housemother at the Zeta chapter at the University of Texas, enjoyed getting the ability to preside over a new house as they came back to campus.

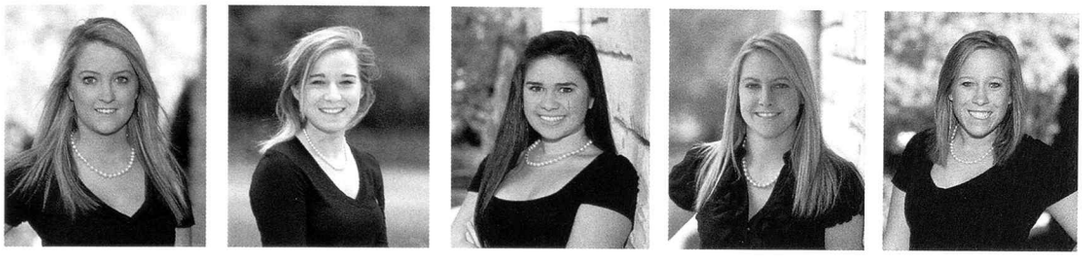
"It has been really fun seeing the girls gel here as a family and enjoy sisterhood," Humphreys said.

From being non-existent on campus a few years ago to being back in full force with a house, Zeta Tau Alpha and the women who called it home were glad to be part of the experience and to go down in history as the first occupants of a resurgence at K-State.

"I'll be able to tell my kids and I get to brag to all of my family members that I was one of the first residents in an all new Zeta house," Southerly said. "They built this and made it wonderful and livable for women like us to be here and I really appreciate all of the hard work that they have done for us."



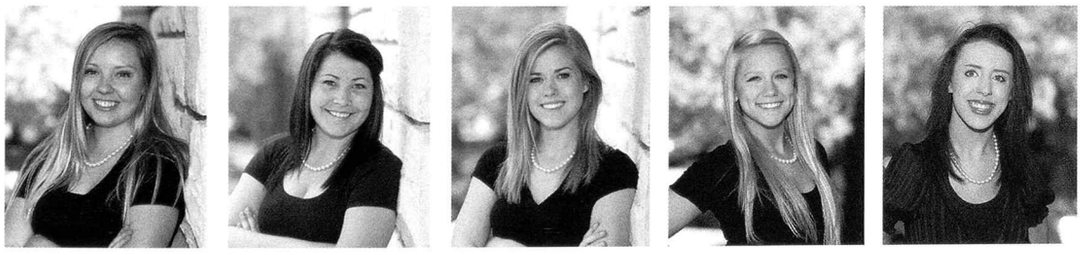
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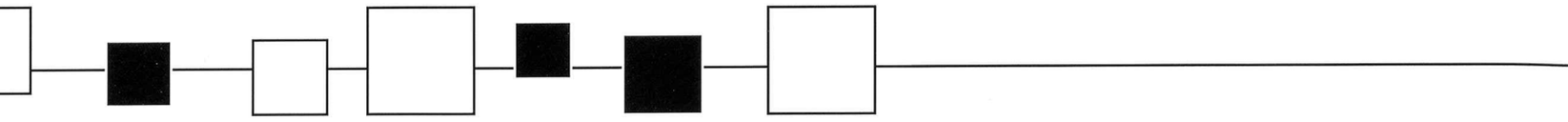
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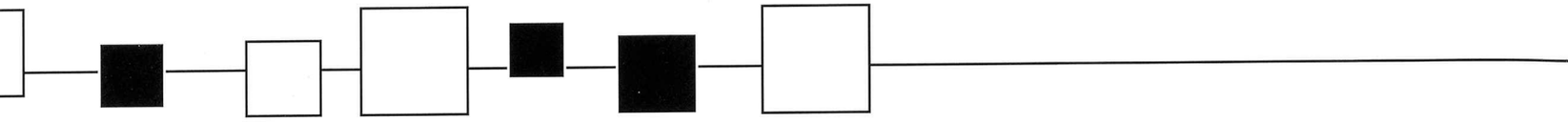






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Brian Blando, freshman in open option, and Tyler Wolff, freshman in animal sciences and industry, play knockout with members of their fraternity Phi Delta Theta on Sept. 14 before their weekly chapter dinner.
Evert Nelson



"We have a tradition where we play basketball after our formal dinner right before chapter. If it's nice out we will all start up a game of knockout, and everyone usually jumps in to play."

Tyler Wolff, Freshman in Animal Sciences and Industry


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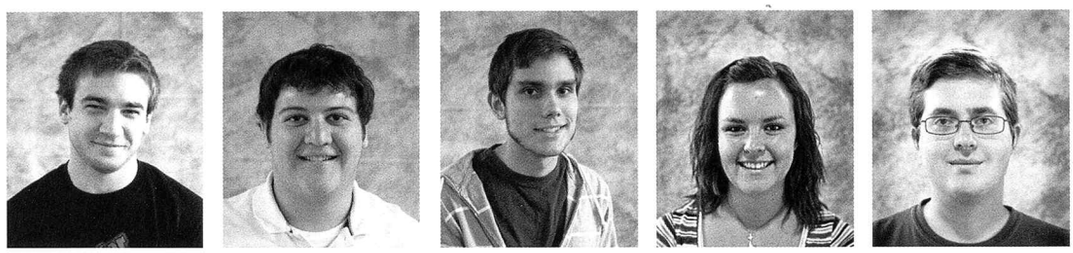


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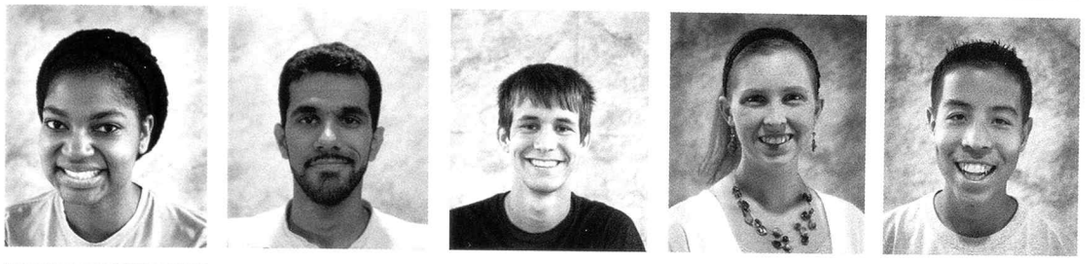
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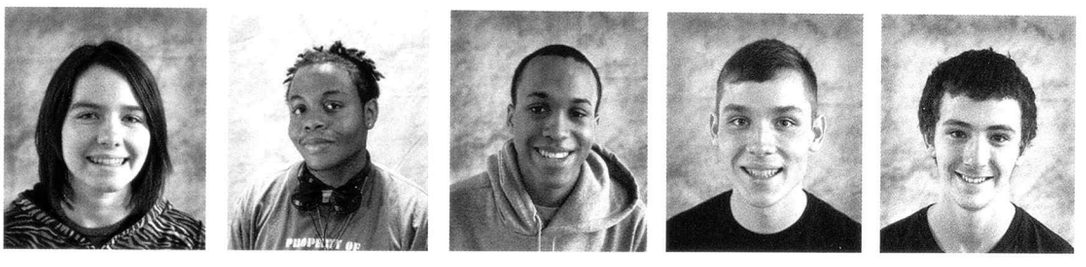


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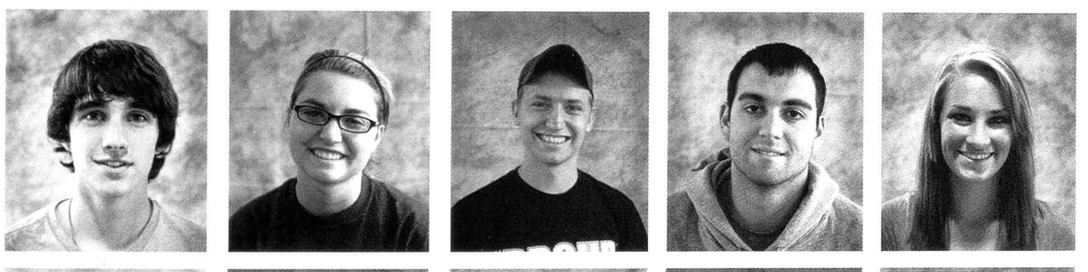
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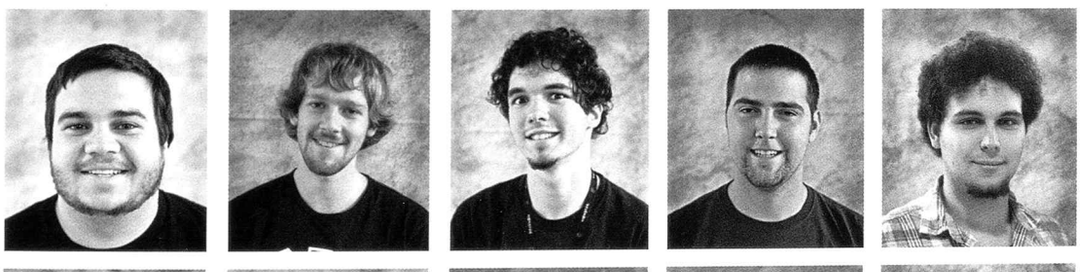
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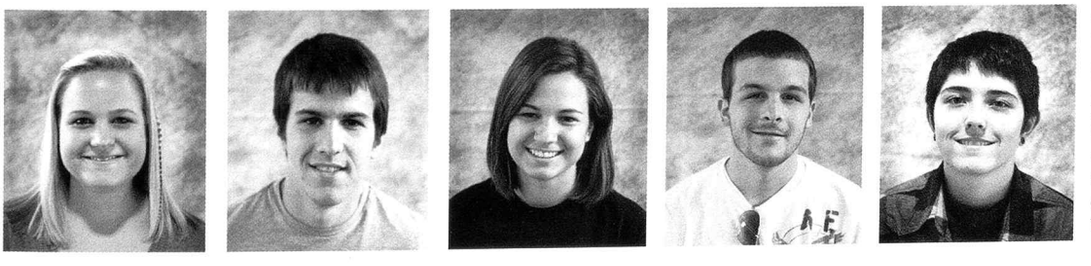
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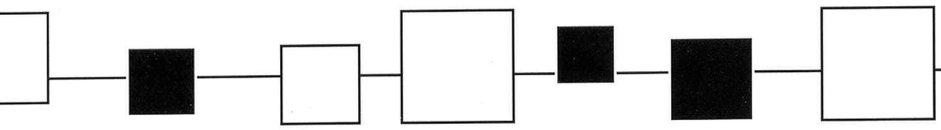
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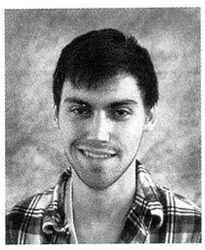


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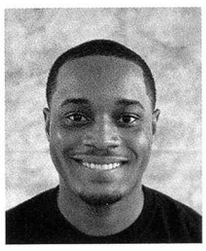


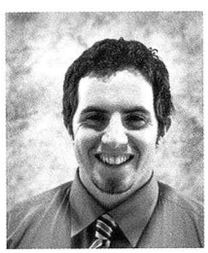




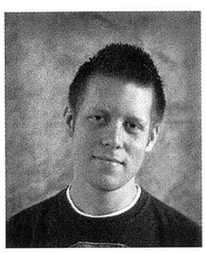
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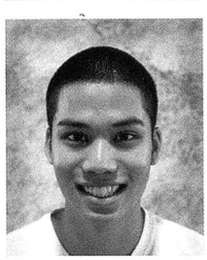
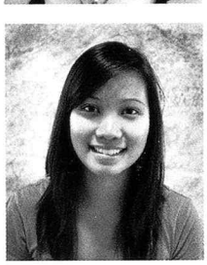




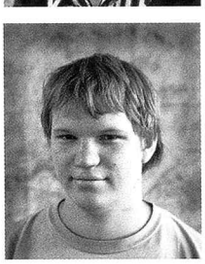


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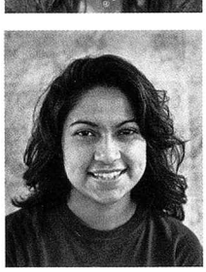





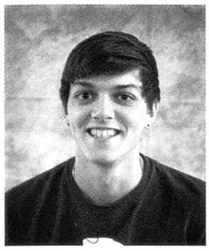
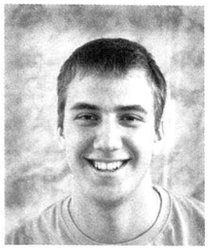

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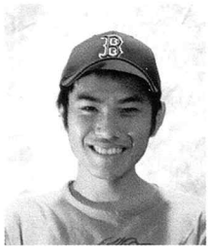


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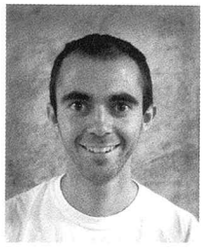






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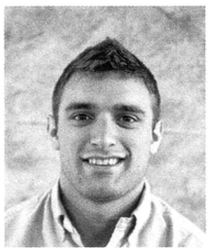


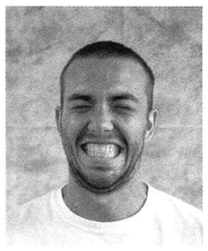




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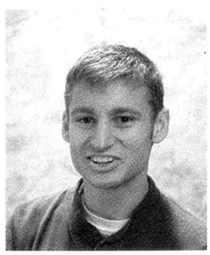


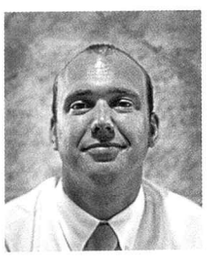
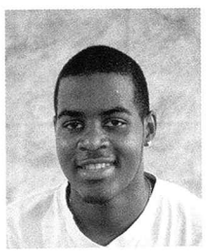
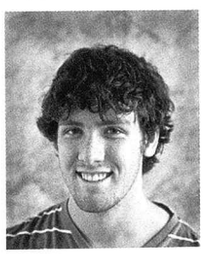


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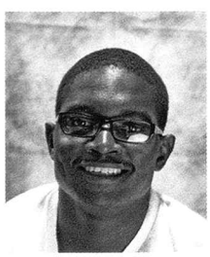
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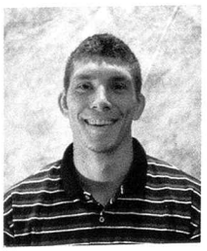
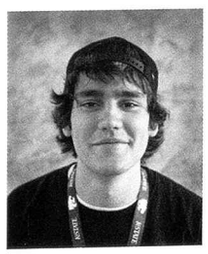
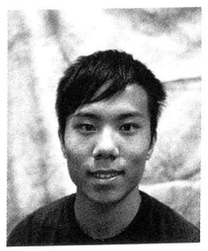
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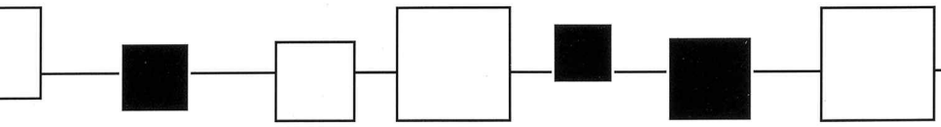




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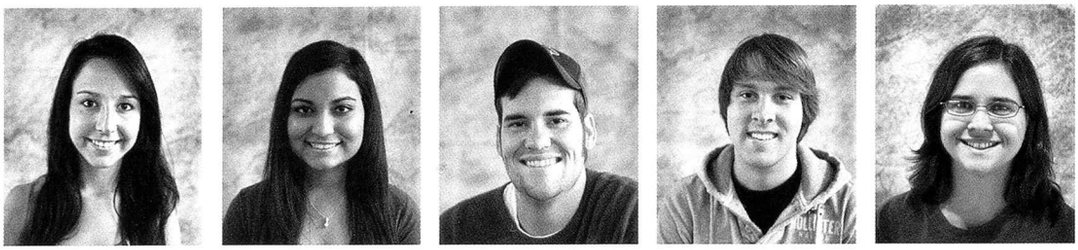


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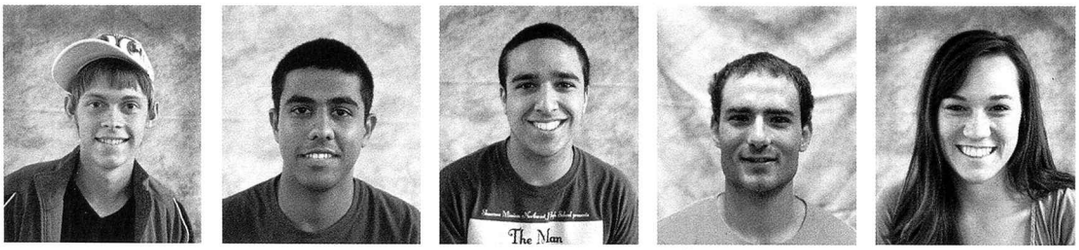


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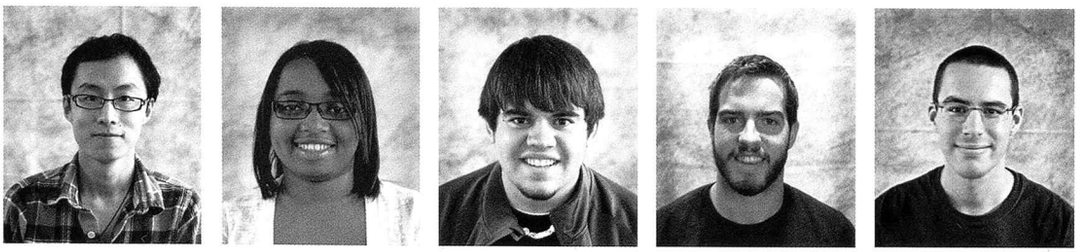
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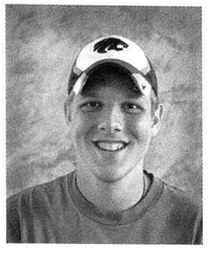
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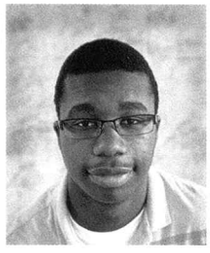


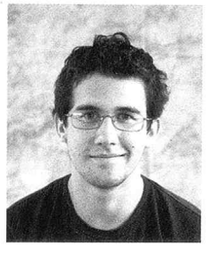



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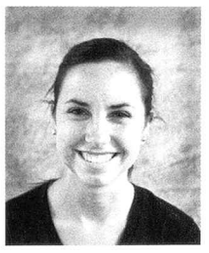
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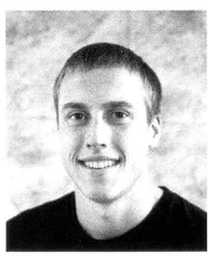
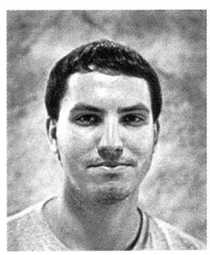
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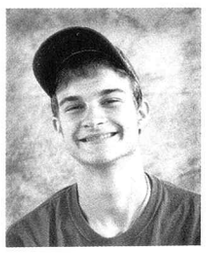
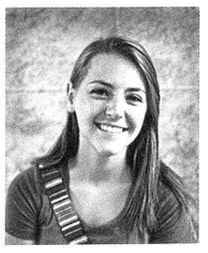



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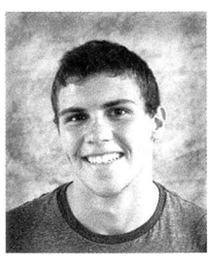
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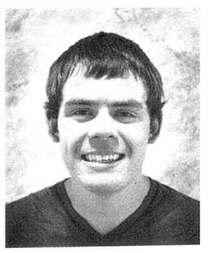



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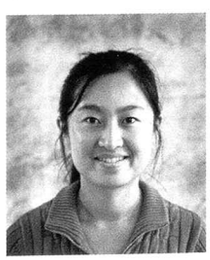
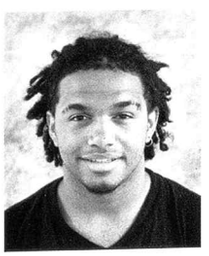
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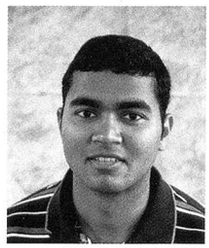
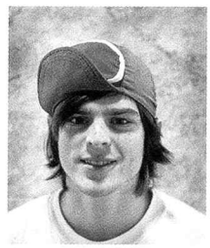
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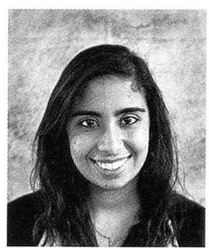
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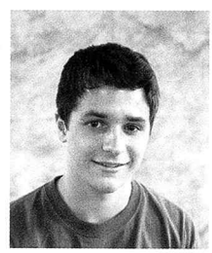



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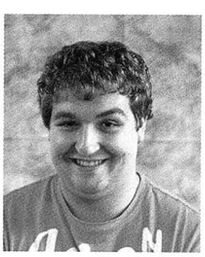
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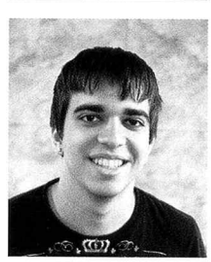




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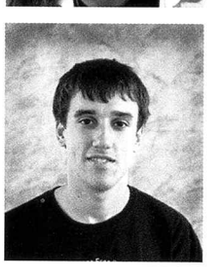
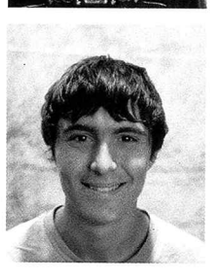






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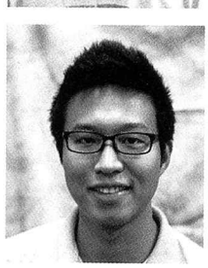




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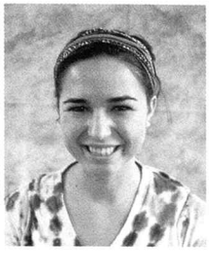
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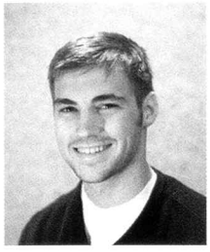


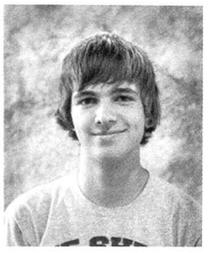
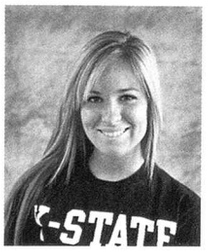





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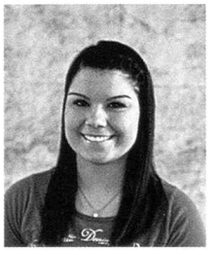



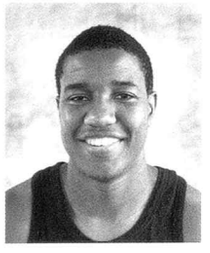
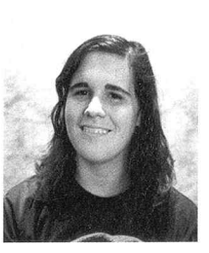


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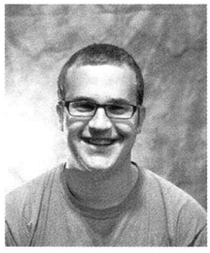
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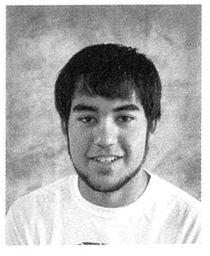




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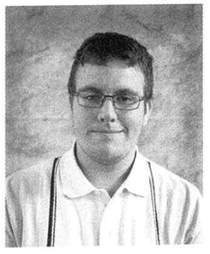


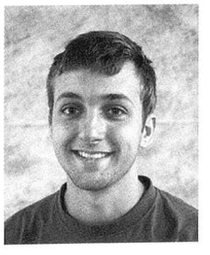

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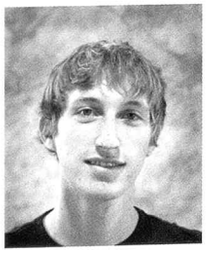
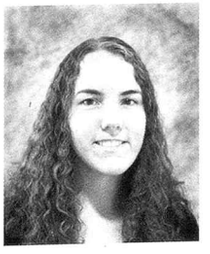




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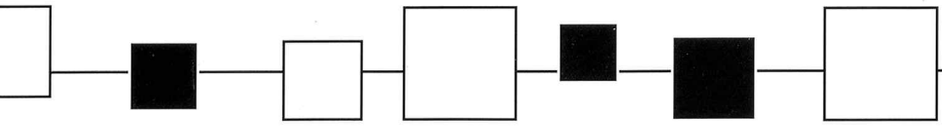



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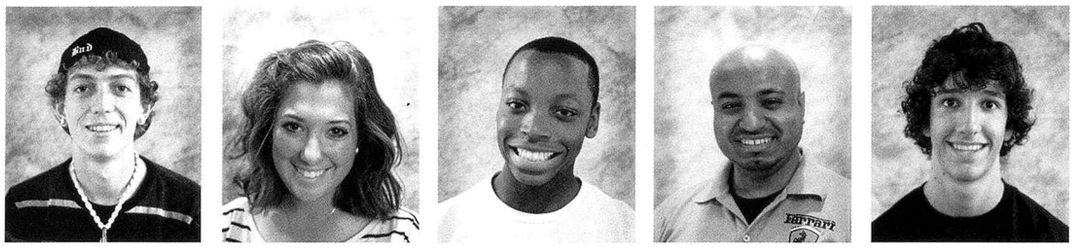
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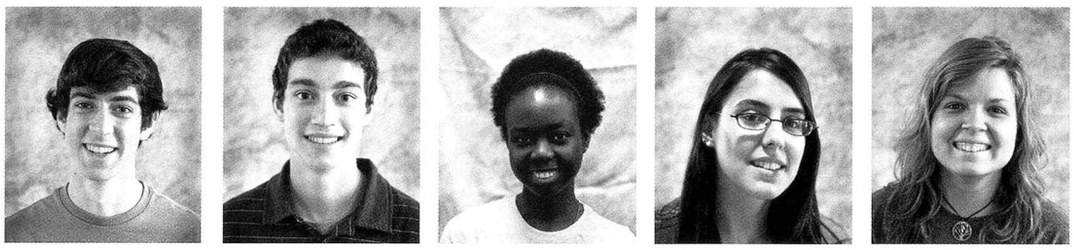
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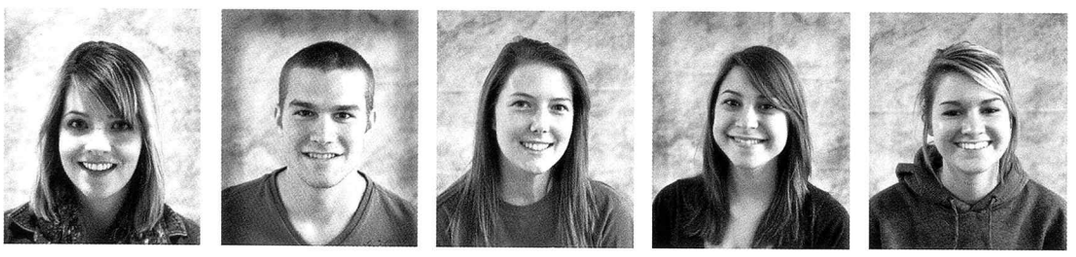


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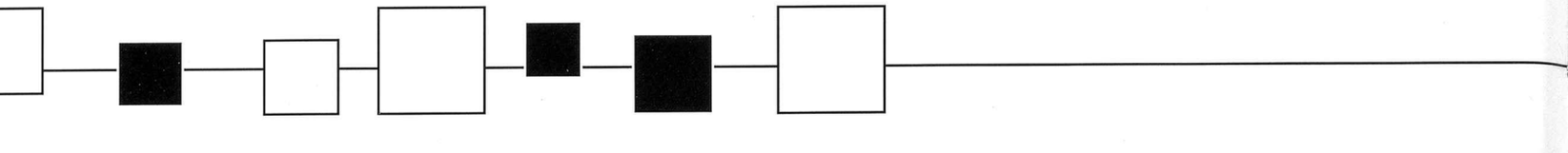


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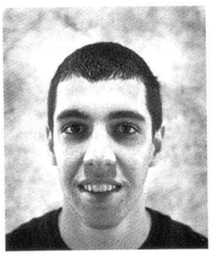


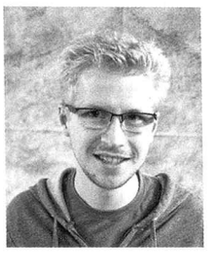
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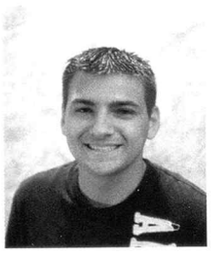
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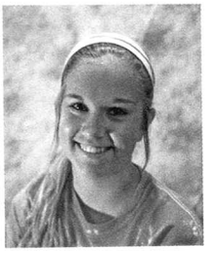






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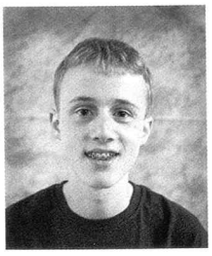
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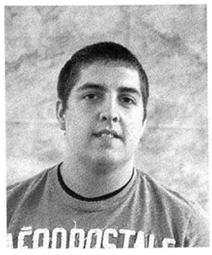
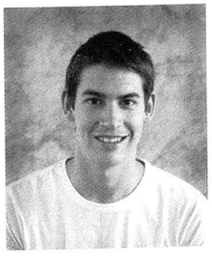
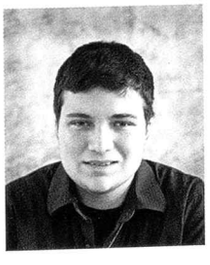
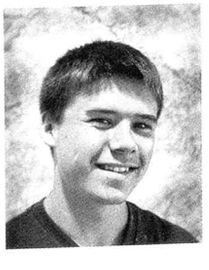
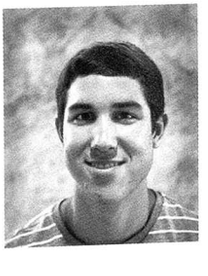
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A student jumps for a catch while playing a game of ultimate frisbee outside the K-State Recreational Center on Oct. 16. Ultimate frisbee was just one of the many leagues students could participate in after classes throughout the year at the recreational center. *Tommy Theis*

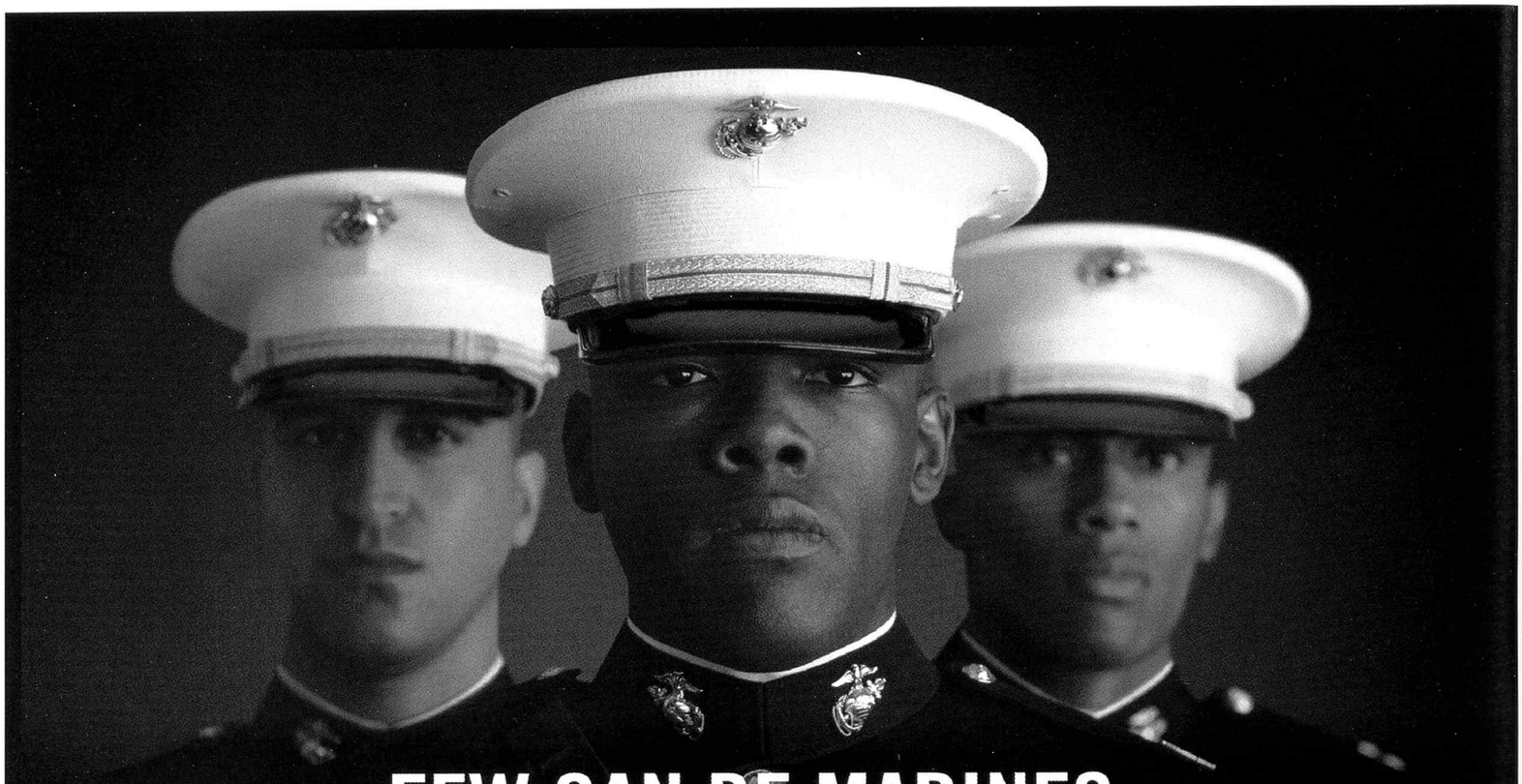




Members of Pi Beta Phi cheer while they wait for their new sorority members as Dean of Student Life Pat Bosco runs through the crowd outside Anderson Hall on Bid Night on Aug. 20, the last day of formal sorority recruitment.
Lauren Gocken

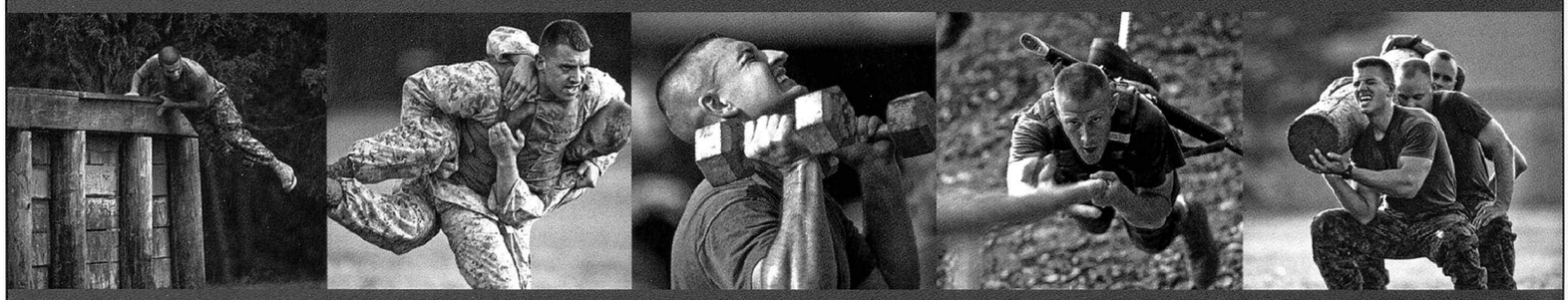
"After a long week of recruitment, getting our new members is so exciting because we are so anxious to get to know them and for them to become a part of our chapter."

Alyssa Campbell, Sophomore in Psychology



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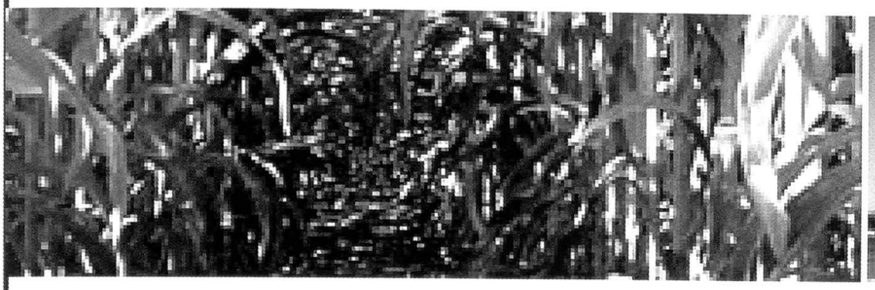
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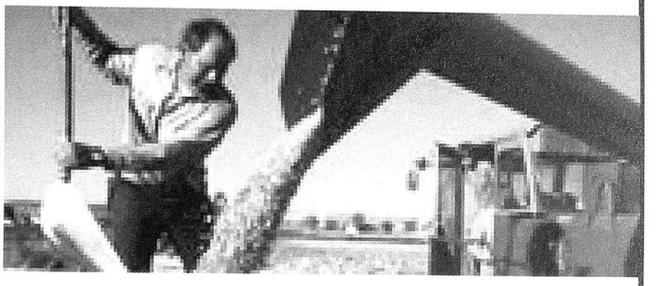
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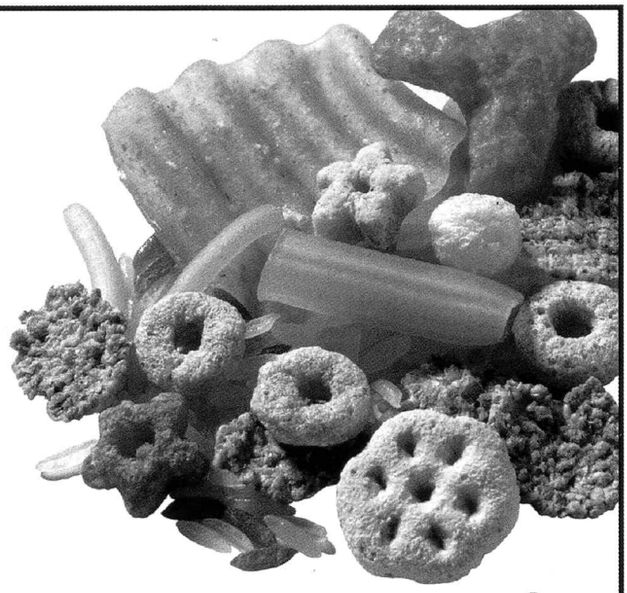
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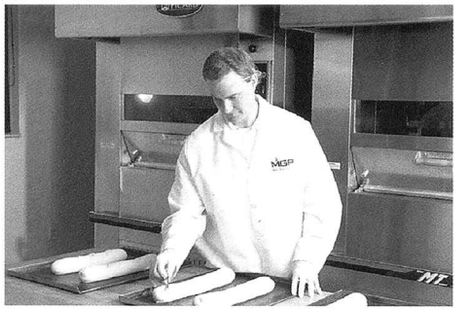
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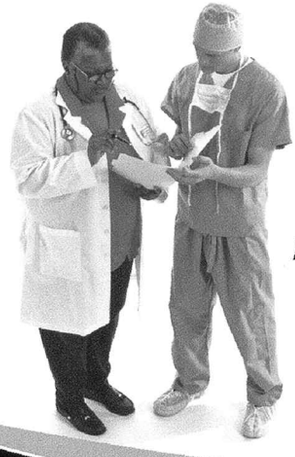
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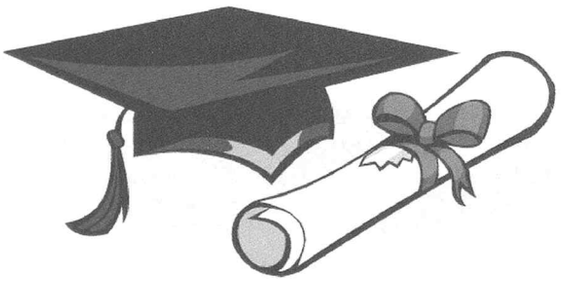
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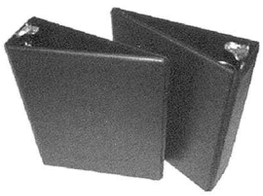


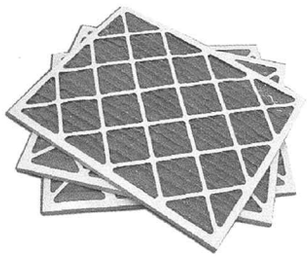
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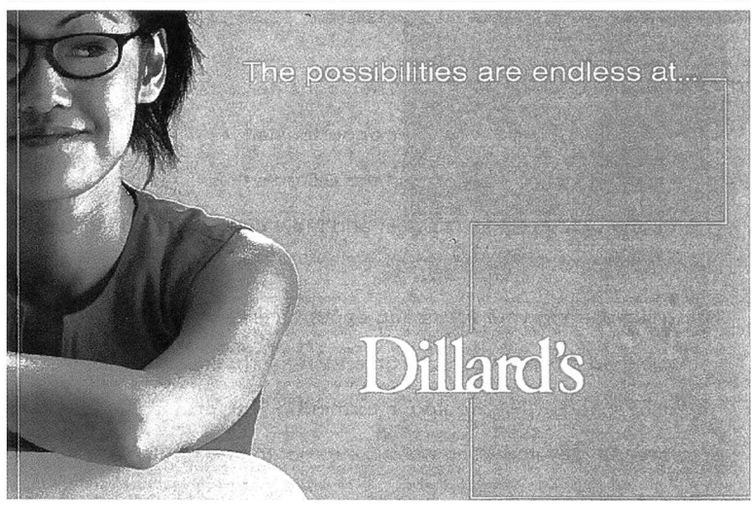
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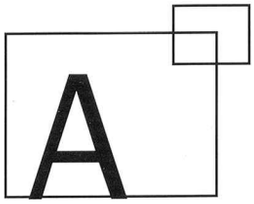
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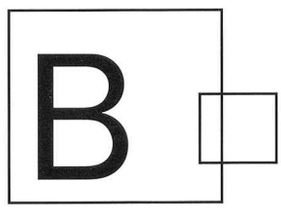
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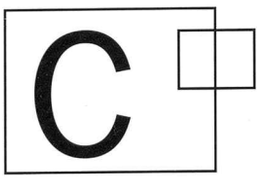
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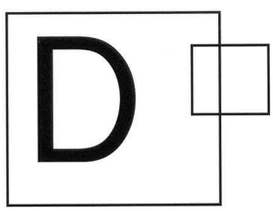
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Jared Buffington

I am so proud of you and all your hard work. God bless you in your new chapter of your life. Love always, Mom



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Love, Mom and Dad

Jessica Everhart

Congratulations on a fabulous 4 years. Small opportunities are often the beginning of great enterprises. We love you!

Mom, Dad, Wes

Kristen Garcia

You always amaze us with your talent and determination. You make us so proud! Keep shaping your Play-Doh.

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Taberie Hartshorn

Taberie, you have finished a journey, and you have made us all proud.

You are always sunshine and never a cloud.

Continue your journey, and do not relent.

Be happy and content one hundred percent.

Love, Dad, Mom and Kwinter

Sarah Gillespie

Sarah, we know you are going to do great things. We are so proud of you. Be strong in the Lord. He has a great plan for you. We love you.

Mom, Dad, Ashley, Jesse, Dustin, Erin, Kel & Tay

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Congrats, we knew you could do it!

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Jaylee Henkle



We are so proud of you and the beautiful, confident young woman you have become. Dream big and may all of your dreams come true!

Love Mom & Dad

Juergen Greve

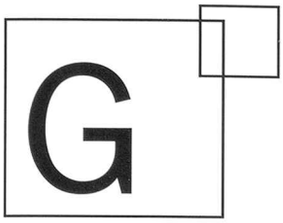
Juergen, we are so happy for you, proud of you, and anxious to see where life takes you.

With our love & best wishes — Mom, Dad & Justine

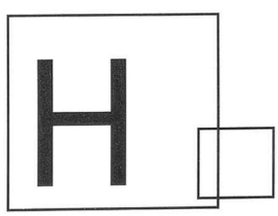
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Love you, Mom & Dad

Natalie Marie Humerickhouse

Natalie, we are so proud of the wonderful person you have become. Believe in yourself there are no limits.

Love Dad, Mom and Lucas

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Kyle, we are all so very proud of you! You have accomplished so much in your life, and we know you will continue to follow your dreams.

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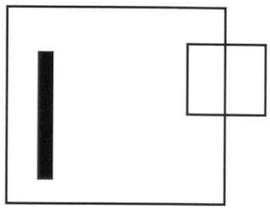
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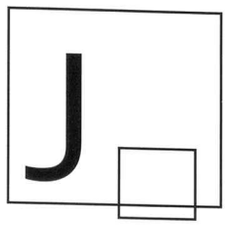
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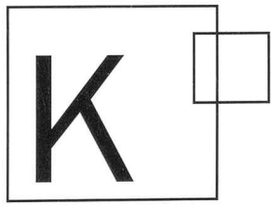
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Maleri Malekyar

We are so proud of you! You knew what you wanted from the beginning and you never let anything deter you. You had a lot of firsts this last four years and we have enjoyed them right along with you. We loved all the trips home and the mad dashes to Manhattan. We hope all of your college memories will be pleasant, even the night studying and hundreds of meals consisting of oatmeal or peanut butter. We love you and wish you the best in all of your life experiences.

Love, Mom, Dad and Emmy

Annelise Masters

You're amazing! We love your faith, determination, courage, compassion, and smile. What a blessing you are! Love you!

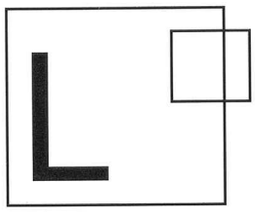
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Travis McCoy

From that tiny little miracle in our arms to a college graduate, we've treasured every moment! We are proud of you.

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Mariel Gabriela Martinez



We are very proud of your achievements. God Bless and guide you always through the next chapters of your successful life.

Love Mom & Dad

Maurice Moore

Maurice, congrats! I am so proud of you! Completing a 4-year degree in 2 years is a big accomplishment! I love you.

Love, Katie & Shania

Megan Samantha Moore

Meg, we're proud of you and your accomplishments. You've matured during the years since high school graduation, distinguished yourself academically, made life long friends while a student at Kansas State and have memories of your college years you will cherish throughout your life. Smart, energetic, hardworking, these personal assets will take you far as you go through life. We love you and think of you often.

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Love, Dad, Mom, and Will

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Love you lots, Mom, Dad and Andrew. Go Cats!

Petey Mumford

Congratulations Petey! We are very proud of you! We love you!

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Rachel Blanton Myers

We are so very proud of all ur scholastic accomplishments! Way to go gal! Ur perseverance has paid off!

Love, Momma, Dad, Wess & Sarah :)

Lindsey Jo Niermeier

Lindsey, we are so proud of you. Good luck in all your future endeavors.

We love you, Mom, Dad, Kaycee and Wade

Mariana Redden

Mariana, words cannot express how proud I am of you. You set your goal and accomplished it. Success is yours. Keep it up!

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Rebecca Rogers



Becca, Wow! To think that six years ago we pulled off the highway to visit K-State on a whim ... KSU has made such a big difference in your life. You have made the Color Guard and Band a better place, too. Our hearts burst with pride!

Mom & Dad

Kristen Rock

Kristen, we are so proud of you upon your graduation. We know great things are in store for you in the future!

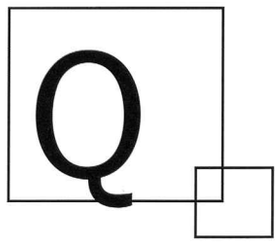
Love, Mom, Dad and Lindsay

Janelle Smith

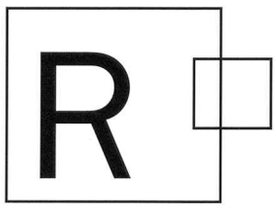
Janelle, we couldn't be more proud of your accomplishments. You are an amazing young woman.

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Hanna Wiltfong

Hanna, there is no mountain too high for you! We are very proud of you! You took an unknown and ran with it! Who would have thought a sport we knew nothing about would become your passion and open doors for you? You constantly amaze us by stepping out of your comfort zone. You are a beautiful and strong woman and have definitely left your mark on Kansas State — co-captain of KSU rowing, Mortar Board, SACC, Challenge Course. We love you very much and can't wait to be a part of the next chapter of your life!

Love, Mom and Dad

Shaley Van Loenen

Shaley, we are so proud of your accomplishments. We are so excited about what the future holds for you.

Love Mom & Dad

Kelsey Anne White

Kelsey, we are proud of you and we love that you are part of the KSU family tradition. 54KSU Go Cats!

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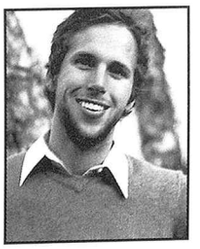
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You are an amazing person! We are so proud of you and your accomplishments. We are excited for your future and know great things lie ahead for you. All things are possible for you – leave your mark on the world!
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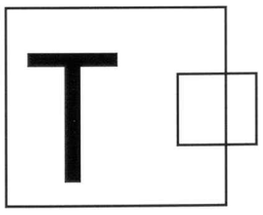
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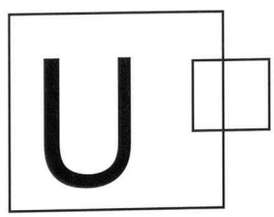
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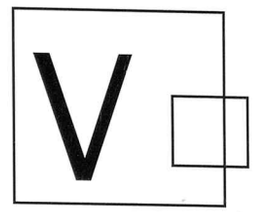
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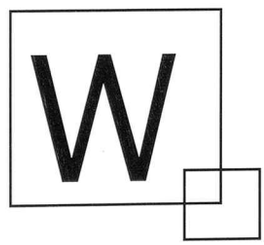
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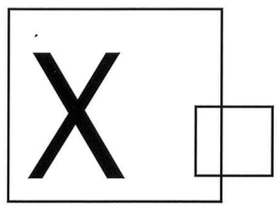


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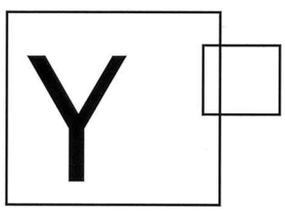


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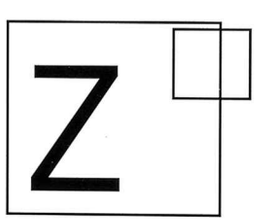
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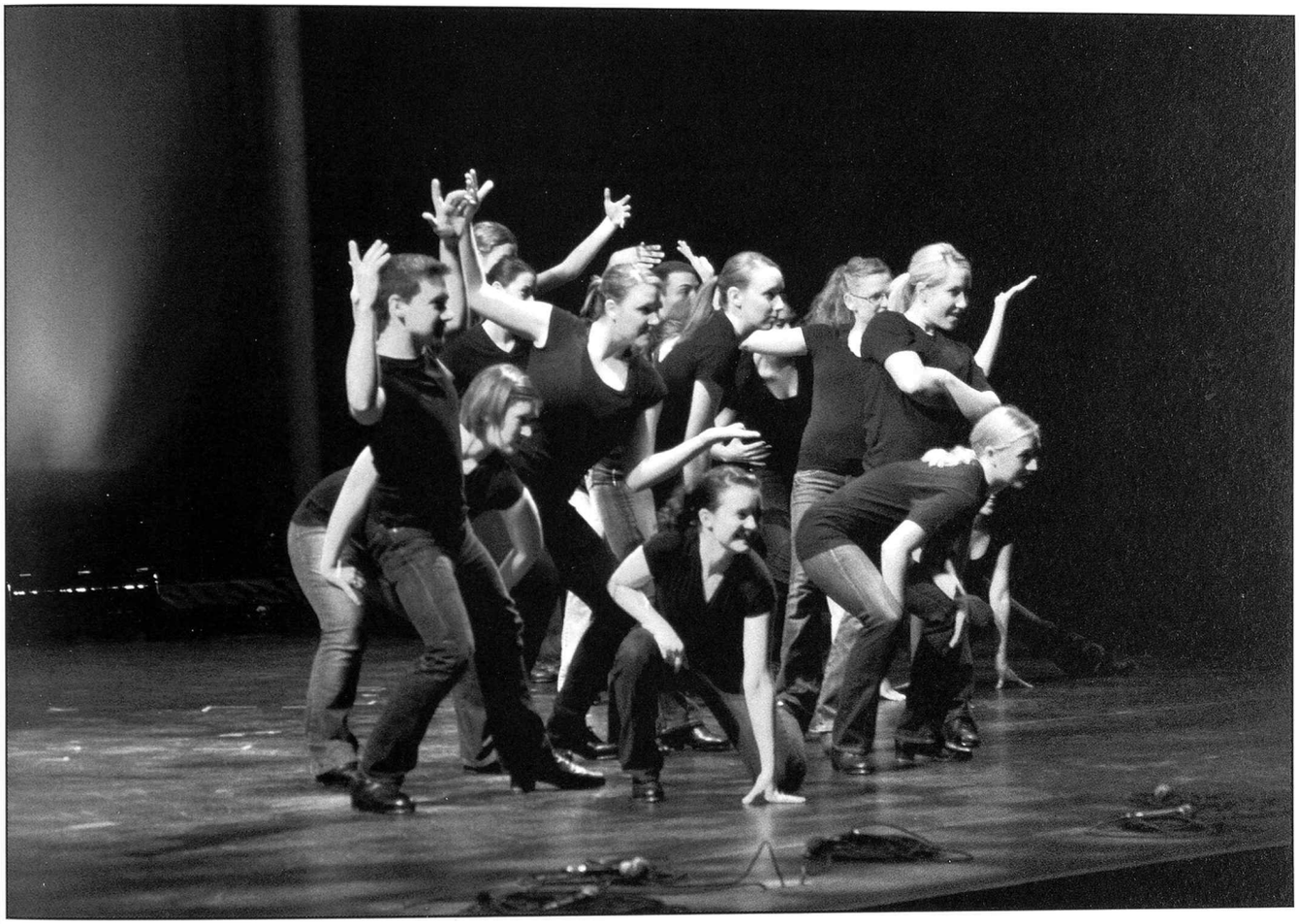
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Students perform at the 2012 Student Showcase in McCain Auditorium on Feb. 11. The Student Showcase gave students in K-State's theater, music and dance programs a chance to show their work to students and the community. *Abbey Briscoe*

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I knew this job was going to be hard when I started, but I never imagined I would have to work this hard at it. I planned all summer as much as I could, thinking that I was fully prepared and organized enough to make the year go smoothly, but I was wrong. If this job has taught me anything, it's that you can't anticipate everything, mistakes will happen and you just have to roll with the punches.

Graduating and leaving Kedzie Hall is bittersweet. Being a journalism major and on the yearbook staff for two years, I think I spent more time in Kedzie 101 than I did anywhere else in Manhattan. I complained about deadlines time and time again, but I often found myself in the yearbook office even when I had no reason to be there. There is truly something incredible about Kedzie Hall.

What made this job a hundred times easier was my amazing assistant editor Kelsey. When I first thought about taking the job as editor-in-cheif, I knew I wouldn't take the job without her. I saw her design skills and calm nature the year before as the design editor and I knew she would be an awesome assistant editor. Her ability to design 20 spreads in one day and write stories like nobody's business helped calm my nerves and put me at ease every deadline. We spent so much time together in Kedzie that we successfully watched every season of Sex in the City and too many CSI shows to count. Not only was she an amazing designer and assistant, she never stopped being an amazing friend.

The marketing team had big shoes to fill this year, but they filled them well. Shaley and Jaylee came in with selling tactics that appealed to all types of audiences. They worked tediously on thinking of new ways to market the book and successfully sold over 25 books in one day, a record for us. Whether they were selling books or setting up portrait pictures, Shaley and Jaylee were a force to be reckoned with.

Shelby was quiet but had the ability to pump out three stories in one week. She was so reliable and dependable throughout the entire year and I can't thank her enough for that. No one called me with as many questions as Emily did, whether it was concerning her story length, how many contacts she had, or if her lead "sounded weird." But I could call her with a last-minute story or count on her to turn something in under a time crunch. Emily was always right there, asking me if there was anything she could do to help. Even if there wasn't, she would sit with me in the office just so I didn't have to be there alone.

Brent made the entire staff laugh uncontrollably, even when he didn't mean to. Seeing him in the RP room was a rare sighting, but when he walked in unannounced with sacks full of junk food, all of us forgave him. He brought tears to everyone's eyes because they would laugh so hard, whether it was from making fun of the staff or the online prank phone calls, he always had us rolling. He had the ability to answer my question before I even finished it, and he even knew the answers to my questions before I asked them.

After our first successful deadline one, the staff was lucky enough to have dinner at our advisor Kelly's house. A fantastic dinner cooked by him and his wife Dawn left us with full stomachs and bags full of baked goods for the road. I knew after that it was going to be a good year.

Kelly's calm facial expression and subtle tone of voice always left the staff guessing. However, you knew you truly impressed him if the words, "that's fantastic," came out of his mouth. Kelly's ability to lead the staff without dictating and give input that was truly appreciated was beyond me. His knowledge about student publications and his experience is incomparable. I'll never forget the talks we had in his office while pondering over proofs as he corrected my speech, spelling and grammar. I have grown so much as a writer and a leader because of the lessons he taught me. One thing he said to me in his office will stick with me forever: "You have no reason not to do anything you want to in life."

I can't thank the staff enough for putting up with my indecisiveness, for taking every story assignment you didn't want to, and for being there until the end. A lot of hard work went into this book, and I'm proud of it.



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laughter is essential.

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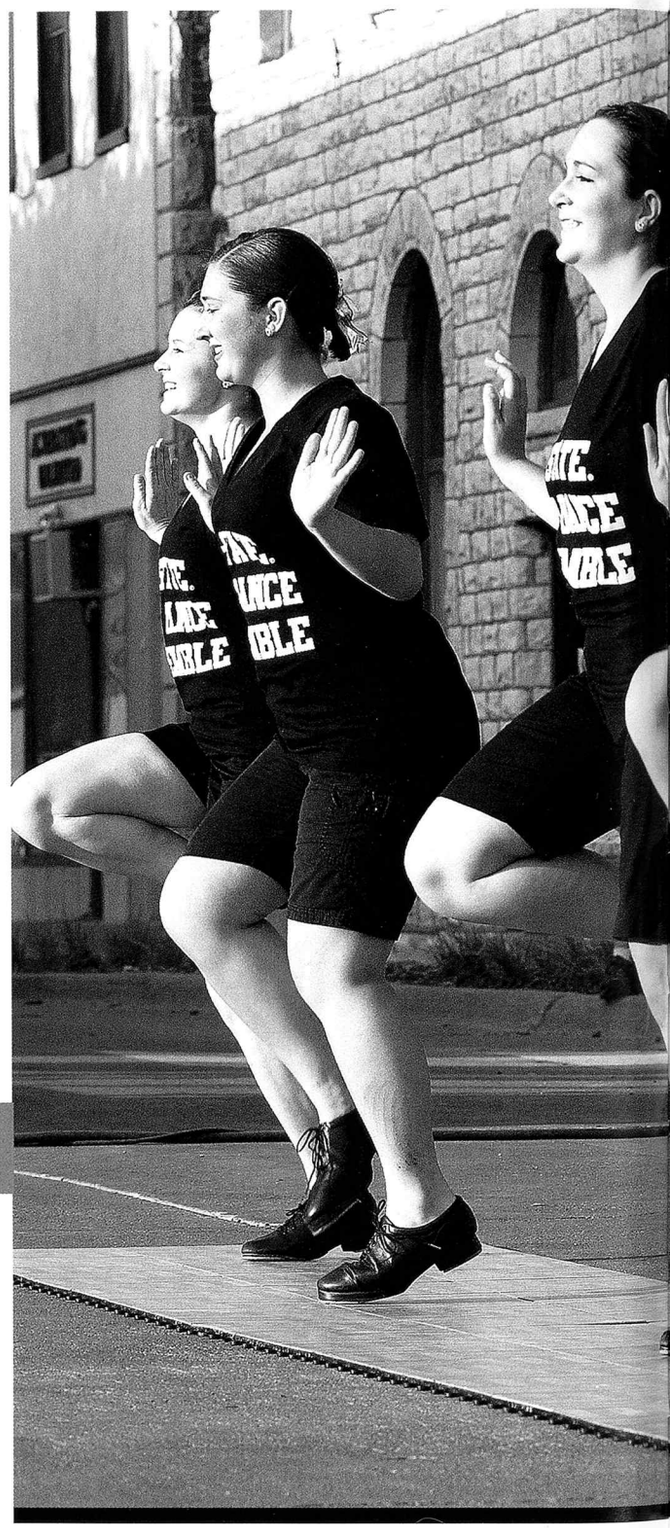
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From left ro right: Erin Poppe, Chelsy Lueth, Tommy Theis, Evert Nelson, Logan Jones, Lisle Alderton, Anna Confer, and Kyle Gowen.

When students came to college, they came with a list of necessities. It changed over the course of their time here, continuously added and removing to the contents of the list. K-Staters came to campus each year ready to check some of the necessities off each of their individual lists. Whether it was making sure they attended a football game led by legendary Coach Bill Snyder, spent a Saturday at Tuttle Creek, or passed that challenging course, students checked things off their lists every day. What was essential for some students may not have been essential for others, but they all had one thing in common, they found coming to K-State and being a Wildcat essential.



The K-State Tap Dance Ensemble performs at Purple Power Play on Sept. 2. Manhattan closes down Poyntz Avenue for a city-wide pep rally before the first home football game of the season. The tap dancers entertained the crowd at the pep rally. *Lauren Gocken*


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Brett Eichman, sophomore in music education, plays his piece on the piano during a full run-through in preparation for the Masterpieces of Jazz concert put on by the K-State Concert Jazz Ensemble Oct. 26 in Forum Hall. *Lauren Gocken*



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