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While at the Greek Olympics on April 15 at Memorial Stadium, **Sarah Anderson**, sophomore in animal science and industry, and her Kappa Kappa Gamma teamates stripped away everything except strength and determination in the tug-of-war competition fro Greek Olympics April 15. "I thought the Greek Olympics were a lot of fun," Anderson said. "We did a lot of different events and my favorite was the jello-eating competiton."

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Students celebrate during the University of Massachusetts home football game Sept. 5. "I love the atmosphere of tailgating, pre-gaming and the student section," **Scott Whittle**, sophomore in industrial engineering, said. "The atmosphere of the whole experience is amazing."
Chelsy Lueth



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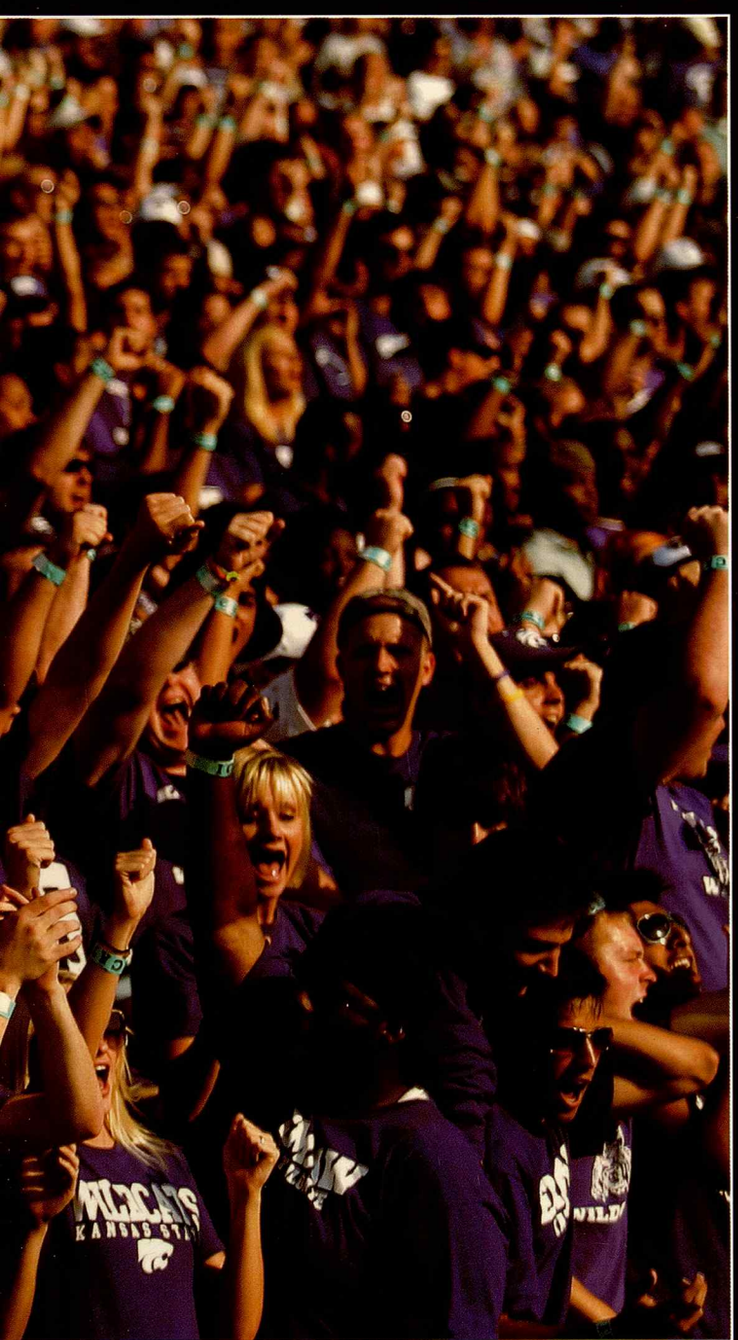
by Tamara Salisbury

the art of authenticity



Every day, thousands of students walk by each other in the hallways, on the sidewalks, in the parking lots. Thousands. They walk without seeing, without caring, without a second glance, without acknowledgment of others.

Some sit in the same lecture halls. Meet with the same clubs. Sit at the same study table in the library every Thursday afternoon. Sometimes, a person reaches out, and then there's a major to go with the face, a hobby or a hometown.

But a person is more than a major, more than a hobby. When identity is limited to class attendance or a room number in the dorm or participation in a club, that person is denied crucial aspects of who they are.

It's not just that the thousands don't look for the real person; sometimes, the real person is hidden. Camouflaged. Concealed.

Does the Inline Hockey Club need to know you listen to classical music to fall asleep? Does the Economics 110 professor need to know you're a lesbian? Does the rest of the intramural softball team need to know your father is an alcoholic and your brother has Down syndrome?

Drop the masks and just be. Let go of secrets. Abandon the facades. Stop hiding behind stereotypes. Be real.



With the beat of the music, **Nora Shook**, junior in kinesiology, and **Erin Duffy**, junior in apparel and textiles, dance to "The Way You Make Me Feel." It was performed during the second part of Act I in Spring Dance 2009, which ran April 3-4 in McCain Auditorium.
Nathaniel LaRue



Stripped is what we become when we learn who we are. Stripped is us. Pure. True.

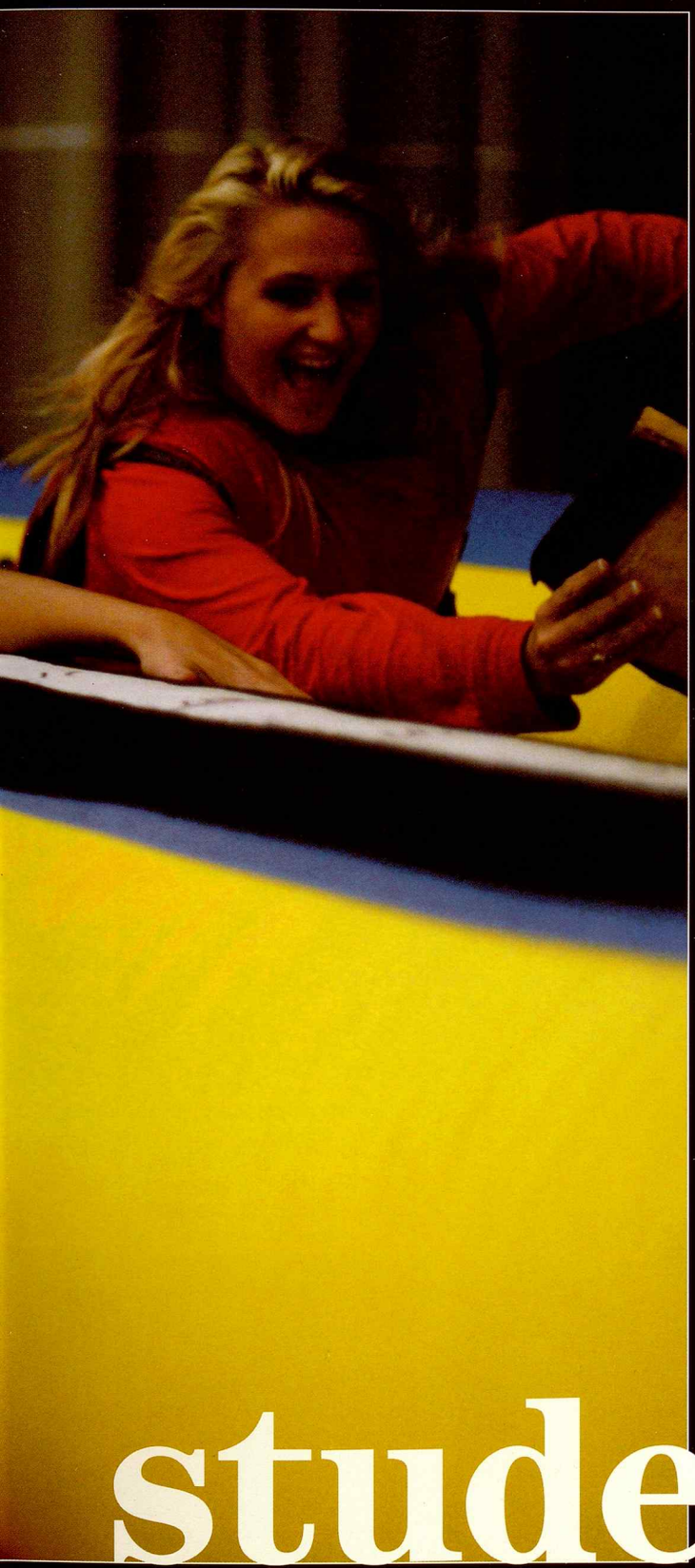
With the last rays of summer soon approaching, **Rachel Dula** (left), sophomore in mass communications, and **Molly Hoener**, sophomore in elementary education, tan while studying during the afternoon, Sept. 7 outside of the Alpha Xi Delta house. Labor Day provided a brief hiatus for students to relax and prepare for the fall. "I like the nice weather during the summer, not having classes and relaxing by the pool," Hoener said.
Chelsy Lueth





Stripped: the art of authenticity.





Kelli Kennard, freshman in Kinesiology, runs on inflatable air during the Fun-lanthropy component of Wildcat Warm-Up. Wildcat Warm-Up is an extended freshman orientation program that focuses on team building exercises, networking and retention.
Matt Castro

student life

Beyond the structured spaces of classrooms, students could be stripped to their core and just be themselves.

In a spontaneous effort to help raise money for new band uniforms, **Shelly Heinz**, sophomore in secondary education, chows down on buffalo wings with her fellow Classy Cats **Jessy Fry**, junior in dietetics, **Haley Gamber**, freshman in apparel and textiles, and **Anne McClain**, junior in secondary education. "(The best part) was the fact that the four of us Classy Cats weren't planning on doing it," Heinz said. "We were just there to cheer and support the band, but then **Dr. (Frank) Tracz**, the band director, thought we should do it. So we stepped up to support the band."

Chelsy Lueth



Feed the PRIDE

by Stephanie Mikuls

At 11 a.m., a pile of 1,160 buffalo wings donated by Pat's Blue Rib'n Barbeque sat waiting to be devoured. At 11:04, hundreds of wings had disappeared into the mouths of team members raising money for new band uniforms.

When the Student Government Association announced in fall 2008 that funding for the marching band would be reduced, the community rallied to help the marching band meet its need to replace the uniforms they had worn for more than 20 years.

"The response from the community has been simply overwhelming," **Frank Tracz**, director of bands and music professor, said.

The employees of KSDB-FM 91.9 found a way to help.

"We wanted to have a fundraiser for the K-State Marching Band when we heard of the trouble they were having," said **Kristin Russell**, program director and graduate student in journalism and mass communication. "We also had the idea of a wing-eating contest, so we paired the two together. Tracz said this was a different idea than anything he had been approached with but was happy to accept."

Their fundraiser, Feed the Pride, raised $696. Aggieville businesses sponsored teams for $100 and student teams of four contestants paid $20 to participate.

The wing-eating contest was April 18 during the All-University Open House in the quad. Teams chowed down for four minutes — each member of the team had one minute to devour as many wings as possible. The "Poultry Pulverizers" won the contest.

The marching band attended to support the teams.

"We played the fight song, played a couple cheers and really just cheered on all the people who were there to help us and support us by eating the wings," **Hannah Nunnenkamp**, junior in music education, said.

Band members participated in different uniform fundraisers throughout the year.

"I did almost every pep band (event) that we organized," **Robby Avila**, sophomore in music education, said. "Every time Dr. Tracz did something crazy like bartend or work at a coffee shop, I was there."

Overall, the band surpassed their original goal of $200,000 by $50,000.

"The interesting thing is, we don't have — for lack of a better word — a big sugar daddy," Tracz said. "It's just a lot of great, solid K-state people who just donated 5 bucks here, 20 bucks here, 100 bucks, 1,000 bucks saying that they wanted to support the band because this is needed. And it really was. This is the way to do it, because the folks who are K-staters own this band. And that's the way it should be."



For a buffalo wing to count towards a team's total, the competitors had to really clean their wings. Heinz said only about 10 wings were counted toward the Classy Cats' total because they did not get all the meat off. "We just didn't eat fast enough," Fry said.
Chelsy Lueth

competitors schedule

6:00-6:15
Four Man Mafia

6:25-6:40
Rapid Transit AC

6:50-7:05
Sorrow By Truth

7:15-7:30
The Canvas

7:40-7:55
A Perfect Fit

8:05-8:20
Eventide
(First Place — $400)

8:30-8:45
The Low End

8:55-9:10
Rightskill

9:20-9:35
Kiss and Tell
(Third Place — $200)

9:45-10:00
McCoy
(Second Place — $300)



Kiss and Tell performs during the OPUS Band Competition. **Jon Cole**, junior in business administration, rocked out on his guitar as the crowd cheered. "We had a good crowd, and they were getting into it," Cole said. "It always gets me more excited when the crowd gets into it."
Matt Binter



by Anna Kearns

chord combat
local bands compete

Five hundred students swarmed the field, flung themselves into an inflatable obstacle course and rocked out to 10 local bands at the annual OPUS Band Competition. The competition was held Sept. 18, and was the closing event to the Union Program Council Awareness week, co-sponsored by UPC and Afterhours. Bands competed for a grand prize and for the first time the competition was in Memorial Stadium.

"This was actually the 23rd annual competition," said **Amanda Hogue**, music committee co-chair and junior in hotel and restaurant management. "We usually have it in Bosco Plaza, but I think it was a good change to have it in a more open space."

The stage was set up on the south end of Memorial Stadium, the crowd gathered on the field and other attractions were set up to the left of the crowd. In addition to the obstacle course, free T-Shirts and free snacks like mini-corndogs were available.

Karem Roman, freshman in kinesiology, said he came when he heard about the inflatable game but stayed when he heard the music.

"This band, (Kiss and Tell), is really good," he said. "We stopped to check out how good they are, and they're actually really good."

Despite being scheduled the same weekend as Aggiefest, an Aggieville music event, OPUS had more bands than past years.

"I think overall it was a pretty big success," Hogue said. "We usually only have about six or seven bands, so more bands with less playing time kept the crowd more interested."

The 10 bands were evaluated by three judges on qualities including crowd participation, originality, creativity and sound. **Thomas Bell**, assistant professor at Hale Library; **Ben Hopper**, instructor in the school of leadership studies; and **Samantha Clemons**, 2009 winner of K-State Idol and former student, were the judges.

The $400 grand prize was awarded to Eventide, an instrumental group.

Whatever their reason for attending, whether as band members, judges or spectators, the music was what tied the participants together.

"I like the different taste in music, especially the Indie and alternative. I think it's great that different bands come out here and compete," **Derek Hoetmer**, sophomore in landscape architecture, said. "I'm just impressed with all the talent and that people can balance a band and a student life. I really wanted to see what my generation is able to do. I feel like it's a new generation of music."



Clad in a Captain America unisuit, **Dane Schmidt**, drummer for Rightskill, belts into his microphone. Rightskill performed their own genre, unicore — a mix of hard-core punk and the drummer's unisuits. "(The competition) went really well," said **Courtney Smith**, Union Program Council music co-chair and senior in management. "We had more bands than we usually do."
Matt Binter

may peace prevail on earth

"Nojma jag gego gdok meshen edjedeyag," Potawatomi for, "May peace prevail on earth," trailed down from the top of the 9-foot, 1,000-pound pole. *by Lauren Gocken*

At the bottom of the pole were opossum, heron, turtle and bison tracks, acknowledging the interrelatedness of all beings on earth, **Susan Allen**, director of the office of student life, said. The other three sides had the same message, one written in English, one in Japanese and one in Dzongkha, the language of Bhutan. Each language was chosen carefully and represents something different, Allen said.

"(We) picked English so people would be able to read it," Allen said, "Potawatomi because it's a local American Indian tribal language, Japanese because the peace pole project was started in Japan, and Bhutan — a Buddhist country that measures national progress in terms of gross national happiness."

The Campaign for Nonviolence brought the peace pole to campus and dedicated it to the community on the UFM lawn Sept. 21 —the United Nation's International Day of Peace. **Pat Embers**, member of the Native American Student Association and Manhattan resident, performed a smudging ceremony, which involved fanning cindering sage with a turkey feather while surrounded by silence.

"I really enjoyed the ceremony — I thought it was beautiful," said **Cammie Lehman**, Allen's main student assistant and junior in women's studies. "It was perfect and exactly what I hoped for. The smudging is usually done in private, so I thought it was really special that the people who attended were able to experience that moment. It was really peaceful, and it turned out really well."

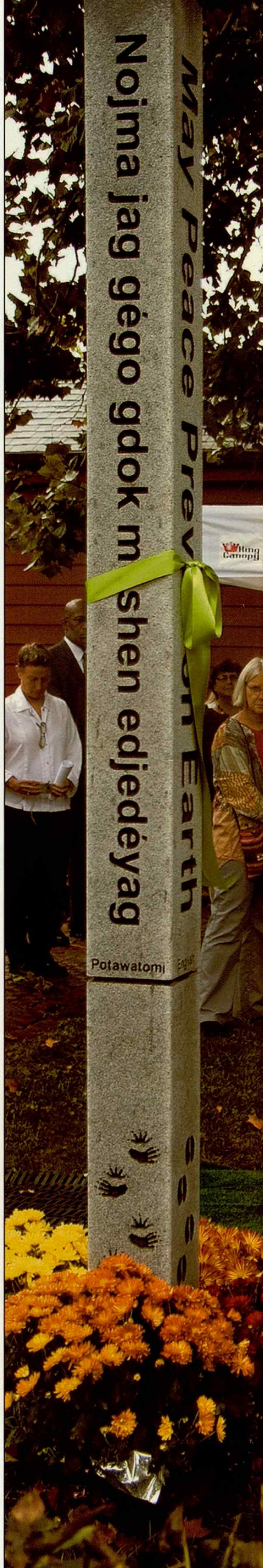
The Peace Pole Project was started by **Masahisa Goi** in Japan in 1955. Goi dedicated his life to spread the message of peace across the world.

"We are facing an age where the politics of the world must be carried out by each individual who repeats the words, 'May peace prevail on earth,' thus becoming a great force for realizing peace in the world," Goi said, according to the project's Web site. The peace pole was a spot where people could reflect on peace and see up-close a movement that was happening around the world.

"It symbolizes peace — not that we ever forget," **Divya Neela**, graduate student in electrical engineering, said. "It was a great experience for me. I'd never seen a peace pole in person; I'd only heard about them."

The peace pole was meant to symbolize nonviolence and be a tangible symbol of peace, Lehman said.

"I hope everyone gets a chance to look at the peace pole and reflect on how we can all act nonviolently in our everyday lives," Lehman said. "Focus on being kind to each other in our relationships. I want it to be a reminder to people to do the best they can to act nonviolently in their everyday lives."



suggested dates for dedicating peace poles

- Jan. 27 International Holocaust Remembrance Day
- Feb. 1 National Freedom Day
- March 1 Peace Corps Day
- March 25 International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery
- April 7 International Day of Reflection on the Genocide in Rwanda
- April 22 Earth Day
- May 8 World Red Cross Day
- May 15 Peace Officers Memorial Day
- June 14 Flag Day
- June 23 UN Public Service Day
- Aug. 23 International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition
- Sept. 21 UN International Day of Peace
- 4th Week of September International Peace Week
- Oct. 2 International Day of Non-Violence
- Nov. 11 Veterans Day
- Nov. 16 International Day for Tolerance
- Nov. 25 International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women
- Dec. 7 Pearl Harbor Day
- Dec. 1 UN International Human Rights Day

At the freshly planted peace pole, **Pat Embers**, member of the Native American Student Association and Manhattan resident, performs the smudging ceremony. "It's a Native American way of bringing purification to the ceremony," Embers said. "It's a sign of peace." The Campaign for Nonviolence's ceremony took place on the United Nation's International Day of Peace Sept. 21.
Matt Binter

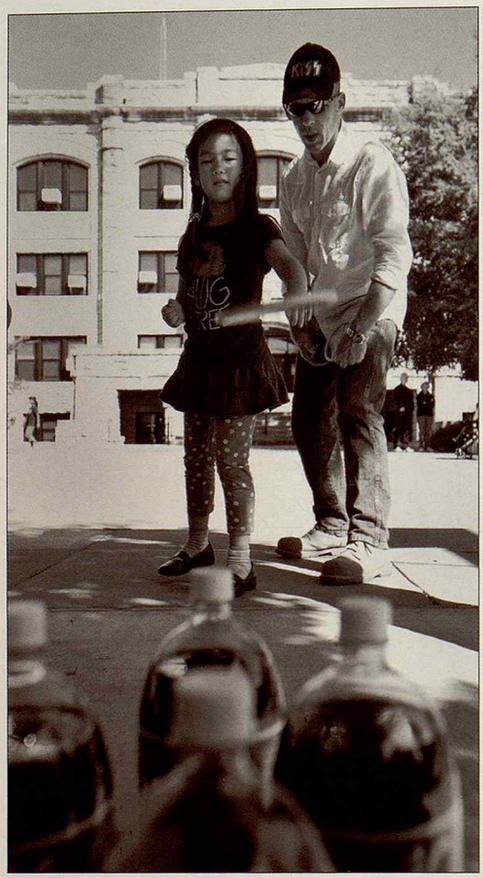
The pole is meant to represent peace across the world. The plaque, which lays at the bottom of the pole, explains the significance of the peace pole. "The UFM lot physically links the campus and the community," **Susan Allen**, director of the office of student life, said. "Peace is not an end-state; it is a daily practice." The pole was planted in the UFM lot and was available for the public to view.
Matt Binter

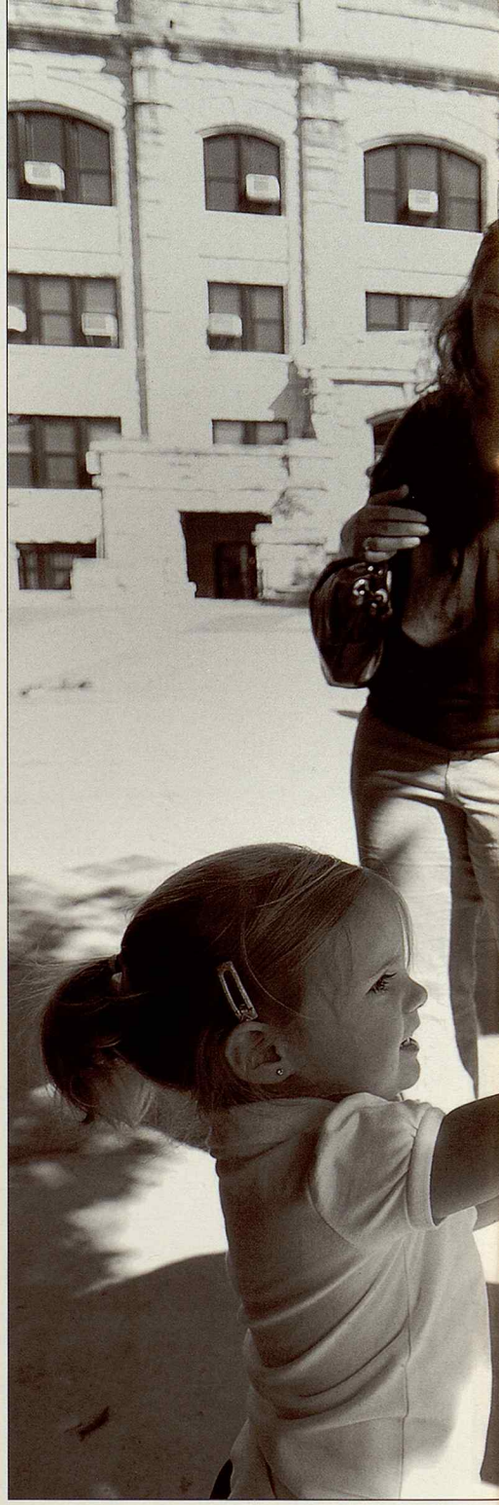


Deer tracks found on http://www.wallsrus.com

A young girl tries her luck at ring toss, a game set up by greeks. Other entertainment included **Wayne Goins**, professor of music, and The Latin Jazz Band, both brought in by Union Program Council.
Chelsy Lueth

A Family Day attendee gets candy from **Jason Jones**, Phi Gamma Delta and junior in marketing. "It was nice to meet a whole lot of people and to show them a K-State experience," he said.
Chelsy Lueth





"I think the kids really enjoyed it and had a good time. I think the bounce house is a favorite, and this year the face painting was popular. And any game where they can get candy is a good time."

McKayla Moore, senior in political science

a little *fresh* air

by Ashley Moravek

On one of the first brisk, autumn days of the year, Greek houses gathered at Bosco Student Plaza for the Greek Children's Carnival during Family Day Sept. 26. By 9 a.m., families were swarming the area, playing games and listening to music.

The greek community sponsored a bounce house, and each set of homecoming partners organized a game.

"We asked each greek house to think of a game with their homecoming partner and to keep it simple and keep it fun," said **Lee Van Loenen**, director of community and internal relations of the Interfraternity Council and senior in accounting.

Among the many other activities, the bounce house was a new feature added to the carnival.

"(The carnival) is something for younger siblings to get excited about at Family Day," said **McKayla Moore**, director of community and internal relations of the Panhellenic council and senior in marketing. "It's something for them to do with their



older siblings and parents at the college their older siblings attend. It's something more fun for them to do than walk around campus."

"Dave the horn guy," part of the entertainment brought in by the Union Program Council, featured **Dave Enns**, a Billboard-recognized songwriter, was decked out in a bright orange jumpsuit, and played songs on the 25 horns connected to it. Entertainment committee co-chairs **Amanda Shankle**, senior in marketing, and **Chris Wallace**, junior in psychology, were responsible for his presence at the carnival.

"We had other members of the UPC who had seen him in other shows and recommended him," Wallace said. "We looked him up online, and we thought he'd be the perfect guy for the kids carnival."

Regardless of the variety of attractions, like Plinko, a ring toss and face painting, Moore said the turnout was less than in past years.

The event wound down by 11:30 a.m., as participants headed to Bill Snyder Family Stadium to watch the Wildcats take on the Tennessee Tech Golden Eagles.



> “I'm trying this high energy banter, it seems to get the crowd riled up,” Folds said. “How many of you like the taste of alcohol? If I said that in the actual voice it sounds a lot different, maybe I'll try it later.” Folds repeated the same question in a high-pitched, rock-concert voice and got the same response. “I don't think the voice really makes a difference,” he said. “It's the subject matter you like, right?”

The front row and gold ring seats are completely filled as singer-songwriter Ben Folds takes the stage. Tickets for the two-hour concert cost $27 for front row, $22 for gold ring and $18 for general admission, and approximately 1,500 people attended the concert in Bramlage Coliseum. “The great thing about Ben Folds is that he's so amazingly talented,” **Courtney Hauser**, senior in psychology, said. “He is clearly a talented pianist, and he brought his band and an amazing opening act. I think it went really well. People who went definitely got their money's worth and saw a great show.”

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To encourage crowd interaction, Folds sings an improvised song. Folds sang, “Did you see that fly? It was a creepy, overgrown fly that came out of hibernation too early. I could look into its eyes.” After playing around a little, Folds said, “That was the worst song I've ever heard. We're going to pretend that didn't happen.” He told jokes about the fly and people in South Carolina. “You wonder why the hip-hop mags don't think I'm cool,” Folds said. “It's because I'm real, I tell real jokes about real people.” Folds addressed the crowd throughout the show April 8.

Lisle Alderton







LIVE IN BEN FOLDS CONCERT

by Lauren Gocken

The crowd's murmur resonated throughout Bramlage Coliseum as they anxiously awaited the main act. First, the attendees waited patiently while Jukebox the Ghost opened. The Philadelphia natives played a set of seven songs for their last show with the tour. Next, the Washington University in St. Louis a cappella group, The Mosaic Whispers, performed three songs, "Still Fighting It," by Ben Folds, "Hide and Seek," by Imogen Heap and "Who Knew," by P!nk.

When The Mosaic Whispers left the stage, the crowd ignited. After an hour and a half of openers, **Ben Folds**, singer-songwriter, finally took the stage.

Months of work by the Union Program Council and its music co-chairs, **Erica Boatman**, senior in apparel and textiles, and **Courtney Hauser**, senior in psychology, preceded the high-profile concert.

"We started (getting ready) in October (2008)," Boatman said. "It takes a long time to get approval for a big name like that. Starting in the beginning, my co-chair and I started polling to see how much people would pay to see Ben Folds. After that, we created a proposal and sent it to his manager about how much we'd be able to pay and information about the venue. From there, negotiations took place between his manager and the K-State Student Union. After the contract was signed, we started promoting, like chalking, making posters and getting radio promotion."

Folds was frequently requested on UPC surveys. Hauser said Folds was on tour promoting his new album, so things fell together for him to come.

Tickets for the show went on sale at 10 a.m. March 26, and the front row seats were sold-out within minutes, and gold ring seats — the seats directly in front of the stage — sold out shortly after that, Boatman said. One fan, **Nikki Marcotte**, senior in philosophy, was shocked when she found out Folds was coming to the university.

"I freaked, because that's not something that happens every day, especially here," Marcotte said. "(My friend and I) had it planned: I had class when (tickets) went on sale, so I prepaid my friend and at 10 (a.m.) they got online and got tickets, and we got front row seats."

Marcotte said she had been an avid fan since her freshman year of high school. She had seen him in concert once before seeing him at the university but had not had the same front row experience, which allowed her to talk to Folds while he was on stage.

"I'm pretty sure I was that obnoxious fan that sat in the front row, but I didn't care," Marcotte said. "At one point, as any avid fan would, I screamed, 'I love you!' But the part I remember specifically was when he said, 'I don't know what the fuck I'm going to play next,' and I screamed, 'Philosophy!' because that's one of my favorite songs. And he said, 'Yeah, really?' and I said, 'Yeah, really!' and he said, 'This one is going out the girl in the front row.' That was probably the most awesome part of the concert."

Royal Purple Royalty

by Melissa M. Taylor

Anna Zeiger senior in nutritional sciences

Hometown: Overland Park, Kan.
Favorite Color: Blue
In three words: Genuine. Joyful. Leader.
Hobbies: Running, reading, playing the cello
Superpowers: "I've always wanted to fly. I feel like you'd get a whole different perspective on life."
Favorite thing to do in Manhattan: "Anything outside – hanging out at Memorial Stadium or the Konza Prairie, walking on campus."
Favorite Call Hall ice cream: Purple Pride
Favorite K-State memory: "In January of my freshman year, we waited outside from sunrise to sunset in line for the KU game. We ended up getting eighth row seats to watch the most exciting game of basketball I've ever seen. After we won, we rushed the court. It was the coolest feeling to be down on the court in a sea of other K-Staters."
Meaning of being a K-Stater: "It's cliché, but so much of K-State revolves around the atmosphere here and the human connection. K-Staters genuinely care about one another and work to make someone else's K-State experience just as special as their own."
Meaning of Queen: "What an honor to be recognized as someone who represents K-State and embodies those things that the student body holds as important."
When Stripped: "I feel like 'what you see is what you get' with me. I'm very genuine on a daily basis, so the 'stripped' me is what you see when you meet me for the first time. I love the simple things in life: Sonic happy hour, a cozy, rainy day, running around the track at Memorial Stadium."



More than 40 candidates from student, multicultural and academic organizations were nominated. There were candidates from the greek system and from multicultural fraternities and sororities.

Only the six candidates with the most votes were judged. Judges said it was a difficult decision, and each candidate exemplified the criteria to be the next King or Queen. Criteria included showing university pride, active involvement on campus and being seen as leaders among the organizations they were in. These students were hard-working, dedicated and knew which goals they wanted to achieve, judges said.

Darren Allison sophomore in secondary education



Hometown: Lyons, Kan.
Favorite Color: Royal purple
In three words: Passionate. Involved. Outgoing.
Hobbies: "The thing I enjoy most is going to whatever K-State athletics event is happening at the time. There is no better feeling then yelling your head off and Wabashing with a few thousand of your closest friends. When I am not working on school or anything else K-State, related I enjoy going on long runs."
Superpowers: "If I had super powers, I would probably ask for Batman-like abilities."
Favorite thing to do in Manhattan: "As long as I am either in Bill Snyder Family Stadium or Bramlage Coliseum, I am the happiest man in the world."
Favorite Call Hall ice cream: "When it comes to Call Hall ice cream you can't really go wrong."
Favorite K-State memory: "When I first came to K-State as a high school senior, I was on my first tour of campus. Upon the conclusion of the tour, I asked my tour guide if he liked K-State. I was really surprised that when he began to answer the question he started crying. As a high school senior, I thought he was just crazy, but now that I have experienced K-State, I can truly see why he would have such a passion for the university."
Meaning of being a K-Stater: "Being a K-Stater means being a part of the best college family in the nation. I truly believe you aren't only a K-Stater for your four or five-plus years of college, but you are a K-Stater for life."
When Stripped: "I am a really caring person who is very passionate about everything he does. I am also a very carefree, fun person."

on the menu:
murder for dinner

by Anna Kearns

Guests entered and sat at tables surrounding a raised platform. At 6:30 p.m. two characters, Nessa Kinsington, played by **Dianne Paukstelis**, and Austie Trousers, played by **T-Shane Roberts**, entered the room. Paukstelis, clad in a form-fitting, strapless silver dress and her counterpart, in an Austin Powers-style get-up, began "Murder is My Middle Name," a Union Program Council and WHODUNIT Caper's dinner theater presentation Sept. 25.

"I think it was pretty successful, we had 250 people buy tickets, which is the most we've ever sold for a dinner theater," **Ashley Moore**, co-chair of the arts council and junior in biology, said. "We really enjoyed working with the WHODUNIT Capers troupe, they are very easy to work with and put on a good performance."

The cast of seven put on a show about secret agents, one of whom, Dr. Yes, played by **Luke Stramel**, was murdered. The rest of the performance was dedicated to finding his murderer.

"(We do this) wherever people need a dinner that's not boring," Stramel said.

As the show progressed, so did the meal. The actors stopped the show to allow the audience a chance to eat their meal and once again near the end of the show for apple pie. However, the cast never stopped performing.

The actors traveled to all the tables and, without breaking character, chatted with the audience and delivered clues pertaining to the murder. Paukstelis said about 20 minutes of the show was scripted, but the improvised part was performed while the audience ate.

"Every audience is different," Paukstelis said. "Part of the whole interactive aspect of this kind of theater is that you have to respond to your audience. So it all plays differently every night."

In addition to receiving clues, the audience participated in the show. Two audience members were asked to hold the "super secret identity machine," a curtain behind which cast members put on disguises. Later, two more audience members, an older man and a young boy, donned blonde wigs and bright pink, shiny bras to act as distractions during a key moment.

"We don't always pick the people who raise their hand," Stramel said, "we pick the people who would make the most embarrassing situation fun."

The rest of the audience got to participate when it was time to name the killer. Each table was asked to vote on who they thought the killer was.

The Manhattan company did a variety of shows, including a soap opera version and a beauty pageant version. Many of their shows were performed at colleges and other schools, but they also did corporate events.

"This type of theater is the fastest growing kind of theater in the United States today," Paukstelis said. "People really like this interactive kind of theater, and it's relatively inexpensive to produce."







While interacting with the audience, Dr. Yes, played by **Luke Stramel**, shares Mr. Puppy Chow with Manhattan resident **Ryan Soehlke**, 7. Dr. Yes and Mr. Puppy Chow were later found murdered, thus inspiring the mystery. Paukstelis said she started her Manhattan based company eight years ago after working for several other murder mystery dinner theater companies. She wrote all the scripts and based them off popular culture and everyday life.

Chelsy Lueth

U.S. CIA agents and partners in crime Max(imum) Intelligence, played by **Jason Roberts**, and Agent 69, played by **Meredith Lindsey**, discuss the best tactics for working with the British agents. "The (show) we did for K-State was the ode to Austin Powers and 'Get Smart,' **Dianne Paukstelis**, founder of WHODUNIT Capers, said. "I watched the show and saw the movie, so I based my characters on that and created my own circumstances."

Chelsy Lueth

"I knew you two knew each other, even though I couldn't find anything in the CIA files or the Royal Purple yearbook."

Meredith Lindsey, played Agent 69



PLUNGE for a *cause*

by Yvonne Ramirez

Crowds watched as dozens of people plunged into the icy waters of Tuttle Creek Lake. Their leaps into the lake raised approximately $15,500 for the Kansas Special Olympics Feb. 27.

"We decided to get a team going, raise as much money as we could, and now we are not warm," Brianna Schulte, senior in mass communications, said. "I've had warmer days, but I'm feeling pretty good. It was for a good cause."

Polar Plunge had been held in Kansas for more than 12 years and was sponsored by the Law Enforcement Torch Run. Approximately 20-30 teams and individuals raised money and took the plunge in return.

"We didn't think we were going to do it, but in the last week and a half we finally said, 'OK, let's do this,'" said James Rico, historian of Phi Beta Sigma and senior in psychology. "We raised $200 in one week. We jumped on it as fast as we could."

In addition to the plunge, the event had a light atmosphere because participants dressed up for a costume contest. Some teams were dressed as Smurfs and penguins, while others wore hula skirts, Speedos and tutus.

"It kind of just creates some fun, and



Phi Beta Sigma fraternity runs out of chilly Tuttle Creek in order to raise money for the Special Olympics. "Although it was cold outside I really enjoyed the whole thing because I knew we were raising money for really great cause," Wilson Meeks III, senior in architecture, said.
Chelsy Lueth

Dan Minihan, puts a plunger on his head with his father's help. Plungers were placed on the participant's heads before they entered the water. Members of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity also traveled to Fort Hays State University to help raise money for the Special Olympics.
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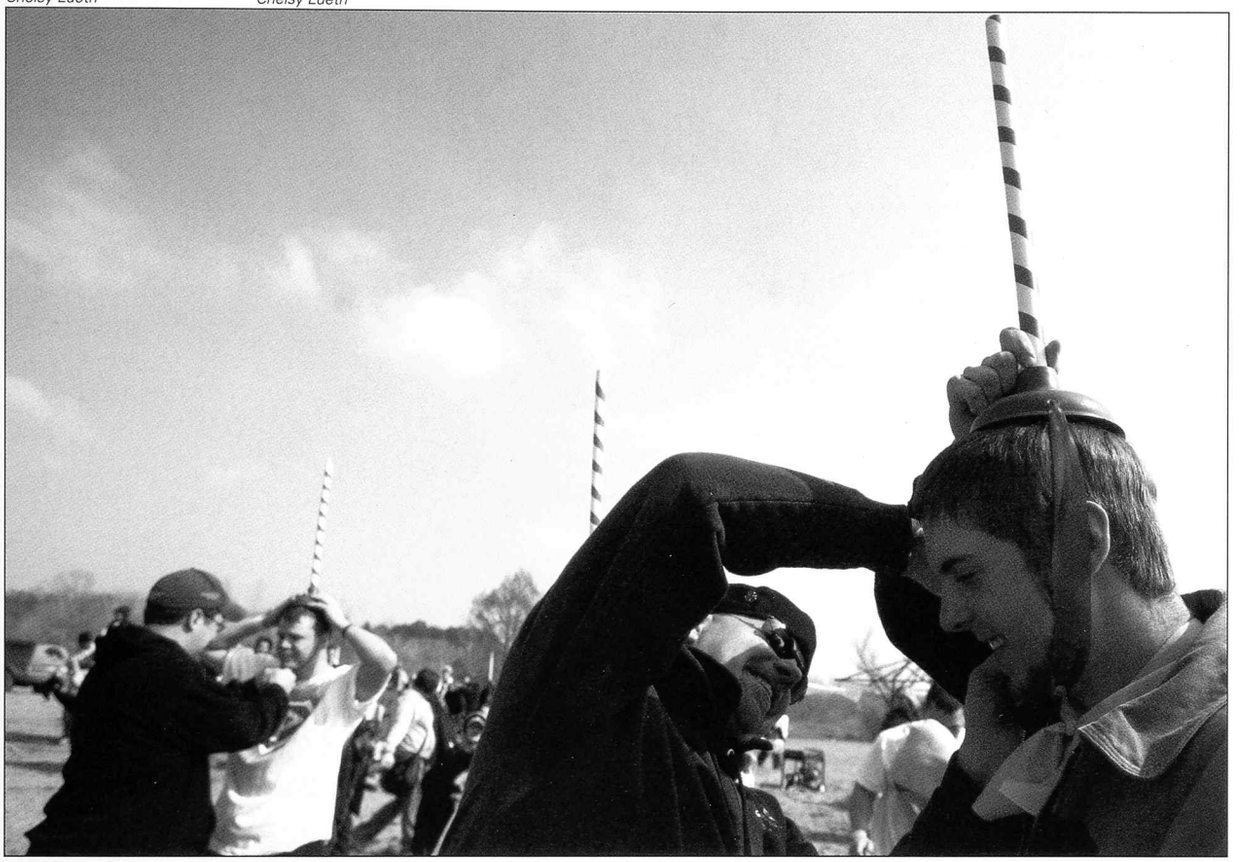


a lot of teams really get into it and have some creativity," said Jana Fornelli, state director of the Special Olympics Kansas Polar Plunge. "My favorite were the penguins — they were really cute."

Participants said freezing was worth their efforts to fundraise for a good cause.

"It's just good to realize how you can work toward something good," Schulte said. "I know it doesn't really seem like it by freezing, but we've raised money, and we can put it toward an effort that will matter to a lot of people."

A minimum of six months went into making the plunge possible at 10 locations statewide. Prior to the event, medical specifics, logisitics, prizes and public relations personnel coordinated to make the event safe.

"Everybody does have to sign a waiver," Fornelli said. "We encourage shoes to wear into the water, and we don't let people stay in the water very long."

Those wanting to participate without getting cold and wet could donate for others to plunge. Different teams and individuals took varying approaches in raising money for the event. Some groups, such as greek houses, set up tables in the K-State Student Union.

"We're giving up something for a bigger cause, so that's the reason people donate," Rico said. "Because they want to get involved but don't want to jump, we do it for them."

An afterparty at R.C. McGraws allowed participants to mingle. Prizes went to the individual or team that raised the most money and those who won the costume contest. R.C. McGraws raised the most money for the plunge — $4,086.

"I know it's hard for people to want to jump into the cold water, but it shows Special Olympics athletes that you can do it for them," Fornelli said. "I think it's something unique — it's an opportunity to support Special Olympics and just give back to people."

Call Him Kirk

by Melissa M. Taylor

Among the board meetings, speaking engagements and incessant travel, **Kirk Schulz**, 13th university president, maintained the balance between the presidency and his personal life. He enjoyed reading science fiction by **Isaac Asimov** with the family cat, Amber, curled up by his side. He liked a bowl of Purple Pride Call Hall ice cream and listened to ABBA on his iPod.

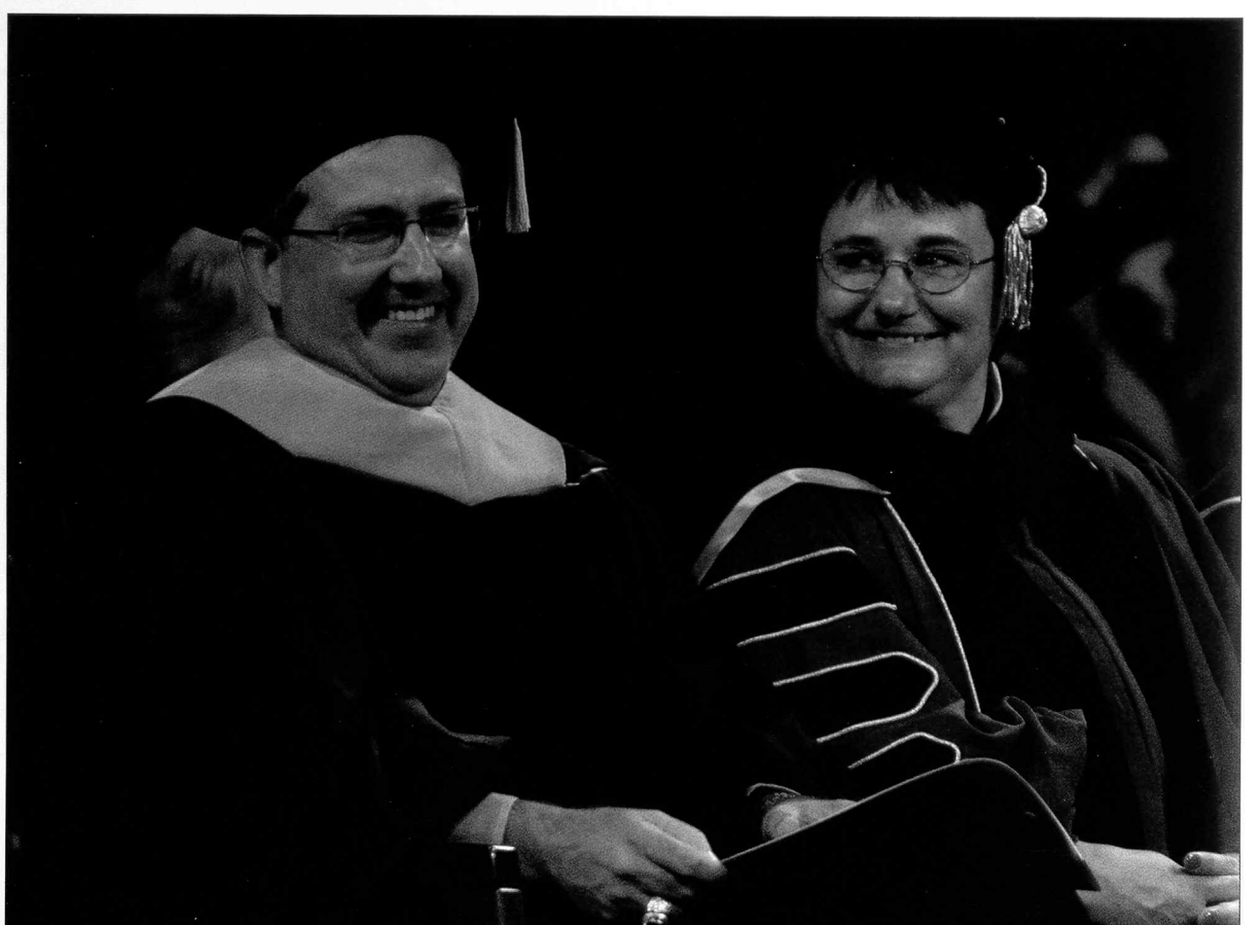
He was a die-hard sports fan who reveled in the roar of the crowd before each kick off or tip off and tweeted his way through the first year of his presidency. From being the frontline image of the university to a husband and father of two, Schulz said the man he was did not change.

"I am amazed at how impressed people are to meet the president of the university," he said. "I consider myself the same guy I was 20 years ago, and it's surprising how people make a big deal about meeting the president. I just don't consider myself anyone special."

Schulz fulfilled his career dream February 2009 when the university officially announced him as the next president. Some of his primary objectives for the first few months, besides familiarizing himself with campus and the community, were to get more purple in his wardrobe and to make himself available for comments and suggestions about the university. He wrote monthly "Letters to Campus," blogged, hosted radio chats and maintained a Facebook profile to stay in touch with the university's community.

"I need to learn as much as possible about Kansas State," he said in his first "Letters to Campus." "I want to use these opportunities on campus to visit with faculty, staff and students and to get a feeling for the 'pulse' of K-State."

He took office two weeks earlier than expected in June and jumped into the yearly audit, trudging through budget investigations for three months straight. Outside the office, Schulz continued to spend time on campus, familiarized himself with the people of the university and said he enjoyed dining locally at places like della Voce and So Long Saloon. The day before Schulz's inauguration, Sept. 23, the Schulz family hosted a university-wide ice cream social, serving 3,000 containers of Call Hall ice cream to connect with students in an informal setting and involve them more in the inauguration process. The next morning, with family, friends and colleagues gathered at the President's Residence, Schulz said he still did not



They reached their dream earlier than expected and on Sept. 24, Inauguration Day, Schulz and his wife, **Noel**, first lady and Paslay professor in electrical and computer engineering, embraced their roles together. The Schulzes celebrated with friends and family throughout the day. "We feel blessed to be here as the president, and we feel blessed that the Board of Regents has conferred upon us this opportunity," Schulz said. "We look forward to being here a long time, leading this institution and having a great time doing it."
Matt Castro



Inauguration events began with family and friends at 8 a.m., taking photos on the back lawn of the President's Residence. Then turned into a day-long circus of luncheons, speeches, handshakes and dinner. Together the family, including sons **Tim**, 19, and **Andrew**, 15, planted a tree in commemoration of Schulz's Inauguration. Family and friends cheered them on in the background, and laughed at the first family's enthusiasm. Shortly after the tree planting ceremony a luncheon was served to more than 200 guests in attendance.

Chelsy Lueth

With e-mails streaming in everyday and activities to tweet about, **Kirk Schulz**, 13th university president, constantly had his BlackBerry at his side. Schulz said the use of social networking was meant to stay connected with his colleagues, family, friends and the university student body. "The challenge is to stay connected with students," he said. "'How do you go about openness with 23,000 students?' Today so many people are online, use phones and laptops. It's easier and effective to connect with people that way."

Lisle Alderton

Kirk in three words:

His parents, **Carl** and **Judy Schulz**:
- Great partnership
- Loving couple
- Good parents

Her Parents, **Butch** and **Joan Nunnally**:
- Visionary
- Energetic
- Caring (in all facets of life)

Andrew, youngest son, 15:
- Leader
- Forward-thinking: In "Meet the Robinsons," (a line) says, "If you keep moving forward, embracing new ideas and new kinds of things, you'll have success." My dad just keeps moving forward and grows in strength and leadership.
- Follower: He leads so many people, but he follows all of their ideas, he's willing to work as a team using their best ideas, combining people's strengths to make the best possible outcome.

Tim, oldest son, 19:
- Overachiever
- Humorous: He's always serious about getting down to work, but he is fun to hang out with.
- Smart



On Tuesday mornings at 9 a.m., when Schulz was not traveling, he and his 10 cabinet members gathered to discuss university happenings. They reviewed lists compiled by departments on notable events for a project that would list achievements of the university for marketing purposes. The cabinet discussed budget situations, future plans for university buildings and goals they wanted to achieve. "I'm still amazed at how passionate people are about K-State," he said. "and how important a place it is to the state." *Chelsy Lueth*

know what to expect from the day.

"I enjoyed it more than I thought I might," he said. "I don't tend to necessarily enjoy when I am the focal point so much, but I enjoyed the day a lot. It was nice seeing the family and spending time with people I've known throughout my career. It was a lot of fun, a busy day and the kind of thing I will certainly look back upon as one of the highlights of my career."

Several colleagues advised Schulz to use the first part of his presidency observing what the university stood for, staying open to what students, faculty and staff wanted and waiting to implement the goals he had in mind until later in his presidency.

His goals included moving the university toward a greater national prominence in teaching, scholarship and engagement, and the initiative K-State 2025, which focused on the long-term future of the university.

"We're going to get students, alumni, faculty and staff, folks outside the state and inside the state and say, 'What is it that you think is part of the K-State experience, and what would you like to see K-State look like in the next 15 years?'" Schulz said. "We're going to take all this information, and we're going to put it together and put it out in a plan that everyone is going to be able to look at, and this is what we're going to use as sort of our road map to describe where we're going to be, and what we're going to do and how we're going to grow in the next 15 years."

While he continued to observe the "pulse" of campus, his regular trips to the Kansas Board of Regents meetings in Topeka continued, his flights across the country increased and his overall mission to represent the university outside



Manhattan remained.

"Being president, I have a chance to influence the direction of an entire university — what an awesome responsibility and a challenge," he said. "I like that I get to do things with students, faculty, staff and our community all in a normal day's work. The broadness of the job has a great deal of appeal."

On any given day or at any event, wearing his customary snappy suit and purple tie, Schulz approached everyone with a smile and a firm handshake.

"Hi, I'm Kirk. Kirk Schulz. K-State's president. It's nice to meet you."

Mother Knows Best

"You hope for great things for your children, and when you see them begin to accomplish them, all you can do is sit back and wait for the next set of things to come. Your own kids can amaze you, and our kids have done that in many, many ways."

Judy Schulz, Kirk's mother

Decked out in purple and white, **Kirk Schulz**, 13th university president, oldest son **Tim**, 19, and **Noel Schulz**, first lady and Paslay professor in electrical and computer engineering, celebrate a touchdown during the Sunflower Showdown, Nov. 7. One reason the Schulzes chose the university was because it was part of the Big XII and they were avid sports fans. "I could be here 15 years and never grow tired of seeing the stadium full," Schulz said. "It's an image that will stay with me forever."
Chelsy Lueth

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Andrew, youngest son, 15:

- Caring: She cares for everyone she meets.
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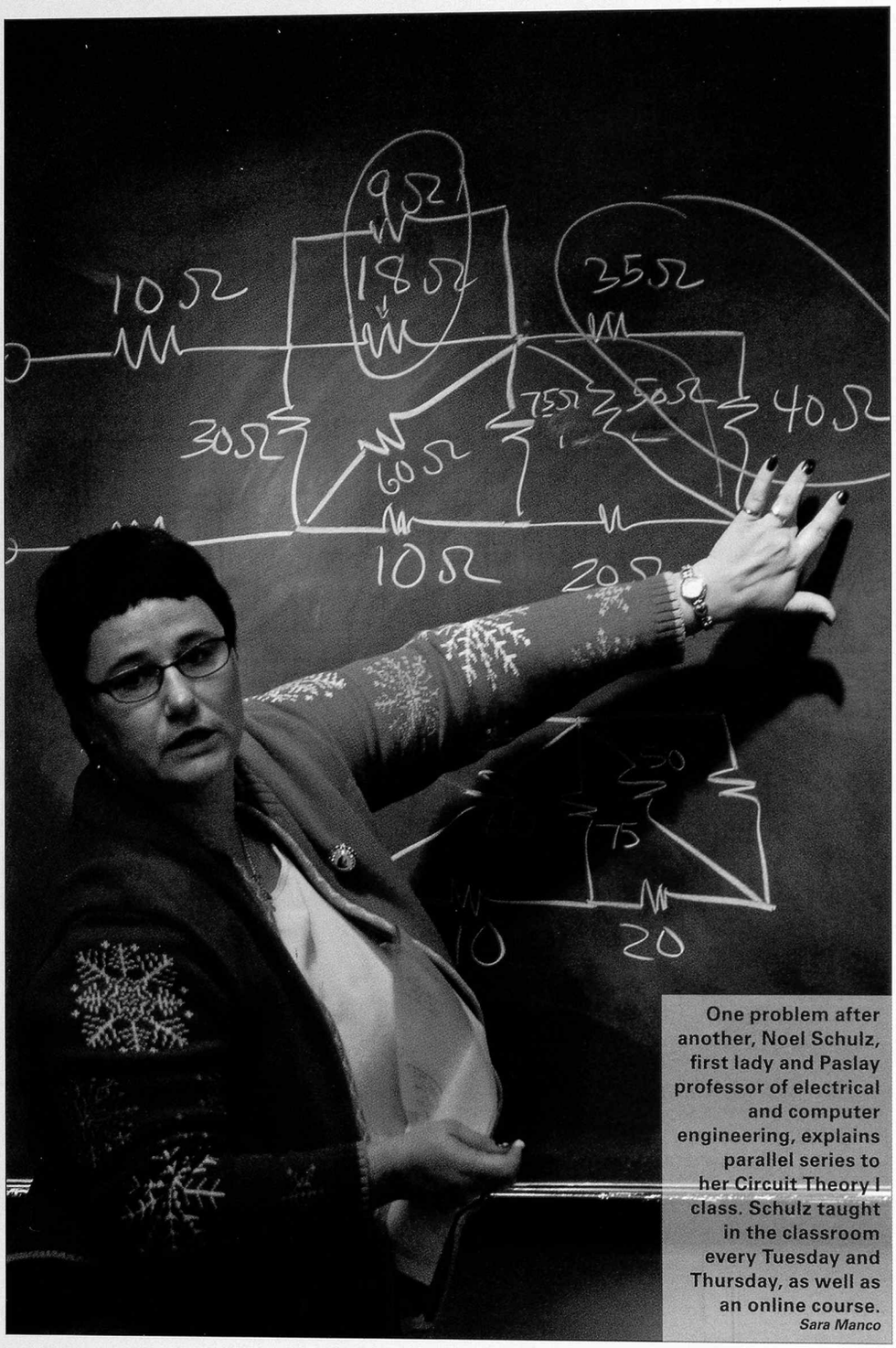
Tim, oldest son, 19:

- Overachiever
- Organized
- Smart



One problem after another, Noel Schulz, first lady and Paslay professor of electrical and computer engineering, explains parallel series to her Circuit Theory I class. Schulz taught in the classroom every Tuesday and Thursday, as well as an online course.
Sara Manco

Call Her Noel

by Melissa M. Taylor

Her FranklinCovey day planner was filled to the brim. Her BlackBerry was constantly at her side, and her schedule was a mix of meetings, research, teaching, presidential events and family activities. **Noel Schulz**, first lady of the university and Paslay professor of electrical and computer engineering, managed being first lady, a professor and a mother from the beginning.

She kept in contact with Tim, her 19-year-old son, while he attended Mississippi State University and tweeted just as much as her husband, Kirk. She found a way to fit in her 15-year-old son Andrew's swim meets, family vacations and cross stitching, all while maintaining her professional schedule. In her rare moments of downtime, Schulz watched romantic comedies and played tennis



In the midst of her busy schedule, Schulz often cleared time to work with students like Justin Curry, freshman in electrical engineering, outside of the classroom. She used her office as a mentoring space.
Lisle Alderton



At a Women of K-State event, Schulz tries out an ergometer to see life from a rower's perspective. "Having Noel at the event shows a lot about her as a person," Amanda Keim, junior in mass communications, said. "Before, we didn't have events that made the rowing team feel like you were involved in the school; the past two years I have been on the team, something like this has never happened. She's a very lively person, had a lot of fun with the event."
Chelsy Lueth

Mother Knows Best

"From the day they left Virginia Tech (University) and went to (University of) North Dakota, my last remark was, 'Make a difference,' and that is what I want for both of them. To make a difference and interact in a very positive way in every area: intellectually, socially, athletically. We want them to be successful and make a difference in other people's lives."

Joan Nunnally, Noel's mother

with Andrew.

"One of the biggest things was learning what 24/7 means," she said. "This job is like having and raising a child — time management has been really important. As a family, we go to Disney World, Virginia and Myrtle Beach. We try to leave Sundays open for family activities. It's very important for us to schedule downtime."

As a Paslay professor, an endowed professor position, Schulz divided her days between teaching Circuit Theory I and Electrical and Computer Engineering Applied Within the Smart Grid. Outside the classroom, she worked with her research team on a grant for the U.S. Department of Defense and mentored students studying electrical and computer engineering. Schulz said she strived to maintain her schedule and looked forward to when it would slow down and she could enjoy the outcomes of multitasking.

"Sometimes it's tiring, but you wake up and think, 'What opportunities are we going to have today?' and that makes it all worth it," Schulz said. "We are going to be trying new things within the next 10-15 years, and it's going to be exciting to see what happens and see the response."

Along with family and teaching, Schulz created her own initiative — Women of K-State — affiliated with smaller, interest-based organizations dedicated to connecting women.

"My goal was to create a positive environment for recruitment and the advancement of women on campus," she said. "I found the biggest issue is communication and the platform for communication. How do we leverage that so we don't compete? How do we find the gaps, the groups of women left behind? We want every woman to have a support group to go to when they need it."

After a year of balancing a hectic schedule, Schulz said she felt like she had the routine under control. Even though her schedule was constantly evolving, she said she enjoyed the managed chaos.

"I feel it's going better, and we're a little more settled," she said. "I've gone through everything in one year, and it's easier now, but still very busy. The challenge is to find time to be a family and unwind — to be just yourself."

Whether she was meeting with students and faculty, attending a Women of K-State event, or a presidential activity, Schulz greeted everyone with a warm smile and an air of acceptance.

"Hi, I'm Noel Schulz. K-State's first lady. It's nice to meet you."

"They loved coming to work and creating things, making the ideas in their head tangible and then having them displayed on the canvas of someone's back. It gave them a voice, a life in their work, not merely needing to work to live. It offered them an outlet in something other than a labor job or working as a housekeeper. Hell, they even jumped fences and escaped riots for it."

Alecia Stuchlik, alumna

In the Dusty Bookshelf, **Michael Shahan** performs during the freestyle division. **Emma Highfill**, Print:Relief member, said she saw similarities between performers and their workers in Africa. "We like movies, sports and good food," she said. "We have problems, but we are willing to enjoy each other and not worry about the differences."

Chelsy Lueth



Between performances at They Only Come Out at Night April 17, announcers ad-lib. **Chris Battelli** and **Travis Gilbert,** hosts, pulled up friend **Lauren Winkler**, freshman in life sciences, and competed to find the best rhymes. The night helped raise funds for Print:Relief, who was traveling to Capetown, South Africa.

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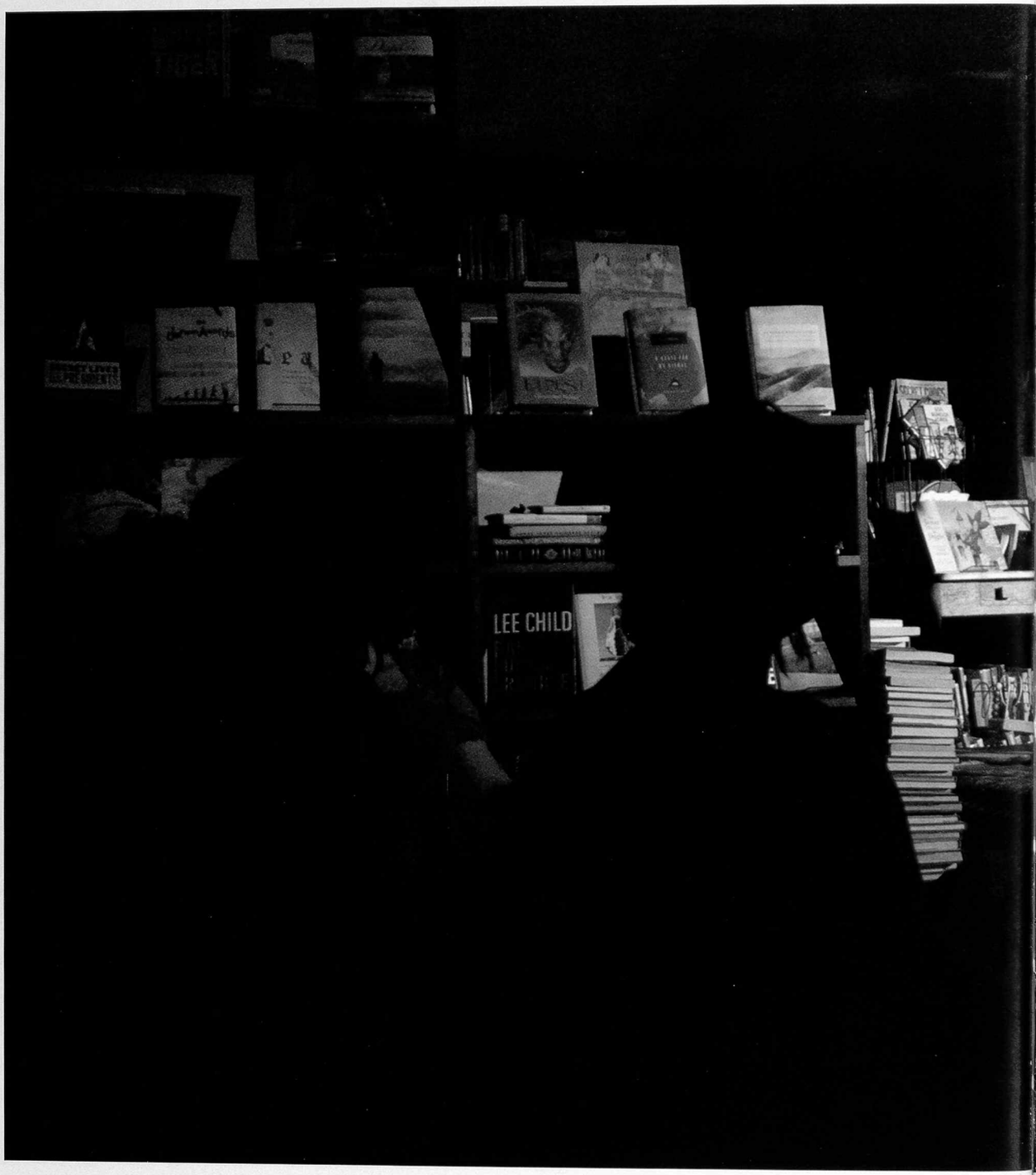

As the spotlight shines on her and the microphone, **Devree Chleborad**, performer, delivers a variety of her original poetry pieces during the freestyle division.

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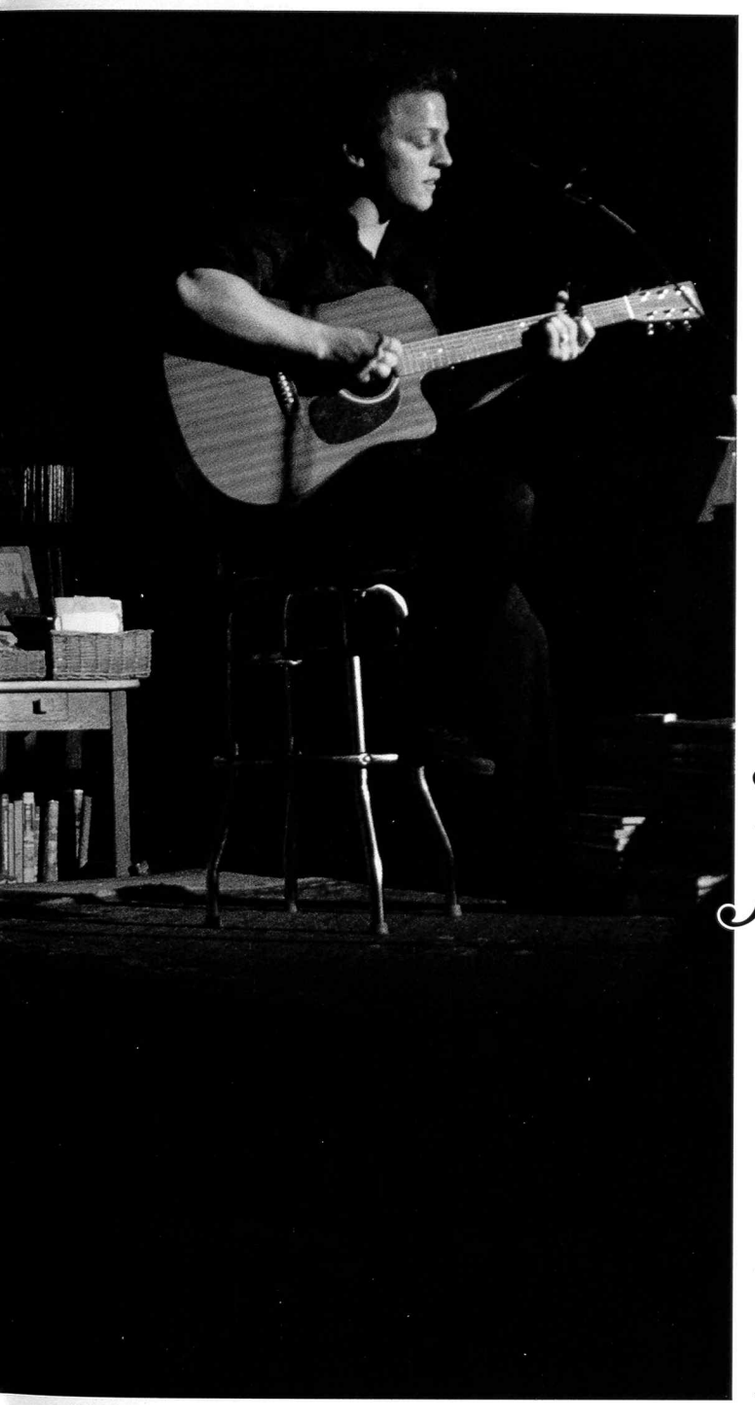


prose, poetry, freestyle for Africa

by Melissa M. Taylor

"It was Ghandi who said, 'You gotta be the change you want to see in the world.' That means it's not necessarily, 'Hey, let's change this, or switch up the way we do that.' No, you gotta be the change. You gotta be it, to see it. There is no other option," John Deterding rapped.

local rock show for a distant cause



Deterding, freestyle artist and junior in engineering, kept the rhythm April 17 during They Only Come Out At Night, a literary rock show, while he performed "Starts With Me (Remix)." Amid stacks of books and a full house in the dimly lit Dusty Bookshelf, 16 artists performed original compositions to raise money for Print:Relief, a mission organization of six people destined for Kommetjie, a sub-unit of Capetown, South Africa.

"The cause was great, and the whole idea of money going to a project in Africa was very cool," Deterding said. "The entire night was a showcase of local talent and what Manhattan has to offer."

> "It was unreal. I was hoping for talent, but every writer that night destroyed our expectations. They just sprang out of the woodwork. I think the written word reveals snatches of a person's inner world, the deepest levels of their reality, and the entire night had a gravity that none of us were expecting."
>
> *Matthew Schuler, Print:Relief member and senior in mass communications.*

Print:Relief was created to empower employees' creativity through vocational opportunities; the group established Township Tees: Restoring South Africa, a T-shirt company. From marketing to assisting with the hot-press that binds designs to T-shirts, the group made sure employees could effectively run every aspect of the business.

"A T-shirt company is both creative and labor-intensive," said **Matthew Schuler**, Print:Relief member and senior in mass communications. "We needed both. Not everyone has the skill to become a designer or fluently use a computer, and we wanted to provide jobs that were available to a wide variety of people. It was the perfect model for empowering individuals but also demonstrating the power of a team."

Caitlin Wetherlit, sophomore in fine arts, said the literary rock show confirmed her beliefs that when a cause arises, people will unite, even if for one night, to find common ground to help others.

"There is a great community of artists here, and people really care about the world," she said. "When there is an outlet for helping people in the world, this community just jumps on board."

The inkWELL, a local writing club; theWELL Church and the Dusty Bookshelf all worked together to help Print:Relief raise more than $700 in funds for their trip to Africa.

From ballads to dramatic acts of impersonating a 6-year-old and her imaginary friends, They Only Come Out At Night allowed performers to express raw emotions through original literary works of art.

"Art is both expression and communication," Schuler said. "On one hand, artists express who they are, sometimes in a profoundly deep way. But art also communicates a worldview. Just under the surface of any painting or song or poem is a perception of reality. With Print:Relief, we not only trained our employees artistically, but also holistically. We wanted them to understand that they can dream in loud voices, and that worldview deeply shapes the direction of life. The writers at They Only Come Out at Night and our employees in Africa are actually quite similar. It doesn't matter what your social status is or where you live. When you create something, and then you realize



At the literary rock show April 17, **John Deterding**, junior in engineering, kept the crowd rocking. His freestyle piece, "Starts With Me," was originally performed with music, but for his on stage performance, Deterding went a cappella. "The first verse is about living to make the best impact you can in the world," he said. "The second verse is about looking at myself and how people look at me and they start having these different perceptions about me because I have crutches or I'm in a wheelchair, and they don't expect me to do most of the things I can do. It was very personal."
Chelsy Lueth

They Only Come Out At Night presented three categories for performance: prose, poetry and freestyle. The judges, English department staff members, decided the winners for each category. Judging was based on creativity, style and presentation. Winners received cash prizes. Spectators could donate money to the Print:Relief organization to help the community in Kommetjie, Cape Town, South Africa.

Prose
1. Tony Schmid - "People Say I've Changed"
2. Steven Miller - "A Love Story for the Mentally Unsound": an excerpt
3. Alyssa Reeves - "A(n) Unwritten Guide to Social Conduct Concerning Emotions (An Excerpt of Draft #2)"

Poetry
1. Devree Chleborad - "Tree" + "You"
2. Michael Verschelden - "Restorations" + "One More Kind of Loneliness"
3. Kit Leonard - "Deformative Years"

Freestyle
1. Kelley Fischer - "What We Will Be"
2. John Deterding - "Starts With Me"
3. Otto Bieber – "My Best Friend"

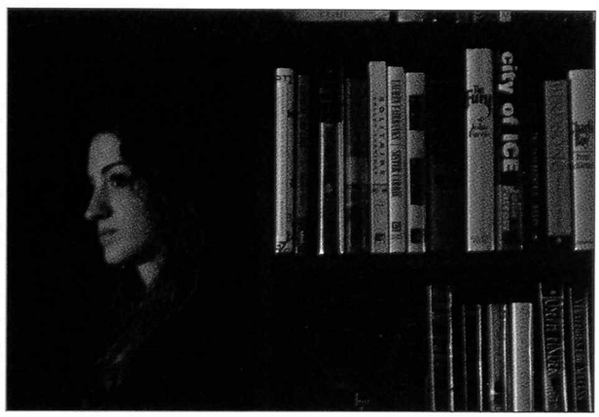
that other people find it beautiful, there's a certain spark of life there."

Members of Print:Relief said They Only Come Out At Night opened the doors for communication among various groups in Manhattan for one evening and paved the way for their African mission.

"People were being very real and just laid their emotions on the table," **Emma Highfill**, Print:Relief member, said. "Usually people are on their guard and writing can be a very vulnerable situation. When people write poetry and deliver it in front of a crowd, they are laying themselves out there, and they are willing to let people see them for who they are."

With the lights dimmed and the spotlight on him, Deterding kept the rhythm going, putting his thoughts on the line and pushing others to help make a change:

"Maybe I could be the change that saves a life. Maybe I could be the change that makes it right. Maybe I could be the change in the world you see. But if there's gonna be a change, it's gotta start with me."



People stand among the bookshelves, sit on the floor and in the chairs provided at the front of the store. **Molly Bieber**, senior at Manhattan High School, was one of many community members who came out to support the They Only Come Out At Night show April 17 at the Dusty Bookshelf. Print:Relief received nearly $750 that night.
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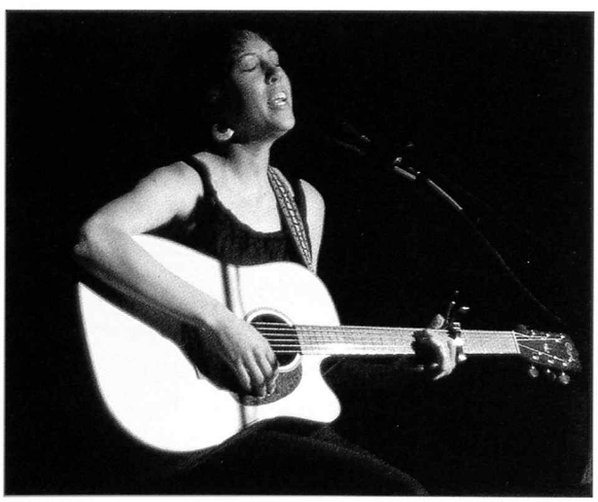

A member of Print:Relief, **Alecia Stuchlik**, alumna, performs her piece, "Street Lamp." For Stuchlik, the event was not only for fundraising, but showing local talent. "Seeing the artists, some of whom one would never suspect harbored such a passion for the written word, and seeing the number of people who turned out to support their efforts to be heard was gratifying," she said.
Chelsy Lueth



eco-friendly project RUNWAY

by Lauren Gocken

The floor was littered with discarded pieces of newspaper. The sounds of duct tape snapping filled the K-State Student Union courtyard. But this was not due to construction. Eleven designers used the materials to cover the floor for the university's eco-friendly Project Runway competition Feb. 19.

The Union Program Council-sponsored event was set up like Bravo's "Project Runway." Students had four hours to design their outfits, then one hour to dress and prepare their models. **Nick Verreos**, "Project Runway" season two participant, then critiqued their designs. He also spoke about the eco-friendly movement in the fashion industry.

"(Eco-friendly fashion) doesn't necessarily just have to be about cloth," Verreos said. "It also has to be about fair practices within the community and how the parts are made and the source and the seamstress and the workers — that's all part of being eco-friendly."

The designers used all eco-friendly materials, including newspaper, magazines, different colors of duct tape and nylon cord. They could also bring accessories, like shoes and nylons, and one wild-card item, but they did not know until they arrived what their other supplies would be.

Some of the designers prepared



The models and designers wait backstage for the chance to be critiqued by Nick Verreos. **Melissa McCaw**, senior in biology, wore a dress made out of green painted newspaper designed by **Julia Mangelsdorf**, junior in apparel and textiles. Verreos had designed for several celebrities, including **Heidi Klum**, **Eva Longoria** and **Kathy Griffin**.
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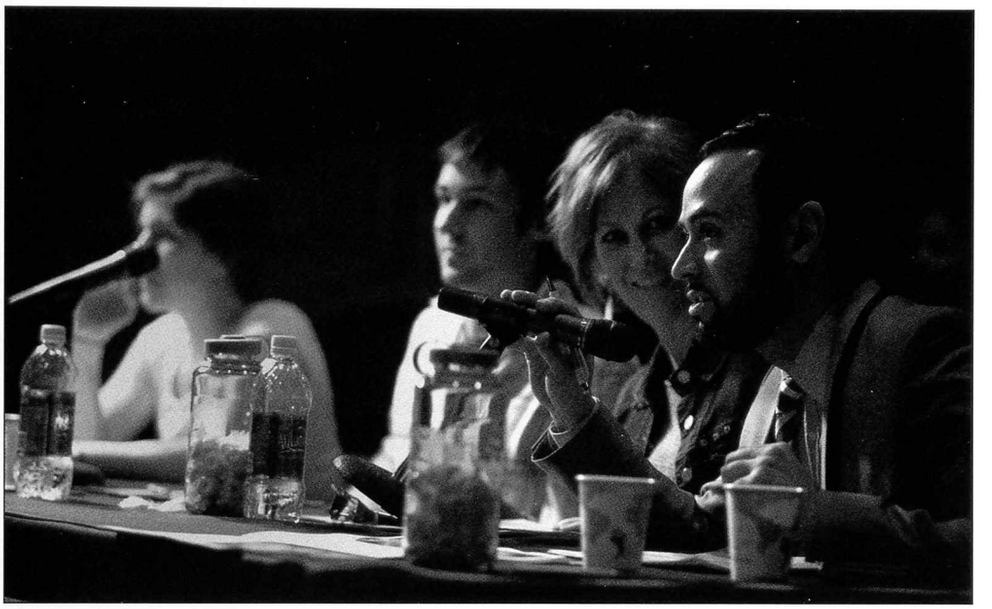


Judge **Nick Verreos**, Season 2 Project Runway contestant gives his input to a designer. "There's a great sense of structure and line and form," he said to **Meenakshi Sharma**, second place winner and graduate student in architecture. "It looks like a really delicious cake." Before the design, Verreos spoke about the importance of using sustainable materials.
Chelsy Lueth

potential designs ahead of time, including **Kelsey Hendricks**, senior in apparel and textiles, who said she prepared two dresses in advance so she could figure out what designs might work best. However, others waited until the competition day to develop their ideas.

Anneliese Byram, senior in interior architecture and product design, and **Casey Schneider**, senior in interior architecture and product design, worked together to make their dress. The two developed their design in the first 15 minutes of the night, Byram said.

"We knew we wanted to do a dress, but we weren't quite sure," Schneider said. "We were waiting to see what the materials would be."

Byram and Schneider brought broken jewelry they found at an auction for their wild card item, and others brought pieces of cloth or adhesive gems. **Kelsie Doty**, third place winner and junior in apparel and textiles, brought a set of brightly colored markers as her wild card item. Her dress featured a coverlet covered in hand drawn flowers that Doty said she got from her art background.

"I really liked art, and I worked at an apparel store so I thought I'd just combine the two things I love," she said.

Verreos, two textile and apparel graduate students and an apparel and textiles teacher judged the models and designers. **Sarina Sun**, graduate student in apparel and textile merchandising, received first place; **Meenakshi Sharma**, graduate student in architecture, came in second; and Doty got third.

Verreos stressed how difficult it was to break into the fashion industry, and encouraged new designers to always say "yes" to anything they were asked to do — it may seem like busy work, but in the end it was what would help them rise to the top. He used his own success to show designers should take chances and have no regrets.

"I have two rules," Verreos said. "One is 'get your inner drag queen on,' and second is 'no shoulda, woulda, coulda.'"

by Lauren Gocken

come closer

"If you're fully open to secrets, at the core, there's a kernel of wisdom that you can really grow from."

Each afternoon when **Frank Warren** opened his mailbox, secrets were revealed to him in different ways, some artistic, some strange — on a postcard with wedding bands taped to it, on a fast food bag, on death certificates, even on a one-pound bag of coffee. Warren, who deemed himself "the most trusted stranger in America," had collected secrets on postcards since Jan. 1, 2005.

Warren toured the country to talk about PostSecret, and the Union Program Council sponsored his visit to campus Oct. 26. Over the course of the program, he talked about why he started the project, showed some secrets banned from his books, shared some of his personal thoughts on secrets and led an informal secret-sharing session where students could stand up to a microphone, in front of hundreds of their peers and reveal their secrets.

"Frank was not only hilarious, but he inspired you to think beyond your problems and consider those of others," **Ashley A. Heptig**, sophomore in life sciences, said. "I felt like I was in on something greater than me and being there was very humbling."

Warren said that in Hebrew, secret meant come closer, then he invited people up to share their secrets. Once invited to share their secrets, people slowly wandered up to the two microphones in the middle of the room. One person told off an ex-boyfriend. One shared a painful story about getting deployed. One talked about how she appreciated her mother so much more after she became a mother herself.

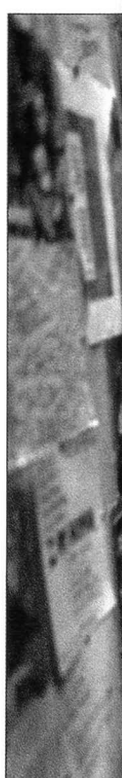
"The amount of courage it must have taken for those students to get up in front of such a large crowd was amazing," **Bridget Kennedy**, sophomore in kinesiology, said. "I wish I had that same courage. Now I can't wait to send in my secret."

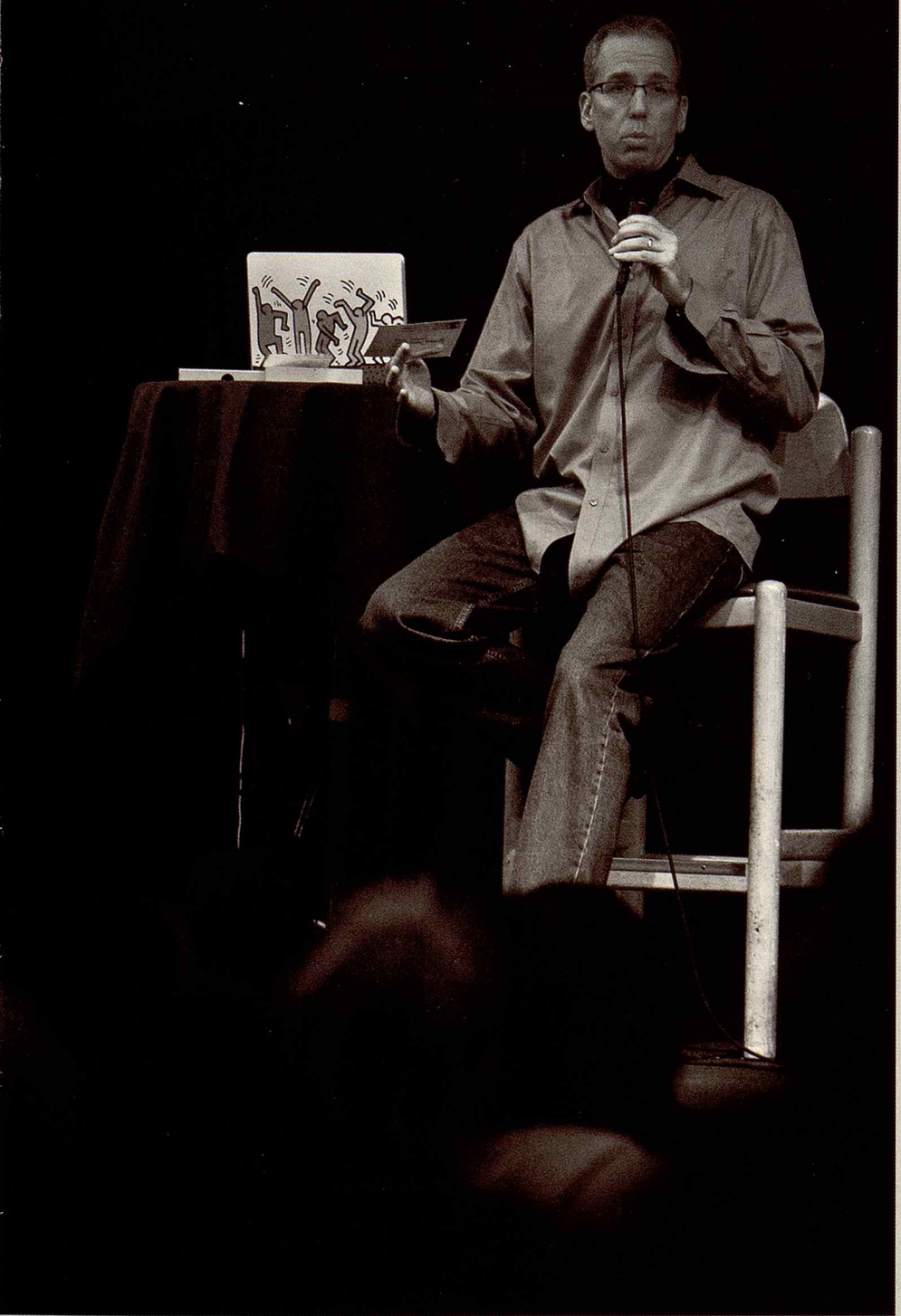
The PostSecret project started by handing random people blank postcards to filled out and returned with a secret written on it. After the original set of cards were returned, Warren continued receiving secrets, from around the world.

"I tapped into something that had been there the whole time," Warren said. "PostSecret was just one crazy idea, a simple idea."

The rules to mailing in a secret were simple: the secret had to be completely true, never shared with anyone else and contain no copyrighted material. Secrets could be mailed to Warren's address:

PostSecret
13345 Copper Ridge Rd.
Germantown, Md. 20874





On stage in the K-State Student Union Ballroom, **Frank Warren**, creator of PostSecret, spreads the PostSecret message. Warren had received more than 500,000 secrets by mail, nearly 200 a day, and had received seven to eight million hits a day on his Web site, culminating in more than 250,000 million hits.
Lisle Alderton

Outside the entrance to the ballroom, **Dorothy Menefee**, freshman in agronomy, **Kyle D'Amico**, freshman in philosophy, **Kristen Conklin**, former student, and **Nikki Deosio**, Topeka resident, laugh at the PostSecret board. Warren said the most popular secret he received was, "I pee in the shower."
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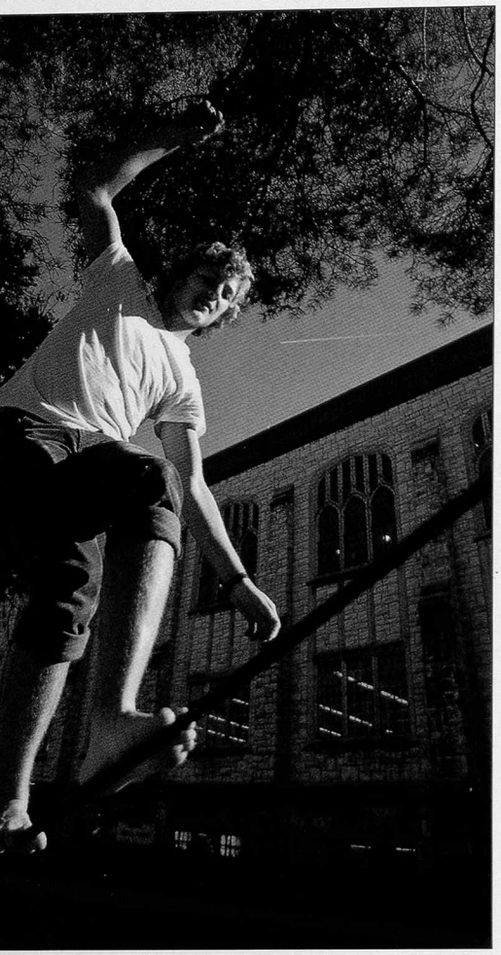

Slacklining outside Hale Library Nov. 5, **Wesley Landis**, sophomore in art, carefully walks across tubular webbing. "We're always trying to do new things," said **Zach Dubas**, senior in mechanical engineering "It's not a competition, but the longer you stay on the line, the more bragging rights you get."
Matt Binter

With her arms spread for stability, **Rachel Bain**, senior in architectural engineering, steps across the line one foot at a time, trying to maintain her balance. "It's a good way to unwind, get my mind and body in a more centered place after tests and classes." **Dean T. Eckhoff**, sophomore in park management and conservation, said.
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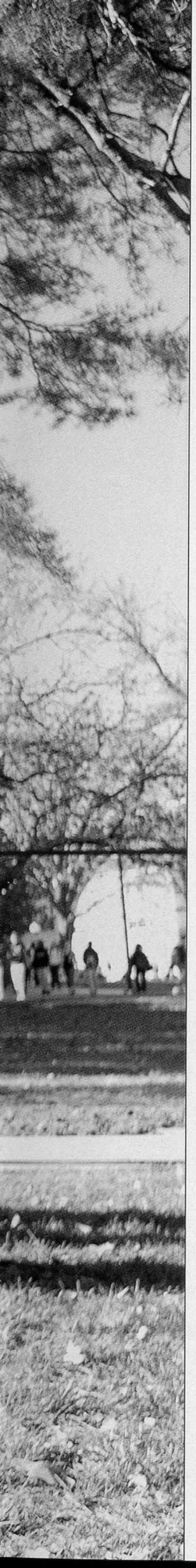


a tight way to unwind

by Melissa M. Taylor

Not a tightrope, but a thin strap. A line harnessed by a carabineer between two trees. A challenge of balance and will. Slacklining.

On a warm day, with the sun shining and a slight breeze, a group of students could be seen with their feet gripping a slack line, balancing 3-5 feet above the ground, arms fully extended, determined to defy gravity for 60 feet.

"It's fun and very relaxing," **Wesley Landis**, sophomore in art, said. "It's a good community activity, and you get to hang out together and enjoy a beautiful day. I would imagine people think it looks weird, but it's fun and a challenge to get your balance refined."

Landis picked up the sport from his brother, **Rodney Landis**, senior in management, who brought the sport home after studying abroad in Costa Rica. Looking back on one year of experience, Landis said it was easy to get into, and with time and effort, anyone could master the skills of slacklining.

"At the beginning, it was really kind of frustrating," he said. "After a few sessions, your skills get better, and then it becomes, 'I think I'll go out and see how far I can walk today.' Some people have an innate, natural balance. I picked it up in a few sessions and really rocked it out. Anyone who puts in a little time and thinks it's fun and enjoyable can get good at it."

Landis and friends said they used the Quad as their main spot on campus to attract other students. Between classes, students passing by could drop their book bags, kick off their shoes and slack. **Zach Dubas**, senior in mechanical engineering, said he had enjoyed slacklining for three years and having a place on campus to kick back and slack made good days even better.

"I'll set up my line and leave it up all day, even when I have to go to class," Dubas said. "As long as someone is there to watch it, I will just leave it up. It's something for me to come back to. Not everyone who slacklines has a line, so I like to leave it out there for people to enjoy."

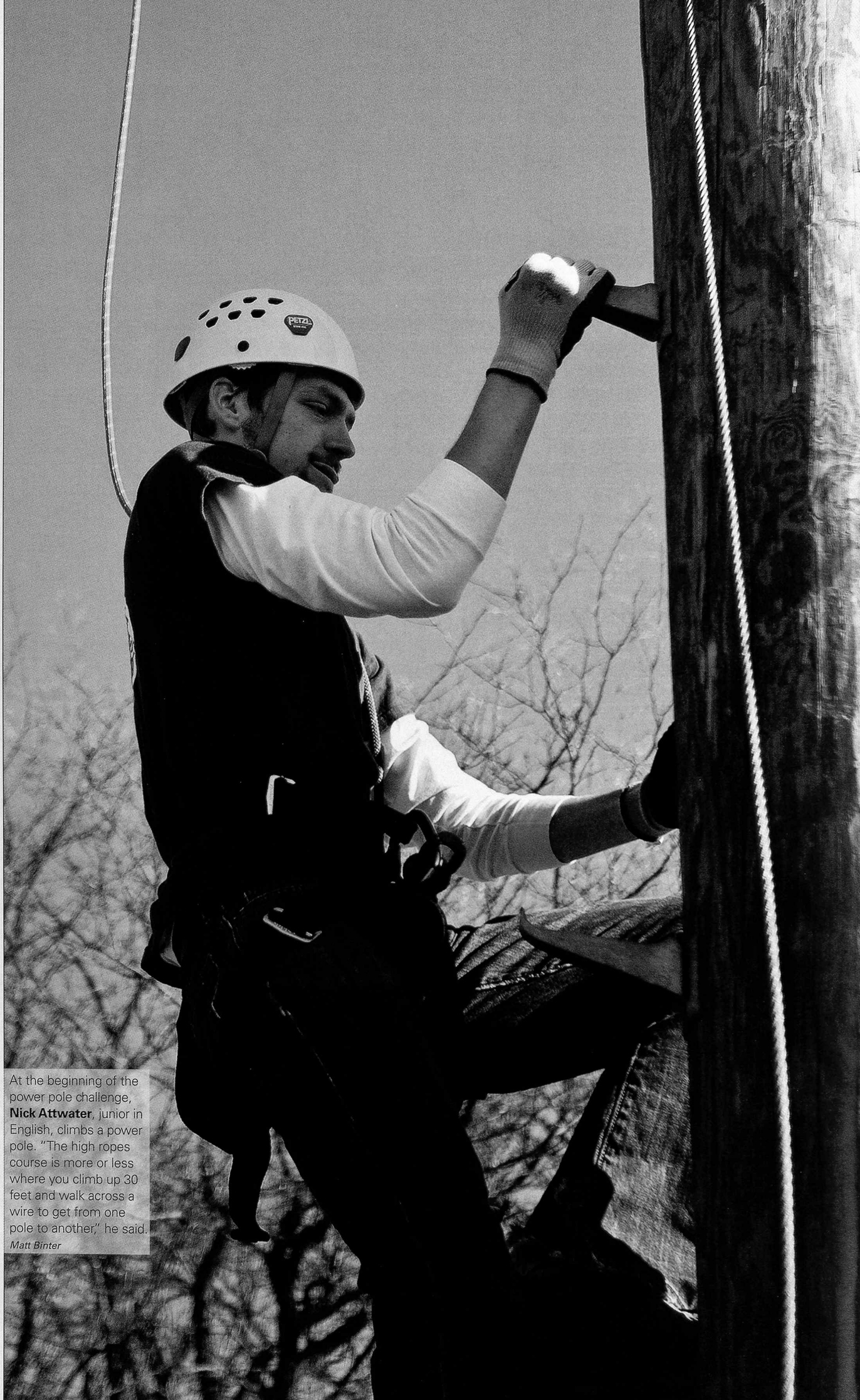
> "I feel like a lot of times, classes can build up, and slacklining gives you a release from all that buildup. Classes can weigh on you, and having something in between them breaks up that buildup."
>
> *Dean T. Eckhoff, sophomore in park management and conservation*

Dubas said besides loving the outdoors and nice weather, the fun he had with friends kept the sport worthwhile.

"It's outside, and it's a great way to take your mind off of school and just hang out," Dubas said. "Why do people go to a party? To drink? Parties aren't centralized around drinking, just people hanging out with one another. Kind of like what we do with slacklining."

For eight-month slackliner **Dean T. Eckhoff**, sophomore in park management and conservation, slacking was a form of communication between individuals and a way to relax.

"A lot of people can be drawn in," he said. "When someone is doing it for the first time, it requires a lot of teamwork, and you get to connect with others and talk to people in a new way. You get to do something fun and enjoyable, something simple that anyone can do. It doesn't discriminate, and it's a lot of fun."



At the beginning of the power pole challenge, **Nick Attwater**, junior in English, climbs a power pole. "The high ropes course is more or less where you climb up 30 feet and walk across a wire to get from one pole to another," he said.
Matt Binter

NEW HEIGHTS

ropes course instructor challenges others to reach

by Stephanie Mikuls

With a passion to teach others how to lead and how to step out of their comfort zones, **Nick Attwater** put a helping foot forward as an instructor at the K-State Challenge Course. Attwater, junior in English, learned about the challenge course from a friend at the beginning of his freshman year.

"She saw that they were hiring so she told me about it because I have a lot of history with scouting," Attwater said. "I've worked at a summer camp for six summers now, and I've always done ropes courses and stuff through Boy Scouts. I viewed it as being a counselor, at the time, for a ropes course, and I thought, 'Yeah, that'd be so much fun.'"

Attwater had only been in school for two weeks when he began working as a facilitator for the challenge course. He completed training over Labor Day weekend in fall 2007, becoming part of the second group to lead the ropes course. The challenge course employed eight to 10 students at a time.

"As a facilitator, we are responsible for the safety of the group," Attwater said. "We basically run the course. We set up the different elements and guide the people through them. After they do the element and finish the challenge, we lead a group discussion which we call a debrief, and we just kind of go over what they learned from that challenge and what they took away from it."

The purpose of the course was to allow groups to participate in team-building activities. Participants worked in small groups to form solutions and overcome challenges to each individual element, or station. The course was designed to teach trust, communication, planning and problem solving. During the previous three years, Attwater had facilitated many groups and observed different reactions.

"I've learned a lot about different roles that people can take, because doing it, you see different people stepping up to take leadership at different times," he said. "At the same time, you see them show their true colors — their strengths and weaknesses — and you really get a feel for how a group dynamic works. I've been able to observe a lot of different groups. Some of them have crashed while others have succeeded really well. It's really interesting to see how well groups do."

While some groups signed up enthusiastically, others were required to be there because they were part of a larger organization. Regardless of the participants' attitudes, Attwater said as facilitator of the group, he always tried to make the experience positive and fun.

"I don't think I've ever had a group come away with a negative attitude," he said. "There have probably been some instances where they didn't have as much fun on one part of it as the other, but I've never really seen a group not be pleased."

"We were taking the baseball team to one event called 'team trail.' It consists of walking across a wire, then walking across a longer wire and then walking over a swinging log and then a swing and then another element and its all connected. You have to hold on to your teammates the entire time and you can't let go of each other. They were having a lot of trouble on the part of it with the longer wire. Their solution was to take their shirts off and use their shirts to extend their reach. So we had all these half-naked baseball players crossing this wire and we're just like — well if it works for you. Because that's one of the cool things about it, is that it really gives people a chance to expand their creativity. Like we didn't say you couldn't use your shirts, so they did."

Nick Attwater, junior in English

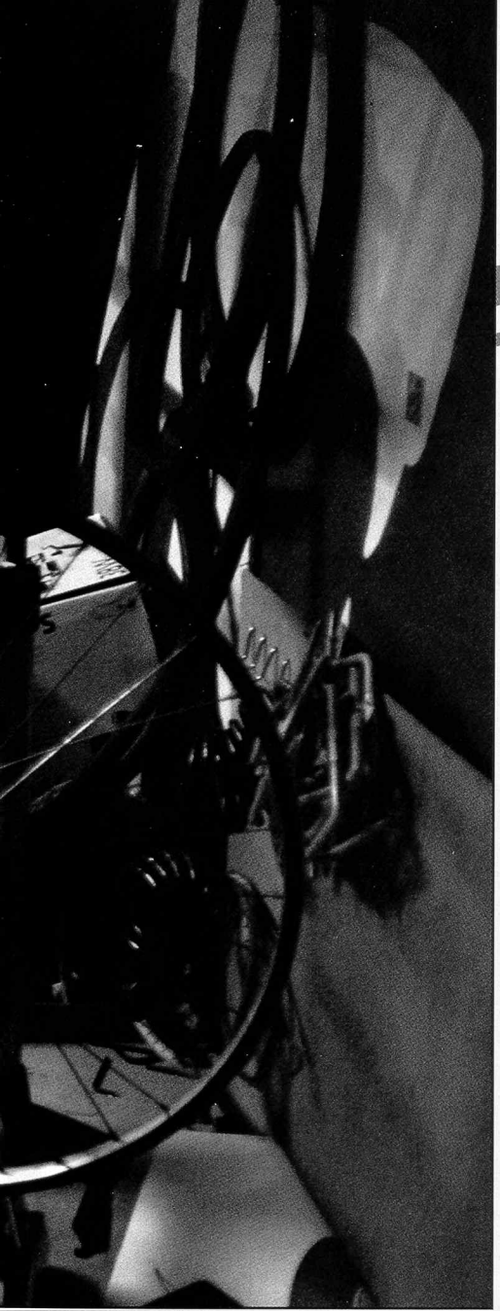
As the Bike Night crew gathered in the garage bike shop, the talk often turned to serious matters, like faith and personal difficulties. "We really developed a community, almost a family-like atmosphere," **Cody Hill**, Manhattan resident, said. "We joke around, hang out, play video games, eat food. We're packed every Tuesday and I love it. There's always new people to meet, and also we have neighbor kids showing up now that want to run around and tackle you in the backyard."

Nathaniel LaRue

Before the evening meal, **Emily Selby**, junior in family studies and human services, **Tiffany Roney**, junior in journalism and mass communications, and **Moses Todd**, Manhattan resident, pray together. People came to Bike Night for several reasons, including to share their faith and to promote a healthier lifestyle. "I think a lot of kids that are in college don't necessarily live that way, but getting involved in a group like this would help with that," **Mark Oswald**, freshman in biology, said.

Tommy Theis







spokes on a wheel

different aspects, one focus

by Tamara Salisbury

Tuesday night at 1709 Vaughn Dr. meant one thing: Bike Night.

The weekly ritual started as a way to share faith and build a community around **David Adkins**' and his roommates' passion for bikes. When Adkins, junior in kinesiology, and his roommates moved into the house on Vaughn Drive in May, they built a bike shop in the garage and started inviting people over on Tuesday nights for dinner.

"In college, people are looking for community, looking for other people with common interests, looking for transportation or something exciting to do in their free time," Adkins said. "This is something that can meet multiple needs within one setting."

Adkins said one goal of Bike Night was to share Christ's love by example.

"We believe that through this, people will see what Christ has done in us," Adkins said. "We aren't naturally people who want to give our time and the things we have, our food and our money. It's been a change that happened because of the gratefulness we have for the fact that Christ died for us, that we realized apart from him we are lost."

Bike Night allowed people to come, eat and receive help in fixing or building a bike for free. The group also fixed donated bikes and sold them for a low price. **Cody Hill**, Manhattan resident, said people were often surprised at the generosity shown by the group.

"We're working on bikes for free, offering people a free meal," Hill said. "People don't understand why we do that. We tell them again and again, it's not our stuff, we care about others and we want to provide for others. People are baffled by the fact that a bunch of college students want to get together once a week and work on bikes for free and offer up a pretty good meal."

Christie Coffman, senior in fine arts, said she thought the group was popular with college students because bikes are an active exercise that was fun and not as tedious as other

"That's been something that's been really neat to see, the relationships that have been built beyond our college-age friends. At first our neighbors were wondering why there are 50 bikes out in the yard every Tuesday night and what are those kids doing, but over time what we've seen is they get to know us and trust us and see that we really are caring individuals, and now they let their kids come over on Bike Nights or throughout the week to work on things in the garage, and it's been cool to hear some of the stories (they tell their parents). One little boy went home and told his mom about the talk I had with him about how to be a man. She was so excited to hear that we're instilling good things into her little boy's life rather than sending negative influences home."

David Adkins, junior in kinesiology





In the bike shop in his garage, **David Adkins**, junior in kinesiology, adjusts the innerworkings of a bike. With more Bike Nights under his belt, Adkins said he saw several changes within the community. He said more people wanted to be involved in other ways and share other interests, such as music. "We want a community to be able to form where people can contribute something to it, and in that way they'll see themselves as a part of something," he said. *Nathaniel LaRue*

workouts. She also said she saw the group as a way to share her passion for her faith.

"I think it's a really cool way to minister to the community, like to the kids out in the garage, and get to know people in the neighborhood, and from different groups on campus," Coffman said. "I think it's a great way to connect with a bunch of different people."

Both Adkins and Hill said they could see a change in the people who came, including a few friends who had professed a newfound faith in Christ. Coffman also said she saw a change in herself.

"I've seen more of a focus on living communally, and focusing more on other people throughout the week, not just on Tuesday nights," she said. "Some of my closest friends now are people I didn't even know last year."

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> *Christie Coffman, senior in fine arts*

Hill said the tight-knit community also helped him through some personal crises, one of which was the death of his best friend.

"The biggest thing was these guys here kept saying first and foremost you need to pray, you need to read your Bible, that's the only thing that will keep your head on your shoulders," he said. "Then they said start working on bikes, take some time for yourself and go on bike rides. That was huge. I began to realize that if I don't read my Bible and if I'm not doing that stuff my whole day's out of whack."

Hill added that he saw a new "boldness" in himself and his willingness to talk about his faith after the conversations with the people at Bike Night.

Adkins said he also saw a personal growth when it came to his leadership skills.

"Taking on the dynamic of the leadership role has been something that's been really challenging," Adkins said. "I tend to not like speaking in front of people or being direct with people at certain times. A big thing I've had to learn in trying to fulfill our obligation in sharing Christ's heart to the people around us, I've had to learn to take on responsibility for myself and my own actions."

For Adkins, one place he looked to learn about leadership was the 17th book of the New Testament in the Bible, Titus.

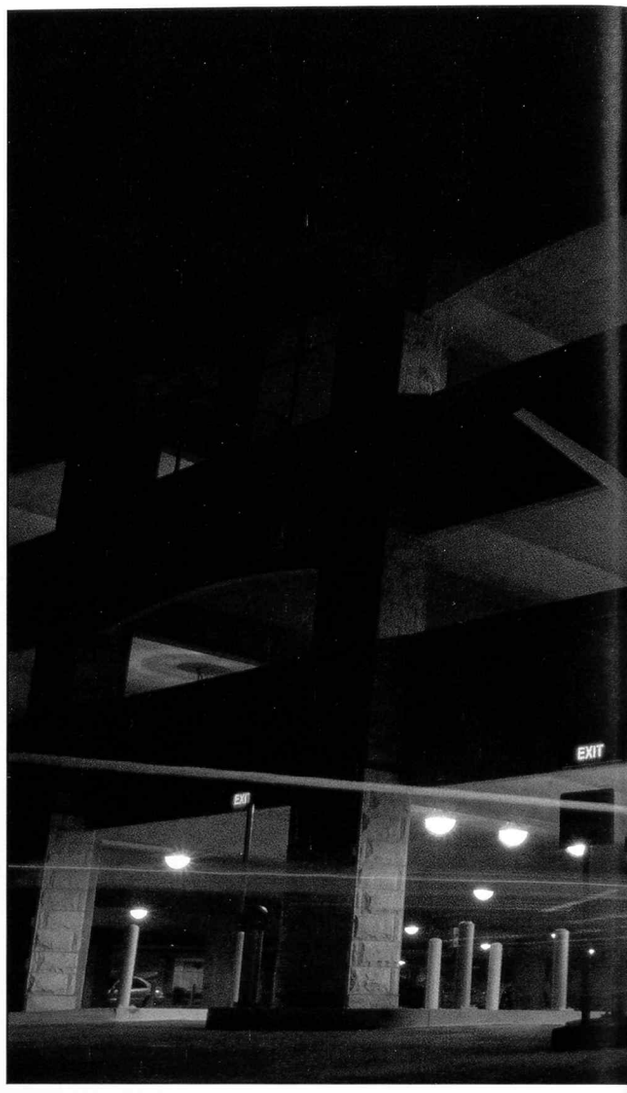
"We've been reading through chapters in Titus, where it talks about the roles of leaders and taking those very seriously," Adkins said. "According to what God has said, we don't have the right to speak the truth if we don't live that truth, if we're not disciplined ourselves. He sets it up very clearly: we're not supposed to be hypocritical in our speech or in our actions. We can't claim to be speaking truth about Christ unless we're living that truth."

Since the beginning of Bike Night in the summer, Adkins said he had seen a growth in attendance, attitudes and a need for expansion. However, once they focused on what mattered — the community atmosphere — the night became more relaxed and more of what it needed to be.

"The first few weeks I remember just being really chaotic," Adkins said. "We were trying to get dinner ready. We had never really done the bike shop thing before — we didn't have adequate tools or work space. And then we began to realize this is about community, this is about relationships, not about pumping out as many bikes as we can or giving away a bunch of stuff."

a space in the RIGHT DIRECTION

by Anna Kearns



After two years of construction on the university's first parking garage, it opened its ramps to drivers in August. In addition to added parking spaces, the office of parking services relocated to the first floor of the garage, where **Darwin Abbott**, director of parking services, worked in an office vibrating from the cars driving above it.

Abbott said he noticed campus change because of the parking garage.

"We have 500 stalls that are set aside for students," he said, "and (the parking garage) is now first choice for many students. This is a popular destination."

In the late 1990s, parking services worked with the Student Governing Association to rally for public transportation in Manhattan. However, the census did not count the 50,000 residents necessary for federal funding of public transportation, so they considered different options.

In 2005, Student Body President **Michael Burns** and parking services became interested in a parking garage. They began working with the numbers and logistics of the idea. The original design included a taller, thinner garage, but the design changed to not block the K-State Student Union and other buildings.

> "I think it's a nice facility. It's too bad we're delayed opening it. I think it will demonstrate its importance to the center of campus for years to come."
>
> *Bruce Shubert, vice president of administration and finance*

Through the years of planning and construction, Abbott said students' attitudes changed.

"At the time prior to building the parking garage there were a lot of enthusiastic students," he said. "During the construction, it made life harder, so there were unhappy people. However, we offset that by the bus system, which



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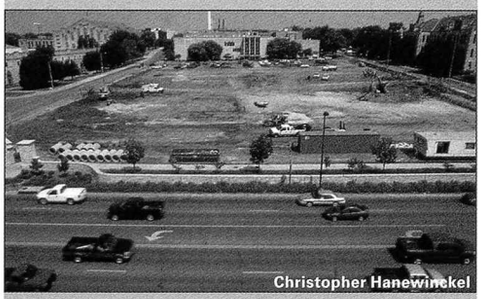
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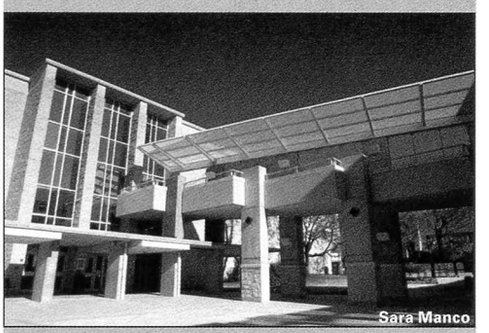
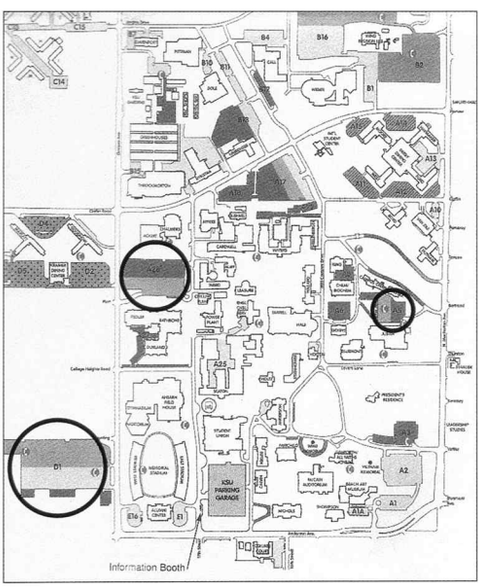

Sara Manco

people found pretty neat."

To deal with the loss of the Union parking lot during construction, parking services offered a shuttle that ran every 10 minutes between the Peters Recreation Complex and the Union in addition to the shuttle that had been running from Edwards Hall to the Foundation Building and to the Union. After the completion of the parking garage, the shuttle stopped running to the Rec.

The elevator shafts, stairwells and fourth floor remained to be completed after the garage's opening, and landscaping would be finished in the spring. Parking services planned to build three additional garages sometime in the next 50 years.



The Next 50 Years Future parking garage locations are indicated by circles.

Parking Garage by the Numbers

- Total cost: **$15** million spent out of a **$17** million budget
- A little more than **500,000** square feet of parking space
- Approximately **1,380** parking spaces for:
  - **500** students
  - **130** reserved (faculty/staff can pay **$1,200** annually for a personal parking space)
  - **400** preferred (faculty/staff can pay **$600** annually for a guaranteed spot)
  - **350** timed slots (pull a ticket and pay for the time on your way out)
- **4** stories tall
- Time to complete: **2** years (fall 2007 – fall 2009)
- **11,000** parking spaces on campus total



Audience participation was part of comedian **Loni Love's** act Feb. 1. Near the close of the show, Love invited men and women to join her on the stage. The men used shocking pick-up lines on an unsuspecting female students and then the women got a chance. "That was really unexpected," **Will Fisher**, freshman in interior design, said. "I love how she related the show to us because I wasn't really expecting that either."

Sara Manco



After discussing Biblical times, Love said she would have followed Jesus around all the time since he changed water into wine. She said she would have been one of his disciples; Matthew, Mark, Luke and Loni.

Sara Manco

LONI LOVE

The crowd went wild as comedian, Loni Love, tells it like she saw it in Forum Hall. She talked about school rivalry, politics and Facebook.

by Colleen Quinn

Outside the K-State Student Union on a cold Monday night in February, the entrance by the parking garage was deserted. Inside Forum Hall, however, jokes and laughter filled the room. The opening act, **Mary Rene**, joked about being friends with people on Facebook just to make fun of them. Following her was the main act for the night, comedian **Loni Love**. Union Program Council sponsored the comedy acts Feb. 1.

"My boyfriend invited me," **Karen Liebentritt**, sophomore in apparel and textiles, said. "I wanted a break from homework, and I've been to see a few other comedians here and to the movies a few times. It's free."

Once Love took the stage, she began with a simple but effective, "Fuck KU!" The crowd roared with laughter and applauded her. She then called out each individual class and poke fun at them once they cheered for their respective year.

"There was a group of four of us that attended a conference in Texas, and we saw Loni perform and knew she would be a great fit for K-State," **Chris J. Wallace**, entertainment committee member and senior in psychology, said. "I met with our co-chair, and we decided to book her."

The crowd laughed at almost every joke or insinuation Love made. Just minutes into her act, she was in control of the crowd.

"I wanted to have a good laugh," **Alan Chinery**, sophomore in park management and conservation, said. "I wanted to spend time with my girlfriend; that's her Valentine's Day present."

Love discussed everything from politics to body issues women dealt with. She said her manager put her on the Slim Fast diet, and "those shakes go great with hamburgers and beer." Her full figure was the butt of many of her jokes.

While she was on a roll, she joked the only advice she could give a college student was "It's better to cheat than to repeat." She then reinforced the fact that it was a joke, and it was important to get an education.

Love wrapped up her act by inviting men and women from the audience up to the stage. The men had to use pickup lines on the women and vice versa, and at the end there was an American Idol spoof.

"We thought the crowd was wonderful," Wallace said. "We thought the performance was wonderful, and everyone seemed to enjoy it."



portrait by Lisle Alderton

"I like the big, huge stuff. The makeup and hair artists. I like having those people, so they can come in and make something completely and ridiculously huge. And then I get to take a picture of it. This studio is really small, but it serves a purpose and it works out perfectly for what I'm doing now."

Mat Blake, owner of Jack Knife Studios and sophomore in mass communications

grandfather inspires studio's name

Mat Blake's grandfather, Jack, was an important part of the studio's history.

"When I was little, he would always tell us a story about how his mother would give him a brand new pocketknife when he was little," he said. "And he would always go to his grandfather and he'd trade it for one of his grandfather's older pocketknives, because he wanted a pocketknife that was his grandfather's. He didn't necessarily want the new shiny one; he wanted one that actually meant something."

Blake said he learned how to do business from his grandfather's knife-trading story.

"As long as both sides of the deal are happy, it's a good business deal," he said.

passion to **profession**

by Amanda Lunn

It started as a hobby, turned into a passion and became a business. **Mat Blake**, owner of Jack Knife Studios and sophomore in mass communications, balanced his life, his business and his love of photography all while attending school.

Blake attended Glendale Community College in Arizona, where he earned his digital media technology degree and did photography as a hobby, though it soon developed into Jack Knife Studios. Blake started his studio in Phoenix, Ariz., in January 2005, then he reclocated and opened its doors in Manhattan Oct. 1.

Although he said he enjoyed what he did, Blake admitted going to school and running his own studio was demanding.

"It's pretty much wake up, K-State, lunch, studio and then go to sleep," Blake said. "It's very time-consuming to do both at the same time. I do a lot of homework in (the studio) in between photo shoots; I study for tests a lot in here. It hasn't been too difficult yet, but it's just a lot of time."

Jack Knife Studios, "the most affordable portrait studio in the area," according to the studio's advertising, was geared toward senior and family portraits.

"We do anything that has to do with people," he said. "We also do corporate photography, marketing material and product photography, stuff like that. But the majority of what we do is people photography."

Blake also used his space as a design studio. Designing allowed Jack Knife Studios to keep prices down.

"Our design clients are throughout the United States, so that really helps us keep our photography prices incredibly low," he said. "All of our marketing material we do ourselves, and then we've done some logos for some companies. Anything that you can see, on a screen or on paper, we can design."

Blake hired his brother, **Zach Droge**, junior in fine arts, to help with the workload. They would both create a design and then chose the design they preferred to show the client.

His plans for expansion were extensive, including aspirations for more large-scale projects and growth in Manhattan.

"I would like to have a huge photography studio, where I could do not only national design work, but national photography work," he said. "I would like to bring what I learned in California and what I learned in New York, I want to bring that here. Years, years, years down the road, I'd like to make Manhattan the fashion photography capital of the Midwest. I want people to want to come here."

Blake also said he felt he was lucky to have his own studio.

"Some days I wish that I wasn't doing both at the same time, and then other days I'm really glad that I can do it," he said. "First of all, not a lot of people my age have a studio, as much as they'd like one. Yeah, I'm taking a huge risk with my future for the next 10 years. But it's what I wanted to do."

For Blake, photography was more than a picture — it was a special opportunity.

"The thing I like most about photography is that it is really the only chance you'll ever get to see what I'm seeing at a particular moment in time," he said. "There are pictures, and then there's art — there's a difference. I love photography, whether it's my photography or someone else's, because you're getting to see what someone else sees exactly the way they wanted to see it, at that exact time. And you can't really do that anywhere else. Paintings are great, illustrations are great, but they're not real. Photography for the most part is real, and it was a real moment in time."

category: potluck anything goes on trivia night

by Tamara Salisbury

It was about 7 p.m. on a Wednesday, and a couple of students arrived at Auntie Mae's Parlor in Aggieville. Already, the good tables by the TV and emcee's microphone were taken, so the students settled in at the next-best table and waited.

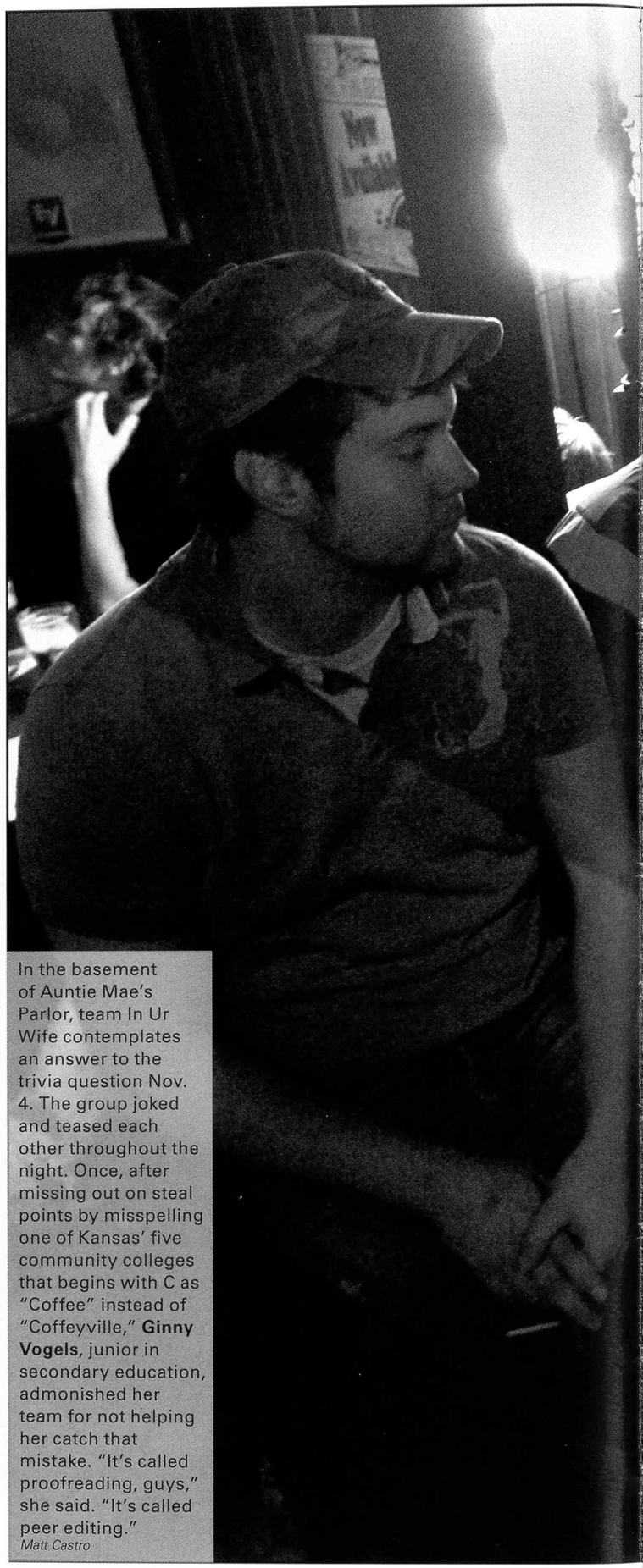
Soon, a whiteboard was brought to the table. **Bryce Williams**, senior in engineering; **Matt McRoberts**, sophomore in biology; **Josh Yewell**, junior in athletic training; **Ginny Vogels**, junior in secondary education; **Andrew Shain**, junior in history; and **Brandon Vaille**, junior in kinesiology, all paid the $5 entry fee. Vogels wrote "In Ur Wife" at the top, instead of "In Ur Mom," which had been the team name nearly every Wednesday before. The team was ready.

It was Trivia Night at Auntie Mae's, a tradition that was nearing its sixth-year anniversary. **Jeff Denney**, owner, said the event had been popular since the beginning, though he was uncertain why that was.

"It has remained steady no matter what was going on," he said. "We always have a steady crowd of people. I'm not sure if it's just a break from school or what. It's almost like a board game kind of night, a get together with your friends and have a few drinks."

Though people started arriving around 7 p.m., the trivia game did not start until 8, and questions did not begin until 8:30. Once it was game on, a different atmosphere overtook the previously chatty bar.

Heads turned toward **Jeff Kreuser**, Manhattan resident, as he took the emcee's mic and began the game.



In the basement of Auntie Mae's Parlor, team In Ur Wife contemplates an answer to the trivia question Nov. 4. The group joked and teased each other throughout the night. Once, after missing out on steal points by misspelling one of Kansas' five community colleges that begins with C as "Coffee" instead of "Coffeyville," **Ginny Vogels**, junior in secondary education, admonished her team for not helping her catch that mistake. "It's called proofreading, guys," she said. "It's called peer editing."
Matt Castro





a welcome distraction

The rules were simple: the game consisted of two rounds and a final question. Each team got a turn answering a question from the category of their choosing. If they answered correctly, the team got 100 points. If they answered incorrectly, the other teams got a chance to earn 50 points by writing the correct answer on their whiteboard. However, once each round, the original team could choose to smack another team, forcing the other team to answer. If the smacked team members answered correctly, they won 200 points. If they answered incorrectly, the original team was awarded the 200 points.

"People are pretty hesitant to smack us," Yewell said. "We have seven people and all that combined knowledge, plus, we look like a pretty smart team."

In Ur Wife started well, only trailing by a few points behind Detachable Penis at the end of the first round.

Categories included general knowledge, pop culture, and one category called "Potluck" was completely random. Categories like "Gwyneth Paltrow," "The year is 2002!," "TV Roles" and "Dogs in Film," dealt with pop culture, and the group fared well with most of these categories. When the question was, "What are the nicknames of all five Spice Girls?" Shain perked up.

"I got this, guys," he said. "First concert I ever went to."

Though the trivia game taught the group random facts, they were not sure how much it helped their college careers. In fact, a few of the group members said they downloaded random trivia applications to their iTouches or iPhones and used that to distract themselves from boring, lectures. They saw Trivia Night as a break from studying.

"Andrew has an oral exam at 8:30 tomorrow morning," Vogels said, laughing.

"It's French. I don't know French. Je m'appelle..." Shain answered.

"Je m'appelle drunkass, that's what it should be," Yewell countered.

As the evening progressed, and full pitchers left the table empty, the team became bolder and louder, and the questions got harder.

"We need to wait to get drunk until the second round, guys," Vogels had warned an hour earlier.

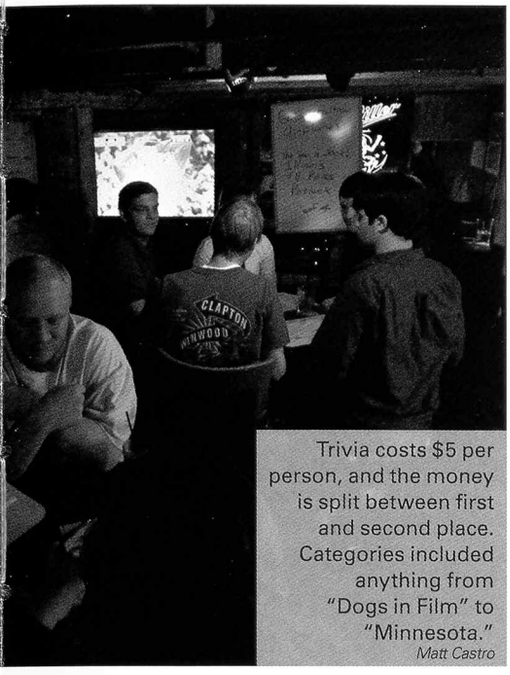
The group laughed and ignored her, however, ordering more drinks and pitchers, but through the second round, the team struggled. By the final trivia question, they were paying for that decision. The team was down 750 points to Sniffin' Dicks. They decided it was all or nothing, wagering all 1900 of their points on the final question in the "Network TV" category.

"This is sloppy, guys," Vogels said. "We need to pull it together."

When Kreuser went up to the whiteboard to write the final question, a hush fell over the bar. Though it had been eerily quiet several times previously, this five-minute period was the most intense. The groups were searching for the answer to the final question: Since (the network's) first airing in 1986, name three of the five primetime TV shows that have run the most seasons on FOX.

"Usually it all comes down to the final question," Denney said.

When the five minutes were up and each team had submitted their answers,



Trivia costs $5 per person, and the money is split between first and second place. Categories included anything from "Dogs in Film" to "Minnesota."
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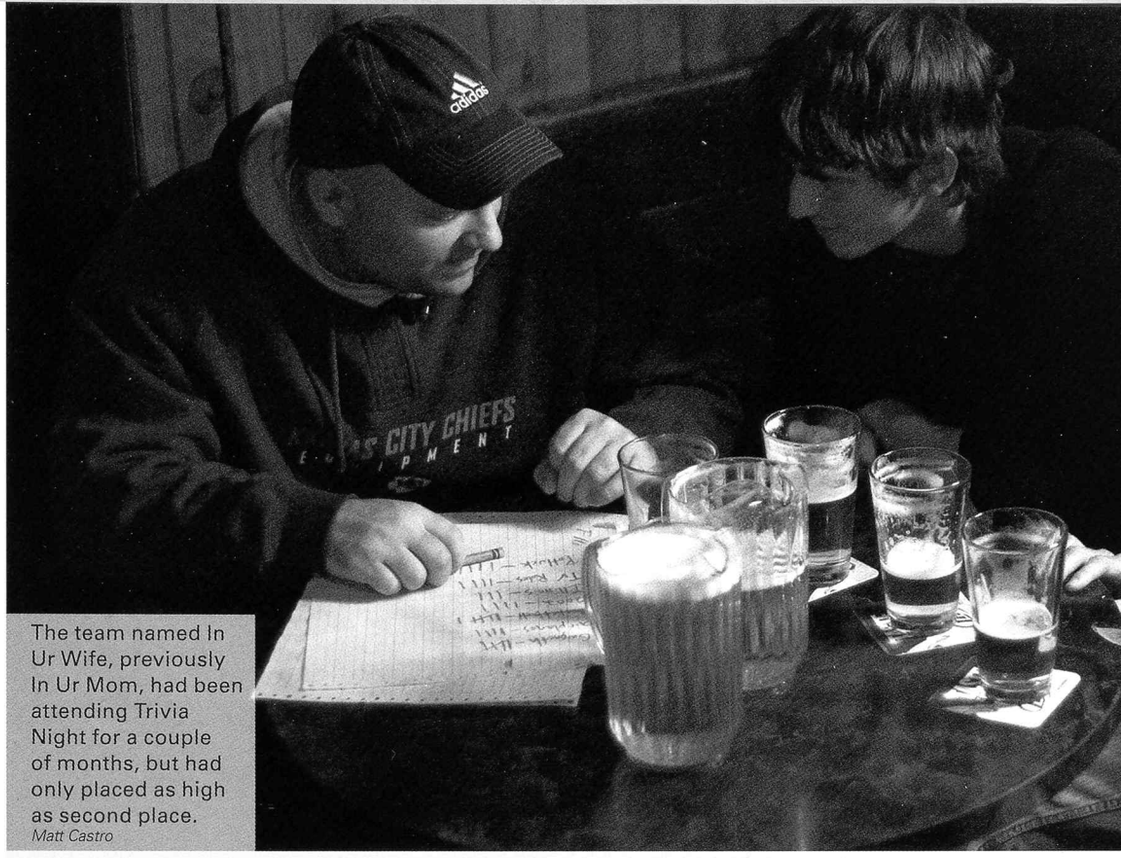

The team named In Ur Wife, previously In Ur Mom, had been attending Trivia Night for a couple of months, but had only placed as high as second place.
Matt Castro

Kreuser revealed each team's answers and final points, beginning with the team that was in last place. The first and second teams did not give three correct answers and were left with one point. When another team finally answered three correctly and had 3600 points, In Ur Wife got a little nervous, though two of their answers had been validated. Finally, their turn came. Their answers were: "The Simpsons," "Cops" and "America's Most Wanted."

"They had 1,900 points, they wagered 1,900 points, and now they have 3,800 points," Kreuser said.

This put the team in first place about halfway through the final tallies. The next team, however, answered correctly as well, with one of their answers as "Married With Children," giving them the lead over In Ur Wife, but no team would come up with the final possible answer, "Beverly Hills 90210," and no other team beat the leader, giving In Ur Wife second place and $80.

Amid celebratory hugs and high-fives, they divided their winnings and headed down the street to the Salty Rim to continue the celebration.

Bonus Question: **Volunteer Emcee**

Six years ago, **Jeff Kreuser**, Manhattan resident, began coming to Trivia Night at Auntie Mae's Parlor. What he could not have guessed was that after a few months, the host would move and Kreuser would take over the job. He was not affiliated with Auntie Mae's, and the emcee gig was completely volunteer.

Kreuser said the teams and their traditions kept the job entertaining. One of these traditions was that once per round, a team member would yell, "Your categories suck!" When this happened, Kreuser would let the whole group know, "I just had the first person this round tell me..." and the whole bar would finish, "...your categories suck!"

Kreuser said he does not see an end in sight.

"I keep thinking I would run out of ideas, but it hasn't happened yet," he said.



Even though it was cold **Logan Peelen**, junior in family studies and human services, braves the weather to help keep the peace for the New Year's Celebration. People filled Moro Street to see the ball drop and the fireworks. "I was pretty far back, not in a big crowd," **Amanda Elrod**, senior in mass communications, said. "They had barriers around, but I didn't see anything. Everyone was drinking and in a good mood."
Chelsy Lueth

New Year's security *in aggieville*

by Brandon Salisbury

Celebrating the new year in Aggieville at The Little Apple New Year's Eve celebration was one of the highlights for students who stuck around Manhattan over winter break. The ushering in of 2010 would probably not be remembered for the large fireworks show, two live bands or the blue moon, but for the unusually low temperatures. With a low of 5 degrees, most of the crowd stayed in the bars or in their homes until 11:30 p.m.

Several people braved the cold for hours before midnight to help local police officers with security on Moro Street. Starting at 6 p.m., they set up barricades and gates to control the crowds, historically in excess of 10,000, while helping keep open containers off the street. **Logan Peelen**, junior in family studies and human services, gave up parties to work.

"It is my first time working security in Aggieville," Peelen said. "It pays well, and lots of my friends work here."

After setting up the barricades, the security staff traded between keeping patrons off the barricades in the freezing temperatures and warming up inside Varney's Bookstore, the home base for the staff. As the clock ticked closer to midnight, and the streets became more crowded, the entire staff went outside to maintain security checkpoints. **Amanda Elrod**, senior in mass communications, watched the ball drop from the west end of Moro Street.

"There are always drunks stumbling around, but if something broke out there were guards on every building's corner, and they could respond quickly," she said. "Everyone was drinking and in a good mood."

Although the crowds were smaller than in previous years, activity still kept the staff busy. While scanning the crowd, Peelen said he hoped there would be enough activity to keep warm, but nothing too serious.

"No bombs or anything, I just hope to keep it exciting," he said.

Only minor events were reported, and event organizers said the turnout was larger than expected, especially considering the sub-freezing temperatures. After the ball dropped and fireworks lit up the sky, resolutions were made and kisses were given, the crowds returned to the warmth of the bars or home to continue the celebration.

"I'm not 21 yet, so I only came for the ball drop," Lauren Beeman, junior in marketing, said. "It was pretty cold, but my friends and I bundled up before we came."

Just as quickly as the frosty night air had been broken with laughter, Moro Street returned to silence. By 12:45 a.m. only displaced party hats and confetti evidenced that anything had been out of the ordinary.

low temperatures for New Year's Eve over the last decade

2009-5°
2008-16°
2007-21°
2006-26°
2005-19°
2004-26°
2003-28°
2002-14°
2001-1°
2000-10°

atypical

by Melissa M. Taylor

"Remember to tip your pizza girl!"

Jessica Schwalm, pizza girl and sophomore in agricultural economics



Under the bright lights of the O'Malley's Alley sign, advertising $2.50 bottles and $3 domestic pints, **Brittany Jean Balderson**, alumna, and her husband **Doug** stop for a slice before leaving Aggieville. The bar went through approximately 34 pizzas a night.
Lisle Alderton

After a night of watching sports, **Kyle Storjohann** and **Nick Bingham**, patronize the pizza stand. "We were at Kite's watching the K-State game," Bingham said. "I am a little distraught over the game, but the pizza is helping."
Lisle Alderton



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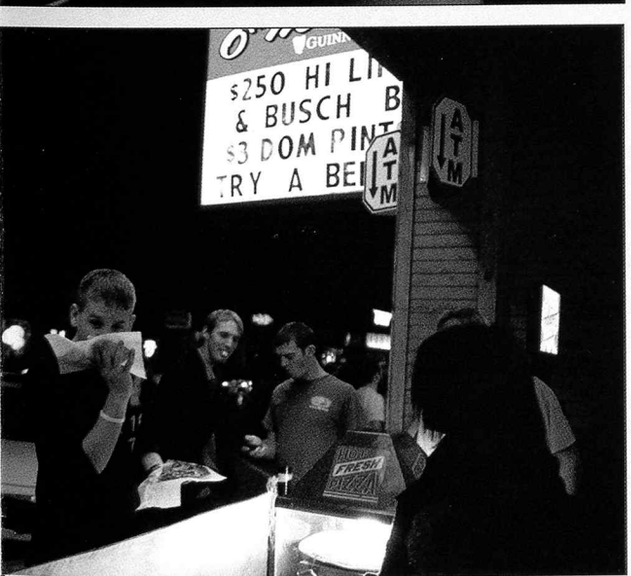


While city codes changed throughout the years, the eight-year tradition of O'Malley's Alley cooking pizzas and selling them on the street remained. Every Thursday, Friday and Saturday night, weather permitting, when the clock struck 11 p.m., one pizza stand went up outside the bar to serve the crowds in Aggieville. For $1.25, any passerby could pick up a slice.

"At one point (there was an ordinance that) you had to have a certain percentage of your total gross receipt in food sales," **Jesse Clingan**, manager, said. "If you had a bar in Aggieville or anywhere in Manhattan, you had to have some sort of food source. We started doing pizza, and ever since that rule was amended, we've just been doing it out of tradition because it goes over pretty well."

O'Malley's pizza slinging started out as a way to comply with the city ordinance but continued long after the law was dropped. Clingan said the tradition continued because people were used to it and because curbside pizza became part of the bar's weekend atmosphere.

Waitress **Jessica Schwalm**, sophomore in agricultural economics, said the convenience and location was what kept the tradition going. Schwalm said being in the center of Aggieville helped the business and its customers.

"It helps them sober up a little bit and helps them get home safer," Schwalm said. "A lot of times if they are in groups, if there is one person who is drunker than another, their friends will buy them pizza."

Schwalm had waitressed at the bar for more than a year and said her pizza nights always had interesting events, like seeing a man tasered and arrested or seeing people wearing clothing not suited for the weather.

"You are always going to have people who aren't going to like (pizza sales), but for the most part everyone thinks it's convenient," she said. "They like it, enjoy it and I can recognize people who come back."

Regardless of the toppings — pepperoni, hamburger or sausage — Schwalm said Aggieville patrons needing food to counterbalance alcohol consumption or just food for a late night snack took advantage of the low prices and convenience. Whether they were college students, Manhattan residents, Fort Riley soldiers or out-of-towners, she said the pizza was worth the cost.

"This pizza fucking rocks," **Eric Vance**, Fort Riley soldier, said. "It's great drunk pizza. It's easy, fast, convenient and it's cheap."

by Tamara Salisbury

MLK Observance Week

candlelight vigil provides time for reflection

Continuing a tradition from the '80s, Alpha Phi Alpha sponsored a walk, candlelight vigil and speaker in memory of Martin Luther King Jr. Jan. 19. A hot chocolate reception followed, sponsored by the School of Leadership Studies.

"(The walk) is a reminder of how we can peacefully march today without worry or fear," said **Brandon L. Clark**, Alpha Phi Alpha district director and non-degree graduate student. "It recreates walking during the civil rights movement in peaceful protest. It's something the entire community can enjoy and spend two hours thinking and reflecting on the life of Dr. King."

Toni Owens, Alpha Kappa Alpha membership chair and senior in social sciences, said the night was more than reflection on the past; it also took action on the future.

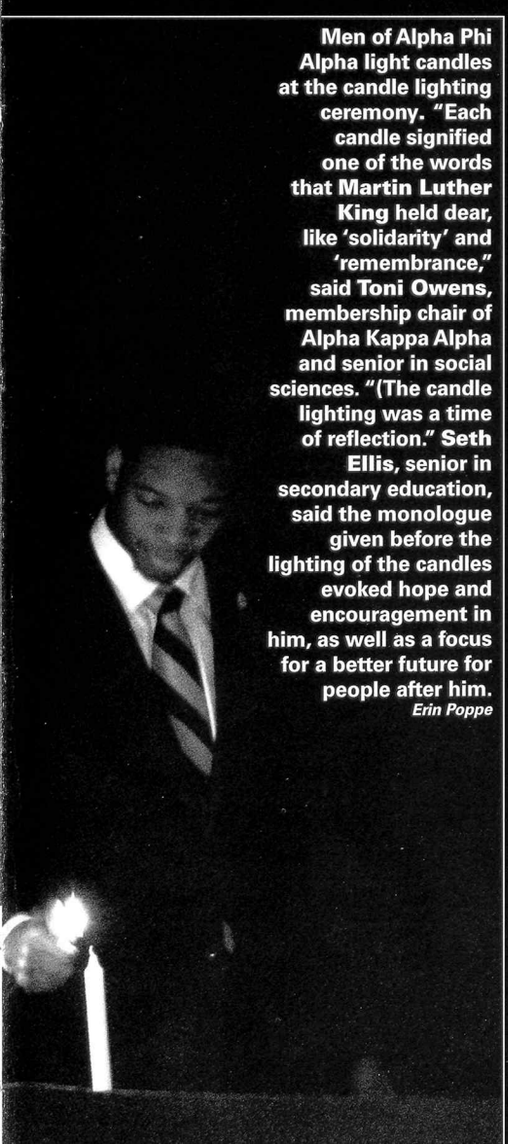
"Every year at the candlelight vigil they ask to donate to the memorial (being built in honor of King in Washington, D.C.), but this year they asked everyone to give what they were going to give to Haiti," she said. "Alpha Phi Alpha is going to match the donations and send it all to the (earthquake) victims in Haiti."



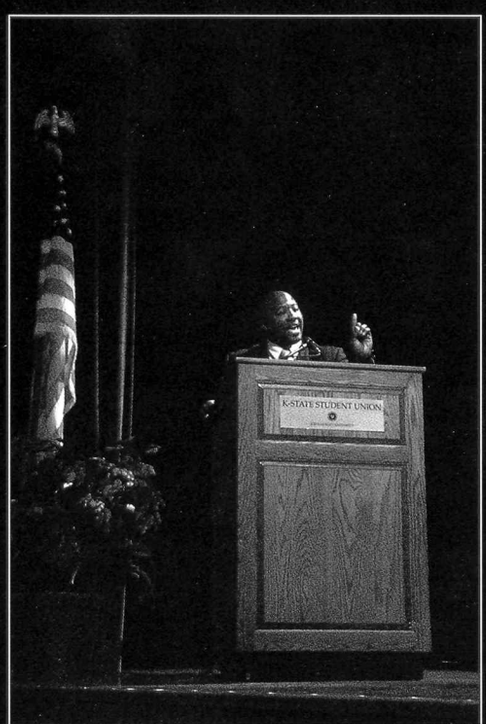
athletics department recognizes MLK Day on Big Monday

As part of the 2010 MLK Observance Week, the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics acknowledged Martin Luther King Jr. Day during the ESPN Big Monday men's basketball game against No. 1 University of Texas. Observances at the Jan. 18 game included the singing of the national anthem by United Black Voices; video tributes to notable African Americans in university athletic history, including **Veryl Switzer**, associate athletic director for academics and former university and NFL athlete, who also got the "Father of K-State Diversity" award; tables with information about King and organizations that furthered the civil rights cause; random facts shown on the video screens throughout the game and a step show and video presentation about King's speech on campus in 1968 at halftime.

"It was really amazing to be noticed and to be able to put out how we feel and express everything that Dr. King has done for us and black history and the progress we have made because of him," said **Jeremy James**, president of Alpha Phi Alpha and junior in social sciences. "Actually, he is a member of our fraternity, and so of course that speaks to me more. I'm really excited and really glad to even share that much with him."



Men of Alpha Phi Alpha light candles at the candle lighting ceremony. "Each candle signified one of the words that Martin Luther King held dear, like 'solidarity' and 'remembrance,'" said **Toni Owens**, membership chair of Alpha Kappa Alpha and senior in social sciences. "(The candle lighting was a time of reflection." **Seth Ellis**, senior in secondary education, said the monologue given before the lighting of the candles evoked hope and encouragement in him, as well as a focus for a better future for people after him.
Erin Poppe



In Forum Hall, speaker **William White**, director of global marketing for Johnson and Johnson, Inc., lectures at the candle lighting ceremony. White spoke about keeping the spirit of Martin Luther King Jr. alive, and he referred King's willingness to improve people and gather together as his "condition." White said that King believed in keeping the condition alive. At the end of the ceremony, Alpha Phi Alpha took donations for a monument dedicated to King in Washington, D.C., which would be the first in the district to be dedicated to an African American.
Erin Poppe



At the showing of "The Witness: From the Balcony of Room 306," **Damien Thompson**, sophomore in life sciences, watches as the last hours of Martin Luther King Jr. are retold. "Since it was about Martin Luther King, I knew it was going to be powerful," he said. "I like that it showed the life of Martin Luther King as a preacher rather than an activist for civil rights. It gave more insight into the murder and what the media didn't tell us."
Chelsy Lueth

rediscovered bond disclosed at matinee

The eyes of nearly 200 viewers gazed up at two projection screens in the Alumni Center displaying the Lorraine Motel. "The Witness: From the Balcony of Room 306" retold **Martin Luther King Jr.'s** assassination through the testimonies of those with him that day. Amidst audio clips of King, the **Rev. Samuel "Billy" Kyles** detailed the weeks leading up to the shooting. As he stood on the balcony at the motel room and relived the historic shot, the silence of the audience filled the room. Afterward, the emcee asked the audience to take a deep breath with him as the intensity of the end of the film, fueled by Kyles' words "The dream is still alive," subsided. Attendees took something away from the film Jan. 21.

"The thing that stood out to me most was that Dr. King had a lot of strong personality traits and attributes, such as his speaking skills, his Ph.D. at 28 (years old), the Nobel Peace Prize at a young age also — the youngest to get it at that time," said **Jeremy James**, Alpha Phi Alpha president and junior in social sciences. "He could have done a lot of things, but he was working for the people, and not just any people — he put his life on the line for trash workers. I could be doing everything for myself, but Dr. King did something for a small group of workers, for a trash company, and that really speaks to me, that he was working so hard for the people."

At the close of the matinee showing of "The Witness: From the Balcony of Room 306," **Myra Gordon**, associate provost for diversity and dual career development, spoke about the "surprise" she had about Martin Luther King Jr. and the university.

Gordon said an alumnus had contacted her about a document he had spotted in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution as part of a collection owned by **Harry Belafonte**, singer and a friend of King. In the collection which was being auctioned through Sotheby's, was a document relating directly to the university. One of the papers came from King's coat pocket the day he died, and on it, King had written the names of four men who were tied to the speech he had given at the university four months before — the last university he spoke at before his death. Among the names the alumnus had recognized was then-President **James McCain**.

"This one piece of paper, with handwritten notes, was in his coat pocket, at the second of his passing," she said. "This piece of paper in the coat pocket of Dr. King with the names of all these K-State people in it means that we were on the balcony of room 306. K-State was there."

Toni Owens, Alpha Kappa Alpha membership chair and senior in social sciences, said she felt the connection between the university and King even

Hale Library research specialist recalls moments alone with MLK

Nearly 45 years after **Pat Patton**, Hale Library research specialist, began working for the university, Photo Services discovered unseen photographs of Martin Luther King Jr.'s speech. At about the same time, **Myra Gordon**, associate provost for diversity and dual career development, alerted her to a document connecting the university to King. Patton's work in the university archives was not the only thing linking her to King.

When she was 27 years old and working as a bookkeeper for the athletic residence hall, Patton assisted King during his visit to campus for a Convocation speech Jan. 19, 1968. She said she remembered several things about King, but three characteristics stuck out in her memory — that he was alone; he thanked her before he left and he maintained quiet demeanor despite the objections to his visit.

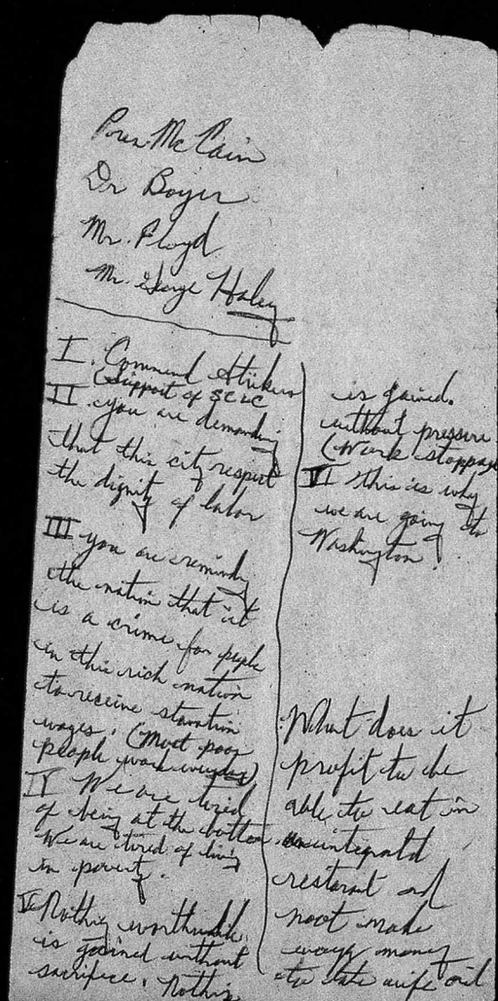
"Most generally, I was seated in the reception area of the director's office … and generally speakers would go into the director's office, but Dr. King chose to sit out there with me, which was how comfortable he was," she said. "He had such an aura of calm about him. He didn't write any notes. He just sat there. I was facing north, and he was facing west, so I have his profile burned into my brain. I knew that there was turmoil here at K-State and there had been some remarks made and letters written and all, but just to see how calm he was was just utterly amazing."

through the difference of more than 40 years.

"It's hard to put into words (how I feel)," she said. "It makes it more special — I don't even know if that's the right word — just knowing that K-State was in the mind of Dr. Martin Luther King when he passed away. It really opened my eyes to making his dream continue on after he passed away."

To close, Gordon left the audience with one final thought.

"It is the most amazing thing that our alumnus would have seen it, would have been old enough to recognize these names," she said. "How many people in Atlanta, on any given day, read the Journal-Constitution? Millions. But they don't know these names. The people at the King Foundation, they don't even know the significance of this document. But now, we do. K-State was on the balcony of room 306."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Mr. Floyd
Mr. George Haley

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IV We are tired of being at the bottom. We are tired of living in poverty.
V Nothing worthwhile is gained without sacrifice. Nothing is gained without pressure (Work stoppage)
VI this is why we are going to Washington!

What does it profit to be able to eat in an integrated restaurant and not make ways money to take wife out

The names of then-President James McCain; William Boyer, former professor of political science; Homer Floyd, former executive director of the Kansas Human Relations Commission; and George Haley, former state senator, were found on a document in Martin Luther King Jr.'s pocket the day he was shot on the balcony of a hotel in Memphis, Tenn., linking King to the university. A copy of the document was published in the Atlanta Journal Constitution and was up for sale through Sotheby's, a New York auction house. Also on the document were notes about poverty and the struggles of working men and women. One key phrase at the end of the notes was, "This is why we are going to Washington!"
courtesy of Harry Belafonte and The New York Times



A panel of six women present and discuss issues about human trafficking. **Nadia Shapkina**, professor of sociology, responds to a question about globalized human trafficking. Shapkina was joined on the panel by **Barbara Pearson**, assistant director of counseling services; **Mary Todd**, director of the women's center; **Kristen Tebow**, Kansas State University for an Informed Democracy president and senior in anthropology; and Noelle Remy, member of KSUAID and freshman in sociology.
Erin Poppe

Kristen's Story

by Lauren Gocken

Beneath the marching band uniform and greek letters, the bubbly young woman that started the year began to fade. **Kristen Tebow**, Kansas State University Americans for an Informed Democracy president and senior in anthropology, was sold into a Riley County sex trade ring. Tebow shared her traumatic story during the Human Trafficking Awareness Event sponsored by KSUAID Jan. 19.

Tebow, a freshman at the time, had become friends with a senior woman who was in the marching band with her. The senior invited Tebow to a party, and since she had never been to a college party, she accepted the offer.

"I had a little bit of a worried or nervous feeling in the pit of my stomach," Tebow said. "I set those feelings aside because I wanted to be liked, especially by an upperclassman."

After detouring from Manhattan, where Tebow expected the party to be, to Fort Riley, she said she started feeling anxious. The senior said the reason for the detour was to pick up some girlfriends who did not have cars. But instead, they met up with some men at a gas station who paid especially close attention to Tebow, then they all left in the men's car.

The group arrived at Club Rose in Junction City and Tebow drank one drink. Approximately 20 minutes after she finished her drink, Tebow began feeling sick and passed out.

"I woke up in a cab, and it was a very insane experience," Tebow said. "It was like I was looking through a glass of water or something. Everything was very blurry and kind of trippy. I just kept hearing bits and pieces of men's voices — then I blacked out again."



Tebow awakened in an unfamiliar hotel room, surrounded by men in different states of undress. She was aware of what was happening but was unable to move and eventually passed out again. When she awoke in the morning, Tebow was scared and ready to leave — she had band practice to go to and a lunch planned with her parents — but the senior took her time getting her belongings together.

"I was so scared," Tebow said. "I wanted to go home and be with my parents where I knew I was safe. I love my parents, but I have never been one to completely embrace them with love, so it was weird that all I wanted was for my daddy to hold me."

When the senior finally got her things together, one of the men from the gas station handed her a large roll of money before leaving the hotel room. Tebow questioned her on the car ride home and eventually the senior admitted to having arranged the gang rape.

Tebow and a friend went to the Junction City Police Department to report what had happened. The police said they could not prosecute because they did not have sufficient evidence, and if Tebow wanted them to talk to the senior, she would have to have her call the police station. The senior later graduated from the university with honors and suffered no consequences for her actions. Tebow, however, had to deal with anger, dropping grades and eventually flunking out of school.

"One thing I have learned is that when something happens to you, you might not always have law enforcement to fix the problems for you," Tebow said. "You have to deal with it yourself. I almost let it consume me."

Later, Tebow was given another shot

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The Human Trafficking Event was put on by KSUAID and co-sponsored by:

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On the stage of Forum Hall, women visit after the human trafficking presentation. Part of the event was the personal human trafficking account of **Kristen Tebow**, Kansas State University Americans for an Informed Democracy president and senior in anthropology. "(My experience) was a really organized thing," Tebow said. "That kind of thing doesn't just happen on a whim. I probably wasn't their first (victim) and probably not the last. Use your gut. I didn't. Once you take that drink, your life is in their hands."
Erin Poppe



"Let somebody know where you are at all times. Have a phone. Don't accept drinks from anyone, including girls. You shouldn't have to sacrifice your life, but you still need to be aware."

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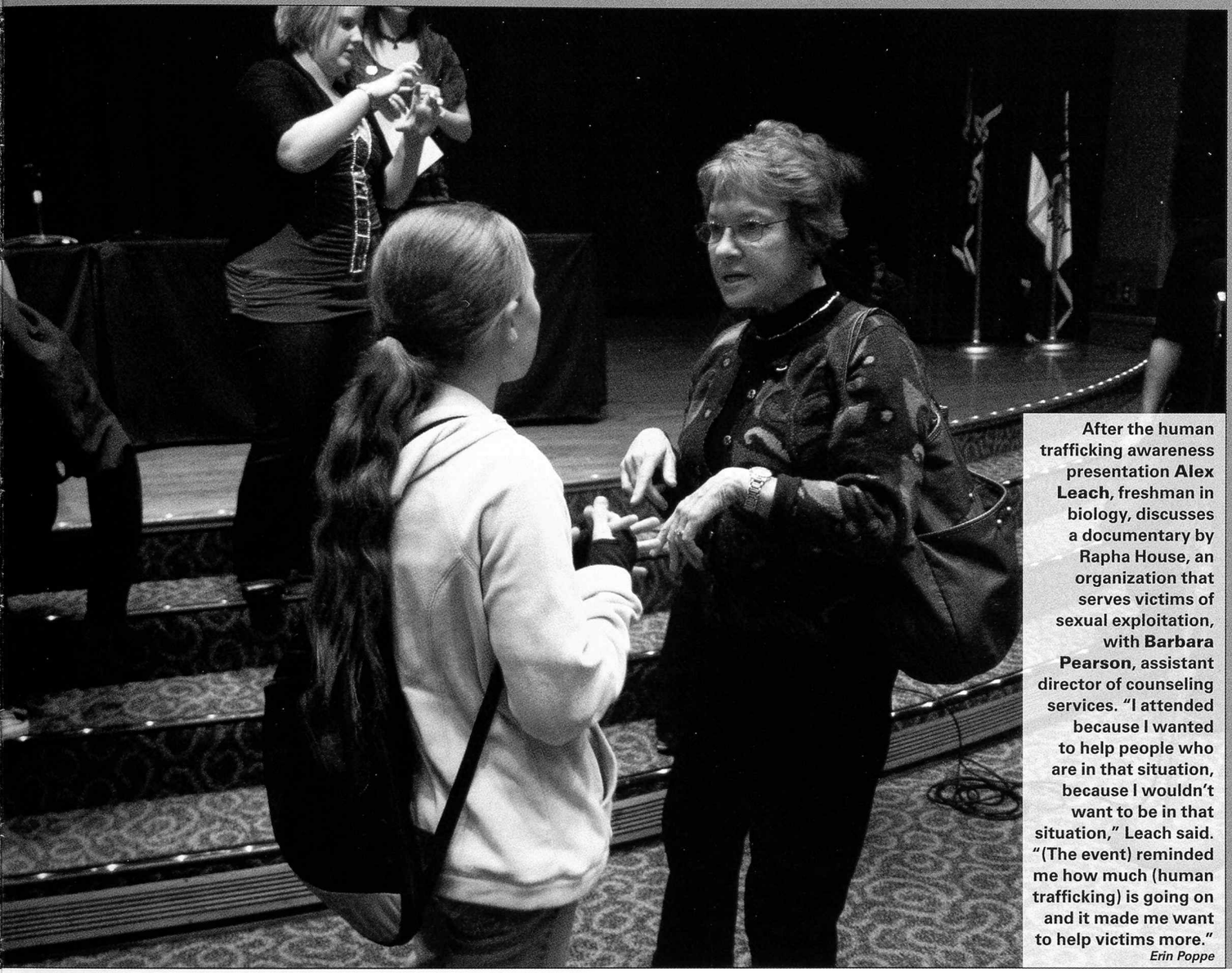


After the human trafficking awareness presentation Alex Leach, freshman in biology, discusses a documentary by Rapha House, an organization that serves victims of sexual exploitation, with Barbara Pearson, assistant director of counseling services. "I attended because I wanted to help people who are in that situation, because I wouldn't want to be in that situation," Leach said. "(The event) reminded me how much (human trafficking) is going on and it made me want to help victims more."
Erin Poppe

at college by showing the traumatic event was what caused her grades to suffer. She used her story to educate others as the highlight of a Human Trafficking Awareness event put on by KSUAID. The night started at 6:30 with the showing of "Trade," a film about a young girl in Mexico who was kidnapped and moved around Mexico and the United States until she was rescued by her brother and a police officer.

After the movie, Tebow told her story and a board of professionals answered questions from the audience. The board included Tebow; **Mary Todd**, director of the women's center; **Barbara Pearson**, assistant director of counseling services; **Nadia Shapkina**, assistant professor of sociology, anthropology and social work; and **Noelle Remy**, member of KSUAID and freshman in sociology.

Todd spoke about the stigmas associated with rape and the different cases she had seen in the women's center.

"There's a stigma attached to this crime (rape) that somehow it's partly your fault," Todd said. "I don't care if you're walking naked through the park at midnight swinging a bottle of tequila in your hand, that does not give someone the right to choose to commit a crime."

Todd said one in three rape cases involved being drugged, and there had been a rise in the sociopathic traits that sparked these crimes; it used to be that 1 in 100 men showed the traits, but now 1 in 10 men showed these traits.

The event's intention was to share Tebow's story and provide awareness, Remy said.

"I am using my story to help others, and that's what has pushed me to be the person I am today," Tebow said. "I still cry and I get that sickening feeling in my stomach from filth I cannot wash off, but in the end, I am not ashamed because my horrible, traumatic experience has made me into the person I am today."



At Manhattan High School Dec. 5, **Becki Ronen**, Miss Kansas 2009 and senior in applied music, speaks to students. She introduced herself at the Miss America Pageant with, "Celebrating the 75th anniversary of 'The Wizard of Oz': there's still no place like home. I'm Becki Ronen, Miss Kansas."
Tommy Theis

Regional Royalty

by Caitlin M. Burns

"Miss America, to me, is a very modern, contemporary woman with a specific purpose and a specific goal. I really have focused on embodying that and directed myself toward being a contemporary woman that people can look up to." – Becki Ronen, Miss Kansas 2009 and senior in applied music, in an interview on TLC

Standing on stage, dressed in her evening gown and surrounded by the other contestants, **Becki Ronen** anxiously waited to hear the results of the Miss Kansas 2009 Pageant.

"I was standing there, and they announced I won after the top ten, and I was thinking I didn't win, but I represented myself and my community," said Ronen, Miss Kansas 2009 and senior in applied music. "I was in total shock. Right after they called my name, I looked out off the runway, and it was an emotional moment."

After she won, she did not have much time to take it all in. She gave her family and friends a quick hug and headed to a cocktail party. She said it finally sank in when she had a moment to slow down.

"I was washing my face and looked in the mirror, and I was wearing my crown; I couldn't take it off," she said. "It's exciting because you work so hard to get to that position."

Ronen began competing in pageants when she was 19. In the Miss Kansas 2008 Pageant she received third runner up. While she had not grown up competing, she said she got to know many of the previous Miss Kansas because her mother was the producer for the Miss Kansas organization.

As a young girl, Ronen said she was quite shy, but playing trumpet — her talent in the pageant — helped her become more confident.

"When I was little, I was shy and wouldn't talk unless you talked to me first," she said. "I looked at my shoes when walking down the hall. That progressed until sixth grade when I picked up the trumpet. It boosted my confidence and helped me feel like I fit in. Now I'm majoring in trumpet performance, and I'm very confident and sure of myself. I credit all of it to being in the arts."

To help her prepare for the competition, she practiced interviewing skills by talking to people about hot topics at roundtables, and she worked out with a trainer for the swimsuit and dress portions of the pageant. Ronen said the competition was not just about the glitz and glamour.

"Miss America is focused on intelligent women," she said. "Forty-five million dollars is given to passionate, well-rounded women who have the desire to give back to their community. It's an awareness issue; people don't know how much money is given for any college you want to go to. It's a great way to prepare women for life. It helped me be a better interviewer and has given me money so I can continue school."

After winning Miss Kansas, she became the billboard for the organization. She spoke at schools to motivate children, helped with fundraising and recruitment and did magazine shoots. She then participated in the Miss America Pageant Jan. 30.

"There are 52 other candidates, and when you get that far everyone is exceptional," Ronen said. "I'm focused on being the best Becki I can be. I'm going to let the chips fall the way they are going to fall."

A CHANCE TO *Cleanse*

by Eric Brown

During the Islamic month of Ramadan, Muslims around the world fasted during daylight hours to bring themselves closer to Allah and to purify and strengthen their souls.

"This month teaches us patience," **Fida Ullah**, student in the American Culture Studies Program, said. "You see the food in front of you, yet you know not to eat it. It makes us stronger mentally. It makes us more pure, and it brings us closer to Allah."

Ramadan began Aug. 21 in accordance with the first crescent moon sighting after the eighth month on the Islamic calendar and ended when the next crescent moon was spotted.

Muslims across campus gathered food in the dining halls during dinnertime and patiently waited for the sun to set so they could begin to eat.

"We come, we get our food and then once the sun goes down we pray, and then we begin to eat." Ullah said. "It becomes pretty difficult not to eat sometimes, but we know it makes us better. It gives us a chance to reevaluate our lives and develop more of an appreciation for our god. I am 22 years old, and I understand I won't live forever; all I have is Allah."

Muslims viewed Ramadan as an opportunity to prosper as human beings. The purpose of this tradition was not to separate or isolate but to bring all together, **Muddasir Ali**, student in the American Culture Studies Program, said.

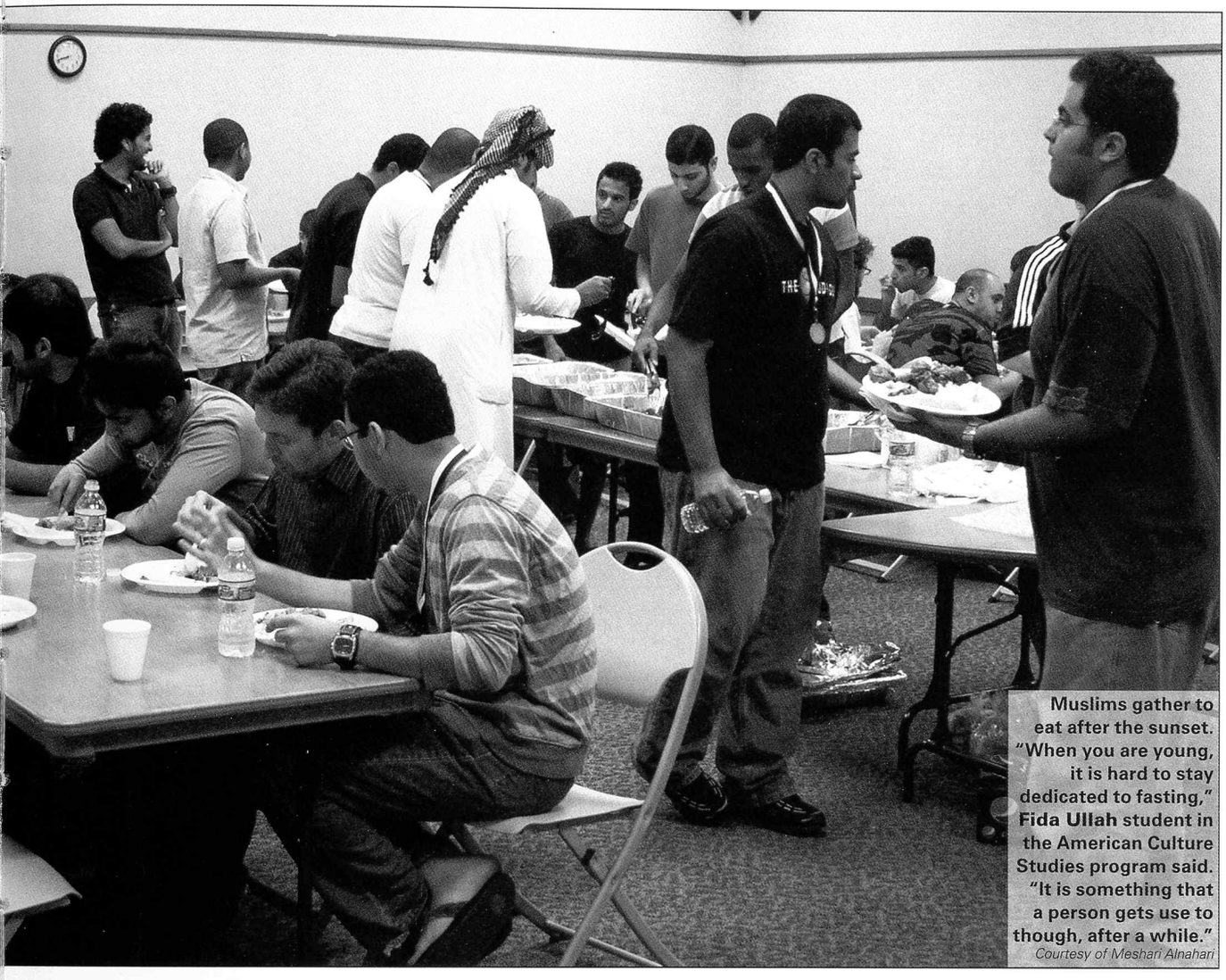
"This is a time of great celebration for us," Ali said. "It allows us to understand and appreciate life and also other people. It can allow us all to come together and recognize how much we have to struggle sometimes to get to where we want."

Ramadan officially ended Sept. 19 in the U.S. It allowed students of all backgrounds to observe the practices of different cultures. Something could be taken from the month even for those who are non-Muslims, as **Christopher Rangoolam**, freshman in food science and industry, found.

"I hadn't ever really noticed anyone celebrating Ramadan until I got to the university," Rangoolam said. "I thought that it was really interesting to be able to observe some of the rituals of people from other faiths."







Muslims gather to eat after the sunset. "When you are young, it is hard to stay dedicated to fasting," Fida Ullah student in the American Culture Studies program said. "It is something that a person gets use to though, after a while."
Courtesy of Meshari Alnahari



Ramadan brings followers of the Muslim faith together by pushing them both mentally and physically. The holiday was meant to promote unity through struggle.
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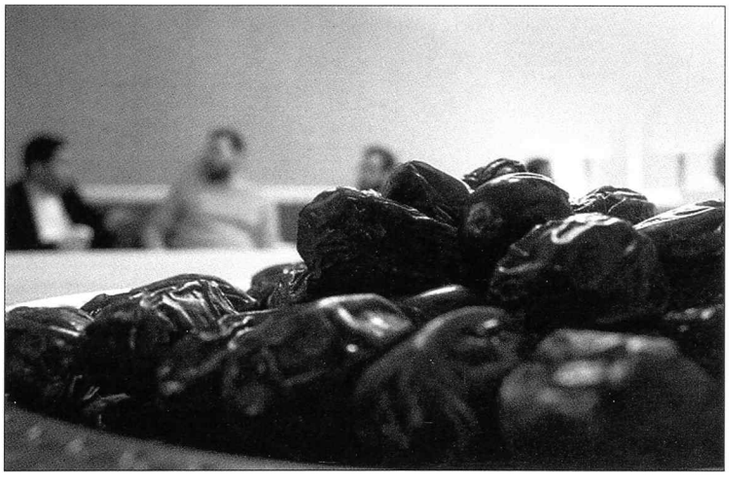


Dried fruits, such as figs, apricots and prunes are the sweets often included in night meals during the Ramadan. No food was consumed during the day.
Courtesy of Meshari Alnahari

A Different Pitch

by Tamara Salisbury

Episodes of "American Idol" were often filled with tearful contestants struggling with crushed dreams; it was difficult to imagine going through such pressure for a dream fulfilled for only a small number of contestants. However, **Jessica Furney**, freshman in music, went through it twice.

"I believe in persistency in pursuing what you want to do," she said. "You're never going to get where you want, and your dream's not going to just fall in your lap. You have to go fight for it."

After graduating from Wamego High School in 2007, Furney went backpacking in Europe, postponed college to sing and live in Ireland for a year. When she returned, she began caring for her 95-year-old grandmother and auditioned for Idol the first time.

She made it through the first round of Hollywood week but went home with the advice to sing something people would recognize next time.

"It was a lot more difficult finding songs that I enjoyed that had come out in the past year or two that I could sing that wouldn't be a complete contradiction of who I am," she said. "I mean, **Miley Cyrus** is great, but I don't think that's an avenue I would want to go down. I'm not a bubblegum pop princess."

She auditioned for Idol in June in Denver, singing "Footprints in the Sand," co-written by judge **Simon Cowell**. She was one of nearly 150 who went to Hollywood and one of 71 in the last round of Hollywood Week.

"It's really surreal when you get

When stripped, I'm just a dreamer struggling in a world of realities.



American Idol hopeful makes it to Hollywood

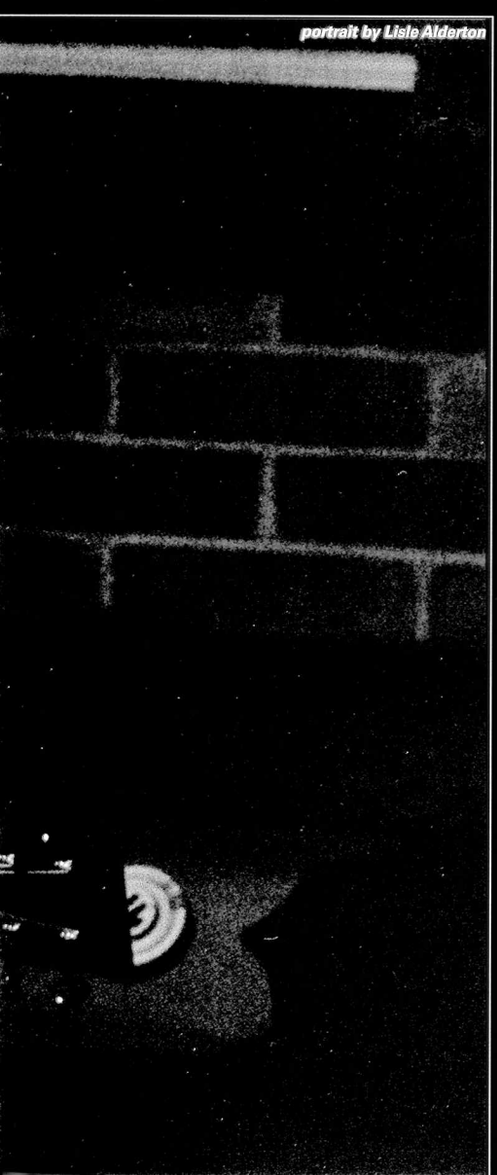
out in front of the judges because you have so much adrenaline pumping," she said. "I couldn't tell you how I did after I got done singing. You just stand there, and you smile, and you hear, 'Yes,' and you're like, 'OK, I'm good, yeah? OK, I'll go now.'"

Furney said she was then flown to Los Angeles to film what she thought was the hardest part of the audition process. She said the experience was as eye opening as it was challenging.

"They make it as tense and stressful for you as possible, just to see if you can stand the tension," she said. "And you're not just in a small town with cameras; you're on a huge stage in the Kodak Theatre, and you're just a little, itty-bitty person, trying to do something for yourself in the eight seconds you have to sing. You see people crying because we get two hours of sleep at night, and we're working all the time, and under that kind of pressure, you just break over anything. And tempers fly because you're with these people all day long, every day. They completely control the situation so they can get what they want for the TV show."

Though Furney said her experience was frustrating but positive, she said she did not plan on auditioning again.

"After auditioning this year and getting so much farther and seeing so much more — be that good or bad — it would be really hard for me to go back," she said. "To put myself through that again would not be my first choice of pursuing this dream. You never know; I didn't think I'd audition again after last year."



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American Idol, Season 9, Episode 10

The 36 remaining contestants — including **Jessica Furney**, freshman in music — went to the Kodak Theatre, where judges revealed final cuts before the live shows began. In the last five minutes of the episode, Furney faced the judges.

"Her performances had impressed the panel," host **Ryan Seacrest** said, "but her defining moment came group night as the 'Parkettes' butchered 'Sweet Escape' (by **Gwen Stefani**)."

A clip showed Furney asking the judges to let her sing her part, since they cut her group off early. She nailed it. Then Judge **Randy Jackson** delivered the news: she did not make the cut. Furney, however, did not go without a fight.

"Please," she said, "I know I can do better. You guys have no idea. It sounds pathetic to beg up here, but you guys, seriously, I have this in me. You guys have no idea what I can do. The passion in me, and the drive — it is unbelievable, just please see that. I can do this. Do not send me home. I have it."

When she asked what she did wrong, Cowell was blunt.

"You didn't sing as well as the others," he said.

Even that was not enough for Furney. She had lost her voice; she had worked with a group that could not learn the words.

"This is not the end of the road for your career," judge **Ellen DeGeneres** said.

"How do you know that? You don't know that," Furney said, near tears.

The judges reassured her at once.

"Show me that you believe in yourself and say, 'Nothing can stop me; I'm going to get mine one way or another,'" Jackson said.

At that point, Cowell cut them off and sent Furney offstage and back home.



Operation consolidation

by Colleen Quinn

Another week of school passed—friends paranoid about contracting swine flu were forgotten and the possibility of winning $50,000 was just over the horizon.

Michael Mahan, junior in political science, and **Nic Rogers**, junior in business administration, hosted Kansas' first beer pong tournament Oct. 3 and sent the winners to the World Series of Beer Pong in Las Vegas Jan. 1-5.

"We first heard about the World Series of Beer Pong when my parents came back from Las Vegas and told us that you could play beer pong for money," Rogers said. "We looked into it, watched some YouTube videos and figured we could beat those people."



With a steady hand, **Nic Rogers**, junior in business administration, aims for the opposing team's cups. Rogers and his partner, **Michael Mahan**, junior in political science, organized the tournament Oct. 3.
Erin Poppe

Regulation cups are used in the tournament. Each cup was filled with the appropriate amount of water, but nobody actually drank from the cups; players got their own drinks. "Hard work is a generous term for what we did," Rogers said.
Erin Poppe



After deciding to host the Kansas tournament, Mahan and Rogers gathered their closest friends and developed resources to promote the event. With the help of **Casey Mason**, sophomore in biology, and **Kyle Erwine**, sophomore in business administration, they created a Web site for interested teams to learn more and sign up.

"When I first heard about helping out with it, I figured it would boost my resume," Mason said. "Then I heard about the trip to Las Vegas and thought, 'This is badass.'"

In addition to the promotional Web site, officials were needed to regulate the tournament. **Rod Freeman Jr.**, sophomore in business administration, and **RJ Davis, Jr.**, sophomore in open option, filled the positions.

"We are all long-time college friends, and I thought I'd help them out," Davis said. "We call ourselves 'the brotherhood.' It was anything you could imagine when people play beer pong — loud and fun, just like a regular beer pong match. Everybody wanted to win."

Mahan and Rogers said finding a location was difficult. They decided they wanted to have it in Lawrence so both University of Kansas and K-State students could participate.

"The month leading up to the event, we were constantly in Lawrence in between our classes," Mahan said. "We were handing out flyers and just getting the word out."

Finally, after a year of planning, 24 teams showed up for a chance to head to Vegas and hit it big. Each team was guaranteed three games during the preliminary round, and after the prelims, a bracket was made according to superior ranks and a double elimination tournament began.

"The first two rounds were crazy," Mahan said. "There was never a moment where I wasn't involved in something, whether it was playing, answering a rule question, or recording the teams' win/loss records."

A university team did not take the win; however, a Colorado Springs team took home the glory and the trip to Las Vegas.

"Honestly, the whole thing went pretty smooth," Rogers said. "I think everybody had a pretty good time."

Up half a dozen metal ladder rungs built into a cluttered, black painted closet, sat **Brandon Wheat**, sophomore in theatre and one of many student volunteers, amid cords, wires, speakers and the sound board. The light and sound booth of the Manhattan Arts Center was where he primarily worked as he helped the non-profit organization.

"Theater is why I moved down here," Wheat said, "so I just tried to find every opportunity (to work in the business)."

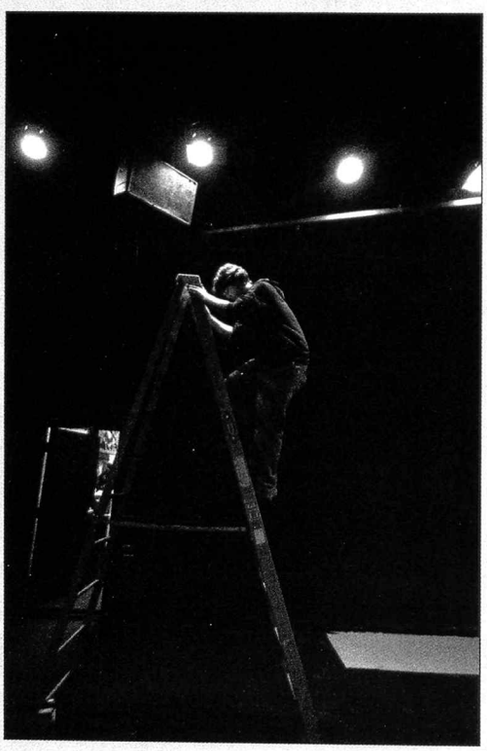
Faculty and students volunteered at the MAC in a variety of contexts. Some, like Wheat, worked exclusively behind the scenes. Others designed props, sets and costumes, or operated the light and sound. However, many acted and even directed.

"The last (play I did here), almost the entire cast and crew were students," **Caroline Dittamo**, stage manager and former student, said. "Students bring a lot of energy to the MAC, and the more students we have involved, the more community members and the more students (attend)."

Roger Adams, associate professor of special collections in Hale Library, has filled many roles volunteering at the MAC.

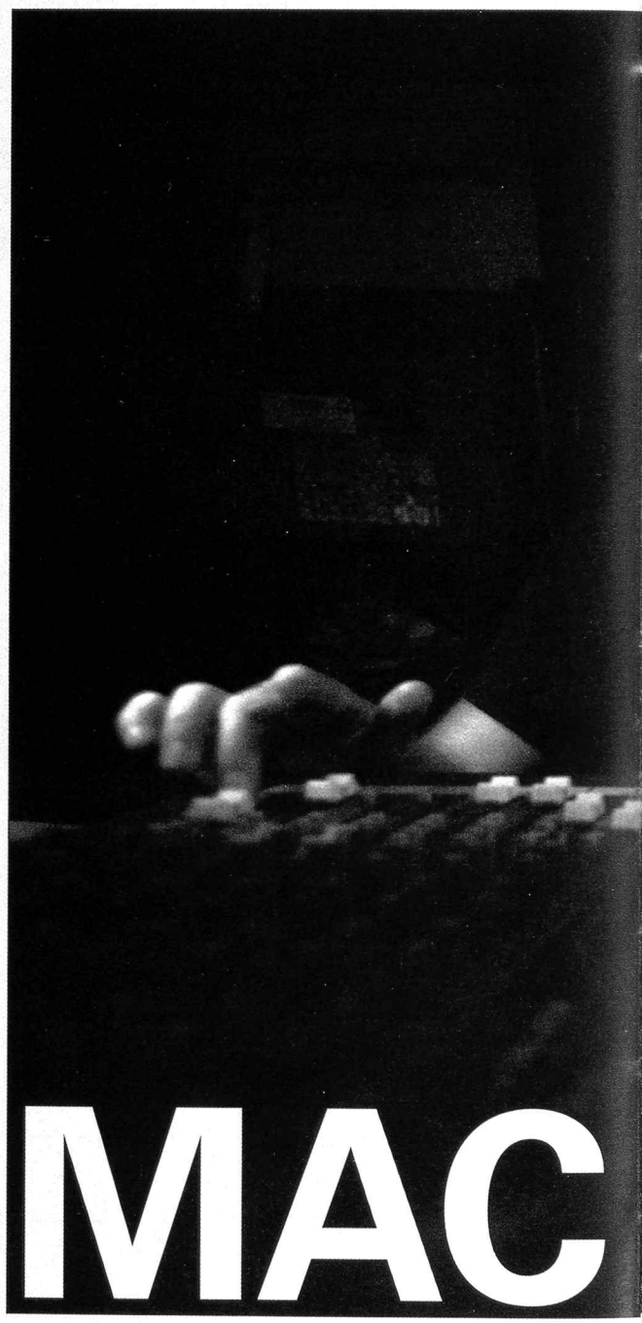
"I'm acting in ('On the Verge,') but I've directed, I've done props, stage manager, I've done just about everything," he said. "We could not pull these productions off without the assistance of K-State students. They





No different from changing lights in an apartment, Wheat changes the house lights at the MAC. "We were taking out old things from where they were and getting rid of the old and keeping the useful," Wheat said. Changing the house lights was only part of getting ready for the next production.
Chelsy Lueth

During a cleaning spree, Wheat changed lights and reorganized the sound-and-light booth. "While we were working 'On the Verge,' it was something we decided needed to be done to make the place more functional, and no one else was going to do it," Wheat said.
Chelsy Lueth



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Samantha Steinman, senior in art, taught groups of six to 15 students, aged kindergarten through sixth grade. Her classes were animal friends classes, wearable art classes and eco-art classes, which taught students about recycling and art and how they go together.

"I just think (taking classes at the MAC), is an awesome way for parents to introduce their students to more art than what's practiced in school," Steinman said. "A lot of times, I felt in elementary school classrooms, they have less than 40 minutes a week for art, and that's just not enough."

Though it was not affiliated with the university, the MAC drew a significant number of students.

"This is a community theater," Adams said, "and K-State is a huge part of this community, and that goes for the students as well. Their involvement in this community theater is central."



In the crowded upper room of the light and sound booth at the Manhattan Arts Center, Brandon Wheat, sophomore in theater, prepares for the next production. "(Volunteers) work very hard; they come in way before they have to be here," Caroline Dittamo, stage manager, said. She said volunteers often fill roles at the last minute, especially if emergencies arise. Once the lead actress's father was very ill, and another volunteer picked up her role right before the first show, Dittamo said.
Chelsy Lueth

eers make a scene *by Anna Kearns*

april

flyover alarms citizens *by Alex Yocum*

On April 27, Air Force One flew through the New York City skyline for a photo opportunity. Two fighter jets followed the low-flying Boeing 747 as it moved through the skyscrapers, causing people to assume it was a terrorist attack.

The Federal Aviation Administration sent a memo one week before the flight that said the flight plan was to be given to only those people who needed to know and was not to be released to the public or the media.

forensics team continues to rank high *by Anna Kearns*

After a 17th place finish at the American Forensics Association and National Individual Events Tournament, the forensics team, K-State Speech Unlimited, chalked up another win toward 18 years of placing in the top 20 at nationals. Three team members made it to the quarterfinals or higher.

Finishes:

James Stanfill, senior in communication studies— semifinals in prose interpretation; quarterfinals in the extemporaneous category

Brett Culbert, senior in theater, and Jessica Thompson, junior in sociology —quarterfinals in duo interpretation

Culbert — quarterfinals in dramatic interpretation

freeman *by Anna Kearns*

Former quarterback Josh Freeman joined four other Wildcats to be chosen in the first round of the NFL Draft April 25. Freeman went as No. 17 — the fourth-highest pick in university history — to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

kim john-il reappears *by Tamara Salisbury*

After a stroke in August 2008, Kim Jong-il, leader of North Korea, appeared in public for the first time A 9, according to Newser. Th 67-year-old leader attended the opening session of North Korea's rubber-stamp legislature, which appointed him to a third term. According to the BBC, he looked much older and more frail.

may *by Caitlin Burns*

abortion provider killed

Dr. George Tiller was shot and killed in Wichita while serving as an usher in a church service May 31. Tiller, a late-term abortion doctor, received many threats and attacks during his life so he usually traveled with a bodyguard. The suspect, Scott Roeder was said to be from Merriam, Kan. and had a history of being anti-government according to TIME.

"up" kicks off french film festival

For the first time ever an animated film kicked off the Cannes Film Festival, according to iCelebz.com. The Disney/Pixar 3D animated film, "Up," directed by Pete Doctor, headed up the festival May 13 in Cannes, France. "Up" opened in theatres in the U.S. May 29 and made approximately $68.2 million.

zeta tau alpha to recolonize

The Panhellenic Extension Committee voted May 4 to invite Zeta Tau Alpha sorority to return to the university.

"They were here in the thirties and I think the changing economic times in that era was a factor in the chapter closing," Scott Jones, director of greek affairs, said. "It's very exciting that we can invite them back 70 years later."

The new sorority began work on campus during the fall semester and would accept its first members after formal recruitment in the fall of 2010.

UK ends air force involvement in Iraq

After 19 years in the Middle East, the United Kingdom's Royal Air Force lowered its flag in a ceremony at the Basra Airport, May 15. This was just one step in ending operations in the region, according to the RAF. They started their operations in the region in 1990 shortly after Iraq invaded Kuwait.

june

by Lauren Gocken

air france flight 447 disappears in atlantic ocean

Air France-KLM Flight 447, a commercial flight bound for Paris, departed May 31 from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and crashed into the Atlantic Ocean June 1. The crash killed all 216 passengers and 12 crew members. The body and debris search was called off June 27 after 51 bodies had been found, according to CNN. The cause for the crash was unknown.

celebrity deaths

Four celebrity deaths occurred in the span of five days at the end of June.

Ed McMahon, television personality: March 6, 1923 - June 23, 2009

Farrah Fawcett, actress: Feb. 2, 1947 - June 25, 2009

Michael Jackson, singer: Aug. 29, 1958 - June 25, 2009

Billy Mays, product spokesperson: July 20, 1958 - June 28, 2009

swine flu declared a pandemic

The director-general of the World Health Organization, Margaret Chan, declared the H1N1 swine flu a pandemic June 11, the first pandemic declared since the 1968 Hong Kong flu, according to CNN.com. Campus officials urged students who experienced symptoms of H1N1 to get medical attention promptly and to stay home from class, dining halls and any other student gatherings.

former editor for new york times to advise collegian

Steven Wolgast was announced as the new Collegian adviser, June 8. Wolgast, formerly the news design editor for The New York Times, was also named the associate director of Student Publications Inc., according to Media Relations.

july

by Tamara Salisbury

sears tower renamed willis tower

Chicago's iconic Sears Tower was renamed on July 16 for the building's newest tenant, Willis Group Holdings. The London-based insurance broker gained the building's naming rights as part of the negotiations, according to the Chicago Tribune.

last surviving WWI trench veteran dies at 111

British veteran Harry Patch, the last surviving World War I veteran who fought in the trenches, died at 111 years old, according to CNN. His death July 25 came one week after fellow veteran Henry Allingham died at 113 years old. Patch fought in the trenches between June and September 1917.

permission to fly

In July, K-State at Salina received approval from the Federal Aviation Administration to fly the Aerosonde, an unmanned plane, over Crisis City, an emergency response training area near Salina. These flights helped evaluate existing unmanned aerial systems technology and its suitability in disaster response scenarios, according to Media Relations. The next step was applying for emergency authorization certificates, which would allow the Aerosonde to fly over sites across the state within hours of a weather-related disaster.

cash for clunkers runs out of gas

The government's Car Allowance Rebate System, known as Cash for Clunkers, burned through its initial $1 billion budget in one week, according to The Wall Street Journal. July 31, the U.S. House of Representatives approved an extra $2 billion for the program, which offered rebates up to $4,500 to consumers trading old vehicles for qualifying new, fuel-efficient models. Designed to last July through October, the program ran out of funds Aug. 24.

august

by Anna Kearns

mass grave unearthed, relocated

More than 2,000 skeletons were reburied in August after they were found in Malbork, Poland, in October 2008. Two-thirds of the skeletons belonged to women and children, but no identifying documents or artifacts were discovered, according to ABC News. Due to cost, no DNA testing was done, but historians guessed the bodies belonged to German civilians caught in the Red Army's assault of the town in 1945. At that time, Malbork was the German city of Marienburg.

airport's capabilities expand

Manhattan Regional Airport began offering round-trip flights to Dallas/Fort Worth Aug. 25. Round-trip tickets cost approximately $150. Passengers traveled on 50-seat Embraer regional jets, and flights were offered twice daily, Shane Wright, airport operations assistant, said.

first hispanic supreme court justice elected

In a 68-31 vote on Aug. 6, **Sonia Sotomayor** was named the first Hispanic Supreme Court justice and the third female justice. Sotomayor had worked for approximately 30 years at eve level of the judicial system. While accepting the nomination, she thanked President Barack Obama for "the most humbling honor of (her) life.

banned student returns

Borong Liu, former student, returned to campus after being banned last spring for threatening individuals, according to Media Relations. He was arrested Aug. 27 and placed in the Riley County jail on $10,000 bond. After posting bond, a campus alert was posted Sept. 2 but was canceled when it was

september

by Tara Cowley

australian father faces rape trial

An Australian man went to trial Sept. 17 after being convicted of raping and imprisoning his daughter for 24 years. According to BBC News, DNA tests proved the man was the father of his daughter's four children. The Herald Sun said the four children suffered from health problems since birth, and one died soon after being born. The man was charged with five counts of rape, five of incest, two of indecent assault and one of common assault.

california ravaged by wildfires

The wildfires that set Southern California records continued in September. According to World News Network, they threatened suburbs north of Los Angeles, and firefighters warned the area they thought the fires would continue. Large clouds of smoke could be seen from tourist spots such as Beverly Hills, Santa Monica and downtown Los Angeles as the fires burned out of control just 15 miles north. Approximatel 12,000 people at the base of the Angeles National Forest were at risk as the fires moved into the San Gabriel Wilderness Area

north korean dam source of south korean flood

After floodwaters flowed into South Korea from the north, three people were killed and three were missing. The river later doubled in size, leaving six more people dead. The water was thought to come from a new dam in North Korea. According to a British newspaper, The Independent, South Korean officials sent a message to North Korea Sept. 7, demanding an explanation for the flooding. There was no indication the flood was an attack.

october

by Amanda Lunn

balloon boy flies

A Mylar balloon reportedly containing 6-year-old Falcon Heene was launched in Fort Collins, Colo., Oct.15. Authorities searched for Heene, later dubbed "balloon boy," until evening when they found him in the attic of his family's house. The situation was later announced as a hoax.

obama wins nobel peace prize

The Norwegian Nobel Committee announced Oct. 9 they would award President **Barack Obama** the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize. He received the award for his "extraordinary efforts to strengthen international diplomacy and cooperation between peoples," the committee said. Obama was the third president granted the award while in office.

peshawar bombing affects hundreds

A car exploded Oct. 28 in a marketplace in Peshawar, Pakistan. The blast killed more than 100 people, and injured at least 200 more. The Pakistani government believed the Taliban were involved, but the Taliban denied any responsibility for the bombing. According to CNN, this was the deadliest attack on Peshawar since October 2007, when an attack took place at a homecoming rally for former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto.

bodies found near ogden

The half-buried bodies of 18-year-old **Tanya Maldonado** and her 15-month-old son were disconvered by a hunger Oct. 25 in Ogden. Police arrested suspect Luis Antonio Aguirre, in Texas Oct. 30. According to Riley County police, Maldonado and Aguirre were previously in a relationship. Aguirre was held in Austin, Texas, on a $2.5 million bond.

november

by Colleen Quinn

school beatings confirmed on facebook

A Facebook status, which referenced "Kick a Ginger Day," aided police in finding those responsible for beating of a 12-year-old redheaded boy by a group of seventh-and eighth-grade students at A.E. Wright Middle School in Los Angeles Nov. 20. There were no serious injuries and no arrests were made.

lowest civilian death toll in iraq recorded

The Iraqi civilian death toll in November was at its lowest point since the war began almost seven years ago. According to CNN, the violence rate had been dropping slowly throughout a two-year period. The count of 88 dead was significantly lower than the previous low, 138, in January 2009.

army psychiatrist faces charges

After the death of 13 people in Fort Hood, Texas, Nov. 5, Maj. **Nidal Malik Hasan** faced 13 counts of premeditated murder and 32 counts of attempted premeditated murder. Hasan, 39-year-old Army psychiatrist, was accused of opening fire at a processing center near the post. During the shoot out, Hasan was shot and paralyzed from the chest down.

kentucky man's body found

A body was found by a hunter Nov. 17 in Dickinson County. The man was confirmed to be **Walter Henry Miller**, 53, of Kentucky. An autopsy confirmed that he had previous health issues, and there was no indication he had been murdered. Miller had not been in contact with anyone since early July.

december

by Eric Brown

geology professor attends United Nations Climate Change Conference

John A. Harrington Jr., professor of geology, represented the university and the American Association of Geographers by serving as an official observer at the United Nations Conference on Global Climate Change in Copenhagen, Denmark, from Dec. 7 to Dec. 18, according to Media Relations. He said the experience provided him a valuable perspective on energy and climate projects that affected Kansas.

tiger woods engages in extra-marital activities

On Dec. 6, shortly after a controversial car wreck, professional golfer **Tiger Woods** admitted to cheating on his wife, according to USA Today. Woods immediately took an indefinite leave of absence from golf, received criticism from around the nation and lost sponsorships from companies such as Gillette, Accenture and AT&T.

bomb smuggled in underwear

Umar Farouk Abdul Mutallab of Nigeria attempted to set off a bomb he had sewn into his underwear on a Northwest Airline flight from Amsterdam to Detroit on Christmas Day, according to the New York Times. However, the bomb failed to detonate, and no one was injured. On Jan. 6, a federal grand jury indicted the 23-year-old.

dallas has white christmas

Dallas experienced its first white Christmas in 80 years, according to USA Today. Two inches of snow blanketed the city, despite usually only receiving two and a half inches of snow a year. The snow came in addition to one of the coldest winters ever recorded in the Midwest.

january

k-state sets new ESPN college game day record

by Lauren Gocken

On Jan. 30, fans broke the attendance record for ESPN's College GameDay. The Cats broke the former record of 6,700 people, set by Clemson University one week prior, with 8,159 people. The College GameDay kicked off the K-State vs. the University of Kansas game. The Cats lost in overtime 79-81.

scott brown elected to senate

by Stephanie Mikuls

Republican **Scott Brown** won the Massachusetts U.S. Senate seat previously held by **Edward M. Kennedy** Jan. 19. Democrat **Martha Coakley** had been publicly supported by President **Barack Obama** and favored to win the election. Brown's addition to the Senate would potentially allow the Republican party to block Obama's health care legislation. Brown was the first Republican senator from Massachusetts in 30 years.

earthquake strikes haiti

by Stephanie Mikuls

An earthquake with a magnitude of 7.0 struck Haiti Jan. 12. The epicenter of the earthquake was 15 miles outside Port-Au-Prince, Haiti's capital. It was said to be the strongest earthquake since 1770 and had 33 aftershocks following the initial earthquake. The Red Cross and the United Nations sent relief teams to aid the 3 million people who were in need of medical attention. The death toll was estimated at 200,000, while 2 million were left homeless.

high nation unemployment rate

by Stephanie Mikuls

Unemployment rose in 30 states in January. Kansas Governor **Mark Parkinson** said Kansas was still being affected by the national economic downturn. The unemployment rate was 7.1 percent in January, up from the previous January's 6.3 percent. Although the rate of layoffs had slowed, not enough workers were hired to improve the unemployment rate overall.

february

chili queen teaches southwestern cooking skills *by Lauren Gocken*

Jane Butel came to the Derby Dining Center to teach a workshop that prepared students to cook Tex-Mex style food Feb. 26. Butel, a College of Human Ecology alumna and author of "Real Women Eat Chiles," taught people how to cook Tex-Mex food all over the country and was known internationally for her skills. The workshop covered topics like chili madness, corn craze and the changing landscape of Southwestern cooking.

olympic athlete dies at practice *by Caitlin M. Burns*

The Winter Olympics were held Feb. 12-28 in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. During a training run Feb. 12, Georgian luger **Nodar Kumaritashvili** died on the track. After the tragedy, the track was modified to make it five mph slower, and the final curve was reconstructed to be less dangerous. Before the first heat, they held a moment of silence in Kumaritashvili's honor.

The United States received the most medals with 37 total: nine gold, 15 silver and 13 bronze. Germany received 30 total: 10 gold, 13 silver and seven bronze. Canada received 26 total: 14 gold, seven silver and five bronze, according to NBC Olympics.

earthquake devastates Chile *by Caitlin M. Burns*

On the morning of Feb. 27, an 8.8 magnitude earthquake hit off the coast of Maule, Chile. The quake displaced 1.5 million people and killed 452 people, according to The Washington Post. A tsunami warning was posted for the Pacific Ocean as waves from the quake reached up to 400 mph.

best in big 12 third year running *by Melissa M. Taylor*

The university's Black Student Union was named the best black student government council in the Big 12 for the third year in a row and the fourth time in the last five years. Along with being named the best in the Big 12, the BSU was also recognized for having outstanding student leaders. **Brandon Hall**, president of the BSU and junior in marketing, was elected the 2010-2011 chair of the Big 12 Council on Black Student Government.

march

by Melissa M. Taylor

fake's crowd gets out of control

The crowds in Aggieville during Fake Patty's Day March 6 looked the same as previous years: a sea of green with a hint of intoxication. However, Fake Patty's Day was reported by the Riley County Police Department to be the busiest 24 hours in the city's recent history. RCPD responded to 462 calls, issued 133 criminal reports, arrested 37 people and issued 89 court appearances. All incidents were due to alcohol violations.

march madness, a presidential twist

President **Barack Obama** filled out his March Madness bracket with the university making it to the Final Four. He said they "always play tough." Along with the Wildcats, the University of Kansas, the University of Kentucky and Villanova University made it into Obama's Final Four. However, KU and Villanova fell during the second round of the NCAA tournament, and the Cats lost in the Elite Eight to Butler University.

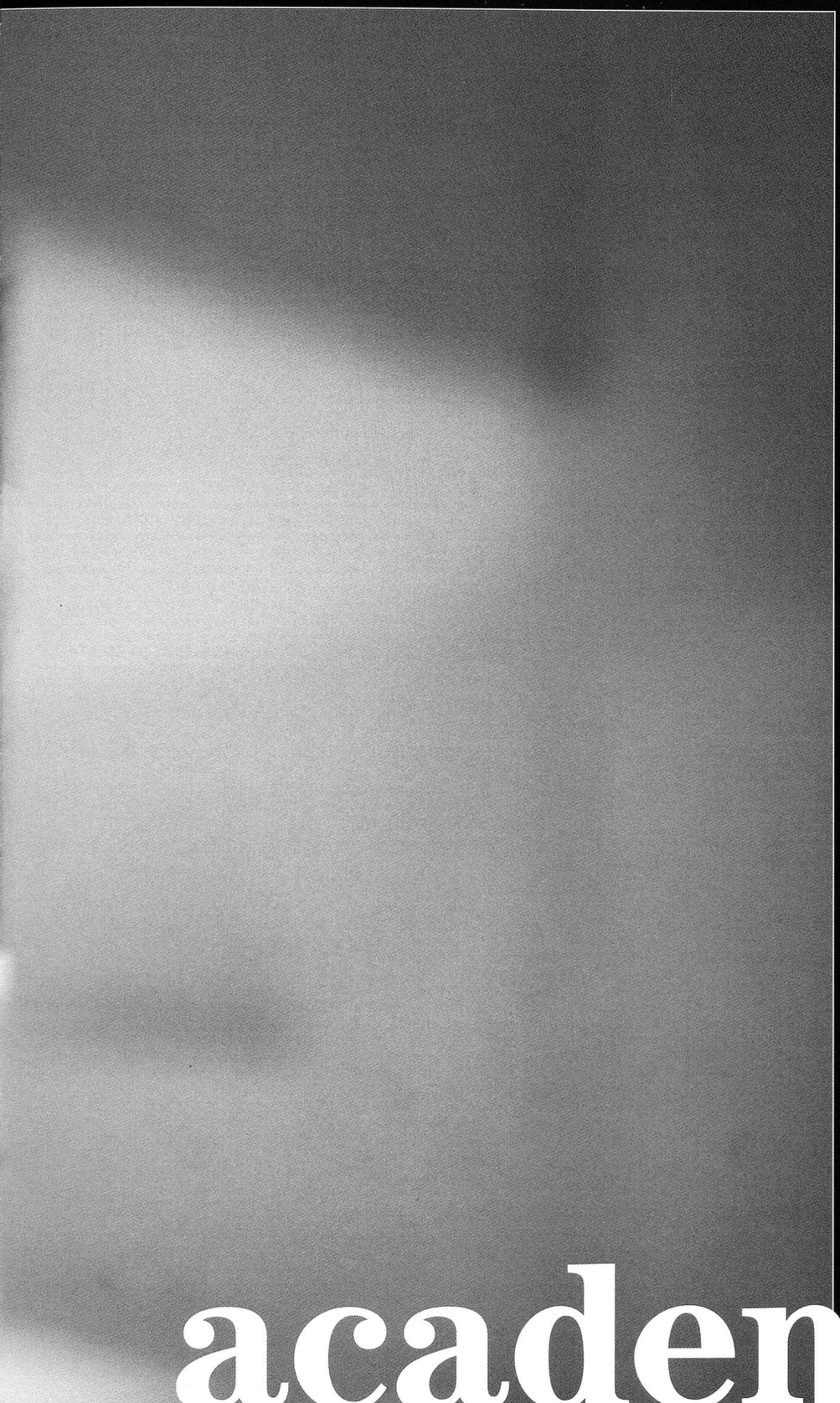
Obama also remarked on the intensity of head coach **Frank Martin**. In a press conference, the president said Martin was a "scary dude," in reference to the stare-downs he was famous for giving on the court, but Obama also joked, "I could send him up to Congress to get them to vote for health care."

danny and annie take the election

Campus trees were covered with election signs, the sidewalks were chalked and on March 3, the university's main campus voted **Danny Unruh**, senior in food science and industry, as student body president and **Annie Oliver**, senior in life sciences, as vice president. Unruh and Oliver were scheduled to take office April 8.

During the primaries, Unruh and Oliver ran a close second, receiving 959 votes — 31 percent of the votes — to **Sam Brinton**, presidential candidate and senior in mechanical engineering, and **Molly McGuire**, vice presidential candidate and junior in pre-law. Brinton and McGuire received 1,008 votes — 32.6 percent of the votes. Unruh and Oliver won during general elections though with 1,758 votes compared Brinton and McGuire's 1,466 votes.





In a basement studio of Seaton Hall, **Kevin Kirkbride**, freshman in environmental design, listens to his favorite playlist on his iPod while hammering out the final details of a project. "The people around are really nice," he said. "It is a good environment, and studio is always open." All students in the College of Architecture, Planning and Design were given their own spaces to work and design.
Lisle Alderton

academics

Classes were the gateway to a truer understanding, learning from others while learning about self.



A soldier sits patiently waiting to be helped with his injury. He held his arm, which was covered in fake blood and glass. The volunteers arrived a few hours before the simulation test took place in order to better prepare them for their role in the event.
Lisle Alderton



Students in Ginger Loggins' Digital News and Advanced Digital News classes travel to Fort Riley Sept. 24 to participate in a disaster simulation. The Fort Riley rescue team prepared the injured victim to be airlifted to the Irwin Army Community Hospital.
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During the simulation, soldiers practiced responding to a disaster, even taking victims to the hospital. The disaster simulation was done twice a year to test readiness for a disaster. Volunteers included both soldiers and civilians.
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Disaster Simulation

by Mackenzie Brown

Several lay wounded. Some scrambled to get out with their lives. Others stood in awe trying to record the events of the recent devastation.

A disaster simulation was held twice a year to test the Fort Riley troops' ability to react properly in an emergency situation. For the simulation on Sept. 24, eight Mass Communications students participated.

The Digital News class played victims in the tragedy while the advanced Digital News class reported on the events that took place.

"They got an idea of how disasters can happen," said **Ginger Loggins**, instructor of the digital news and advanced digital news courses. "They could see how the media handled the situation."

Volunteers helped with the simulation, including soldiers and some civilians. **Elizabeth Fanning**, senior in social sciences, played a victim in the simulation as a part of Digital News.

The victims got prepared for their roles in advance by receiving a card telling them of their condition and how they were to play out their roles. They arrived a few hours early to have fake blood and, in some cases, glass put on them for their wounds.

Though Fanning's character had a piece of glass stuck in her arm, she was stable. Her card told her to run around complaining of pains in her arm. The victims were rushed to Irwin Army Community Hospital on the base, and their wounds were cared for by nurses and doctors.

"I was really excited when I realized that we were actually going to get wounds and everything," Fanning said. "And then I was also really excited at the fact that they even took us to the hospital."

In addition to victims, there were students who played other roles like reporters.

For videographer **Bryan Dannar**, senior in mass communications, equipment included a small, digital video camera and a microphone as he walked around with the film anchor interviewing people trying to get the inside scoop on the disaster. For the most part, they did not have to do much preparation for their role because they did not know what to expect.

"In a situation like that you don't have time to prepare," Dannar said. "You just go out there and start working, see what happens."

Students interviewed paramedics, military doctors and students playing the victims. It proved to be a bit of a challenge for Dannar and the crew to get the information they needed.

"A lot (of the interviewees) didn't really want to talk to us, or a lot of them were too busy to talk to us, too," Dannar said.

Although the atmosphere was frantic, Dannar said the experience was realistic.

"Everyone is trying to work and we're kind of there to get in the way and shove a camera in their face to see what's going on," Dannar said. "I think it just kind of helped because it wasn't a set-up interview. We're just going and getting people in the moment. The ones who did talk to us gave good answers just because they don't have time to think of what they are going to say. They just throw it out there and it's usually pretty good stuff."

Dannar said he walked away from the event with a new outlook on reporting and what it would take to report in a real disaster of that sort.

"It really is an eye-opener as to how chaotic it is even when it was fake," he said. "I just kind of get a new respect for the people who have to go out there to these unplanned events and try to make sense of it all with little to work with. They don't tell you much and you've got to put it in to something to air on TV."



all-around effort pays off in national competition

by Melissa M. Taylor

"Our team had many thoughts about the design. We wanted something that primarily exemplified community living. On the site would be a diverse mix of activities, uses, ages and races. The development would provide most of the basic necessities that people would need, including transportation, employment opportunities, homes, recreation, entertainment, schools and other goods and services. The site forms a nexus, drawing from surrounding art, education and research communities."

Bryan Zundel, graduate student in landscape architecture

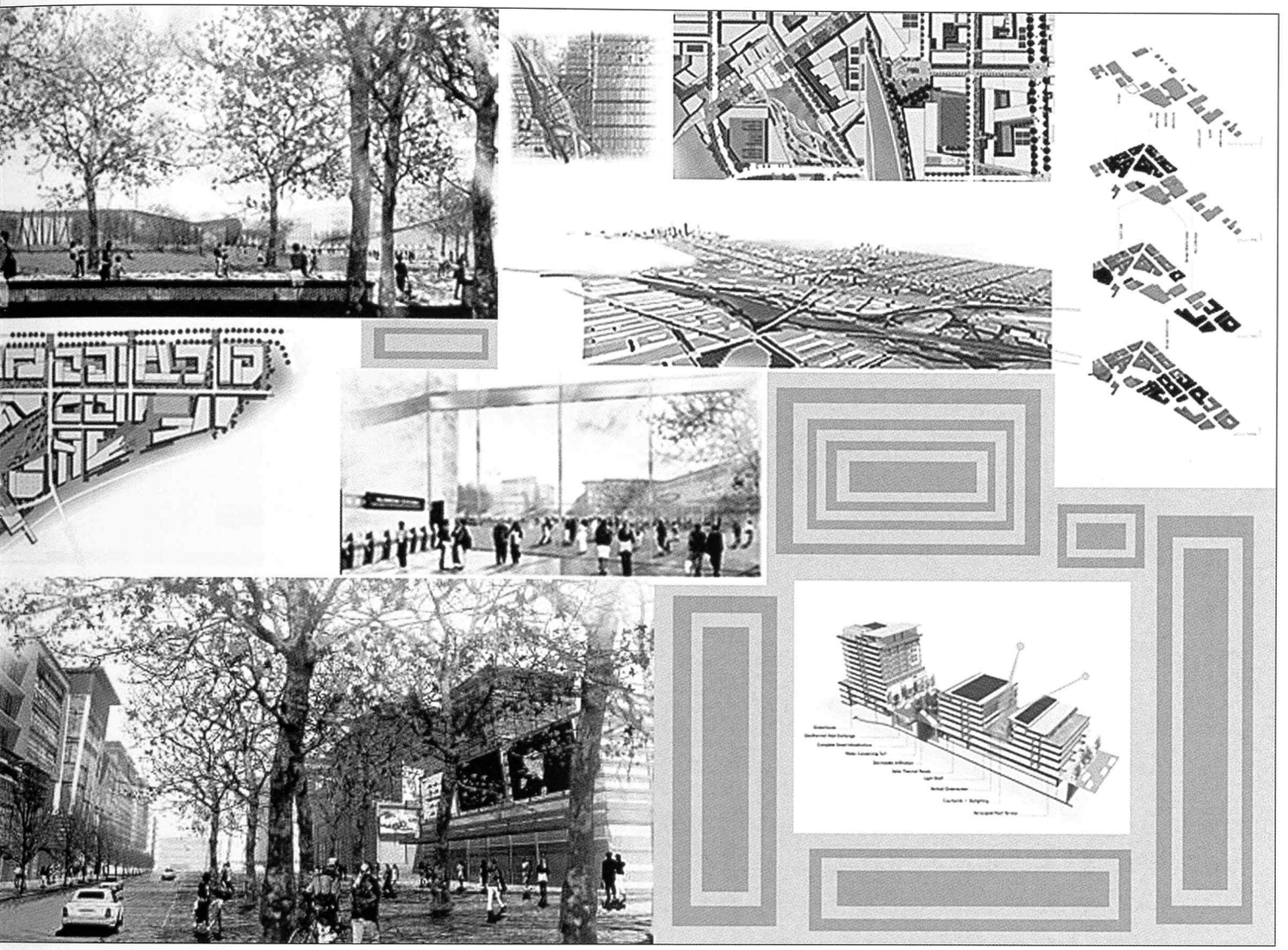
They only had 15 days to develop rough outlines of designs, make it through the first judging round of a national competition and put the university's five-year master's program on the map. Long days and sleepless nights became the team's routine, but it paid off, in more ways than one.

John Perry, graduate student in landscape architecture, turned his master's project and report for his department into a point of national recognition for the university. His team took second place out of 90 teams in the Urban Land Institute's Gerald D. Hines Student Urban Design Competition, earning a $10,000 cash prize.

"After selection as one of the four finalist teams, we were given an additional month to expand and refine our original design," Perry said. "The most difficult part was developing a scheme that responded to the complexity of the site in a relevant and meaningful way within such a short time frame."

Perry and his team of **Bryan Zundel**, graduate student in regional and community planning; **Anthony Fox**, senior in landscape architecture; **Chris Morton**, senior in landscape architecture; and **Junbin Feng**, graduate student in business administration, worked together to design a project that focused on redeveloping 75-acres south of downtown Denver from a suburban retail center into a vibrant, high-density, mixed-use urban development.

"Each stage required an unbelievable amount of work," Zundel said. "We pretty much lived and breathed this project. The days were long. It felt like this whole past semester (spring 2009) was straight work from the time we woke until the time we fell asleep. I remember one night coming home at 3 a.m. from working on the competition and having to type a lengthy



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paper. It was quite the challenge forcing words out of a mind that had run nonstop for almost 24 hours straight."

Despite the hours and the grueling demand of course work, the group said the work was worth the final product, and members developed strong bonds with each other along the way.

"There were so many positive aspects of the competition," Perry said. "Working with the team that we had and really pushing ourselves to the limit was an experience that I will not forget."

Not only did the team assemble a project that the jury, a group of nationally prominent designers and developers, found to be "compelling, beautiful and spectacular," they brought recognition to the university in a whole new way.

"Our landscape architecture students and faculty have been nationally recognized for several decades; however, recognition by the ULI establishes our university and department in a new arena," said **Stephanie A. Rolley,** team co-adviser and professor of landscape architecture/regional and community planning. "I think the team's accomplishment reflects the new possibilities presented with our new non-baccalaureate landscape architecture master's degree."

To Perry, the dedication and persistence that went into developing his master's project spoke volumes to the education available at the university.

"Being in the finalist group meant that the education received here at Kansas State has equipped us to deal with the complex challenges associated with real world design projects," Perry said. "It also reinforced the belief that we hold here, that the work we do stands up against the best students from the top schools across the nation, and that Kansas State belongs in that group."



Michael Wesch

global inspiration

by Lauren Gocken

Walking into **Michael Wesch's** Introduction to Cultural Anthropology class in Umberger Hall 105, nothing appeared to be out of the ordinary. Students started filing in 15 minutes before class, and by the time class started, the lecture hall was nearly full, with only a few open chairs left. This would be normal except for one small detail — the class started at 8:30 in the morning.

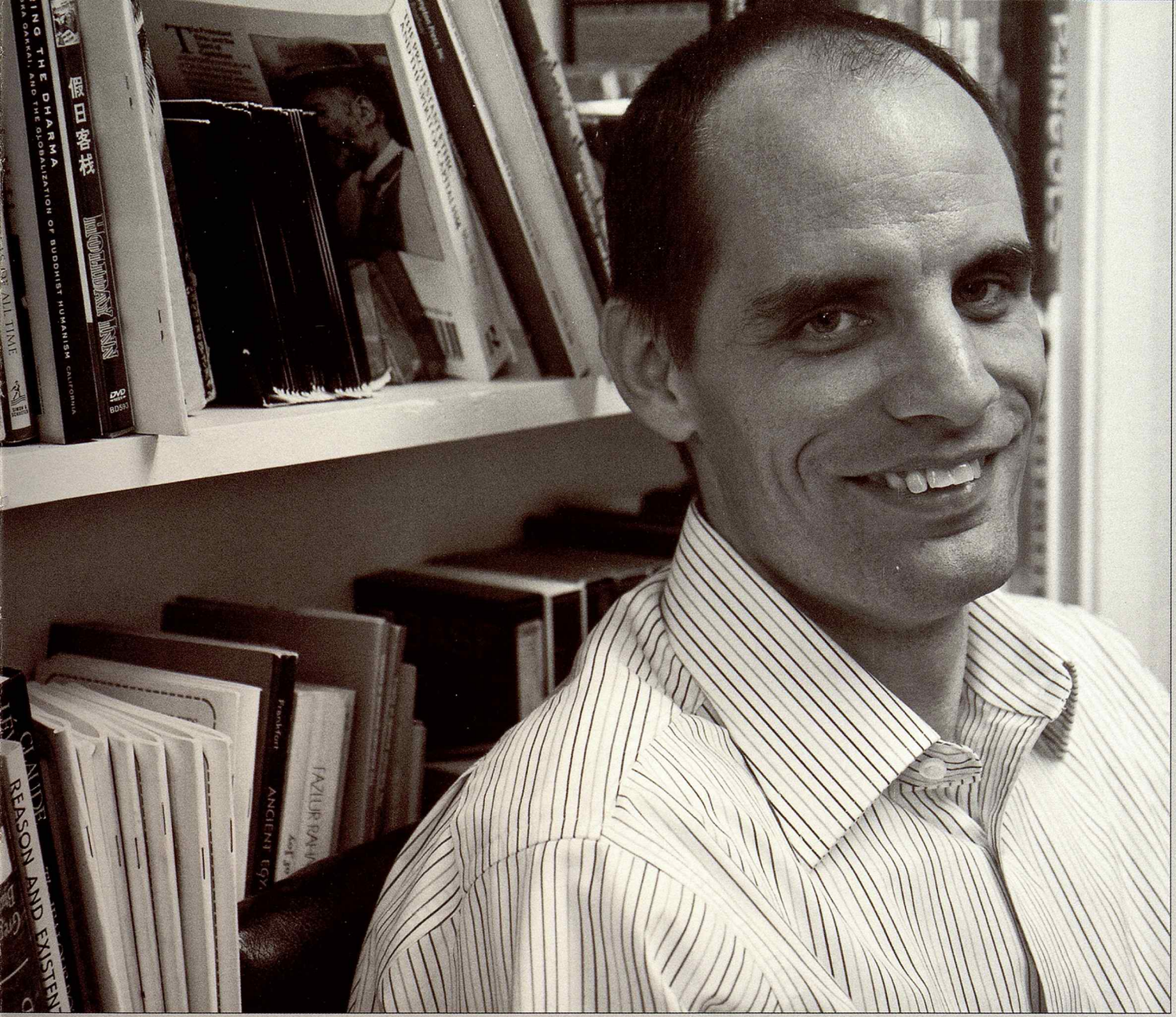
Wesch, assistant professor of sociology, anthropology and social work, used different tools to connect his lecture with real life, like YouTube videos, world music and songs and stories from his experiences in Papua New Guinea.

"What we need to do, we need to inspire students, to help them," Wesch said. "We need to make students who know how to make connections. It's no longer about making students just know about a bunch of stuff. Students need to see A, B and C and see how they're connected. They need to be able to bring them together in interesting ways and know how to make interesting content with it."

Wesch showed YouTube videos often in class, and in part, YouTube was the catalyst for Wesch's bit of fame in the educational and global community. In the past two years, Wesch posted three videos, one with the help of 200 students, and all reached more than one million views as of October, with "Web 2.0" reaching more than 10 million views.

"(Video) is a new way of telling," he said. "It gives you a broader range than just text. It is not just YouTube — it's a whole world of video that just opened up. What used to take years now can take a week. It used to be in a room literally cutting and splicing tape, and now you can just drag and drop."

Wesch was named the Carnegie/ Council for Advancement and Support



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of Education professor of the year and was also named one of the National Geographic Society's Emerging Explorers of 2009, which recognized individuals who made a significant contribution to world knowledge in the early stages of their career and was only awarded to 10 people a year.

As a world-renowned educator, Wesch was asked to speak internationally about his findings, not only about media culture, but also about education and the ways teachers adapted to the changing media culture.

"(I lecture) mostly about media and culture," he said. "People want to know how YouTube and Facebook and all those things are changing our culture and how we educate now that the world is changing in these ways. The other topic is how and why we need our students to be more media literate, not just literate in text, but all the other stuff."

Wesch talked about the changing scene of education with the emergence of new technologies and accessability of information.

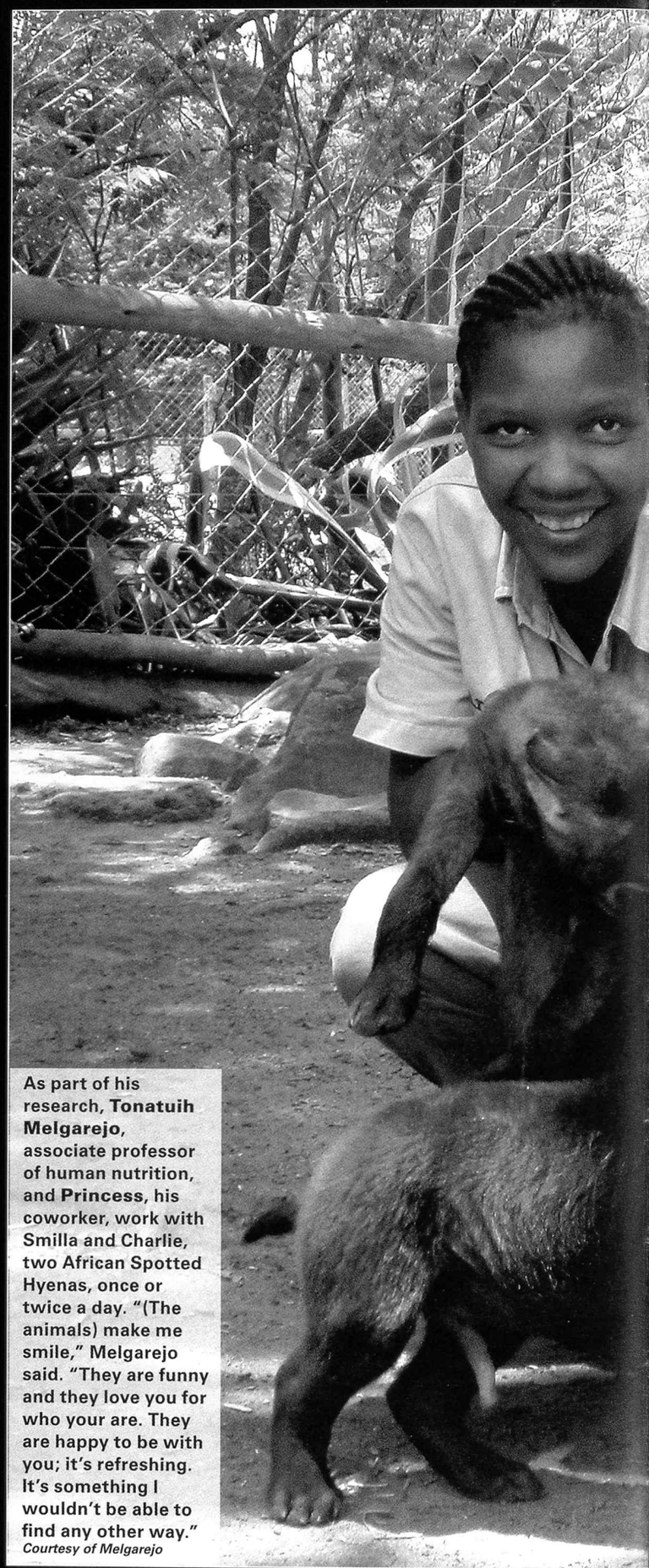
"The reality is now that when I walk into a big classroom, like the one I just came from, most of what I normally would have said is floating around the in the room," he said. "The information is all around them. They can grab it with their cell phones. They can text. There are numerous services that you can text a question to and they text you back an answer. Not to mention a lot of them have iPhones, and they can surf the Web on their iPhones or laptops."

Despite the availability of information all around them, students continued to go to class. Wesch could not explain why his class was so popular.

"I don't know why they're there," Wesch said. "When you're from the perspective of the teacher, all you do is just try to connect and do your best to tell a story and help them. Hopefully you're modeling in a way that they learn how to go tell interesting stories. I'm glad that they're into it, but I don't know why."

peace in the wild

by Caitlin M. Burns



As part of his research, **Tonatuih Melgarejo**, associate professor of human nutrition, and **Princess**, his coworker, work with Smilla and Charlie, two African Spotted Hyenas, once or twice a day. "(The animals) make me smile," Melgarejo said. "They are funny and they love you for who your are. They are happy to be with you; it's refreshing. It's something I wouldn't be able to find any other way."
Courtesy of Melgarejo

He kneeled on the rough, sandy ground in a wildlife park in South Africa treating a blood accumulation pouch on the ear of a 1-month-old brown lion. Tonatiuh Melgarejo, associate professor of human nutrition, and his partner, Annika Linde, research associate in human nutrition, were working when Linde turned around and paused. She was staring face-to-face with a 6-month-old white lion. Suddenly, the animal, a little larger than a Rottweiler, jumped towards her, grabbed her around the waist and bit her abdomen.

"The lion cub just wanted to play, but he could have really hurt her," Melgarejo said. "Now, she likes the scar because she says, 'How many people can say they were attacked by a white lion?'"

Melgarejo helped exotic animals during his field research in Africa but focused much of his research on hyenas. His research began when he was working as a small animal





Just as he cares for one of the white lion cubs, Tonatiuh Melgarejo, associate professor of human nutrition, has been caring for animals his whole life. As a child living in Mexico, he had 27 snakes (the biggest named Boatrice), an owl, a tortoise, an alligator and a lion, which he bought with his own money at age 17. "The animal to human reaction is extremely rewarding on an everyday basis," he said. Melgarejo later worked as a small animal veterinarian.
Courtesy of Melgarejo



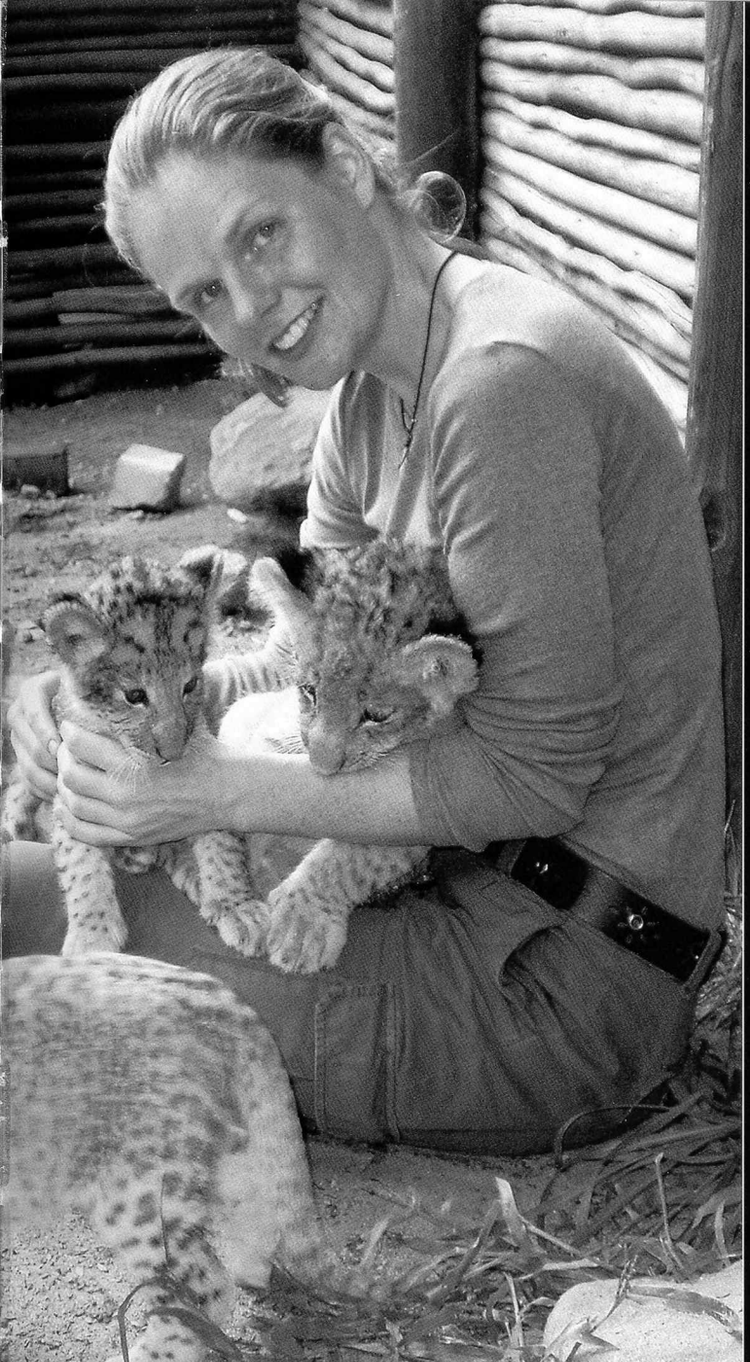
veterinarian. From his clinical work he recognized the variation in disease susceptibility between different species. His research led to the identification of a natural antibiotic that helps dogs fight infection. Infectious disease, however, is not uncommon in domestic dogs, so Melgarejo decided to study a stronger species like the African Spotted Hyena.

"Humans are weak when it comes to their immune system but hyenas are internally similar," Melgarejo said. "Both species have a mouth, an esophagus and intestines. So we can study how we are similar, but also what makes us different. Hyenas heal very promptly and have an amazing ability to fight infections, but how do they stay healthy in a filthy environment where pathogens like salmonella and E. coli surround them?"

His scientific curiosities led him to research what they ate, where they lived and what was around them. Beginning in 2003, he and a seven-member research team took seven trips to Africa to research hyenas in their natural habitat. Due to cost and the exhaustion of travel, the team decided to bring two hyena cubs back to Manhattan to study in captivity.

After overcoming legal battles, two 8-week-old Spotted Hyenas, Smilla and Charlie, arrived in Kansas Jan. 27, 2009, at 2 a.m. For eight months, the researchers socialized with the hyenas, so they could enter the habitat safely and interact with the animals on a daily basis.

"Now their behavior suggests they miss us when we are gone," Melgarejo said. "We were out of town for a week, and the zoo told us they didn't sleep well, and they didn't eat very much. They also get excited to see us. But they are not pets, they are wild animals, so sometimes



While taking a break from her work day, Linde plays with several leopard cubs. Linde worked as Melgarejo's main assistant and had made several trips to Africa with him. "(The animals) make me smile, they are funny, they love you for who your are," Melgarejo said. "They are happy to be with you. It's refreshing, especially when you have credit card debt, your boyfriend breaking up with you, your work to get done and all of these things that are a part of life."
Courtesy of Melgarejo



As a lion cub plays with a stuffed animal, **Annika Linde**, research associate in human nutrition, and **Megan Richt**, veterinarian, conduct an echocardiography test on its heart. "It's great to have a team from so many cultures," Melgarejo said. "I have one team member who speaks seven different languages but doesn't like animals. There's a scientist from Denmark, two Ph.D. students, a master's student, and two undergraduates."
Courtesy of Melgarejo

you just have to recognize when they are in a bad mood and leave them alone."

While his research focused on the animals, he also learned about life through his travels. Nature in the Ngorongoro Crater in Tanzania taught him more than he could have imagined, he said.

"One of my most unique experiences was one night we were very tired and we were just relaxing," he said. "I was looking at a lioness and her cub that were near us. When I sat there I realized how beautiful and magnificent nature is. We couldn't make a noise or we would scare the animals, so we just sat there. I started getting this embracing feeling of nature as I was looking at the lions and the beautiful scene and the wildebeests, and I just started crying, and I didn't know why. What I realized was, this kind of land, it's almost like it talks to you. You just need to make some time and relax. I realized there was another kind of language and dimension, because if you sit in such a beautiful place, it was just full of harmony. Being alone with nature was one of the most powerful experiences I have had."

Listening and really hearing nature taught him about himself and about life, Melgarejo said. He planned to return to Africa in February to do more research and looked forward to talking with the people and being around the animals.

"We can spend hours around animals," he said. "When we are in Africa, we forget about absolutely everything; we spend hours and hours with the animals. They have a white lion colony there. Just getting your feet dirty and being on the ground and being with them is just incredible. You don't have to be a vet or a biologist; just anyone would love the interaction."



Several tree puppets dance as part of the "Mammoth Follies" production. Teachers were given curriculum materials before the show, including information in science, natural history and the arts, to use in their classroom in the days following the show.
Matt Castro

FOLLIES FACTS

- Mammoth follies had old-fashioned songs, jokes and dances.
- The show was performed by giant dinosaur puppets.
- The show taught historic and scientific facts about dinosaurs.
- Performances were designed to nurture a life-long appreciation of the performing arts.

GIANT PANDEMONIUM
dinosaurs entertain local youth

by Amanda Lunn

Children buzzed excitedly Oct. 8 as students from several elementary schools filed into McCain Auditorium, anticipating what was to come. As the lights dimmed, a giant wooly mammoth made its way on stage, and the show began.

Mammoth Follies, sponsored by McCain, catered to the young minds of grade school students. The show included Smiley, the saber-tooth tiger, and Tony, the giant 11-foot tall T-Rex. Beginning with the Devonian time period (417 to 354 million years ago), the production showed animals and dinosaurs throughout history.

Second-grader **Garrison Funk**, Manhattan resident, said he had fun throughout the program.

"I learned that not all dinosaurs came from the same period," Funk said.

His cousin, **Katie Driscil**, Manhattan resident, brought him to the show.

"He really likes dinosaurs, so I thought this would be good for him," Driscil said.

The show was not only for entertainment; it was an educational opportunity for McCain.

"The Mammoth Follies had curriculum connections to science, natural history and the arts," **Todd Holmberg**, executive director of McCain, said. "Teachers were able to talk about those issues and study them in class, and it culminated with wa final performance. It enhanced the education of those children in those fields."

Teachers from around the area found the production to be helpful for their students. **LuAnn Lund**, first-grade teacher at Olsburg Elementary School in Olsburg, Kan., said the school brought students to the show as a reward for doing well on state assessments, and she said they benefited from the experience.

"I think it gave them a better idea on what the dinosaurs were like and the size of (the dinosaurs)," Lund said.

This was not the first time McCain had sponsored shows like "Mammoth Follies."

Presentations in the past included "Butterfly: Story of a Life Cycle," with the goal always being a better understanding of the subjects.

"We try to do one of those a year. The same company, Hudson Vagabond Puppets, last season, put on a show about the life cycle of the butterfly," Holmberg said. "We bussed kids in from the Flint Hills region, and it was the same concept. Teachers received study guides before and talked about insects to their classes, then we brought it together with a show."

Holmberg said it was a part of his job to offer educational programs to the surrounding schools.

"Part of the mission of whoever serves K-State is to engage the university community and to engage the community at large," Holmberg said. "We're engaging people to advance knowledge."



Students and teachers from local elementary schools watch puppets like Willie Mammoth and Terry the Pterodactyl, from Mammoth Follies, as they teach lessons about dinosaurs and other animals from history. More than 1,000 students attended the production, which explored historical and scientific facts and debunked several myths about dinosaurs. McCain Auditorium sponsored a similar production catered to elementary students every year.
Matt Castro



AFRICAN

new language classes offered

by Kara Paulson

Three students gathered in 123 Hale Library every Tuesday and Thursday, practicing phrases for their Swahili II class. The phrase of the night was "subira huvuta heri" — "patience attracts blessings." Swahili I classes had been offered since 2007 and Swahili II since 2008. In the spring and fall 2010 semesters, two new advanced courses in Swahili would be added — Swahili III in the spring and Swahili IV in the fall. The four credit-hour classes were taught by **Geofred Osoro**.

Osoro was born and raised in Kenya. While in Africa, he studied Swahili at both an undergraduate and graduate level and taught Swahili at college and high school levels before coming to the United States for higher education.

"This course makes graduates more marketable," Osoro said. "They are recommended to any graduate or undergraduate student, those who want to work in Africa as Peace Corps, diplomats, tourists or volunteers. Learning Swahili will enable learners to understand not only the Swahili culture but also African culture in general."

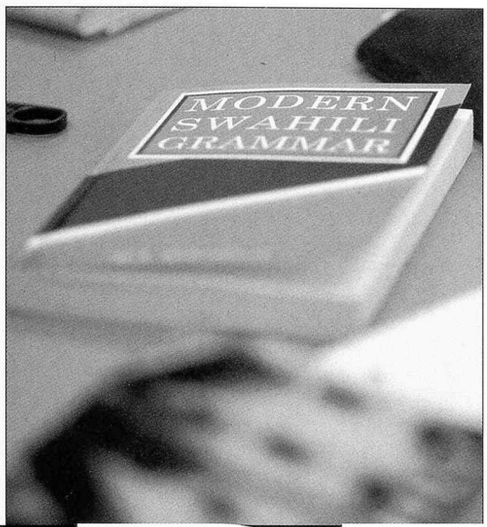
Mark Sowers, sophomore in biology and a student in the study group, enrolled in Swahili II and said the class was a step toward his career goals.

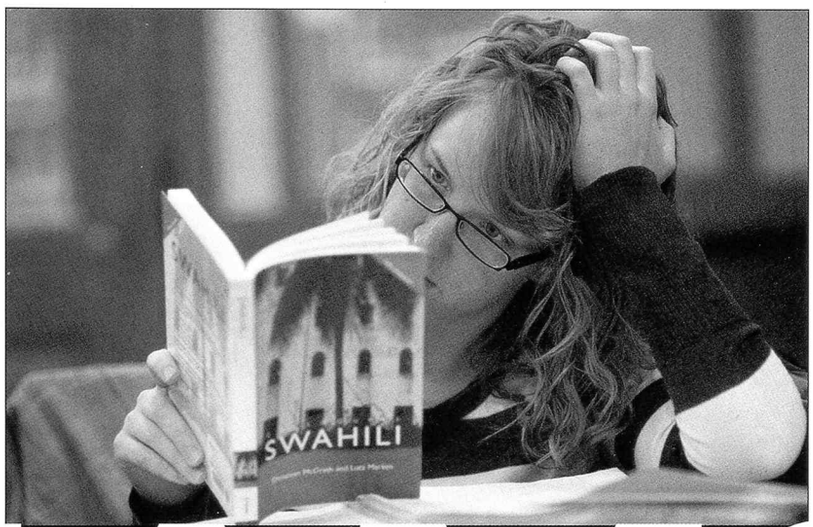
"This class is a great opportunity for others and myself because it would be difficult to try to find a way to learn the language outside of a classroom setting," Sowers said. "I think it could probably

In Hale Library, **Geofred Osoro**, Swahili instructor, meets with the Swahili II class. They practiced new phrases, like "patience attracts blessings." Swahili I and II were offered every semester, and Swahili III was offered for the first time in the spring. Swahili IV would be added in fall 2010.
Nathaniel LaRue

Swahili classes are available as part of the African Studies minor. The minor also included political science, biology and geology courses. Osoro received his bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan before beginning his collegiate teaching career.
Nathaniel LaRue

In class, **Sophia Ford**, sophomore in political science, concentrates on her textbook. Students learned grammar, vocabulary and dialogue and discussed Swahili children's books. The spring was Osoro's first semester teaching at the university. Previously, he taught at Kalamazoo College in Michigan.
Nathaniel LaRue





DREAMS
to help students achieve goals

help just about anyone, whether they have a unique major or just need a foreign language credit."

Sowers had wanted to work with elephants since he was a child. His dream started to become reality when he found out about a program called the Amboseli Elephant Research Project, an independent research project in Amboseli National Park in Africa. The project, founded in 1972, studied African elephants, including their health, eating habits and social habits.

Sowers knew learning Swahili would be important to accomplishing his dream.

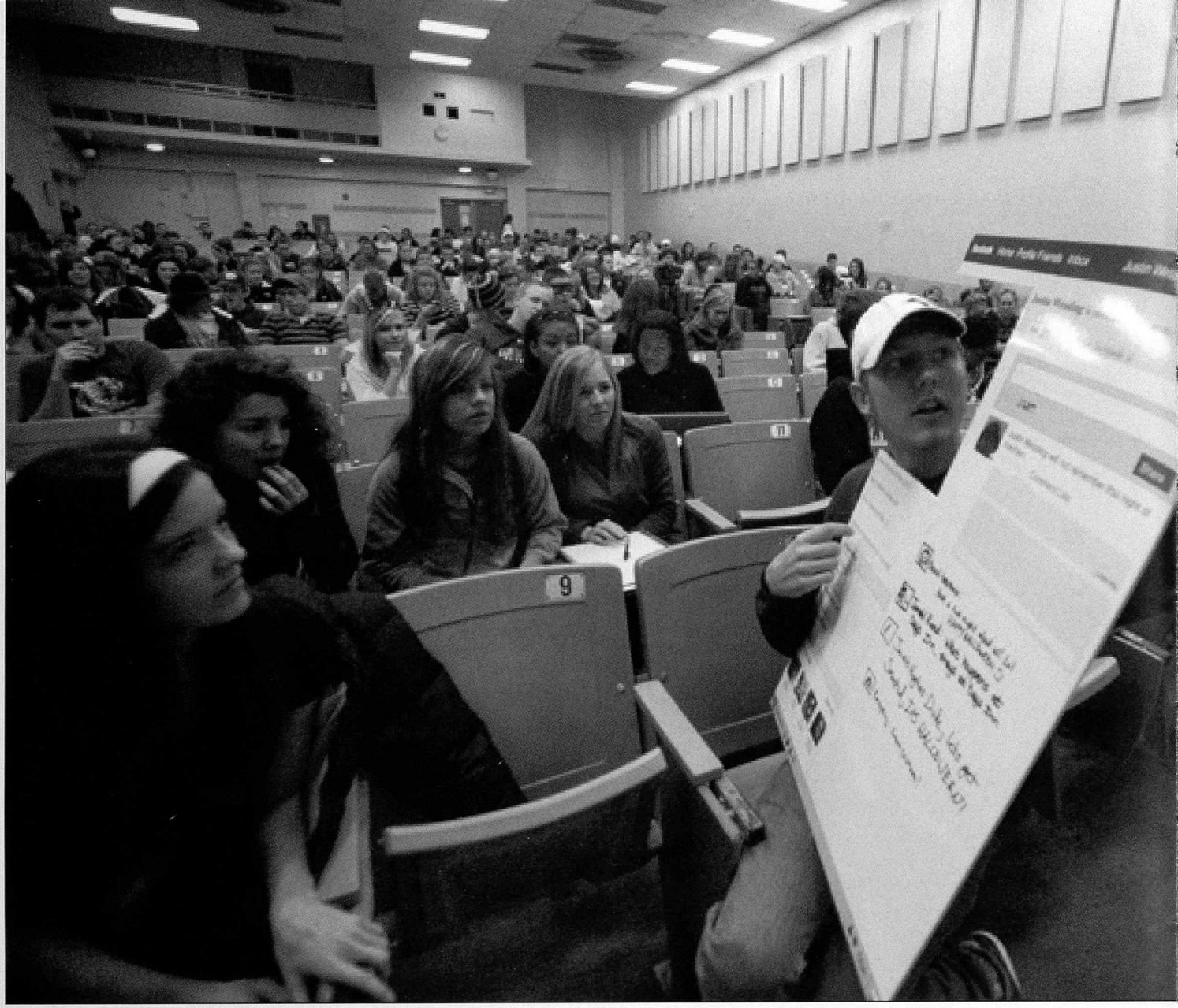
"Getting this experience with the language is an important step in me being able to feel comfortable among the Kenyan people and build relationships with them," he said. "Overall, it really has been a stepping stone to helping me with my childhood dream."

The Swahili II course was small in the fall semester, but the class size worked to the students' advantages.

"The class is small so we can work slowly or at our own pace," Sowers said. "If we don't understand something, the professor goes over it more. We also feel more comfortable to speak up because the class is so small, you don't feel bad about slowing down other people."

Sowers said he thought learning Swahili was worth the time and effort.

"It is difficult to master with such a different structure and character from English," he said. "But using patience to get through it, there are a lot of benefits that could be gained by the student."



by Tara Cowley

Send a request: Professor uses

The class filed in, and among students that scurried to find their seats were a handful of characters not normally seen in the Mass Communications in Society class. Mark Mangino and a soldier from the 2009 movie Transformers 2 sat towards the front of the classroom. Oct. 30 was the in-class Halloween party and costume contest for the class taught by **Steve Smethers**, associate professor of journalism and mass communications.

Justin Wessling, junior in journalism and mass communications, dressed as his Facebook profile.

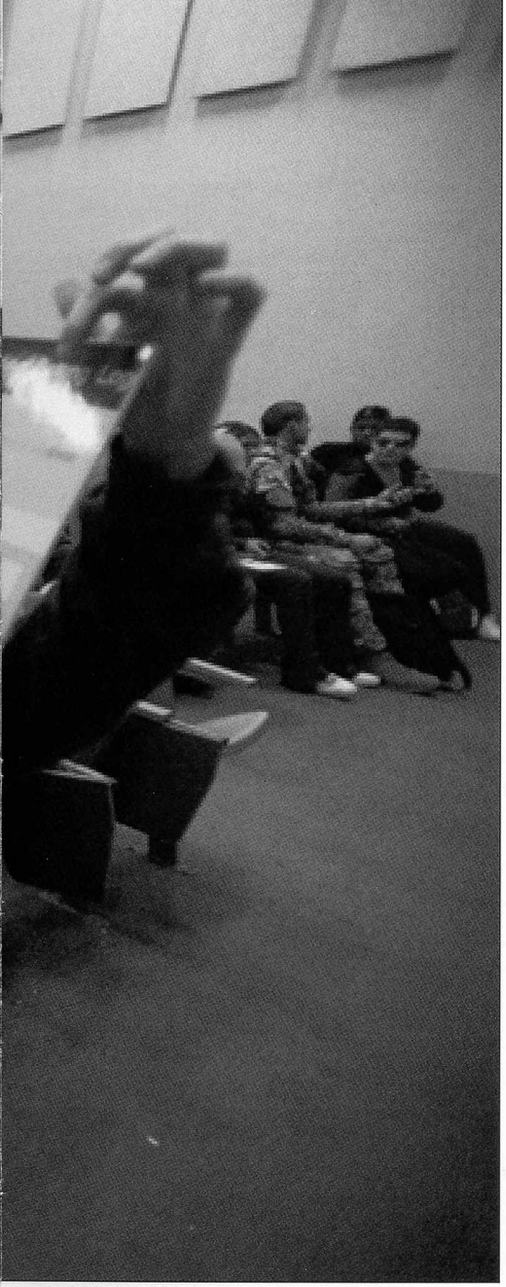
"I chose this costume to show myself to the university," he said. "I liked having the students write on my 'wall' and 'view my profile pictures.'"

The results of the costume contest were decided by a group of judges. **Shaley Van Loenen**, sophomore in business administration, dressed as University of Kansas football coach Mark Mangino took first place.

Smethers said the Halloween party was a way to interact with the students.

"In a class like that, you have to make it entertaining," he said. "It keeps things light-hearted and helps the students relate to each other."

Another method of communication Smethers employed was social networking. For the first time, beginning during the fall semester, Smethers required his classes to join Facebook or Twitter, depending on which section the students were in, although he said he



Dressed up as his Facebook profile, **Justin Wessling**, junior in journalism and mass communications, shows his classmates what changed to avoid copyright trouble. "I knew everyone know something a little about Facebook," he said, "and it was (done) in a creative way."
Chelsy Lueth

Before the contest, **Steve Smethers**, associate professor of journalism and mass communications, asked participating students to line up on stage and give their character's name. "Kids like to come to class in costume anyway," he said, "and people who don't dress up still enjoy it."
Chelsy Lueth



social networking in the classroom

was more successful with Facebook.

"I first heard about using Facebook as a way to communicate with the students from a friend of mine who teaches at Louisiana State University," Smethers said. "It just makes it easier, so that the students don't have to always come into my office, and I don't believe e-mail is always the best way."

Students took advantage of the new way to ask questions about class and assignments, although some students had concerns about having a teacher see an abundant amount of their personal lives.

"At first I thought it was kind of weird having my teacher add me on Facebook," Van Loenen said. "My thoughts were, 'Is he going to look at my profile?' 'Will seeing my life, family, friends and photos make him think of me in a different way?' 'What will he think of me?' But it wasn't like that at all."

Smethers said he tended to be busier around test days and when papers were due.

Checking his Facebook every afternoon for at least an hour made helping with questions and comments much faster and more efficient, and students appreciated the speedy response, he said.

"It is nice because my cell phone has Internet capability, and I can access Facebook, so I am definitely on way more than I should be," Van Loenen said. "I think Facebook will become more and more prevalent in different classes at Kansas State as professors begin to use it in their curriculums."

Kansans and students gather to think green

by Caitlin M. Burns

In an effort to inform Kansans about environmental, economic and social sustainability, the Kansans Advancing Sustainability in Higher Education hosted the second annual, statewide Sustainability Conference Jan. 29 and 30.

"It's important to have conferences like these to build awareness, share ideas and meet people with some of the same ideas and mentalities," **Ben Champion**, director of sustainability, said. "That's pretty important."

The focus was partially on the changes made on campus to keep the university on the leading edge of sustainability. Friday started with a keynote speaker, followed by a tour of the leadership building, which was applying for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design certification.

The conference in the K-State Student Union attracted nearly 300 students and Kansans who were interested in learning more about sustainable practices.

"I've learned new things and broadened my understanding of sustainability," **Les Kinsler**, professor of engineering technology, said. "I've always been a recycler, but sustainability is so much more than that."

While education was an important aspect of the conference, Champion said it was important attendees left the conference with a plan of action. On Friday they formed working support groups so the effects of the conference extended past the weekend. Students were an important part of the weekend as well.

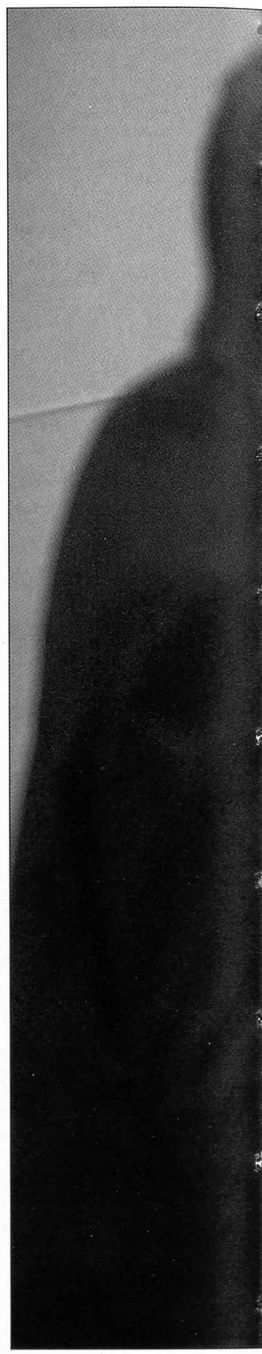
"We have a platform to educate the future leaders of the nation," Champion said. "You will have to make changes. It's very important to help (the students). Schools and universities are the perfect place."

The conference had several panel discussions so people could ask questions and learn more about other people's efforts. Between sessions, attendees could browse posters in the main concourse. Each poster had additional information about ways to get involved.

"I think this kind of conference can give you more than you'll get in your classes," Champion said. "Students are always the energy of higher education. When students are around, it changes the nature of the conversation. Without students it's more technical. Students are vital to every aspect of change."

While it was important to have students participate in the conference, the benefits reached beyond the convention.

"The benefits we see are students will be more educated to help the community," **Anil Pahwa**, professor of electrical and computer engineering, said. "Indirectly, there is a lot of benefit to the entire population."

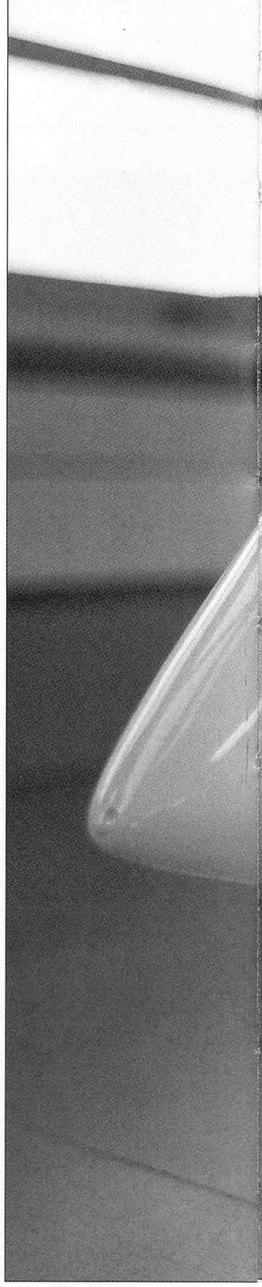






In the K-State Student Union faculty, students and Kansans chat during lunch at the Sustainability Conference Jan. 30. "I just think people need to realize that we can still have a high standard of living," **Les Kinsler**, professor of engineering technology, said. "We need to change the way we consume energy and the way we consume products."
Lisle Alderton

At the Sustainability Conference, **Ben Champion**, director of sustainability, leads a panel of speakers. "There have been a lot of discussions on how to get involved," **Anil Pahwa**, professor of electrical and computer engineering, said. "The people who are aware of the ideas can inform other people. It's good to see so many people coming together to plan for the future."
Lisle Alderton



A model of an unmanned aircraft vehicle demonstrates to viewers the sleek and simple lines of groundbreaking UAVs. "This is the information that will help students get jobs in the future in the unmanned aerial systems field," **Eric Shappee**, associate professor of aviation, said. "It gives them experience with current technology and allows time to look at what's going to happen in the future, hopefully. I would say we're on the bleeding edge of technology. Everyone calls it the cutting edge, but I say bleeding edge because we're so close."
Matt Binter

by Anna Kearns

Birds of a feather fly alone

The aviation department at K-State at Salina had a research project that took off alone, literally. They had 15 unmanned aircraft vehicles — airplanes, helicopters and even miniature helicopters — that could fly through buildings, were used for research and for the UAV certification program. The aircrafts were developed to assist with military and search-and-rescue operations.

"Especially in Kansas, we have prime examples of situations where UAVs would have made the difference in hours and a couple people's lives," said **Daniel Sheehy**, president of the Unmanned Aerial Systems Club and senior in professional pilot. "The Greensburg (Kan.) incident, where the town was completely leveled, they couldn't even get to the middle of town, while if we had the technology on hand that we have today, we could have thrown a UAV out there and hovered a helicopter over the area. Based off of a map, they could know where the hospitals are, childcare places, where the nursing homes are. It could have really coordinated the search-and-rescue efforts a lot more effectively and gotten more people out."

UAVs carried payloads, instruments like cameras and infrared cameras, to find the most damaged areas or where people were trapped. In fires, reverse infrared cameras could be attached to seek bodies of lower temperatures than the smoldering buildings.

The field of UAVs was so new that only a certificate was offered. But **Eric Shappee**, associate professor of aviation, said the department hoped to have a degree program by the following academic year.

"There are three courses involved in (the certification program)," he said. "Right now, it's a whole brand new area in the field of aviation, and it's raeally starting to grow. The (Federal Aviation Administration) is starting to look at certification programs — they make students more well-rounded."



The nature of the program demanded labs unlike most university labs across the nation.

"For our students here, it's kind of the next generation in aviation, especially considering that the military is training more unmanned pilots than manned pilots," **Josh Brungardt**, unmanned aerial systems program manager, said. "It's really the next generation, and we're at the forefront. There are only a few other colleges in the nation doing this. Since it's mainly military right now, the civilian side is where we come in, on the technology that is. What it means for students is we'll be on the forefront of miniaturization of surface-mount technology. It's what makes the iPhone work. We're one of the only colleges that has this lab at our disposal."

The UAV program became so prevalent that a club of nearly 20 students formed with competition goals in mind.

"Trying to keep K-State at Salina on the cutting edge of everything, that's why we started the club," Sheehy said. "It's really kind of to get the students a hands-on experience of what aviation is moving towards. What we're doing right now is building a factory, off the shelf, radio-controlled helicopter that's actually designed for acrobatic use. We're taking this RC helicopter and we're adding an autopilot, and we're adding a payload, which will be a camera in our case, and we're getting this RC helicopter up to speed where it can take off, fly an entire mission, look at stuff, come back and land all on it's own, completely autonomous."

The club intended the helicopter to compete in an intercollegiate competition in June or July 2010. Sheehy said students with all interests were welcome in the club and were needed in the UAV field.

"We need all spectrums of the majors, especially here on the Salina campus," he said. "We use every major to help build and fly these UAVs, so don't be surprised to find a lot more of these things flying around."



While learning about run-away tomatoes and the correct direction to pass a dish, **Amy King**, junior in hotel and restaurant management, passed a bowl of French dressing to **Kaitlin Kuhnhoff**, sophomore in hotel and restaurant management. Though the event was aimed at students, some of the 135 attendees were individuals from the restaurant business.

Matt Castro

All eyes are on **Pat Pesci**, director of the hotel and restaurant management program, as he teaches attendees to place utensils at the 4 o'clock angle on the plate so the server knows to take it away. "I think I gave them a lot of ways to get out of situations," he said. "One big rule I have: never correct anybody at the table. That doesn't build a good feeling with anybody."

Matt Castro



Pesci's Top Tips

When ordering food, especially alcohol, follow the lead of the recruiter, but no hard alcohol, and never have more than one drink.

Remember to eat at the same pace as the rest of the table.

Do not talk with food in your mouth.





a lesson in class

dining etiquette workshop provides hands-on instructions

by Tamara Salisbury

Sharply dressed students began milling around the lobby of the Derby Dining Center at 5 p.m., Nov. 5, waiting for their first etiquette tip of the night. The first instructions came as they donned nametags (on their right sides, above the hands they shake with), and more instructions were given for the proper way to enter the banquet hall for the evening's meal.

For nearly 20 years, **Pat Pesci**, director of the hotel and restaurant management program, led an etiquette dinner to teach attendees about proper manners in a professional environment. The event began in the late '80s when football coach **Bill Snyder** approached Pesci to help his players, and since that time, he had done workshops with students in the College of Agriculture, fraternities and sororities and Career and Employment Services.

"This whole experience is to give you more experience in interviewing," Pesci said. "I want to give you the skills to navigate an interview."

Partway through the salad course, Pesci stopped everyone for an important clarification.

"Put your utensils down. Stop dining. Everybody put your utensils down," he said. "We go to McDonald's, Sonic and Burger King to eat. We go to a restaurant to dine. Those are two different animals."

Throughout the meal, Pesci gave tips on everything from placement of the napkin when leaving the table (to the left of the plate, though the back or seat of the chair was also acceptable) to what to do if a piece of gristle is stuck between teeth (either discreetly use an utensil or leave the table). He also took questions from students throughout the meal.

Many students, like **Leslie Campbell**, junior in apparel and textiles, came to the workshop because of a class requirement, though she also thought it would be a worthwhile experience.

"(I thought it was good) just because I had never done anything like that before," she said. "I thought I might learn something useful, like leaving your tomato on the ground (if it falls)."

Other students, like **Nick Wilson**, junior in political science, said he knew proper business etiquette would help him in future job interviews in the field of law.

"Dining etiquette is crucial if you want to go into most professional careers," he said. "Law firms are going to take me out. If you're going to win a business deal, it's going to happen at dinner or on the golf course."

Pesci said he thought students bought into the dinners more than they did for the first dinners because they were aware they did not have the skills and knew how important they were.

"When we started this, we had two tables," he said. "Now it's a campus event."

Pesci said the event changed as society changed. For instance, he was asked more often about cell phone usage and international etiquette.

"I learn something new every time," he said. "Tonight was the first time we've had someone get sick. It was a good experience; the students at that table handled it very nicely."

Pass food to the right, and salt and pepper travel together.

If a utensil or a piece of your food falls on the floor, leave it there. If you need another utensil, discreetly ask the server for one.

Your napkin is to the left of your plate. Fold it in half and put it in your lap. If you have to get up, put it back to the left of your plate, on the back or the seat of your chair.

Learn your wait staff's name.



Refined Curriculum

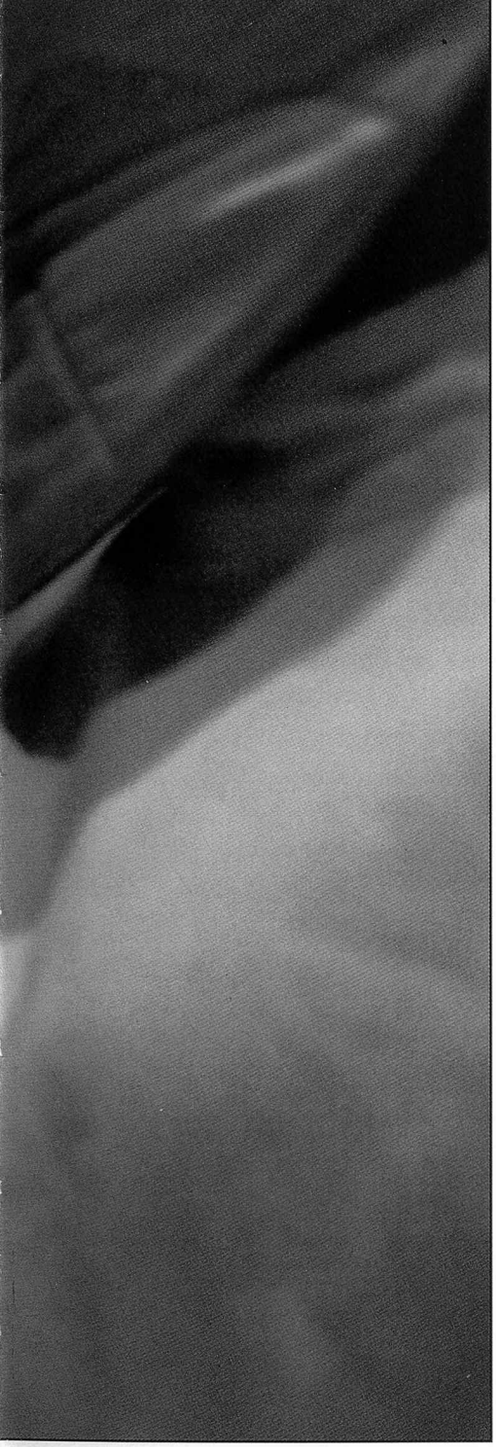
by Stephanie Mikuls

Every Monday night, a group of students gathered for a one credit-hour class, though they did not meet in a classroom. They did not have books. They did not take notes. They did not deal with principles and concepts only seen on paper, but rather experienced them through skill and training in fencing.

"Fencing is a gentleman's sport, if you will," **Dane Kietzman**, junior in park management and conservation, said. "Sports these days are pretty fast paced. It's all about hitting hard and scoring points. Fencing is about refined technique."

The 11 students gathered each week in Ahearn Fieldhouse to learn the basics. Prior to the lesson, students put on protective gear consisting of a white vest, mask and gloves. After grabbing their sabres, the lesson began.

The hour-and-a-half class started with 10 minutes of stretching and warm-up exercises, followed by drills that enforced the fundamental stabs and lunges. Then they formed two lines, finding their opponent directly across from them. The pairs practiced specific attacks and disengages on each



In Ahearn Gymnasium, **Ethan Bezzek**, junior in history, challenges his partner during class to work on skills. "I had a general interest in fencing in the past, and I didn't know of any classes nearby," **Michael Place**, junior in history, said. "I got an e-mail about how it was offered and I jumped at the opportunity."
Lisle Alderton

Before class, students take time to stretch. "I'm starting to learn how to fence and how to formulate tactics and score points in fencing," **Vanessa Emming**, third year veterinary medicine student, said. "It's a disciplined sport, because you have to hold your hands a certain way and stand a certain way."
Lisle Alderton



other while the instructors watched and critiqued. At the end, the students could free fence until the end of the session.

"I like free fencing because we can just go against one another," **Vanessa Emming**, third-year veterinary medicine student, said. "We can be creative and figure out ways of attacking and defending."

Students said they got a good physical exercise while taking the class.

"The workout is actually really good," **Heidi Minnihan**, senior in finance, said. "You're using a lot of muscles that you don't normally use during the day, and it's an all-body workout, which is great."

Although students were unsure when they would use fencing in the future, they enjoyed the class and what they learned.

"I've learned the basics of fencing, which will hopefully benefit me someday," Minnihan said. "It's always nice to have unique experiences and things you can talk about with other people."

Construction *Builds* Collaboration

by Anna Kearns

A A Radina's Coffeehouse & Bakery, one interactive white board, two showers, eight LCD projectors and 27 offices were housed where there was only a parking lot in March 2009. The 28 full-time faculty members and six adjunct professors in the School of Leadership Studies took occupancy of their new building, just west of the Derby complex, Dec. 29.

During the building process, students from construction science and management, architectural engineering and interior design had opportunities to use the building as a laboratory. Leadership students also provided input.

"From the beginning, students are at the core of our program," **Mary Hale Tolar**, director of the school of leadership studies, said. "So they would be at the core of how we went about this building process. We listened a lot to what they liked and disliked about the space they were in previously."

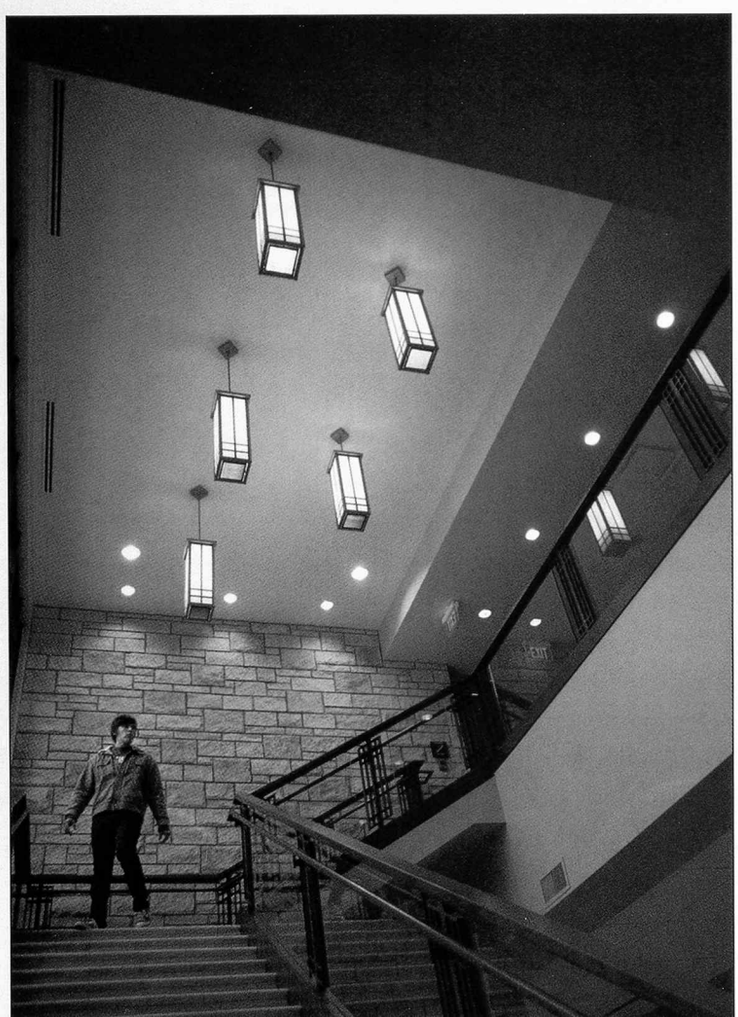
Leadership studies had been housed in two rental homes on Manhattan Avenue and a suite of offices in the Foundation Building on Anderson Avenue. Even after the new building was completed, Kansas Campus Compact and the Volunteer Center, entities of leadership studies, remained in the Foundation Building to ensure community access.

One of the benefits of the new building was the increased connection between faculty because of proximity.

"Truly, we have the opportunity now for the collaboration we've always had the inclination for," Tolar said. "We've worked really hard to collaborate with one another, but it's a lot easier now. It doesn't take near the effort."

Tolar said there was also increased connection for the students in terms of meeting with faculty and staff and more opportunities to meet and work in small groups. There were "intentionally designed pockets of collaboratively designed space" for student work. One of these spaces was nicknamed "The Treehouse" by students even before the building was open. Outside the windows of the space was a large, bald Cyprus tree nicknamed "Billy Ray Cyprus" because architects "saved its 'Achy Breaky Heart.'"

Sustainability was a large part of the planning process, including a goal for a silver Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design status. The upper level bathrooms contained showers to encourage riding a bike to and from campus. Sustainability in creating a building for the largest minor on campus meant adding permanence to the program, **Sue Pray**, administrative officer, said.



Faculty and staff took residence of the new School of Leadership Studies building before the new year, and students began classes 11 days after the beginning of the spring semester. "One of the really big things we're excited about as students is that even though leadership is one of the biggest minors at K-State, we didn't ever see each other before unless we were super involved," said **Jessica Gradert**, president of leadership studies ambassadors and senior in nutritional sciences. "Now we have the opportunity to get to know each other as leadership minors. It has really expanded our opportunities."
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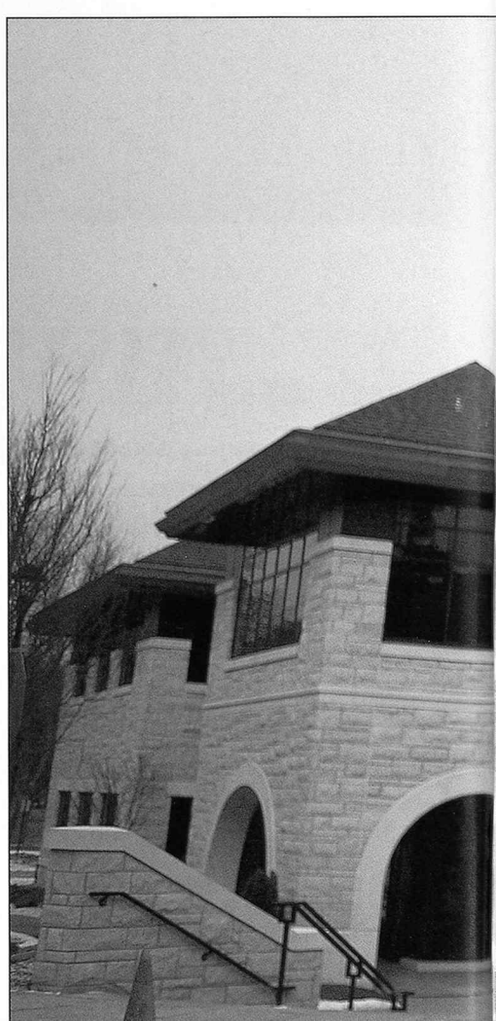


"It's built to last; there's sustainability in that idea," she said. "The idea is that we will be here for years to come as a key part of K-State."

Tolar said the building increased awareness of how representative the minor was of the university as a whole.

"(The building) elevates what has always been a key component of this university," she said, "and that is a commitment to develop the leadership of our students, as well as our faculty and staff. I was a student here 20-something years ago, and it's always been here. There's been a strong commitment to developing our students' ability to exercise leadership forever. But now there's a building. And with the limestone marker that will be out front, it will actually say that we understand the importance of leadership. It's really very powerful."

Though leadership studies claimed more than 1,000 students, administrators had no plans for it to become a major.

"People always ask, 'When will you be a major?' Tolar said, "but we aspire to be a minor. That's what we intend to be. That in itself is a very intentional choice because we do believe that everyone is capable of developing their leadership. (We try not) to make people choose between a major area of content and leadership; you should be able to match them."

While they were not aiming to detract from other academic programs, leadership representatives hoped to increase the collaborative atmosphere of the university.

"I think there's a lot of people who see this building and wonder why a minor has a building," said **Jessica Gradert**, president of leadership ambassadors and senior in nutritional sciences. "We want everyone to know this is a building for K-State. We're opening the classrooms, and we want everyone to use the space and the coffee shop and everything. It's always going to be available for students to have those conversations and make those connections, especially about leadership, but about everything. We hope it will be like a second (K-State Student) Union."

"Developing knowledgeable, ethical, caring, inclusive leaders for a diverse and changing world."

School of Leadership Studies mission statement



BEHINDTHE

by Anna Kearns

Thousands of students, staff and faculty roamed the campus every day from the early morning hours into the late night. Though students came and went, buildings remained. Whether blanketed with snow or casting cool shadows out of the summer heat, they remained part of the university's identity.



"Anderson is an icon. It's recognized by all K-Staters as the symbol of a classic university. It's on class rings, invitations, diplomas. The outline is recognized by thousands of future and current students and alumni. Very few campuses have a building that brings campus together. Anderson is an icon."

Pat Bosco, vice president of student life

Anderson Hall

- The building was added to the National Historic Registry in 1980, according to university archives.
- When the heat turned off, the pipes banged as they cooled, office staff said.
- The north end of the building had window air conditioners and old-fashioned radiators, while the south end had more modern heating and cooling technology, which was installed after a fire in that end of the building, said **Pat Bosco**, vice president of student life, who worked in Anderson for 32 years.
- Two east-facing porches were walled in by German prisoners of war during World War II. They were driven back and forth from Fort Riley every day to do detail work on campus, according to university archives.
- It contained a barbershop and canteen between 1919 and 1924, according to university archives.
- The south tower was hit by lightning in 1993, causing more than $1.25 million in damage, according to university archives.

LIMESTONE

Cardwell Hall

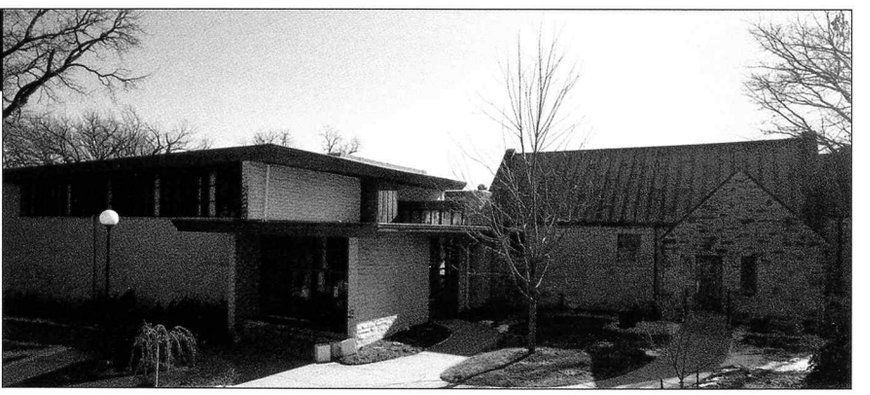


- It formerly housed a planetarium, according to university archives.
- Around 1970, the physics department began experimenting with the first microwaves, which, in one incident, resulted in professor of physics Larry Weaver's face being splattered with egg.
- In room 119, a peace sign made of soot marked the ceiling from 2000 to 2005 from research regarding the production of soot by a flame, done by **Chris Sorenson**, professor of physics.
- The physics department faculty had paper airplane contests in the hallways, Weaver said.

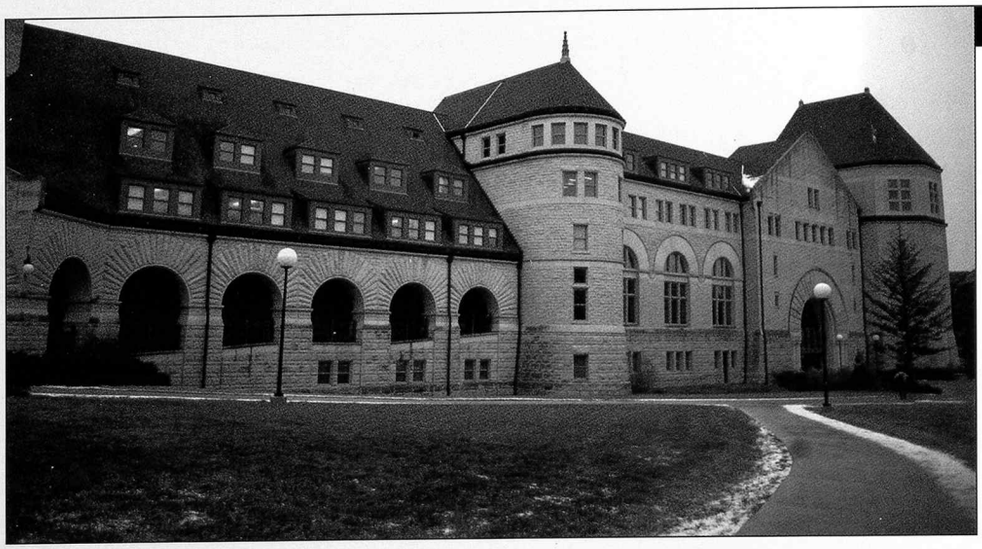
"Pushing 40 years ago, we had a physics department picnic, and we had water pistols. The next morning, spur of the moment, I decided to take the water pistol to school with me. That day I got into a disagreement with one of my colleagues, and he said, 'What are you going to do, shoot me?' And I did."

Larry Weaver, who had worked in Cardwell 40 years

Danforth and All Faiths Chapels



- It was built as a memorial to the 5,000 university representatives who served and the 200 who died in World War II, according to university archives.
- Future President Dwight Eisenhower broke the sod for the building in 1948, according to university archives.
- All Faiths Chapel, the main chapel, was built to accommodate protestant, Catholic and Jewish ceremonies, according to university archives.
- The stained glass includes biblical figures as well as famous scientists, explorers and U.S. presidents, according to university archives.
- The organ, constructed of 2,458 pipes, was designed by internationally known organ architect James Jamison for $50,000 in 1961, according to university archives.



Hale Library

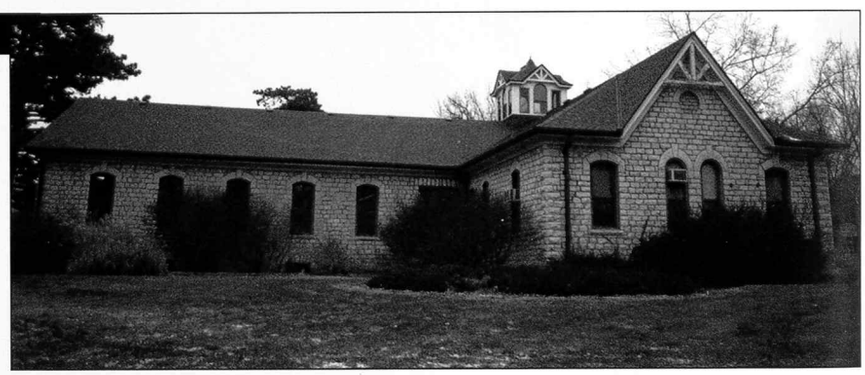
"We have Stack Level H — 'the mysterious Stack Level H' — that only (archivists) can access. Every once and a while, someone will be on the elevator back in the stacks, and we'll call it up so we can go down, and it's amusing because it's usually dark back there, so when the elevator door opens there's a person standing there, and it's dark, and their first reaction is 'Where am I? What is this place?' So we just refer to it as 'mysterious Stack Level H.' But I think as far as I'm concerned (Hale) is the heart of the university. It's open to everyone, and the resources that we have here are just phenomenal."

Pat Patton, who had worked for 23 years as a research specialist for Hale Library

- It took 10 years, between 1965 and 1975, to convert the catalog to the Library of Congress system, according to university archives.
- The library began in 1863 with the donation of approximately 3,000 volumes. By 1963, there were more than 318,000 volumes. In 2010 it housed more than 1.2 million volumes, according to university archives.
- The stacks originally had glass floors, according to university archives.
- In 1997, Farrell Library doubled in size and was officially unveiled as Hale Library, according to university archives.

Holtz Hall

- The building was built in 1876 and was the oldest free-standing building on campus, according to New Student Services.
- It used steam heat from the power plant, so the registers often clanked loudly and frightened guests during meetings, said **Dottie Evans**, associate director of career and employment services, who worked in Holtz for nine years.
- It was the women's gymnasium in 1903, Evans said.



"If you're in this building by yourself, there are weird sounds that come up from the basement. I'm sure there are ghosts down there. I guess I have a personal appreciation for old structures, and I love the history of (Holtz Hall). I get a giggle out of being able to tell people that I work in the second oldest building on campus. We see Holtz in old photographs that date back to when (the university) was Bluemont College, and in all the origins of K-State, we're there."

Dottie Evans, associate director of career and employment services



Kedzie Hall

- It was the first building in the United States designed primarily for the "domestic economy."
- A two story beehive was removed in 2008. The honey was useless because of the chemicals that rose from the old printing presses in the basement.
- All of the wires and plumbing were outside of the walls because electricity was not added until after the building was built.
- It housed one of the oldest journalism schools in the country.

"In a lot of ways it's an architectural wonder, it's so old. But it also isn't the best maintained, but it just has so much history connected to it."

Bill Adams, professor of journalism and mass communications

K-State at Salina Aeronautical Center

- It was used for aviation simulators and the transportation program.
- Its original use was an international student flight training program largely for Iraqi and Kuwaiti students.
- It was designed to function separately from campus, so it included showers and a cafeteria.
- Two aircrafts were managed and maintained there for use by university personnel.



"We do all of the aviation classes out of here. There are two aircrafts, a Citation jet and a Beach King Air: those are both corporate aircrafts that are managed here. So it's what gives our campus the aviation flavor."

Richard Barnhart, department head of Salina aviation



K-State Student Union

- It was built during the presidency of James McCain, who served from 1950 to 1975, according to university archives.
- Where the current K-State Student Union was, there were outhouses for Kedzie Hall, Anderson Hall and Fairchild Hall, **Dottie Evans**, associate director of Career and Employment Services, said.

Memorial Stadium

- It was built to honor World War I veterans from the university for the following reasons, according to university archives:
- In 1919, the first construction committee raised $105.06, according to information from university archives.
- It was completed in 1938 with the addition of offices, locker rooms, medical rooms and storerooms under the east wing seating, according to university archives.
- Plans to gut the east and west sections included adding a welcome center and Career and Employment Services in the east side, though the use for the west side was undecided.



"We're always interested in making sure we preserve the history of our school. We're interested in honoring our veterans and their ancestors."

Pat Bosco, vice president of student life



Nichols Hall

- The building was completed in 1911 for the physical education and military science departments, according to the campus map.
- It was built to resemble a medieval fortress in the popular style of other military science buildings, according to New Student Services.
- A fire was set as a demonstration in 1968, though too much gasoline was used and the flames reached the varnished gymnasium floor. The fire left only the walls and steel girders, though a high wind scattered bits of musical manuscripts over city park and large chunks of burning asbestos from the roof on neighboring homes, said **Jean Sloot**, former professor of music, who worked in Nichols for 48 years.

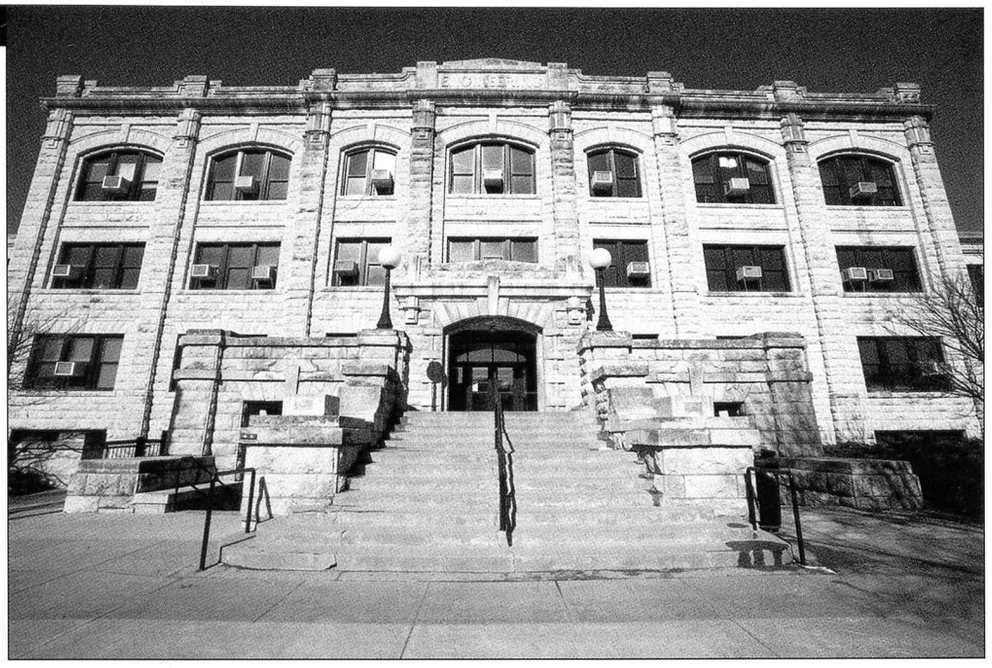
"At that time (the university) was not on the city fire system, in order to save money. So the only way that anybody could help us fight this fire was that five people had to sign something. And four of them were out of town. So it burned up. The K-State Fire Department, which was not in very intensified training, came and did what they could, but I remember the guys could hardly hold onto the two fire hoses they were trying to use, only one of which had any pressure. And that's it, that's all there was. When I got there at midnight — someone had alerted me because I was in bed sick — I looked up and realized my office was safe, but there was no way to get to it. So I just stood there and waited until the fire broke through to that end (of the building) at 2:15 in the morning. That's my memory."

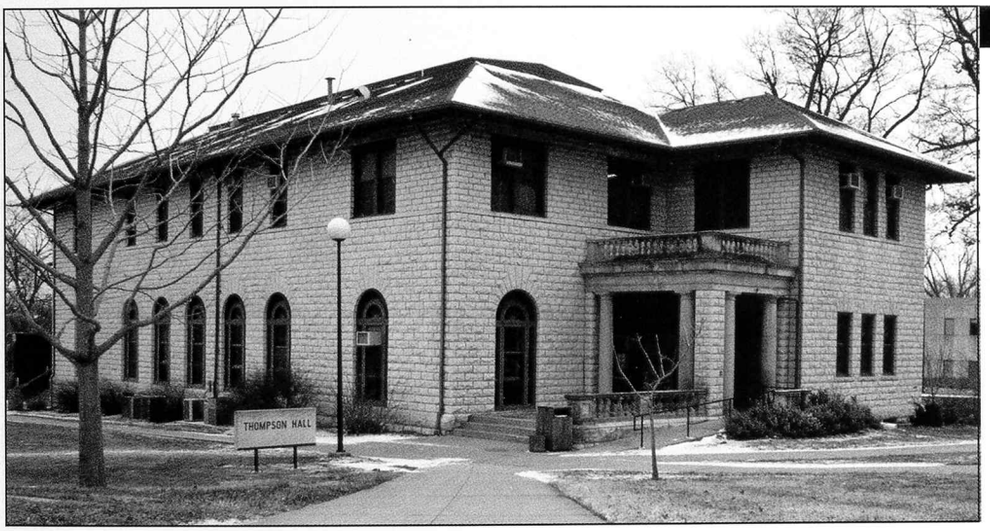
Jean Sloot, former professor of music

- One student was in the building running the evening KSDB broadcast when the fire broke out. He escaped when a friend called and told him to leave the building, Sloot said.

Seaton Hall

- According to university archives, it was the oldest building on campus.
- A fallout shelter was built in 1962 and designed to accommodate between six and 10 people, according to university archives.
- In 1991, a trailer of roofing tar caught fire on the north end of the building and caused extensive smoke damage throughout, according to university archives.





Thompson Hall

- The building's original use was for the institutional management major, now called hospitality management and dietetics. The Geology department moved in around 1950, according to New Student Services.
- It once housed a cafeteria and tea room used by Fairchild Hall and Anderson Hall employees, according to the campus map.
- It had a functional dumbwaiter until the late 1970s, said **Sambhudas Chaudhuri**, professor of geology, who worked in Thompson for 44 years.

"It is one of the oldest buildings, and it hasn't been modified at all (on the exterior). The only modifications have been on the inside. So the building is exactly the same, and it even has the same old slate roof. You don't find old slate roofs anymore. And, jokingly, we still have the same cockroaches they had when the building was built."

Sambhudas Chaudhuri, professor of geology

"I think campus is really pretty and natural looking. I like how by using the lime stone on the buildings it incorporates the Flint Hills and our surrounding environment."

Jessica Jones, senior in graphic design

A COURSE OF A DIFFERENT COLOR
CLASS PROVIDES PRACTICAL EQUINE EXPERIENCE

by Tamara Salisbury

As third-year veterinary medicine students gathered along what was known as "I-70" in Mosier Hall, **Beth G. Davis**, associate professor of clinical sciences, distributed outlines of the day's activities for Laboratory Two: Advanced Equine Techniques. Included on the schedule were a discussion about sedatives, student application of intravenous catheters in horses, a nasogastric intubation demonstration and student application of a lower limb bandage.

Davis said students took Clinical Skills, the year before they started their clinicals — individual rotations within the teaching hospital. The fall semester was devoted to small animals, and the spring semester focused on equine and feed animal skills, and it prepared students with the basic animal handling skills they would need as a veterinarian.

In the class, students practiced clinical skills on horses maintained for teaching purposes by the college. Davis said the horses were chosen often for their temperaments, so students who had minimal experience with horses would have a positive first time. **Sara Craven**, third-year veterinary medicine student and president of the class of 2011, said she enjoyed the opportunity for hands-on learning.

"We learn about things in class all the time, and even though I have a very strong interest in equine, when you go and shadow a veterinarian, very likely they're not going to let you put in an IV catheter even if you're a third-year vet student," she said. "So it's just a nice, quiet setting where you have people there to help you and teach you. There's no stress; there are no clients involved."

Following a brief discussion of sedation, students split into groups of four or five to practice putting an IV catheter in the horses. The horse that **John Ayers**, third-year veterinary medicine student, practiced on was named **Rosie**. He said though he was a little nervous, the hardest part was doing the hand-ties on the sutures to keep the catheter in place.

"It's really nice that we get a chance to practice," he said. "For next year, you're expected to do a lot of this stuff on your own, and for people like me who don't really have a large animal background and who aren't really planning on doing large animal, it's helpful."

When each group finished with the catheters, they moved back to their semi-circle to watch Davis perform a nasogastric intubation on Rosie. As she put the tube through Rosie's nose and into her esophagus and then her stomach, Davis asked questions and



With her "clean" hand, Baird removes the pipette from the catheter with her "dirty" hand in Clinical Skills Feb. 11. One important tip Davis gave students was using the same hand as a "clean" hand to avoid infection. "For those of us who have never touched a horse or cow or sheep before, it is nice to have some instruction on how to do a physical exam, how to draw blood, how to stay safe and even just how to handle the animals in general," she said.
Matt Binter



While pinching the horse's jugular vein, **Jill Baird**, third-year veterinary medicine student, administers a local anesthetic, as **Beth G. Davis**, associate professor of clinical sciences, holds the horse steady. Students practiced skills such as inserting catheters under the supervision of professionals.
Matt Binter

gave tips, and she opened the floor for questions at the end. Students were especially curious if she had ever had any gastrointestinal juices come back up the tube while she was blowing on it (a tactic which aided in the insertion of the tube). The answer: it had happened. Students laughed, but Davis said sometimes these things just happen, and it was best not to swallow anything.

Davis said the class was organized as a small group setting with open discussion, and **Craig Pauly**, third-year veterinary medicine student, said he liked being able to ask the professors questions.

"The professors who teach here are experts in their fields, so they do a great job communicating proper techniques and up-to-date medicines," he said. "They know all the ins and outs; they know what to tell us so that we don't get hurt and so that we're successful. One of the best things is just picking these guys for knowledge."

As the class split again to their horses (except one horse, **Charlie Brown**, which had been taken away to have his leg worked on), Davis joked with her students about the importance in practicing basics like applying a lower limb bandage.

"All your credibility just went out the window if you can't wrap a lower limb bandage," she said.

The atmosphere of the class remained open to the end, when many students stayed around to discuss the day's activities and ask Davis further questions even after they were dismissed.

"I really like coming in here and trying new things that I haven't ever gotten to try before," Craven said. "It's just one step closer to actually getting to clinics. You can see the light at the end of the tunnel once you get to these classes."

the teacher said, "Let's get our sex on."

by Anna Kearns

The notes included a sketch of a penis. And for the women, the homework was to do 500 Kegel's exercises a day. In Justin Hall 109, Human Sexuality class offered a different learning environment from many other related courses.

"In our society, students have been having sex probably since they were 16 or younger, and while we have a very sexually active student population, it doesn't necessarily mean that they're practicing their sexuality safely or in healthy ways," said **Kelly Welch**, assistant professor of family studies and human services. "So I envision the purpose of this class is to teach students about not just sex, but about sexuality — and those are two different things."

Welch explained sex as the act or acts themselves, but sexuality as an experience based on a variety of aspects: biological, cultural and the subjective experiences of those elements.

Though Welch planned a topic for each time the course met, she said the topic often either took longer than expected or changed entirely based on concerns and questions.

"The class usually ends up turning into an sex open forum," **Kelsie Dawson**, senior in mass communications, said, "which is good because our generation knows so little. It's like all these people are out there having sex, but they don't really understand it. And in this class, people get the chance to get answers to the questions they really want to know."

Welch said while the questions varied from very serious to hysterically funny, she tried to find time for as many as possible.

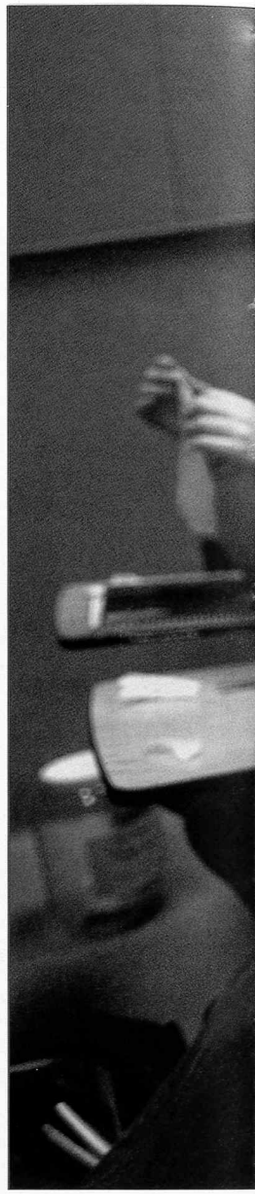
"I think there are a lot of misunderstandings about (sex and sexuality)," she said. "There are a lot of misunderstandings about how the male body works, like does penis size matter? And the simple truth is no it doesn't, because the female body can accommodate whatever is placed in it, if you're talking about heterosexual sex. But I think there are a lot of myths: a lot of sexual myths, a lot of relationships myths, about both sexes. If we could have three hours twice a week, believe me, we would fill that time with questions from students."

One thing the course offered students was a way to learn to communicate about sex and sexuality, **David E. Thompson**, assistant professor of family studies and human services, said.

"The purpose is to help students to be informed so they can make healthy and wise life decisions," Thompson said. "The purpose is also to provide education so that when people are confronted with relationship issues or physical conditions, they've got a little more awareness of what's going on. Two of the biggest causes of relationships not making it, especially marriages, are sex and money. I've not seen any literature that says there's such a thing as sexual incompatibility. There may be differences in desire and sexual drive, but (it's easier) if you can talk about it — and we spend two weeks talking about communication and conflict resolution — and you're aware of what may be causing some of these things."

Through the concerns and varying topics, **Ashley Hinnergardt**, junior in open option, said she felt they were important issues to discuss.

"(This information is) important because they don't teach you this in eighth grade sex ed," she said. "I've learned something new every day — learning about pregnancy, for example. I don't have the slightest idea about kids, so learning about your body and why it does what it does (is important)."



During a lesson on how to make an oral contraceptive called a dental dam, **Erin Schneweis**, junior in communication sciences and disorders, blows into an elastic glove. "She showed us how to cut off all the fingers and then cut down the side, but not to cut off the thumb and that was your dental dam," Schneweis said. "I didn't know what a dental dam was before her teaching things like that.
Chelsy Lueth



David E. Thompson's advice for students about their sexuality:

- Be true to yourself, your own values, your own beliefs, your own desire. Don't get pressured into anything.
- Know what you want for the long haul.
- Be proactive — get education, be aware of birth control methods, be aware of potential STDs and do something to protect yourself.

David E. Thompson's motto:

"Knowledge breeds responsible sexual behavior; ignorance just breeds." – Frank D. Cox

When stripped, David E. Thompson is passionate.

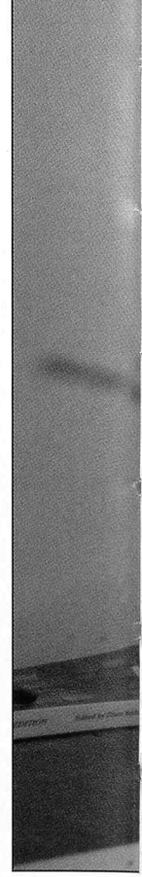
Kelly Welch's advice for students about their sexuality:

- Your sexuality is the greatest gift you will ever have; it is at the core of your being.
- Protect it at all costs.
- Don't be so serious about it. Have fun with it.

Kelly's Welch's motto:

"If you don't know your options, you don't have any."

When stripped, Kelly Welch is vulnerable.



In the K-State Herbarium, **Kristina Vance**, freshman in fisheries and wildlife biology, applies glue to a specimen for preservation. "The hardest part of my job is trying to figure out how to place the plants on the sheet of paper so that all the parts of the plant can fit on the paper when mounting," she said.
Chelsy Lueth

Leafy Legacy

by Tara Cowley

1. Collect plants.
2. Press plants.
3. Dry plants.
4. Put plants into the herbarium.

These steps prepared plants to be recorded and put into storage for future reference.

The K-State Herbarium held 200,000 different plant specimens from the Great Plains and surrounding areas dating back to the 1800's.

"(The herbarium) houses a permanent record of plants from this area over time," **Mark Mayfield**, research associate and assistant professor in biology, said. "It helps people to understand the many plants in this time."

The two main areas of research were taxonomic studies (classifying and organizing specific specimens) and floristic studies (the study of flowers). Workers used the resources of the

Classified Senate



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Journalism and Mass Communications



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herbarium in plant identification and different aspects of documentation of plant diversity. Professors and students often studied a specific group of species at a time, they either collected them and or had them on loan from other herbariums around the country.

"I use herbarium specimens to understand what species should be recognized, what the morphological variation within the species is and how they are related to one another," **Carolyn Ferguson**, curator and associate professor of biology, said. "Some of my students study additional plant groups, and we also do some work on patterns of floristic diversity in the Great Plains region."

The herbarium also provided employment opportunities for students. About six to eight students per semester assisted in data entry and curatorial work.

"Working at the herbarium gives me experience looking at different plants and learning their names," **Kristen Row**, senior in biology, said. "It's interesting to look at our history through plants."

The herbarium represented the work of researchers around the Konza Prairie and researchers from around the world. Many species of plants were passed around the world for continuous studies and different opinions.

"This collection represents the work of many hundreds of researchers, collecting since the mid 1800s to today, around the entire world." Ferguson, said. "The K-State Herbarium is an irreplaceable gem of K-State. We know that future generations will continue to use it to study biodiversity, but it will also be a source of data for studies we have yet to envision."

Leadership Studies



Front Row: Mary Hale Tolar, Paula Phelps, John Carlin, Dorothy Smith, J. Mike Finnegan, Bob Shoop, Sue Pray **Back Row:** Sara Weber, Lynda Bachelor, Matt Lindsey, Trisha Gott, Monica Strathman, Irma O'Dell, Mary Kay Siefers, Candi Hironaka, Olivia Collins, Lynn Brickley

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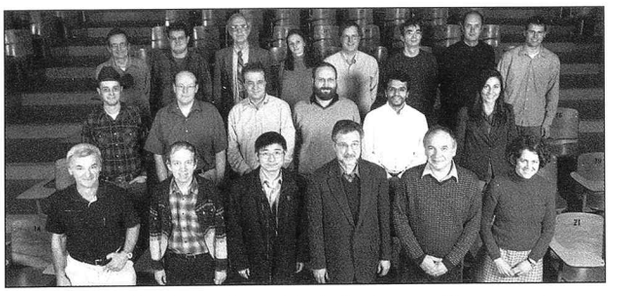

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portrait by Lisle Alderton

Passionate & Prioritized

When stripped I'm just a shy girl with big opinions and a lot of love.

by Colleen Quinn

Through the doors of Willard Hall and up the stairs, silence overtook the hallways — art students were immersed in their classes. Whether their task was sketches, ceramics or watercolor, the majority of them had one thing in common — studio hours. **Brianna Kerwood**, junior in fine arts, aspired to become a college professor.

"I really want to get my master's (degree) in drawing," she said. "With drawing, you could take that into other directions too, so I could be a painting instructor too. Drawing is fundamental for painting."

Kerwood said she put in long hours inside and outside the classroom, but never strayed from her main goal.

"I spend 12 to 13 hours a week in my classroom studio and then double that for out-of-class work in studio," she said. "It's mostly for projects. Right now I'm on my own, so we don't have assignments anymore. We use class time and studio time to better ourselves and figure out what we want to say with art. It's experimenting and figuring out what we like and what is important to us as artists."

Regardless of the long hours, Kerwood said she did not deprive herself of sleep like most art students.

"Sometimes I'm up pretty late doing drawings, but I try to get six hours of sleep a night," Kerwood said. "I get ideas going through my head sometimes when I'm trying to go to sleep."

In between studio and catching up on sleep, Kerwood made room for planning a June 2010 wedding and more than one job. She said she had to learn to prioritize and juggle everything at once.

"I have several jobs on top of my art," she said. "I work as a deejay on the weekends, work in Seaton (Hall) as a secretary and I do drawings for the Collegian once a week. I make sure I just take time out of my day to work on stuff because sometimes it can be put on the back burner. You have to figure out where your priorities are for the year and what's important."

As she wrapped up her junior year, Kerwood said she was happy with the thought that she only had three semesters left.

"They say beauty is in the eye of the beholder, but you have to make a name for yourself before you can even think about making money in art," she said. "To see my professors teach and that they have time for their own art and send it to places all over the world like China, is my motivation. I think I would like teaching, and I would be good at it, but really, I just want to be able to do my own art."

DIALED IN

Communication with the past provides funds for the future

by Anna Kearns

On the third floor of the KSU Foundation Center, trays of leftover lasagna came to room temperature outside a room where 80 students chatted with alumni over the phone. The smell of day-old coffee drifted from the office area to where students and Telefund team members worked to reach the annual goal of approximately $1.5 million in scholarship funds.

Though the financial goal was an estimate, **Jeff Pfannenstiel**, associate director of annual giving and student programs, said Telefund had bigger goals.

"A million-and-a-half dollars is what it ends up being," Pfannenstiel said. "It's been like that for the last few years. We have intentions of increasing that, but we're limited right now in that we're in max capacity of our calling center. But beyond the financial goal, I think the real goal is just to make as many connections as possible with our alums from each college with our student caller. I think that's just as important as the gift itself."

The calling capacity increased from 86 to 100 to as one way to increase revenue. Other changes occurred during Pfannenstiel's three years working with Telefund, many of which came from surveys sent to past callers and current students. They asked for a meal, comfortable chairs, appealing prizes and a change in the grand prize.

"We wanted to know the kinds of things students would like to be done differently and what would make it a better experience for them," Pfannenstiel said. "We heard things like, 'If you're going to give us prizes, make them something we're really interested in — gift cards,' and, 'Boy, a car is great, but one person gets a car, and I'd really like the chance to get a scholarship,' so we divided it up and gave more than one person a chance to win a grand prize."

Historically, the grand prize was a car donated by the Wichita Area Big Wheels — a group of 50-60 alumni — but after a period of negotiation, the group agreed to develop and donate to the Wichita Area (K-State Telefund Scholarship) instead. The scholarship provided a $1,000 scholarship to one student volunteer from each of the university's nine colleges.

Despite the changes, Telefund continued to offer students a way to connect with alumni.

"It helps build connections with our generation, who are so technologically savvy — we text and Twitter and Facebook, but we're communicating with people who graduated in '49, and we're communicating our need to them," **Annarose Hart**, Telefund coach and sophomore in agricultural education, said. "We're relating to other generations."

Though volunteers could expect the same schedule every night — dinner, getting acquainted, 45 minutes of training and three hours of calling interspersed with smaller prizes and a closing period including prize distribution — unexpected events did occur. On her first night of calling, **Karem Roman**, freshman in kinesiology, received a $7,000 donation.

"It felt so good because it was my second call," Roman said. "It was just a normal call, and (the card) said to ask for a $500 donation, and he's all 'I'm going to give $7,000 this year, I hope that makes your night.' I told him it did."

In addition to connecting with alumni, Telefund offered students a way to represent the university.

"I think it gives (students) an opportunity, maybe if they're not involved in an organization, it gives them an opportunity to be an ambassador for K-State," Pfannenstiel said. "Think about it, for three hours a night, you're the voice of K-State. On the other end of the phone, your voice is what they think of (in regards to K-State). You're what is K-State to them."

> *"(One reason to participate) is the incentives. Who doesn't love a free meal? Plus, you're doing it with the people in your major, and that's a fun time."*
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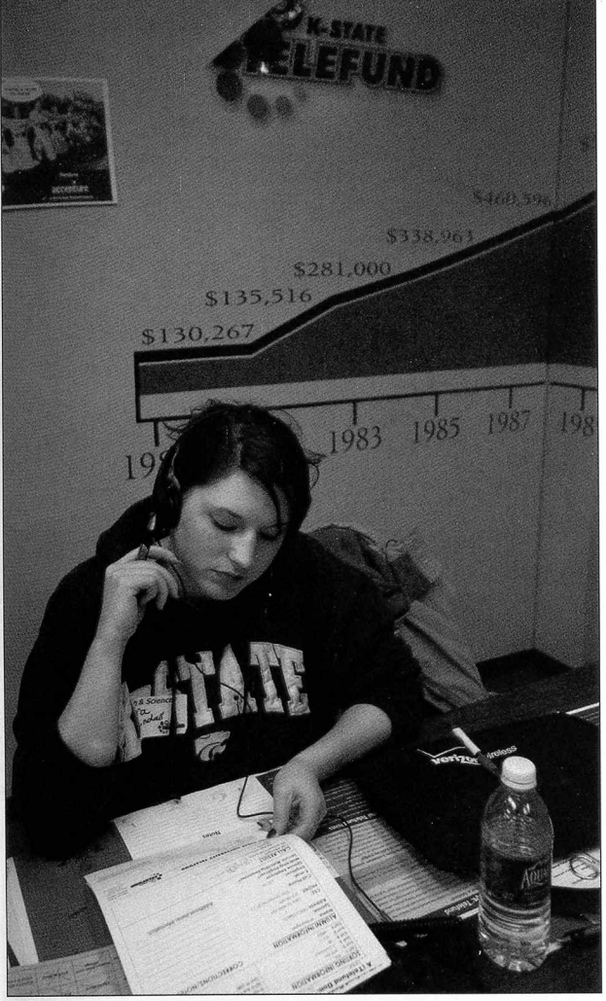
> *Holly Henry, coach and senior in communication sciences and disorders*



During the College of Arts and Sciences Telefund, **Sara Crandall**, sophomore in physics, raises $3,680 to become one of the top callers of the night Feb. 11. The K-State telefund had been going on since 1980. It was the largest student-volunteer telefund for higher education. Current students called alumni from all over the nation and talked with them about the possility of making donations to their former colleges. The gifts donated by alumni fund student scholarships and other educational needs of the nine colleges. Alumni typically donate to the college from which they graduated, but could specify if they wanted their money to go elsewhere.
Chelsy Lueth

Fundraising Pledge Totals

College of Engineering Jan. 31 – Feb. 4: $294,888

College of Veterinary Medicine Jan 31 – Feb. 1: $84,640

College of Arts and Sciences Feb. 7 – Feb. 11: $227,152

College of Human Ecology Feb. 14 – Feb. 17: $117,837

College of Agriculture Feb. 14 – Feb. 18: $201,090

College of Business Administration Feb. 21 – Feb. 25: $129,734

College of Education Feb. 21 – Feb. 25: $109,440

College of Technology and Aviation K-State at Salina Feb. 28: $7,225

College of Architecture, Planning and Design Feb. 28 - March 1: $48,545

TOTAL: $1,220,551

On the phone with an alumnus, **Debjani Pal**, graduate student in biochemistry, chats about the university to gain a donation. "I came to K-State in 2008 and I didn't participate," Pal said, "but my friend did, and he said it was a good experience. And since it was a good experience and I like to talk, I decided to do it." **Melissa Veldman**, senior in biochemistry; **Adam Snider**, graduate student in biochemistry; and **Derek Low**, senior in biochemistry, worked through their calls.
Chelsy Lueth

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ENGINEERING PROFESSOR CRAFTS EASY WEIGHT LOSS PLAN

by Colleen Quinn

Most people associated the word diet with drastic changes in eating habits and intense workouts. Fortunately, through math, cutting calories and a small amount of exercise each day, an easier way was established. **Todd Easton**, associate professor of engineering, created a diet and eventually wrote a book called "The When Diet: Mathematically Optimizing Eating and Exercise for Weight Loss."

"Basically the strategy is to not eat after dinner and get some sort of exercise after dinner," Easton said. "The goal is to make the minimum number of changes to your life — that's what the math showed."

Through his own willpower, Easton knew that he could lose weight and keep it off. By inventing this diet plan and sticking to it, he was confident in his research and lost 30 pounds to prove it.

"I wanted to lose weight and decided to optimize my own problem," he said. "I started back in 2004 and lost 30 pounds. I decided to write a book once I got all my mathematical formulas correct."

Beginning with basic reasoning and knowledge that was already well-known, Easton went a step further.

"I figured that what you eat today is independent from your hunger tomorrow," he said. "What I eat today has no impact on how hungry I am tomorrow. Your hunger restarts each morning you wake up."

Easton realized that by working out you only make yourself hungrier, and when you're strictly trying to lose weight, cutting calories and a small workout is all you really needed. He did not spend hours each night trying to burn calories.

"If you exercise, you burn calories and get hungry," Easton said. "One of the dangers in exercising is when you eat everything you just burned off. I do one set of push-ups and sit-ups a night. Just the bare minimums."

Easton stressed that his book was not by any means a healthy lifestyle book. The book did not teach you what to eat or how much to eat. Rather, he cut out the last 500 calories he would have eaten every day without worrying about the rest of the day.

"Eating limited calories and working out five days a week is the healthy way," he said. "(This book doesn't) focus on health. There's no way in the world I'm qualified to write a health book."

portrait by Chelsy Lueth


The
When Diet
Mathematically Optimizing Eating and Exercise
for Weight Loss

folded insects: art exhibit entomology

by Tiffany Wilson

Insects overtook the Beach Museum of Art when the museum hosted an event honoring artist **Robert J. Lang's** origami Nov. 19 in partnership with the K-State Insect Zoo. Lang's origami was intricate and real; the insects ranged from cicadas and butterflies to grasshoppers and more. With more than 500 designs, Lang was recognized as one of the world's leading masters of the art.

Every semester the museum had an event that incorporated an art activity into one of the exhibits. The fall semester's art activity was a Ladies' Night with holiday origami.

The schedule for the event was informal and was mostly constructed so ladies enjoyed themselves. The night incorporated with a quick explanation of Robert Lang's art, then a tour at the Vanier Gallery where the art was being displayed.

"We have 35 people signed up and maxed out with a waiting list. I will start groups with easy patterns and go from table to table to help them with more difficult patterns," **Kathrine Schlageck**, senior educator at the Beach Museum, said.

Following the tour, women began their crafts. Schlageck said the schedule was relaxed, but the origami was challenging.

"I had to learn how to make all the different pieces," Schlageck said. "It's really hard to follow the visual instructions. Sometimes I would go on the Internet to watch someone folding when I got stuck."

The women at the event varied in age, but all were interested in making crafts and learning something new. Most were thinking about giving their crafts away as Christmas gifts.

"I am interested in origami and other crafts, and I also make cards," **Sharon Morrow**, Manhattan resident, said. "I'm interested in it mostly for Christmas presents."

The museum's art classes for children inspired many of the adult events at the museum.

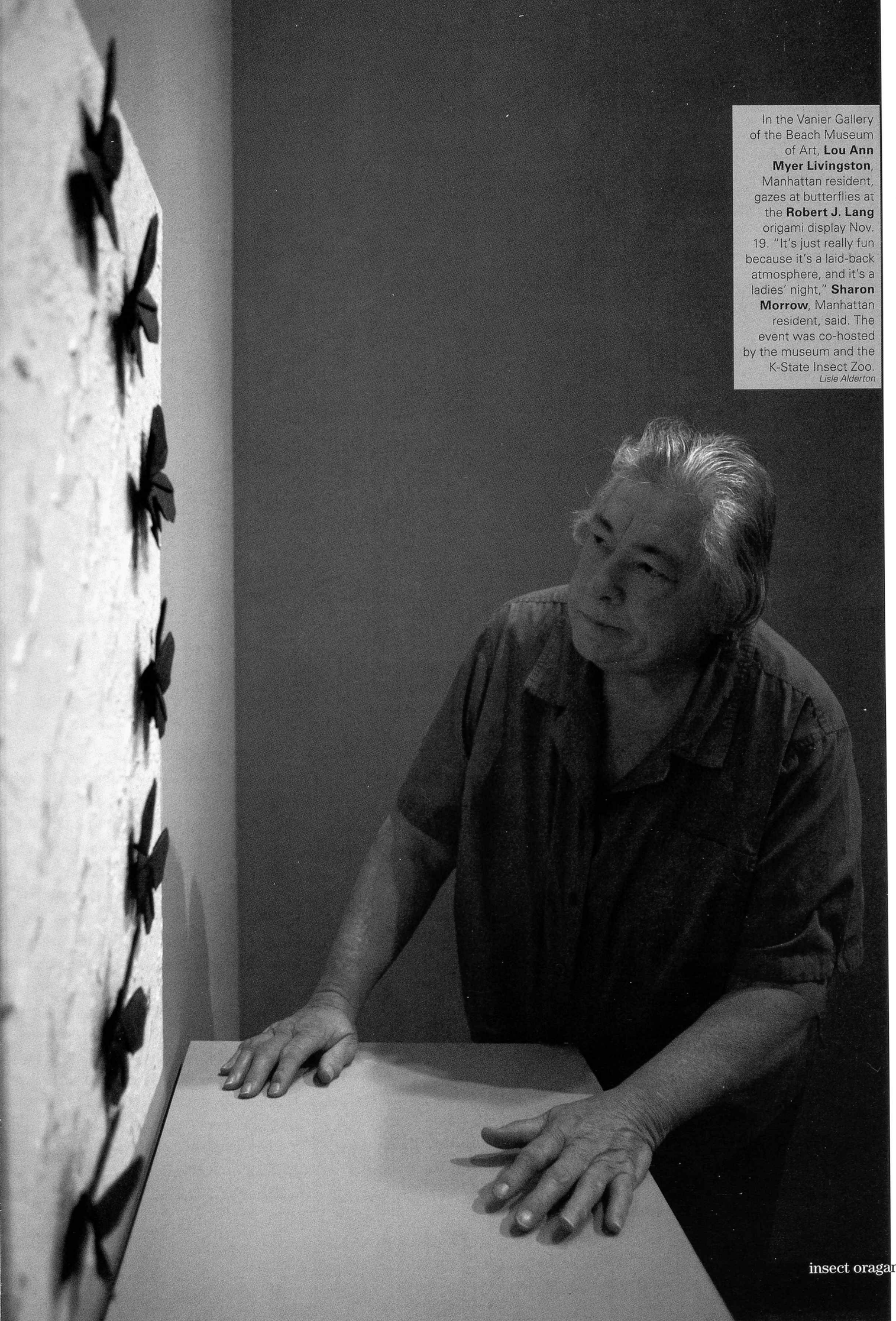
"We often hear from the adults that they would like to do the activities we do with the kids," Schlageck said.

The origami was done at a lower level for children, though still mostly insect-inspired. Docents taught them how to fold cicadas and gave a special presentation in the exhibit about cicadas.

"I am a docent of this exhibit for first and second graders," **Betsy Riblett**, volunteer docent, said. "I teach cicadas, however, it still took me a really long time how to figure it out."

Overall, Schlageck said she thought the event was successful.

"I think the women who come have a great time," she said. "No prior art experience is necessary and it's really just a chance to play. Everyone goes home in a great mood. People sometimes make new friends, too."



In the Vanier Gallery of the Beach Museum of Art, **Lou Ann Myer Livingston**, Manhattan resident, gazes at butterflies at the **Robert J. Lang** origami display Nov. 19. "It's just really fun because it's a laid-back atmosphere, and it's a ladies' night," **Sharon Morrow**, Manhattan resident, said. The event was co-hosted by the museum and the K-State Insect Zoo.
Lisle Alderton

Halloween Jazz Jam

by Eric Brown

"We love playing in front of the K-State students and people from the Manhattan area. We like playing in front of them because it's like a family affair."

Wayne Goins, professor of music and director of the Halloween jazz jam

Traditionally, jazz musicians were known for wearing dark, stylish clothes, fedoras and nicely polished shoes. But on Oct. 29, the performers of the 12th annual Halloween Jazz Jam kept it festive and wore costumes.

"It was kind of different seeing the drummer wearing a motorcycle rider outfit, but I forgot about all that once the music started," **Rachel Guilfoyle**, freshman in music education, said. "They could have worn anything and the music still would have sounded awesome. It provided a very chill atmosphere. It gave me a break from the uptight studying attitude that a lot of students get caught up in."

The show included four student jazz groups: Mambo Gambo, Housewreckers, Combo Nation and Swing Machine. The groups played everything from reggae compositions by Bob Marley to pieces by Miles Davis.

"We try to give the audience a lot of different things music-wise," said **Wayne Goins**, professor of music and director of the Halloween Jazz Jam. "We understand that not every listener is the same, so we try to play things that they can all appreciate."

Before the show started, the audience seemed relatively apathetic, but once the rhythm began to flow through the air, heads started to bobbed and toes tapped. Both the crowd and the musicians started to get into the show the longer the event went on. At one point, the drummer of Swing Machine, **Collin Hosek**, got so excited while pounding on his drum set that the leather biker hat from his costume flew off his head.

"If you're not having fun while you're playing then you just shouldn't play," Hoseck, senior in music performance, said. "I get super pumped up over jazz, and you can see that when I play."

Goins expressed the closeness of the group members and also how much work went into putting the show together. He also explained how the shows are done to allow the musicians to play in front of a live audience.

"We're like a big family — we all work hard for each other," he said. "These



shows give our musicians confidence, which is huge while performing. I'm proud of them, they turn this place (Union Station) into a jazz club when they play here."

After the show the audience all stood and applauded the groups who performed. While the spectators were pouring out of Union Station, many buzzed about how satisfied they were with the show.

"The show was great, and it was great to see everyone involved have a lot of fun with it," **Ashley T. Heptig**, junior in elementary education, said. "This was the first jazz show I've been to here in the K-State Student Union, but I will definitely come and see another one."



Focused on his part, **Bryant Letellier**, sophomore in applied music, plays the trombone for his band, The Housewreckers. Letellier played during the showcase of the jazz ensembles Oct. 29. The House Wreckers played three songs and was one of many performances for the evening.
Sara Manco

In front of an audience of about 150 people, **Bobby Scharmann**, freshman in music, performs for the Halloween Jazz Jam. "I played the piano for a long time and I just like providing the foundation for groups in the rhythm section," Scharmann said.
Sara Manco





At practice for their third annual Encuentro, **Edgar Nevarez**, senior in biology, and **Kristin Garcia**, sophomore in secondary education, members of the Hispanic American Leadership Organization, practice a ballet forklorico dance in Bosco Student Plaza. Encuentro, Oct. 6, was a meeting with speakers and various performances that represented the Hispanic Community.
Chelsy Lueth

organizations

A shared interest, cause, belief or goal connected students and allowed them to bond uninhibited, free, stripped.

Dressed in lab coats, GROW partcipants act as pharmacists in a class called "Saving Lives with Math" April 4. The girls became active and measured out medication — Skittles — for the stuffed animal patients they worked with."I like working with kids," **Mina Hosni**, mentor and junior in mechanical engineering, said. "It is fun seeing them get interested and excited about learning."
Jonathan Knight

Young girls listen intently as "Horses 101" instructors teach them about the skeletal structure of a pony. After reviewing the primary bone and organ locations, the girls applied what they learned to Frosty, a real pony. "My favorite animals are horses," **Hannah Oyler**, 13, said. "I liked the horse station because we got to learn that the heart is under a horse's armpit, and we learned the names of the bones."
Jonathan Knight





say AAH!

by Melissa M. Taylor

All for Animal Health reaches a younger crowd

Saturday, April 4, while most middle school students snoozed under the covers, girls dressed up in lab coats administering faux medications to stuffed animals.

They learned the bones and coloring of horses and discovered how to properly approach biosecurity and DNA diseases in ferrets. They discovered life under a microscopic lens and the proper approach to animal medicine.

"It's great to let them experience everything first hand," **Mina Hosni**, junior in mechanical engineering, said. "It's nice that they can figure out that you can do fun stuff with science and engineering and that it is not all in books. It was very satisfying to see them have fun and experience science in a different way."

Girls Researching Our World, a program under the Women in Engineering and Science Program, allowed university women to mentor girls about the excitement of learning during the All for Animal Health program in conjunction with the College of Veterinary Medicine.

"I really like that we are reaching to younger girls who at this point in their life are trying to pick, 'Am I going to pick boys or am I going to pick school, sports, etc?'" **Bre Stout**, sophomore in biological and agricultural engineering, said. "It's fun to show them that being a scientist isn't nerdy. Science isn't just sitting in a lab or doing experiments all day."

Whether mentors were helping girls apply their skin cells to microscope slides, or analyzing animal bones, they said they loved that they were helping young students expand their horizons and explore their world.

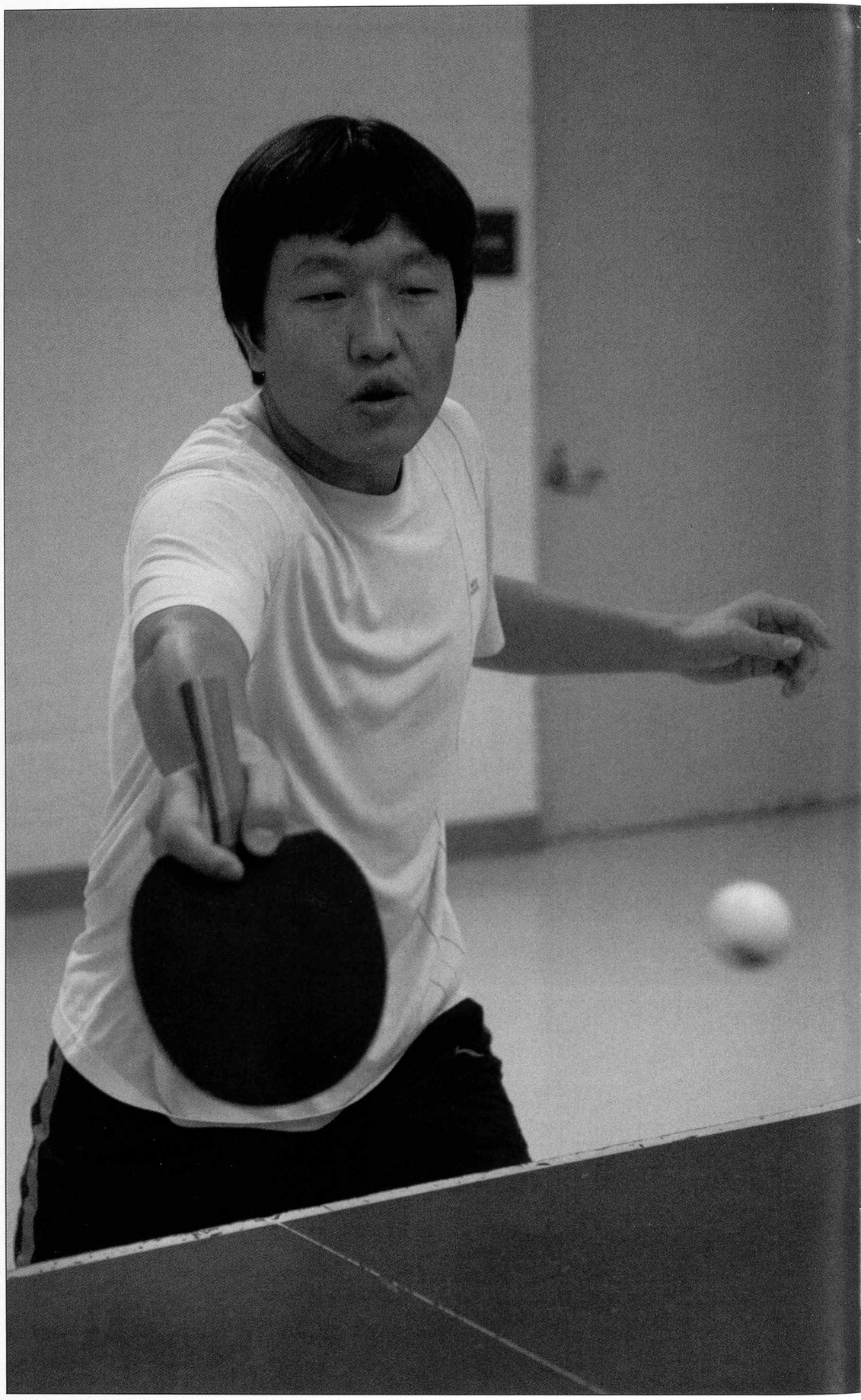
Students like **Leah Loredo**, 13, said she enjoyed learning the anatomy of horses and liked working with the mentors to learn about future career opportunities in science.

"I thought it was fun," Loredo said. "I am going to try to go to an Ivy League school like George Mason or MIT to study forensics. I always thought math and science was interesting."

hands on activities

Biosecurity: Safety for Animals — Learn different ways to protect animals from unseen bacteria, viruses or parasites.
Bone Zone — Learn about equine anatomy and compare horse bones to other species.
DNA Rescues Ferrets — Become a scientist who is researching worms found in black-footed ferrets.
Farmer in the Feed Mill — Learn the role of a nutritionist and how to mix animal feed.
Follow the Cat Tracks to Leukemia — Gain the skills to track down one of the worst cancers, cat leukemia, using lab techniques. Also discover how diseases spread and how to prevent contamination.
Horses 101 — Explore the basic care and anatomy of the horse with hands-on interactive activities.
Pet Health- It's a Small World After All — Explore the many steps of a small animal check-up including examining samples of blood, urine and skin, and the intestinal and blood-borne parasites that commonly affect dogs and cats.
Saving Lives with Math — Calculate how much medicine is needed for an animal based on its size and then fill the prescription.
Vet Med Career Road Map/Hospital Tours — What does it take to become a veterinarian? What other kinds of careers are available in animal and public health? What steps can you take now to get ready? This activity will walk you through planning a path to Vet Med and then take a tour of the hospital.
Women in Large Animal Medicine: A Walk on the Wild Side — Learn how an ultrasound works and use it to examine a pregnant sheep. Also examine blood cells and X-rays from large animal surgeries.

At the Peters Recreation Center in October, **Zheng Hao**, graduate student in mathematics, returns a ball while playing table tennis with a friend. The club was competitive, which was unusual for the sport in the United States. "(The club) gives me the opportunity to show people how amazing the sport really is," **Zach Moore**, president and graduate in electrical engineering, said. "Especially here in the U.S. where it is mostly played in basements for entertainment. Many people don't realize what competitive table tennis is like and what it takes to be good at it."
Chelsy Lueth



serve up competition

by Caitlin Burns

After the sun set, people filled Peters Recreation Complex. They paired up with partners and stood at either side of a long, black table with a short net in the middle. The person holding the little white ball paused, tossed it up and hit it with the paddle toward their partner's side. Table tennis practice had begun.

"Our practices are pretty informal," **Zach Moore**, president and graduate student in electrical engineering, said. "We are first a group of people who love to play table tennis and second a competitive team. So we will often just play matches against each other for fun."

At practice they played the best of five matches and then rotated around the room for two to three hours. The practice matches simulated what an actual match would be like and allowed the opportunity to play with different people. The group participated in several meets.

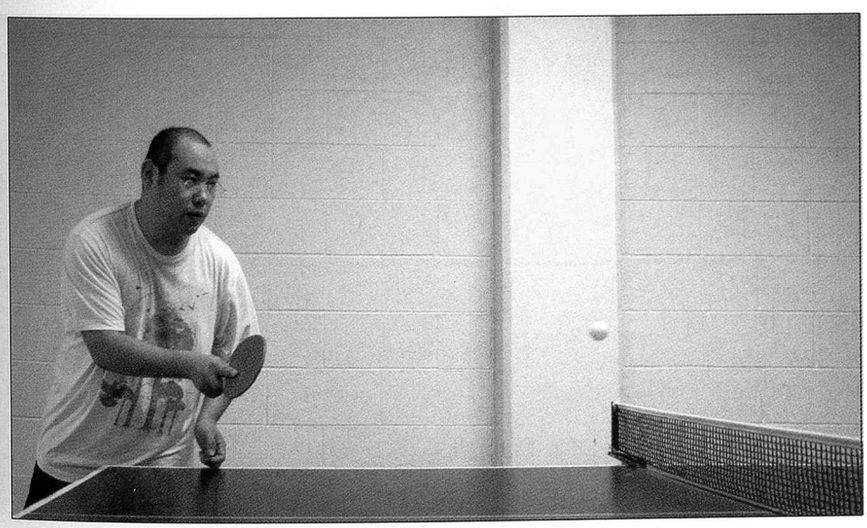
"We won the USTTA Kansas Division Fall Meet a few weeks ago, putting us just one step away from going to college nationals," **Derek Hales**, senior in marketing, said. "At that meet we beat the (University of Kansas), Wichita State (University), Newman College and the University of Nebraska. We need to repeat this win again in February at our spring meet for the USTTA Kansas Division in Lincoln, Neb.; if we do, we'll be going to nationals in Wisconsin."

The group played in tournaments in cities Hutchinson, Kan., Wichita, St. Louis and Oklahoma City. Attending meets gave the group more than just the opportunity to play table tennis, but also a chance to make memories.

"Apparently in our hotel room at the national tournament around 4 a.m., I began talking in my sleep to my roommate **Xinwei Shen** (graduate student in industrial engineering), saying, 'Get up, we have to go play now,'" Moore said. "Any time he lost a match the next day, he would point his finger at me and say he didn't get enough sleep."

Meets and practices were also learning experiences beyond simply learning about how to play. **Ruben Müller**, senior in psychology, said he learned that the sport was more prominent in other countries. He said he had the opportunity to learn about those other cultures because the group was predominately made up of international students. They were encouraged to challenge themselves to improve, and some, including Moore, gained appreciation for leadership. Most of all they learned about friendship and supporting each other.

"Being able to travel, hang out with great friends, meet amazing people and play table tennis — you just can't ask for more," Hales said.

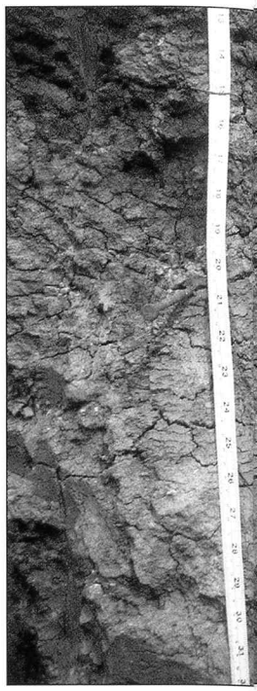


While playing table tennis, **Dongchen Hao**, senior in milling science and management, returns a serve. The club was a great way to meet people. "I enjoy being a part of table tennis club because it offers the chance to not only participate in a highly competitive and fast-paced sport that I love, but also to be around one of the greatest group of friends a person could ask for," **Derek Hales**, senior in marketing, said.
Chelsy Lueth

dig to find leadership

> "It's not only interesting to see the soil, but how others from different states view the soil. It gives you the opportunity to view something in finer detail that gets glassed over in class."
>
> *Angela Tran, senior in agronomy*

by Colleen Quinn





Crawling out of a 5-foot deep hole with nothing but a pencil, a piece of paper and their sense of leadership, the soil judging team emerged. For more than 50 years, the team had a tradition of leadership and experience for the students involved.

"The students learn how to make quick decisions," coach **Michel Ransom**, professor of agronomy, said. "It teaches them to work as a group."

The team practiced once a week for three hours, traveling to different open areas around Manhattan to critique the soil. Practicing not only helped prepare them for their contests, but it helped build communication and experience within the team.

During contests, which were anywhere from Rhode Island to Utah, they had a hole to critique together in ten minutes, thinking quickly and making decisions as a team. They also had a hole to apply their own thoughts and work on alone.

"Essentially, the people putting it on judge and classify the soil," **Angela Tran**, senior in agronomy, said. "We are then judged on how well we can match their characterization."

Because they worked with professional judges at the competitions they received helpful advice for future contests. They were also able to get a feel for what it was like to be in a professional environment. Winning and losing was a big part of the competition; however, it was hard to predict what place the team would come in.

"The last competition we went to we didn't think we were going to win, but we did," Tran said. "We thought we were going to get fourth place, and when they announced fourth place and didn't say our name, I personally ruled us out."

Despite the result of the competitions they gained an appreciation for not being stuck learning in a classroom all day, and the development of teamwork and leadership skills that would benefit them when they graduate.

"I hadn't seen a team work like this since I'd been to college," **Kelsey McGie**, senior in milling science, said. "Teamwork is big when judging."

Even though most sports required constant teamwork and leadership, the soil judging team allowed an academic team to step outside of the classroom and let its knowledge in the classroom shine in authentic scenarios.



With his pick in hand, Watts tears away at the soil and looks for quality when he judges. After taking chunks of soil from the ground, the team sat in the chairs they brought and critiqued the soil. They pulled out their tools and equipment and began to recite the observations they discovered. "We look for different layers in the soil," Watts said. "We look for certain mineral concentrations and we determine the texture of the soil." Never taking anything too seriously, the team also laughed and joked with one another during a typical practice day.
Chelsy Lueth

Inside the team hole, **Kelsey McGie**, senior in milling science, picks at the soil and measures the layers. Teammates **Stuart Watts**, junior in agronomy, **Angela Tran**, senior in agronomy, and **Kerri Neugebauer**, junior in agronomy, took notes and participated as well. The main goal was to work efficiently and timely to make sure they were prepared for when they left for their individual and group competitions. "Everyone works together well in a group aspect," McGie said. "I definitely use soil judging in interviews for leadership."
Chelsy Lueth

trade your top

by Melissa M. Taylor

Instead of donating T-shirts to The Salvation Army or Goodwill Industries International, Students for Environmental Action gathered more than 600 shirts for students to trade with one another in an attempt to raise awareness for textile waste reduction during Earth Day celebrations, April 21.

"According to the Environmental Protection Agency, an estimated 11.9 million tons of textile waste was generated in 2007," **Emily Klenda**, SEA treasurer and junior in marketing, said. "The purpose of the T-Shirt Swap is to reduce the amount of textile waste being produced, promote the idea of reusing everyday products and raise awareness for a sustainable environment."

For Klenda, donating shirts to promote sustainability was not the only goal of the event.

"I really like that every shirt has a story behind it," Klenda said. "You aren't just getting a shirt, but (you're) getting a story and something that can be reused."

Kyle Van Horn, junior in biology, said the stories behind the shirts connected him with friends while promoting reuse.

"I picked up a cool plaid shirt, and it ended up being from a buddy's grandfather's collection," he said. "I appreciate it because it shows that the shirt has received a lot of use."

Donations from students and local businesses, including Kite's Grille and Bar, Sisters of Sound Music, Rockstar & Rogers and GTM Sportswear, allowed students to take a green lifestyle one step further.

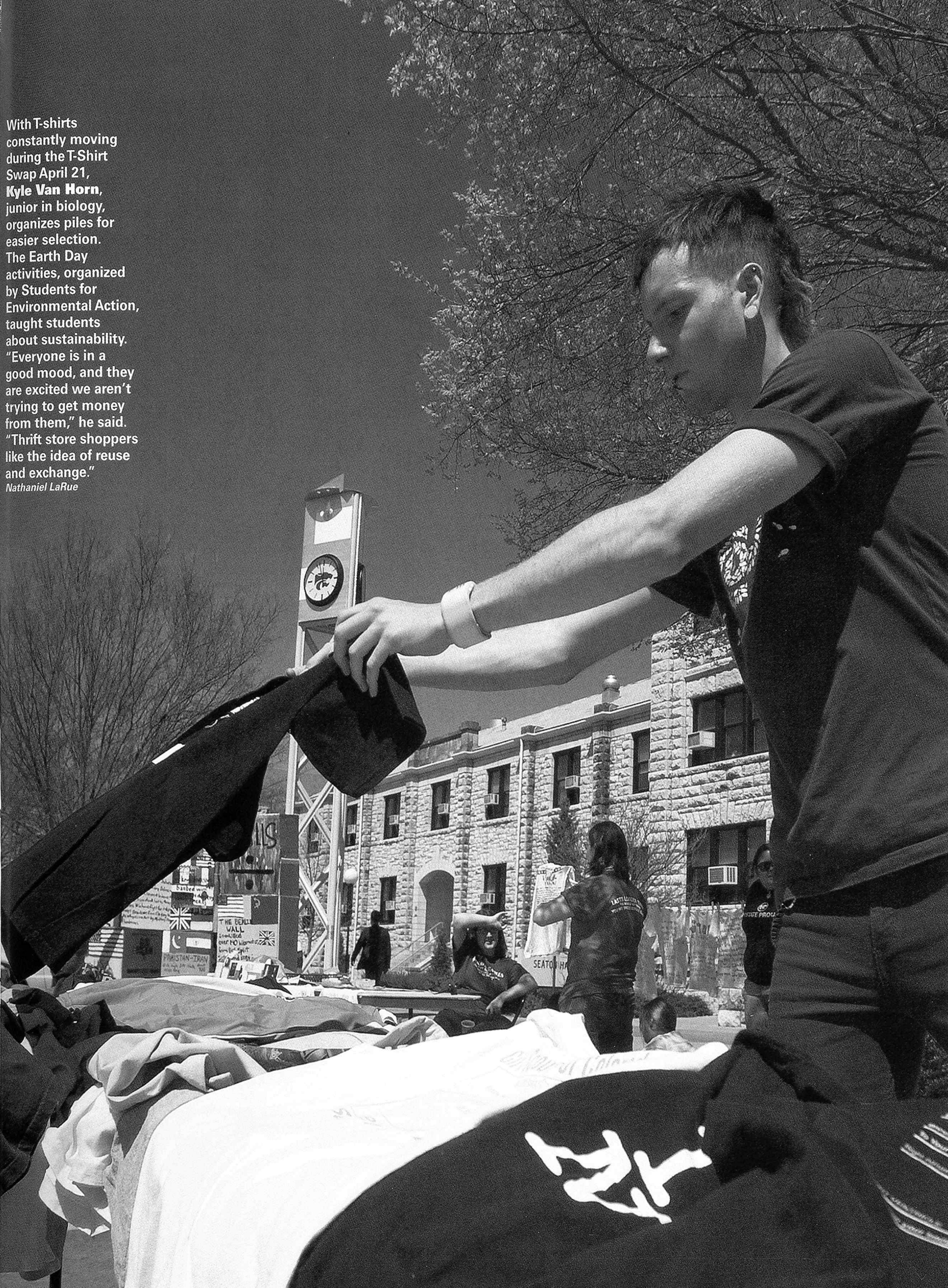
"I think if everyone does a small part — puts a little effort into it — it is going to have a big impact overall," Klenda said. "From donating a shirt, to signing a pledge saying you are going to go green for the day, to trying the vegan food, it's doing something a little different with your lifestyle that makes a difference."

Throughout the Earth Day celebration, students continued to swap shirts and stories. **Krystin Matuszewicz**, senior in family studies and human services, said swapping T-shirts was a different, more inventive way to help.

"I thought it was a really cool way to recycle what you don't want to wear anymore with what someone else doesn't want to wear," she said. "I brought shirts I really like but have worn enough that I don't wear them anymore, and I found great shirts that someone else probably felt the same way about. This is a unique way to get other people aware of the issue."



While students peruse the tables of the T-Swap booth, Van Horn and **Emily Klenda**, junior in marketing, go through boxes of donated shirts, laughing about the odd varieties they received. Klenda said members of Students for Environmental Action hoped to put together bags and blankets with the left over T-shirts. Other Earth Day celebration booths included Trash Mountain, Free Bike Repairs, Vegan Tasting-Test Challenge and more.
Nathaniel LaRue



With T-shirts constantly moving during the T-Shirt Swap April 21, **Kyle Van Horn**, junior in biology, organizes piles for easier selection. The Earth Day activities, organized by Students for Environmental Action, taught students about sustainability. "Everyone is in a good mood, and they are excited we aren't trying to get money from them," he said. "Thrift store shoppers like the idea of reuse and exchange."
Nathaniel LaRue



At the student-run Willow Lake Student Farm, **Jordan Kenny**, junior in interior architecture and product design, and **Matt DeCapo**, senior in architectural engineering, pick the remaining peppers. Decapo said his favorite part was the availability of the produce. "It's great because I get to have access to organic vegetables year-round," he said.

Matt Binter

The farm is run by two student co-managers, who use sustainable practices. **Jacob Chapman**, president and freshmen in agronomy, said he enjoyed the club. "I weed every day. It gives me time to think," Chapman said. "That's one of my favorite things about working out here. It's kind of monotonous — I definitely have other thoughts going on."

Matt Binter





labor of *love* for the earth

by Tamara Salisbury

Out in the country, near Tuttle Creek Dam, sat a two-acre plot of land — the Willow Lake Student Farm. Volunteers from the Student Farm Club walked, buckets in hand, amid rows of tomatoes, okra and other vegetables in front of a backdrop of dark rain clouds on a mild fall evening.

Farm Club, also known as Willow Lake Student Farm students, also known within the group as Harvesters Of Environmental Sustainability or HOES, had many names, but members did not focus on how they were recognized. They focused on educating others about good agricultural practices.

"The idea of Farm Club is that they supplement the farm with volunteer labor, and in turn, the farm is supposed to serve as a teaching experience to them," said **Brandon Gonzalez**, farm co-manager, public relations chair and senior in horticulture. "Most people are ignorant of the food system, but everybody eats. We have had a lot of people come out and learn; at one time we had 120 elementary school kids out here."

Jacob Chapman, president and freshman in agronomy, wasted no educational time during volunteer work picking vegetables Sept. 24. When a student volunteer asked where the bathroom was, he pointed to a row of trees. Everyone laughed, but Chapman pressed on, asking the volunteer to decide between wasting water and being comfortable.

"Well, what do you want to do?" he asked. "Do you want to be sustainable or do you want to use 1.6 of our gallons?"

While members joked about sustainable practice, the farm used many sustainable practices, such as composting some of their own fertilizer. On this night, students from Farm Club also canned tomatoes. **Megan Burke**, junior in secondary education, was not a member of Farm Club but was friends with some members and often attended some of their educational events.

"I thought I'd see the canning process. I thought that might be interesting," she said. "I go to a bunch of the guest speakers they have here."

Gonzalez not only implemented the knowledge gained from speakers in his management of the farm, but also used it to transform his own life.

"Being on the farm taught me a lot about nutrition, taught me a lot about labor, taught me a lot about a lot of things, but I'm 40 pounds lighter than I used to be," he said. "That comes from hard work and eating right — a change in lifestyle."

Sustainable practice was not just an educational topic for the members of Farm Club. They saw themselves as the start of something bigger for agriculture and horticulture.

"We're bringing local food to local people," Chapman said. "When fossil fuels and petroleum are gone, that's the way it's going to have to be, so we're just starting the transition."

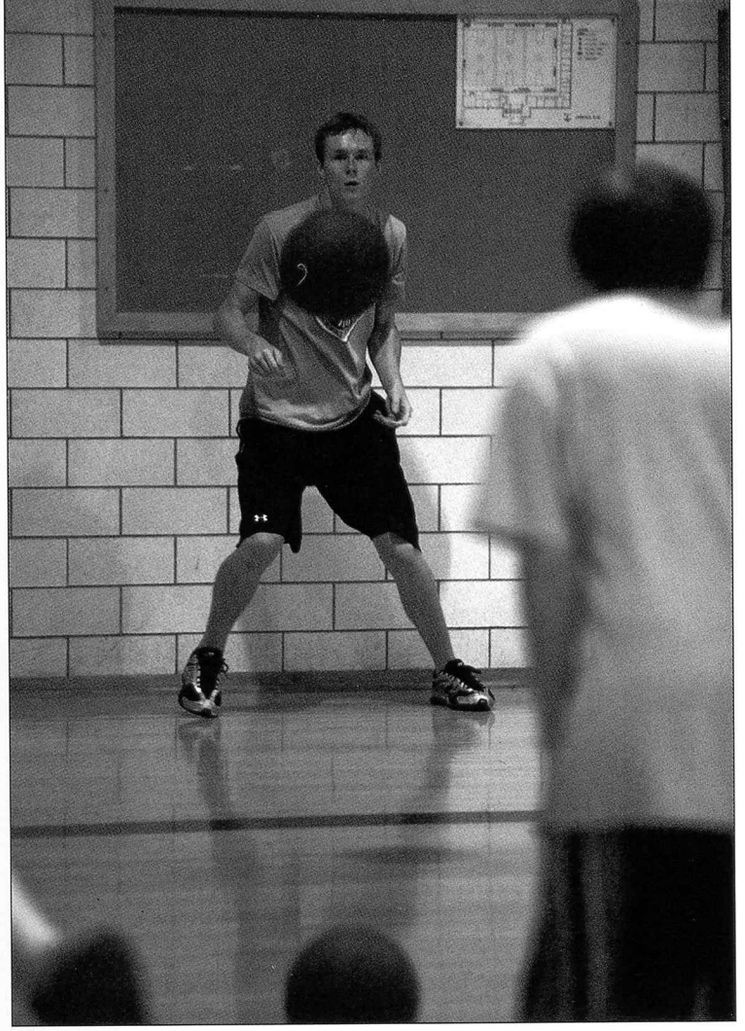


CLUB DODGEBALL

THE BATTLEFIELD

by Maci Wells





Ball in hand, **Matt Fiedler**, junior in architectural engineering, seeks his target. "I play dodgeball because whenever I go it relieves a lot of stress," he said. "There's no other feeling like smacking someone with a big rubber ball."
Lisle Alderton

The dodgeball club meets Tuesday nights. The sport of dodgeball had always been very popular around the country, but it began to really catch fire on college campuses after the release of the movie *Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story*.
Lisle Alderton

One by one, members of the Dodgeball Club gathered, anxious to divide and conquer during the regular Tuesday practice Sept. 29.

Besides the competitive activity, members used the time to chat.

"I meet friends here, and it's fun to see people week after week," **David Korth**, freshman in business administration, said.

Sounds of bouncing balls and yelling filled Ahearn Gymnasium. They lowered the dividers to keep the flying missiles contained. Each team lined up on the starting line, while ammunition was set at center court. Lurching toward center, members locked their eyes on the balls.

"Ready, set, dodgeball!"

The students sprinted towards the balls, grabbed them and then backed away, launching their weapons at one another with full force.

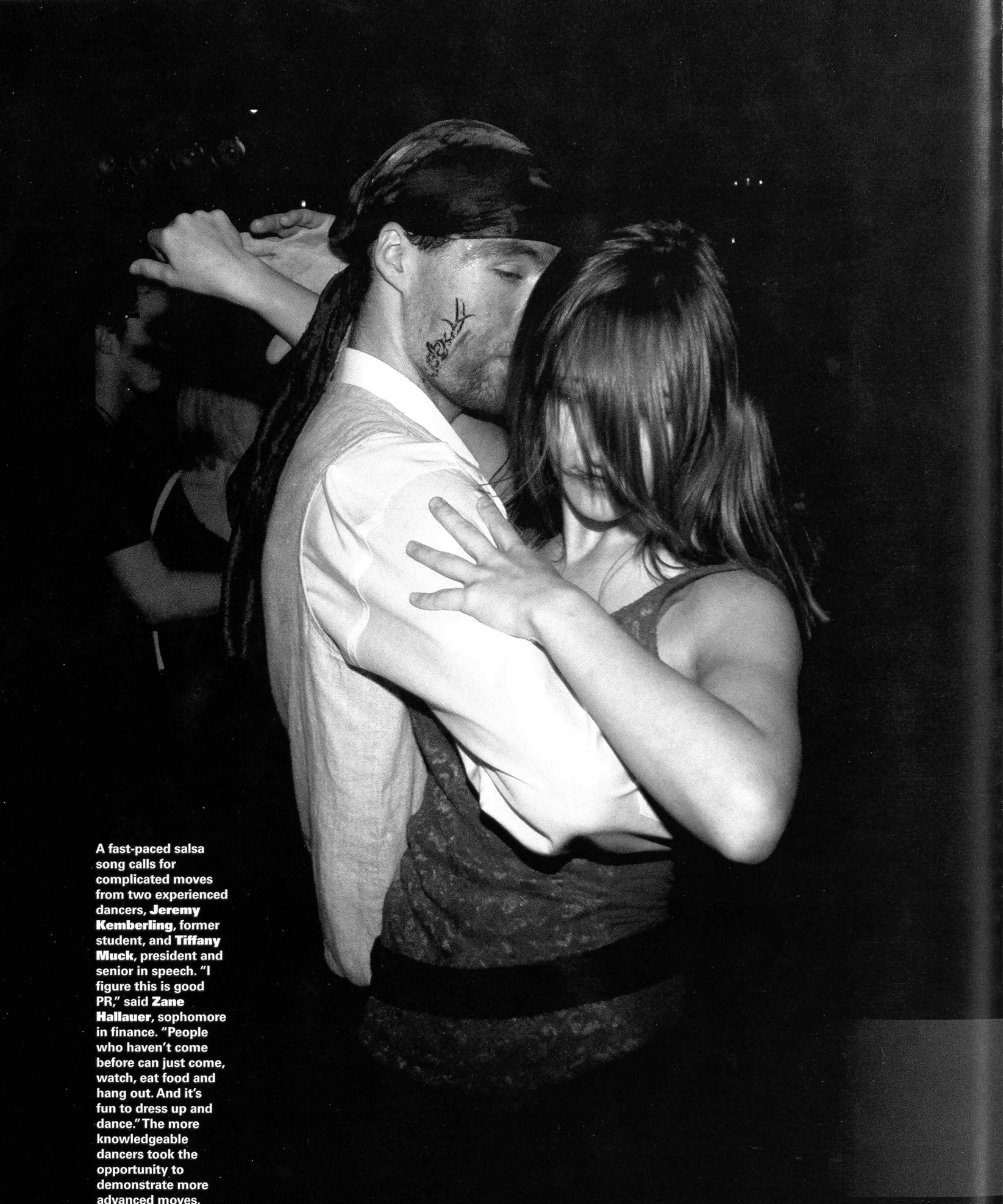
"It's mass hysteria and total mayhem all night," said **Zachary Polson**, president and junior in park management and conservation.

The eliminated victims formed a line along the wall, and they cheered and cautioned their teammates who survived.

"It's the Herbal Essences — as in, it's invigorating— of sports clubs," **Wesley New**, treasurer and junior in mechanical engineering, said. "You're always darting back and forth, looking for someone who makes the wrong move and then just going for them."

Besides the physical advantages of playing dodgeball, members also worked to improve their mental health.

"(Dodgeball is) fantastic," **Kacie Davis**, sophomore in fine arts, said. "It's a great excuse to take out anger on people you don't even know. It's also a good way to exercise for those who don't want to, and it's a good way to end a day full of classes."



A fast-paced salsa song calls for complicated moves from two experienced dancers, **Jeremy Kemberling**, former student, and **Tiffany Muck**, president and senior in speech. "I figure this is good PR," said **Zane Hallauer**, sophomore in finance. "People who haven't come before can just come, watch, eat food and hang out. And it's fun to dress up and dance." The more knowledgeable dancers took the opportunity to demonstrate more advanced moves.
Chelsy Lueth

flip, spin, rock step into the night

by Anna Kearns

The lights dimmed and the volume increased while a vampire, a pirate and a soccer player busted a move to the group dance, "Cupid Shuffle," by Cupid. A chimpanzee wearing camouflage and jeans grooved to the beat on the steps of Union Station. The fourth annual KSU Swing & Salsa Costume Ball had officially begun. Unlike the normal weekly meetings, there was no lesson, just time to cut loose.

When "Rockin' Robin," by Bobby Day, came over the speakers, the dance floor was crowded with a Mexican gunfighter and a ladybug, and two clowns in enormous afro wigs who showed off their East-coast swing moves. Meanwhile, a pirate chowed down on a caramel apple across the room from Minnie Mouse, **Sam Marin**, senior in industrial engineering, as she took a breather.

"(The best part is) just seeing everybody in their outfits," Marin said. "We're a creative group. I mean, anyone can be a sexy firefighter, but we rise above that."

The songs switched between East- and West-coast swing, West-coast swing and salsa. Occasionally a waltz or a group dance was thrown in. A businessman, **Zane Hallauer**, sophomore in finance, and his housewife, **Kirsten Londeen**, sophomore in accounting, paused to find a cold drink.

"(Kirsten) made me join, though I'm totally glad she did, because this is a lot of fun," Hallauer said. "I'm afraid of dancing in front of people, but the environment here is so positive and mutual that you're not afraid, and you get really good, really fast."

Nearly an hour in, a few salsa tunes had thinned the dance crowd, but when the bouncing drum introduction of a big band tune began, the swinging crowd flooded back to the floor.

Tom Badeen, one of the swing dance teachers and junior in hotel and restaurant management, watched his students from the sidelines.

"(Swing & Salsa) offers people somewhere where they can come just be themselves," Badeen said. "It's a great learning experience. Dancing is one of those things you can't learn at school unless you seek it out, and it's something that would be useful later on. It's also a great place to unwind. I bombed a finance test last week, and now I'm here."

Throughout the dance, officers dashed into the sound booth to check on the lineup and honor song requests. Exiting the sound booth, **Lindsay Ratliff**, vice-president and alumna, was called by an onlooker. Adjusting her tornado costume, she avoided the distraction.

"After this one. OK?" she said.

Ratliff raced back to her partner, **Ryan Felber**, senior in humanities, for some advanced moves. A flip around his side, she gripped his hips with her knees from the back, a quick

President:
Tiffany Muck, senior in speech

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Lindsay Ratliff, alumna

Event Planner:
Nathalia Coello, freshman in art

Treasurer:
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Secretary:
Kelsey Pritchett, sophomore in animal sciences and industry

Salsa Performance Team Leaders:
Cari Chestnut, freshman in biology
Mark Worden, senior in management



To have their costumes judged, dancers formed two lines and took turns grooving two-by-two while the judges observed from the sound booth. "For me, the biggest thing Swing and Salsa club has to offer is it gives them an alternative to going out," said **Ryan Felber**, senior in humanities. "We really try to show that you can have fun, you can dance, you can learn a skill and you can meet a lot of people in a safe environment. That's what I learned, is it doesn't really matter if you're going out to the bars or you're coming here, both are going to be a great time."
Chelsy Lueth

forward and she landed on her feet in time for a perfect rock step. Felber was dressed as himself at age five, complete with superhero pajama pants and Chuck T, his stuffed dinosaur. When the beat cooled down, Ratliff returned to the steps, breathless.

"What doesn't (Swing & Salsa) have to offer its members?" Ratliff said. "One of the things I think members don't expect to get is a group of friends. I know a lot of people who I've only known through Swing & Salsa, and I know people who have started forming groups of friends just from dancing with each other. So it's a really easy and fast way to meet people."

Around 9 p.m., Michael Jackson's "Thriller" was the cue for two lines to form down the dance floor. The officers were called to the sound booth, and their faces were lit only by a laptop as they judged the dancers' costumes, who paraded two-by-two between the lines.

After the costumes were judged and prizes awarded, everyone returned to the floor. A mix of beginners and experts swarmed in time to the tunes.

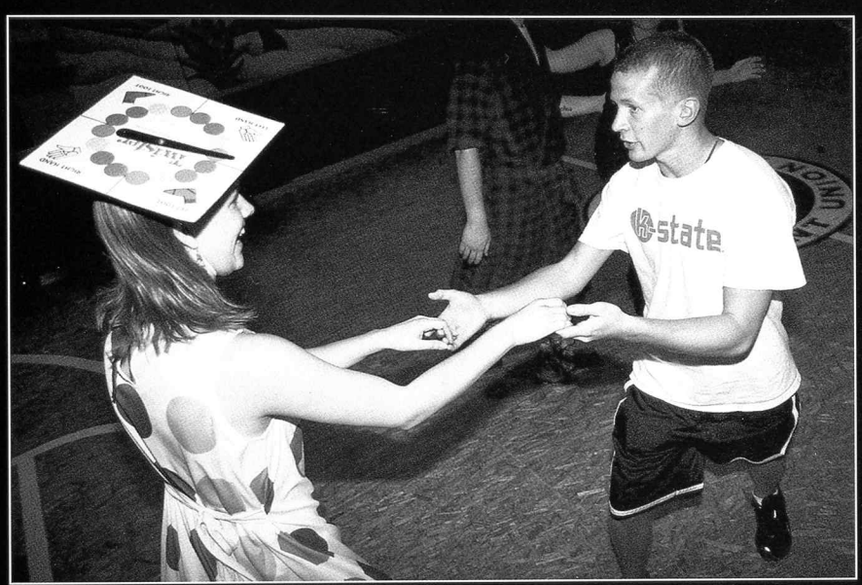
"(This dance) offers (members) a chance to practice what they've learned," **Tiffany Muck**, president and senior in speech, said. "It gives us a chance to show them (dances) they don't know, and with salsa and East-coast, which they do know, we can show them moves they don't know."

At 10 p.m. the last song ended, and the monsters, ghouls and vampires trickled home, carried by the steps in their feet and the beat in their minds.



"We wanted our group to grow, so we figured we'd have to teach them. So it evolved to this, three years later. We've worked hard to make the club as user friendly as possible. We wanted everyone to be able to afford it and feel comfortable dancing here."

Lindsay Ratliff, vice-president and alumna



At the KSU Swing & Salsa Costume Ball Oct. 27 two dancers focus on their moves. "There's no lesson on this night, it's just to chill and have fun," Tom Londeen, junior in hotel restaurant and management, said. "This is more trying to show what we know and have learned so far." Usually, about half of the club's 75 members met on Tuesday nights in the K-State Student Union Station to learn East Coast swing, West Coast swing and salsa.
Chelsy Lueth

costume contest winners

Most Entertaining: "Grant the Chimpanzee" — **Grant Tillemans,** senior in psychology.

Most Ghetto: "Black Mail" — **Marina Warkentien** junior in open option

Manliest: "Brawny Man" — **Kevin Clark** sophomore in sociology

Most Tasteful: "Housewife" — **Kirsten Londeen,** sophomore in accounting

At the opening group meeting for Student Mobilization Jan. 28, **Sarah Snell**, junior in communication studies; **Kelsey Hayden**, senior in elementary education; **Kirsten Salyer**, senior in secondary education; and **Jessica Heller**, junior in accounting, sing along in praise with the student band. "We go and share the gospel with people in a relational way," Snell said. "It's a really great community, and it's taught me a lot and helped me grow in my relationship with Christ. I think it's teaching us a lot of things about life."
Lisle Alderton

In Umberger Hall, **Nicole Wilbur**, sophomore in elementary education, and **Sarah Showalter**, sophomore in secondary education, journal their personal questions and reflections about the speaker. "They talk about God and how to better your relationship with him with a biblical foundation," Showalter said. The university was one of 10 campuses with active organizations across the Midwest. To help cultivate leadership, members could attend a nine-week leadership training program.
Lisle Alderton



To Reach a *Higher* Level

by Mackenzie Brown

Every Thursday, music blared at 8:30 p.m. when 500 students gathered with one common interest — their faith in Jesus Christ. Student Mobilization helped students take their interest and turn it into a passion to take their faith to a new level.

"People are really what makes it great, for sure," **Josh Cromer**, president and senior in elementary education, said. "I think the really terrific thing about StuMo is that you meet a really wide range of people on campus."

The meetings began with worship music performed by students in a live band, a speaker followed.

"We discussed really practical and relevant ways about what it would look like to grow in your leadership spiritually," Cromer said. "We ask the questions, 'What does God want with my life while I'm in college? Why does it matter? What would it look like to work hard to develop as that kind of leader while I'm in college so I can have a really strong foundation for the future?'"

There were 11 people on the StuMo staff, and a larger student leadership team made up of students who decided to let God use them to influence others, **Jessica Adams**, senior in mass communications, said.

Adams became involved with StuMo as a sophomore and joined the student leadership team. As part of the team she helped create live and recorded skits to perform at the large group meetings.

"I think one thing that I've just really been privileged to, or blessed maybe, to get to have through StuMo is people in my life who are really leading me and helping me to grow and develop in my relationship with Christ," Adams said. "I've just seen that college is a time where you lay the foundation for your life. It's where you make all your big choices and big decisions. It's really kind of the first time that you're on your own and really seeing what you want your life to be about and what you want your purpose in life to be. People in StuMo, they've really helped me to learn what it looks like to follow Christ with my life and help me see what it meant to live out my faith everyday."

Small group Bible discussions were offered each week and other events, like the StuMo conference, took place throughout the year.

Tyler Geisler, senior in construction science and management, became involved with StuMo second semester of his freshman year. He, like Adams, helped lead a skit team and also led Bible studies across campus.

"It was really just the genuiness of the guys who were teaching from the Bible," Geisler said. "I really saw that they had a heart that changed because their life was changed. They got to see the power of God act in their life, and they wanted to see that happen in someone else's."



"(StuMo) does a lot for me. I have a lot of great friends from it, and it gives me encouragement. I just really love all the students."

Sarah Showalter, sophomore in secondary education

cartoons create cultural connection

by Amanda Lunn

The lights dimmed, students took their seats and the show began. At the beginning of each semester, the Anime and Manga Society voted on different anime shows to watch throughout the semester.

"We picked out different sets of shows at the beginning of the year and watched them every week," **Cameron Jarvis**, senior in mass communications, said.

An interest in anime — Japanese animation shows that originated from manga, Japanese comics — united those in the Anime and Manga Society, which was in its 11th year. Their main activity was getting together to appreciate anime shows. However, they also did various activities such as anime Pictionary and matching games to promote familiarity among members.

"They're usually about anime or the Japanese culture," **Whitney Bandel**, senior in fine arts, said. "Sometimes we do trivia, quizzes, Pictionary, origami and even paper plane races."

Bandel said she became interested in anime from watching Pokemon when she was younger.

"I just started watching more and more shows and got more interested," Bandel said. "These are a lot better than Pokemon, more mature."

The group planned to attend the anime convention in Kansas City, Mo., on Feb. 19 for the second time. Bandel said the convention provided another outlet for members to get involved in anime. The convention included guest speakers, panels that conducted trivia games where contestants won prizes, games rooms and cosplay, where attendees dressed in their best anime costumes and were judged on whose costume was best.

"They have a deal room," Bandel said. "It's where people can bring their (anime and manga) art and sell it. They also have figurines that you can't find in a lot of places. And there are calendars, mugs, bags and even Japanese candies and snacks."

The club also held a Halloween party that allowed members to dress up in their cosplay. Bandel said they had some interesting costumes in the past.

"We've had some strange costumes, like people showing up in armor," Bandel said. "There has been a few times where we try to make costumes out of cardboard and newspaper. It's really challenging with a time limit."



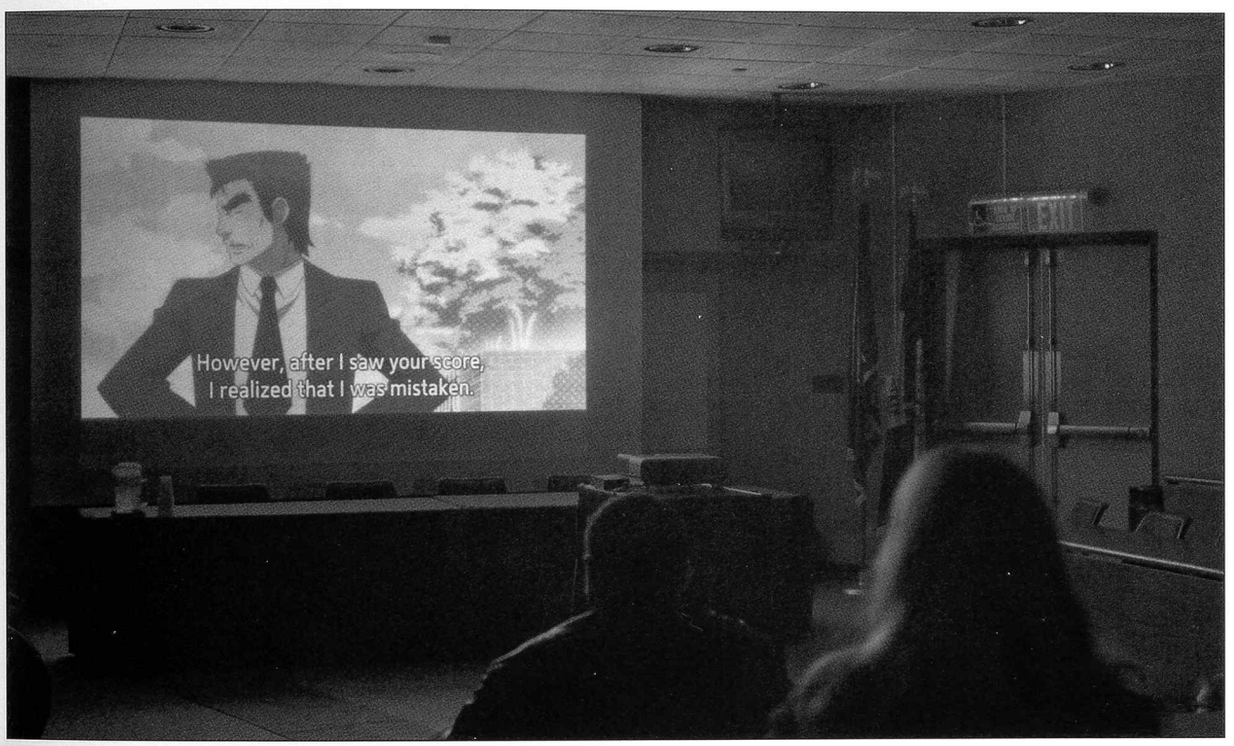
Every Friday, the Anime and Manga Society met in the Big 12 Room of the K-State Student Union to view films and do activities from Japanese culture. "It used to be they just watched stuff, but the president before me introduced some activities," **Whitney Bandel**, president and senior in fine arts, said. "Activities would have to be the biggest change (in the club) — that and getting people more involved and hanging out."
Matt Binter

Anime and Manga Vocabulary

Anime: A style of animation originating in Japan heavily influenced by the manga style where characters typically are drawn with large eyes, elongated limbs and exaggerated facial features.

Manga: Comic books from Japan that ranged from comedy to serious literature, that people of all ages read.

Cosplay: (Short for costume play) a type of performance art tied in with anime in which fans dress like their favorite anime, manga or graphic novel character.



As one of the more than 480 student organizations on campus, the anime club encourages learning about diverse cultures. "It's a good place to meet people with similar interests," **Crystal Bandel**, senior in English, said. "We watch anime that's really new coming out of Japan, so we get the chance to keep up with it more than if you were just watching it. We also have activities that we do every week, and we try to do activities related to things that are going on in Japan."
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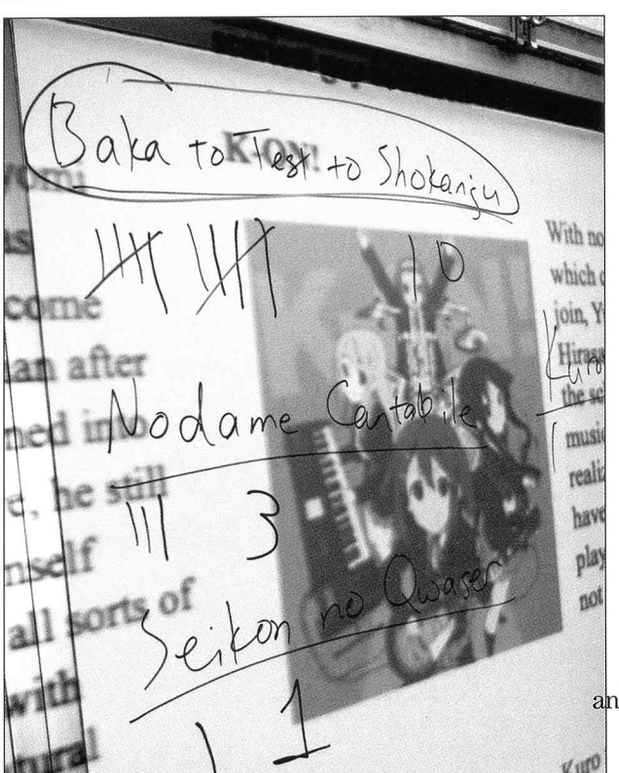


At the start of each semester, members vote on the anime they would be watching that semester, keeping in mind recent releases from Japan. "Baka to Test to Shoukanjuu" won with 10 votes, followed by "Nodame Cantabile." "We watch stuff from other cultures," Whitney said, "so that makes us fit in with the culturally diverse groups. We watch things that are recently from Japan, and some of our members are taking Japanese."
Matt Binter

PAINT WARS

by Colleen Quinn

With a gun in hand, face mask on and back up ammunition within reaching distance, a fiercely competitive game of paintball raged. Eight hours of practice each weekend better prepared the Paintball Club members for when the team of 12-15 players competed.

"We do drills (during practice) to get better," **Eric Steele**, sophomore in electrical engineering, said. "We all take it pretty seriously."

The team hit the road for round-robin tournament play. Teams with the highest scores were chosen to continue to the next round.

"We play against other Big 12 schools," **Josh Hoffman,** junior in architectural engineering, said. "Each game is five on five, and you have to pay an entry fee and pay for your own cases of paint balls."

Each round was played at a fast pace and normally lasted about five minutes. The game kept the players quick and on their feet.

"It's all about speed and movement," Steele said. "We have to watch other people and tell everyone where everybody is so there are no surprises. Talking is the most important thing."

Many of the players began playing paintball at an early age and either continued their passion for the sport throughout their high school and now college careers, or took a break and picked it back up in college.

"I started back in seventh grade and stopped halfway through high school," **Jaret Hanson**, freshman in horticulture, said. "I just started again this year, and it's been fun. I still need to get used to playing with them."

There was strategy involved in every game, since it was not just a free-for-all, running around and shooting people. Each team competed to capture the flag set up in the middle of the field but had to shoot their opponents in order to get it.

"It's a lot more than shooting the other team," Hoffman said. "It's a game of geometry and angles. It's complex."

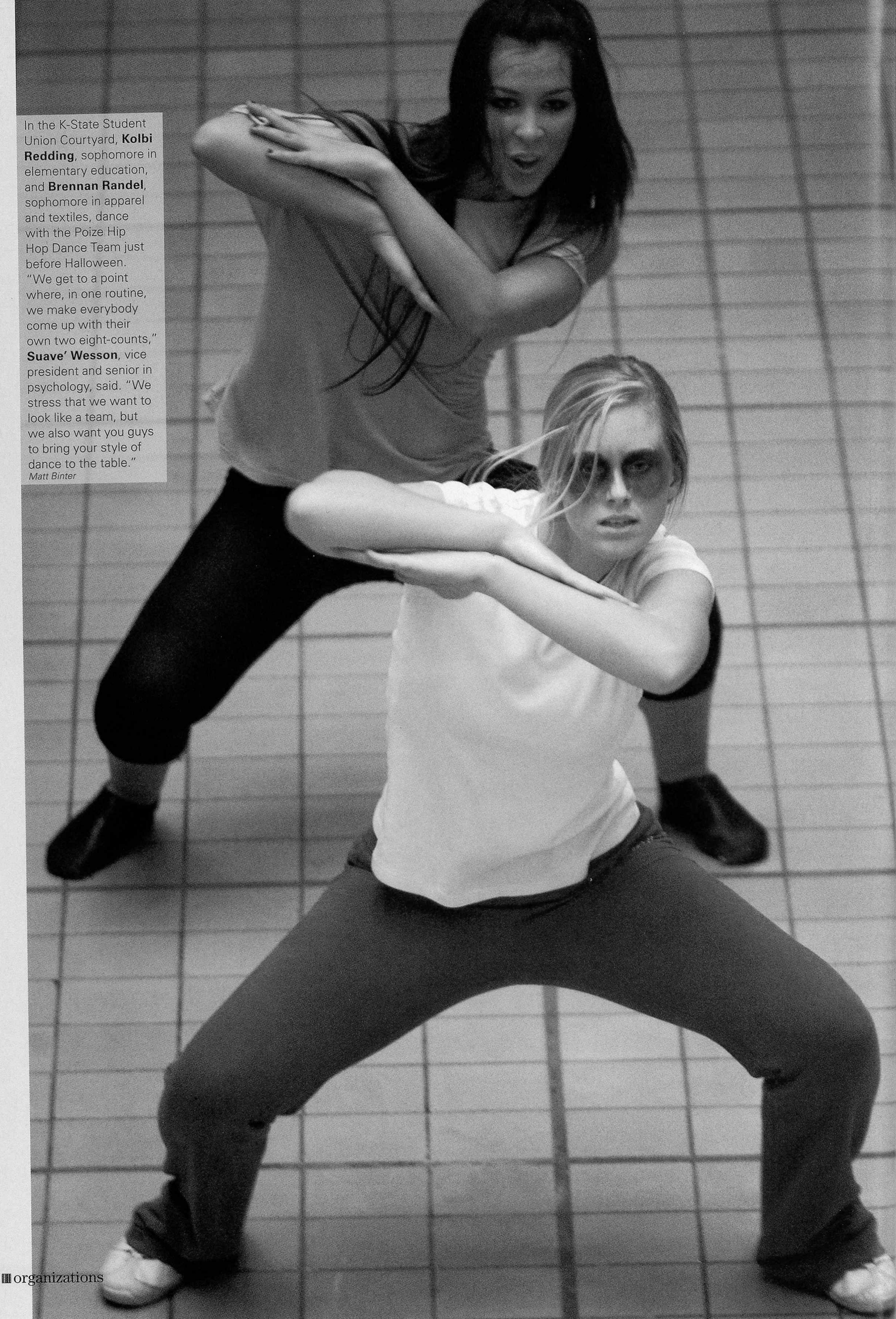
new gun: $300-$1,000
cost for club player: $50
recreational player cost: $10
entry fee for tournament: $150
members on team: 30
members that compete in tournament: 12-15





At a paintball practice at Peters Recreation Complex Oct. 10, **Eric Steele**, junior in electrical engineering, slides to a barrier to avoid the heavy fire. Paintball Club practiced and competed throughout the year. "It's an adrenaline rush of you getting shot at," Steele said. "It's constant firing. You work with your teammates to move and get the opposing team out before you get out."
Sara Manco

Members of the Paintball Club work on their aim by shooting at a target during a practice session at the Rec. When inside, the team used fake paintballs to prevent a mess. Club members also supplied their own guns and the club provided the paintballs.
Sara Manco



In the K-State Student Union Courtyard, **Kolbi Redding**, sophomore in elementary education, and **Brennan Randel**, sophomore in apparel and textiles, dance with the Poize Hip Hop Dance Team just before Halloween. "We get to a point where, in one routine, we make everybody come up with their own two eight-counts," **Suave' Wesson**, vice president and senior in psychology, said. "We stress that we want to look like a team, but we also want you guys to bring your style of dance to the table."
Matt Binter

attitude & poize

hip hop team takes steps to leadership and creativity

by Mackenzie Brown

Poize Hip Hop Dance Team had its roots in diversity, growth and friendship. Since the team's beginning in 2006, it had grown to more than 20 active members, which increased the recognition and excitement about the group.

Karla Camacho, fundraising chair and senior in American ethnic studies, said she enjoyed people's reactions to Poize's performances.

"A lot of people will be surprised," she said. "You'll hear a 'Ooooo' every once in a while. That's pretty much the thing that keeps us going. People expect us to not do so well sometimes just because we're not very well known, but when we do some things that are surprising, people have big reactions to them."

At Monday practices in the K-State Student Union, they worked on routines for performances as well as being in sync with each other so their performances would look smooth and rehearsed. For the university's first hip hop team, it was not only about learning the dance moves, but also about growing as a team.

"We usually practice seven to eight times before the performance to make sure it's perfected," **Gernae Roland**, president and senior in psychology, said.

They had performed at events like the All-University Open House, Spring Dance, Black Student Union Represent and Greek Switch Day. Generally, Poize danced to current, popular music as well as older songs, like Michael Jackson's "Thriller."

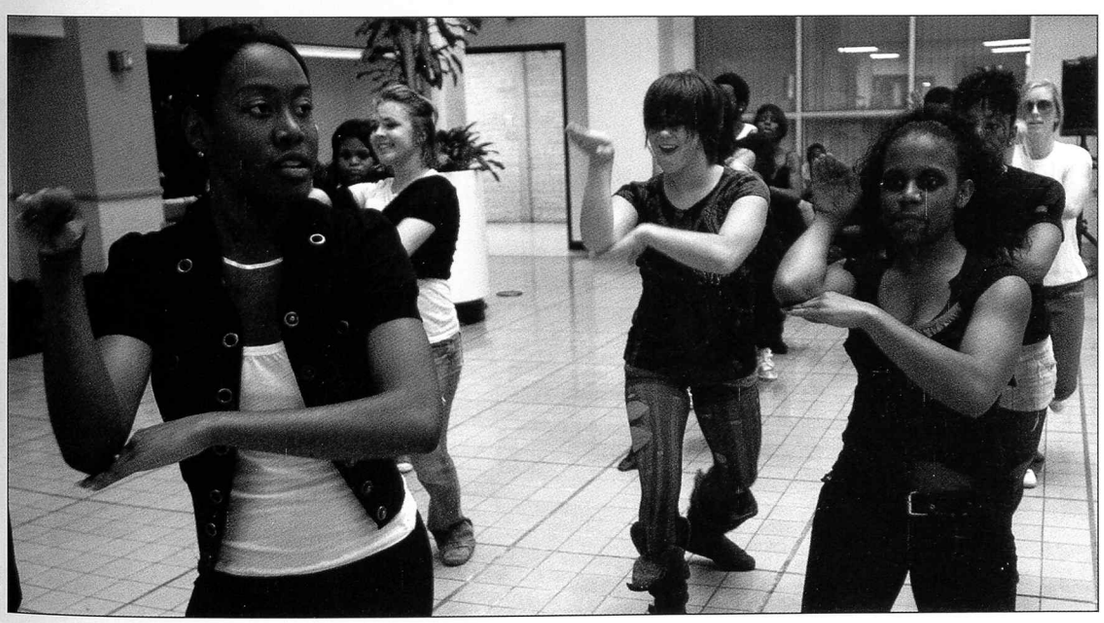
"We're based on hip hop, but we use other dance forms in our technique," Roland said. "Recently, we are starting to do partnering and a little break dancing, a little jazzy kind of thing."

The team promoted creativity in addition to diversity. Because they are a creative group, they tried to be open-minded to all suggestions from members and the audience.

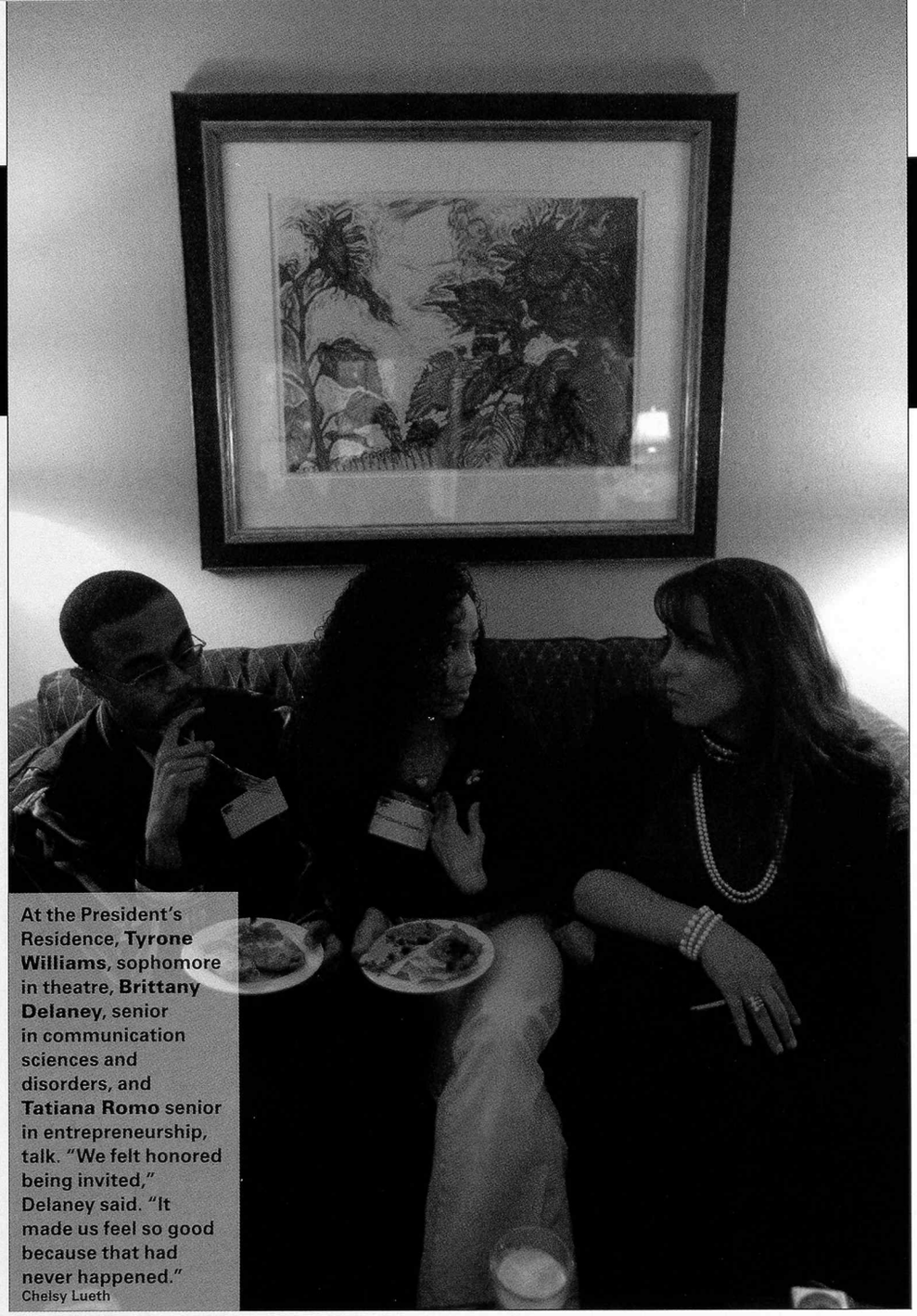
"I haven't seen some of the styles that people bring, especially some of the people from out of town and from out of state," Camacho said. "That's really one thing I love about Poize. It's just the creativity and how everything comes together."

Roland said the team functioned as a leadership experience as well. She said Poize taught her about taking care of the business aspect, like renting space, getting equipment and networking.

"I find myself delegating and helping them to learn how to lead, as well," Roland said. "I feel like Poize is really close-knit, and everyone is really accepting of everyone's abilities or everyone's growth process. Even if you're not the best, we all help each other to better each other and better our skills. They're all just really cool people."



As part of their Halloween performance Oct. 29, **Angela Davenport**, sophomore in life sciences, **Blair Umholtz**, senior in apparel and textiles, and **Jasmine Taylor**, freshman in animal sciences and industry, do Michael Jackson's "Thriller" dance. Occasionally team members auditioned for special roles in dances, and they were cast according to individuals' abilities and talents. The club stressed unity and creativity in shows.
Matt Binter



At the President's Residence, **Tyrone Williams**, sophomore in theatre, **Brittany Delaney**, senior in communication sciences and disorders, and **Tatiana Romo** senior in entrepreneurship, talk. "We felt honored being invited," Delaney said. "It made us feel so good because that had never happened."
Chelsy Lueth

unity through diversity

by Melissa M. Taylor

Instead of meeting individually in different campus offices and classrooms, 20 leaders of multicultural student organizations gathered at the President's Residence Feb. 19. They shared stories, laughed about their hectic schedules and bonded as students dedicated to raising multicultural awareness on campus.

"These students are competent, committed and vigorous in their efforts to bring the best of diversity to the Kansas State University learning environment," said Myra Gordon, associate provost of diversity and dual career development. "These students help to recruit and retain multicultural students, advance professional and leadership development, celebrate cultural heritage, provide endless programs and events for the development of cultural competence

Alpha Kappa Alpha



Front Row: Zelia Z. Wiley, Cassandra Smith, LaKrystal McKnight, Brittany Delaney, Karmen Harris, Toni Owens **Back Row:** Tatiana Romo, Whitley Fields, Kimberly Agwu, Vanessa Acosta-Carrillo, Carmen Ellis, Sabrina Urquhart

ASHRAE



Front Row: Andrea Gregg, Paul Wicoff, Chris Greer, Ian Hartsig, Matt Kolins, Dexter Deeds, Jauni Novak **Back Row:** Julia Keen, Sean Kolich, Clint Useldinger, Zac Buckmiller, Andrew Sneed, Dave Ryan Smith, Garret Pike, Fred L. Hasler

"I think the significance of it was that we are on a dominantly white campus and that our president was looking at what we do and how we contribute to the K-State community. It's nice to know they want to know more about it and want to be involved."
Jasmine Hammond, president of Delta Sigma Theta and junior in mass communication

among all K-State students, volunteer, serve and advocate for social justice and equality. These students are some of the brightest, most passionate and most well-behaved student leaders on anyone's campus."

Gordon had been at K-State for eight years and said in the years she had been at the university, she could not recall a time when all the organizations gathered together at the President's Residence. She shared her students' feelings of the meaning behind the president and first lady opening their home to the organizations.

"(The president and first lady) are the frontlines of the campus, and if they are supporting us — our organizations and events — then our mission will be out there," said Daniel Jemmott, president of the National Panhellenic Council and senior in dietetics. "Most of our organizations, although they are historically black, Asian or Hispanic, have the same mission. We advocate people of different races and different backgrounds, while embracing others. A lot of people look at these groups and think they can't join, but they can. With the president behind us, they are going to let people know just because you are not Asian, Native American, etc., you can still join these organizations."

From taking a house tour to conversing with the president and first lady, students who participated in the gathering said it helped bring together the groups who were striving for unity.

"We try to work together, and the event emphasized the unity thing we are trying to do," Jemmott said. "We may have separate organizations, but we definitely try and work together. It's kind of rare when we all get together. Everyone has busy schedules, classes and different events going on, but it's nice when we do."

Along with representatives from the 20 organizations, students were also there to represent multicultural greek organizations. Jasmine Hammond, president of Delta Sigma Theta and junior in mass communications, said the event allowed all minority student leaders a chance to meet one another, show support for their programs and establish communication with all groups.

"We have a pretty tight-knit group of people," Hammond said. "There were a couple of groups that I had no idea existed, but for the most part we know who we are. It's always good to get together with those organizations and see what they are working on. We understand each other more because we are the minorities on campus. It's refreshing to have that support group and to have people you relate with and who look like you as well."

Association of General Contractors



Front Row: Willie Brooks, Leo Hernandez, Alejandro Deluna **Row 2:** Marshall Frey, Emily Enneking, Tyler Oblinger, Jeff Parsons **Back Row:** Ryan Redger, Brandon Ming, Eric Lierz Back Row: Ray Buyle, Eric Bartholemew, Tom Logan

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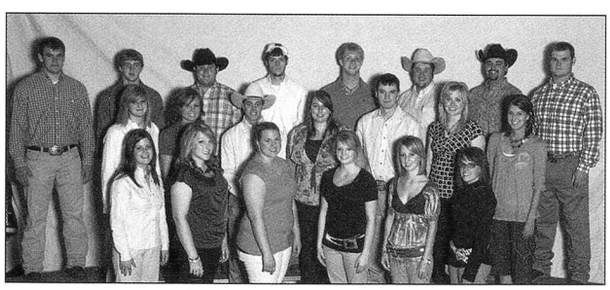


Front Row: Sara Morrison, Jara Settles, KayLonni Williams, Heather Jean Oentrich, Ariane Briscoe, Kristen Walker **Row 2:** Rebecca Schmitt, Erin Mark, Cory Beachner, Maura Cornell, Ben Tokach, Rachel Hieston, Jamie Briscoe **Back Row:** Taylor Swanson, Tyler Tebow, Nathan Smith, John Sachse, Mark Haug, Barrett Smith, Levi Allison, Trey Befort

Baked Goods

Wildcat Danish Kringles in blueberry, pecan or apricot

Banana bread

Brownies

Graham crackers

French bread

Vienna bread

Bread bowls

Cinnamon rolls

Holiday cut-out sugar cookies

Drop sugar cookies

Monster cookies

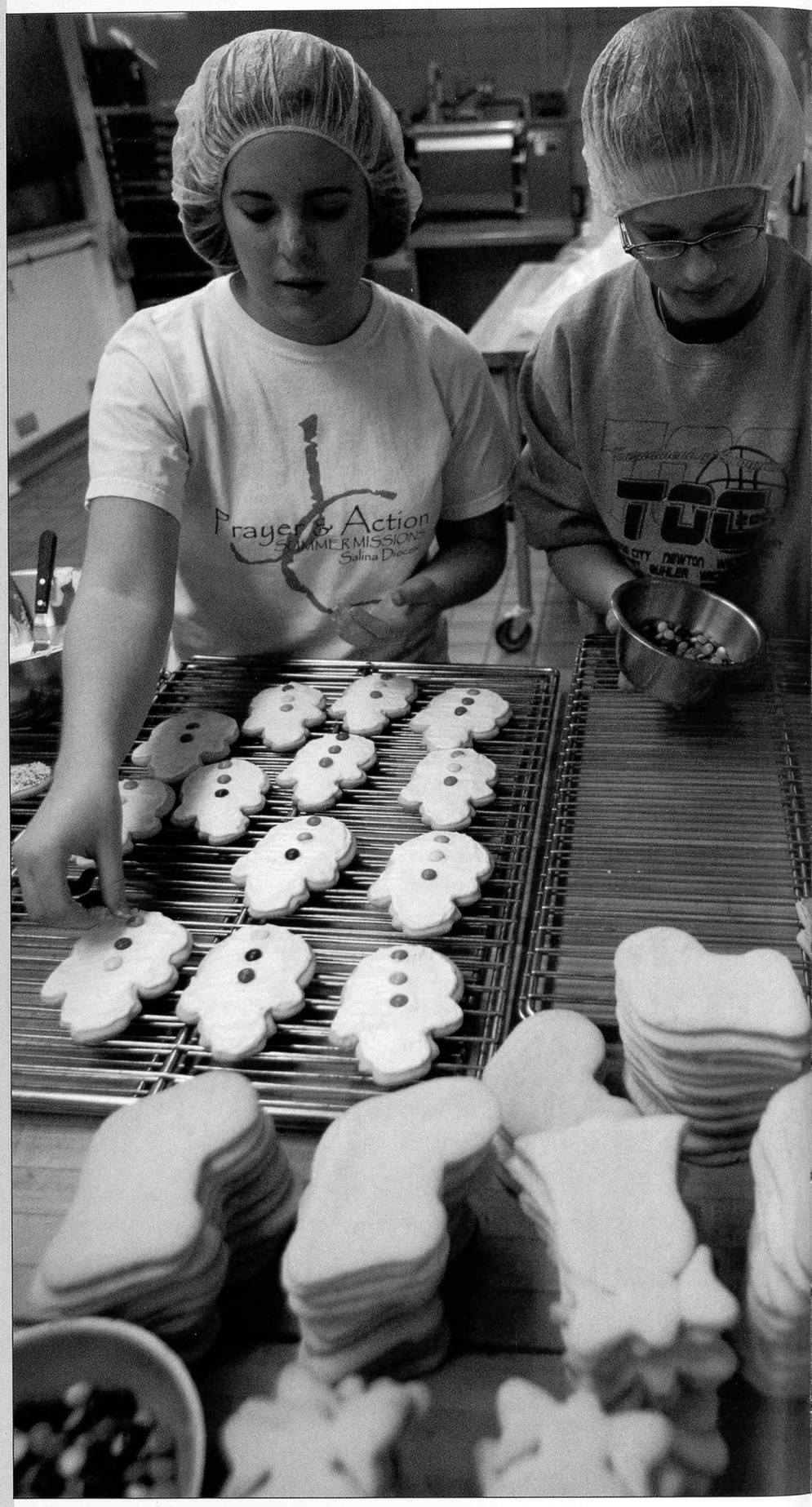
Peanut butter cookies

S'more cookies

Oatmeal raisin cookies

Snickerdoodles

Chocolate chip cookies



To finish the holiday cookies, **Meghan Thyfault**, secretary and junior in bakery science and management, and **Samantha Shirley**, freshman in business administration, place candies and spread icing on sugar cookies. "Sometimes we have special orders with 300-500 cookies, and we have to produce more in order to fill that order," Thyfault said. "Frosted cookies always take a long time, but we normally get out of here between 9 p.m. and 11-ish on most of the busiest nights."

Chelsy Lueth



The Christmas Bake Off

by Lauren Gocken

Snowmen and angel-shaped cookies, homemade graham crackers and brownies were all treats found at the Bakery Science Christmas Sale Dec. 11. The Bakery Science Club began baking nine days in advance.

"Total in sales, we had about 1,000 preorders this year, so that's really good," **Amber Dryden**, president and senior in bakery science and management, said. "With our advertising and the efforts of our officers trying to get the word out, it's definitely helped this year. We've not done that in the past, and it's kind of hurt our sales, but we're trying to do anything that makes the club better."

The sale got off to an uncertain start when the first big snow of the season hit the university the day before they were scheduled to have the sale.

"We were kind of iffy (about prospective sales)," **Ashlin Cox**, sales manager and junior in secondary education, said. "Our sale was postponed because of snow, but it turned out better than last year, so we can't complain."

The amount of products for a normal bake sale was two types of cookies and two or three different types of bread, but for the Christmas bake sale, the amount of goods more than doubled.

"This time we're doing six or seven types of cookies," Dryden said, "along with French and Vienna bread, banana bread, brownies, graham crackers, and then our big specialty item is a holiday item called a Kringle."

The Kringle was a specialty bread, consisting of an oval-shaped pastry filled with a fruit filling and topped with icing. Customers could either buy the Kringles baked or frozen to make fresh at home.

The ingredients used for baking were all donated, so the profits of the sales throughout the year went straight to the club's trips to food conferences like the American Society of Bakers Conference that was held in Chicago. Many donations were made by contacts made at the conferences or bake science alumni who worked in the industry.

"A lot of past graduates now work for the big companies, so they know how it was trying to get donations when they were in college, so they try to help us out," Dryden said.

"We go to a conference every year in Chicago that we get a lot of good contacts through."

In addition to being useful for networking, the conferences also provided an opportunity to learn new things that would help the club, like different ways to handle and sell products, **Megan Thyfault**, secretary and junior in bakery science and management, said.



While operating an industrial mixer, **Amber Dryden**, senior in bakery science and management, adds ingredients to mix in the bowl. "On a normal Tuesday bake night, we usually have between 20 and 30 (bakers)," Thyfault said. "It varies when we don't have a normal bake night; people come and go, especially during the end of the year when people have a lot of projects and finals." *Chelsy Lueth*

Safe Haven *for* Open Minds

by Eric Brown

On Feb. 10 a group of laughing students shuffled into room 208 of the K-State Student Union for the weekly Individuals for Freethought meeting. Sean Stenseng, president and sophomore in life sciences, asked each person to explain how they felt about censorship in the media. Of the 22 people in attendance there were 22 completely different answers.

Every Wednesday at 8 p.m. the group met in the K-State Student Union to discuss controversial subjects affecting the world. Topics of conversation included the legitimacy of Christianity, atheists' place in society, global warming and the existence of extra-terrestrial life.

"We get a wide variety of people with a lot of different beliefs who come to our meetings," Stenseng, said. "We don't discriminate against anybody. This group is all about being able to support your beliefs with logic, but we don't persecute people if they disagree with the majority."

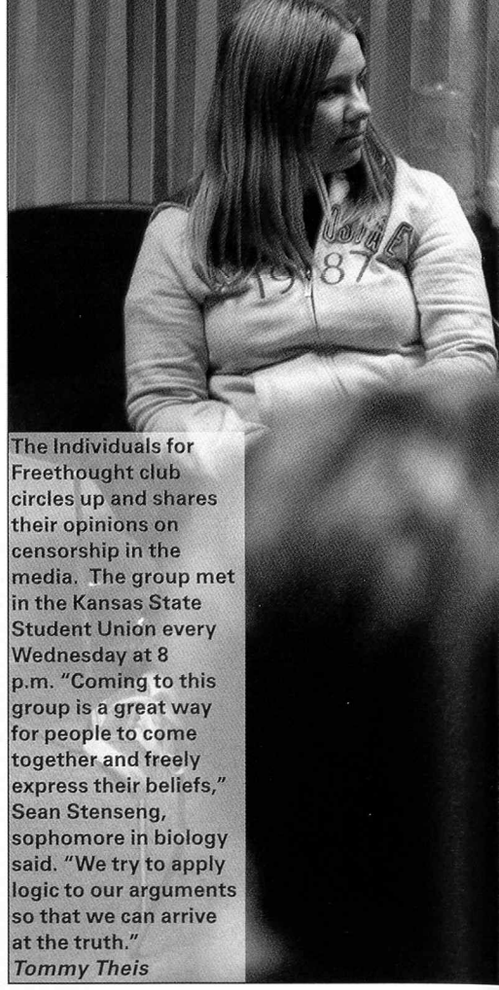
At each meeting Stenseng introduced the topic of the night and then the group arranged their chairs in a large circle to openly talk about the subject matter. Stenseng said discussions were often adversary in nature due to conflicting opinions, but cooler heads always prevailed, and the meetings remained civil.

"Our group could be described as argumentative," he said. "This club is really for people who like to debate."

Although the majority of the group's members were atheist or agnostic, the club was open to people of different backgrounds. Most of the time faith was not a main determinant of people's opinions in the group because many of the things talked about were not about religion, Stengseng said. Atheists, Jews, Christians, Muslims, pagans, liberals and conservatives often shared common ground with one another while still maintaining different sets of values.

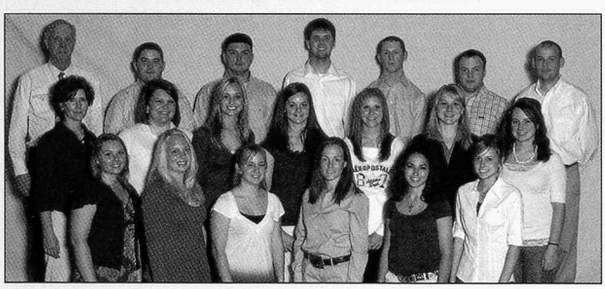
"Some topics do dabble in religion, but we really don't have too many conversations about religious topics," Ryan Allen, vice president and senior in biochemistry, said. "We aren't trying to promote any religion or non-religion; instead, we want to gain an understanding of all faiths and beliefs."

Meetings generally lasted for about an hour, but pockets of conversation sprouted after the club officially dispersed. Allen said every person in attendance wanted to have the last word in the discussions. He also said people lingered because the club provided a place for people who had sometimes unpopular views to safely



The Individuals for Freethought club circles up and shares their opinions on censorship in the media. The group met in the Kansas State Student Union every Wednesday at 8 p.m. "Coming to this group is a great way for people to come together and freely express their beliefs," Sean Stenseng, sophomore in biology said. "We try to apply logic to our arguments so that we can arrive at the truth."
Tommy Theis

Block & Bridle



Front Row: Ashley Quakenbush, Katie Haukos, KaCee Carson, Kyla Clawson, Lyndee Patterson, Cassie Kniebel **Row 2:** Teresa Slough, Robin Kleine, Alexa Ukena, Dani Black, Rhianna Wallace, Natalie Laubner, Margaret Harvell **Back Row:** Ron Pope, Levi Clubine, Alex Beaton, Michael Lanzrath, Buck Alexander, Clay Croft, Tim Carson

Blue Key



Front Row: Kelsey Moran, Ashley Guenther, Tana Smith, Lindsay Graber **Row 2:** Dalton Henry, Katie Niederee, Danielle Devlin, Torie Reilly, Gerald Stoskopf, Phillip Harner **Back Row:** Paul Mintner, Robert Tibbetts, Lacey Attwegg, Adam Tank, Donnie Hampton, Tim Hadachek

express themselves.

"I joined the group when I was beginning to shed off the last bits of my religious beliefs," Allen said. "To be able to join a group where there were open atheists and understanding people that I could socialize with was really comforting."

Allen was not the only member who relished the openness of the club.

"I think it's refreshing to come to a group where I can openly discuss certain things that are sometimes met with disdain and open hostility by others," Jordan Metcalf, senior in biology, said. "Here, I'm free to think however I want."

The Individuals for Freethought wanted to shake off pre-conceived notions about the group, so they actively participated in chalking around campus and periodically occupied an information desk in the Union to encourage people to sit in on some of their meetings.

"The only way to see what the club is about is to come to some of our meetings," Stenseng said. "We do a lot of things around campus to promote our group and to also help others such as working with religious organizations to help raise money for the less privileged. It's my goal to prove that this group is not self-interested and that we want to do our part to improve the campus."

College of Agriculture Ambassadors



Front Row: Hannah Leventhal, Alyson McCall, David White, Rheba Howard, Alexander Jost **Back Row:** Becky Sullivan, Emily Surdez, Tyler Axman, Erica Waechter, Caleb Kueser, Kate Bormann

Collegiate Cattlewomen



First Row: Kyla Clawson, Sammi Lawrence, Sydney Janssen, Lyndee Patterson **Row 2:** Kassie Curran, Kiley Stinson, Klaire Jorgensen, Callyn Hahn, Kristine Clowers **Back Row:** Karl Dawn Hobbs, Lyndi Jury, Sara Morrison, Alison Mebane, Kelsey Beel, Bailey Bokelman

blizzard overtakes K-State Student Union

by Tamara Salisbury



The Bakery Science Club gave out free cookies, while Sexual Health Awareness Peer Educators handed out condoms with funny sayings on them in front of a sign that proclaimed, "We care about your parts!" Meanwhile, a man covered in plastic sacks meandered down the narrow aisle full of aimless wanderers holding a sign that said, "What's the coolest group on campus? Students for Environmental Action." Occasionally, one of the wanderers crept between tables to peer over the K-State Student Union first floor balcony down to the courtyard below, eyes grew bigger as they saw an ice skating rink put together like puzzle pieces.

The spring Activities Carnival was jointly organized by the Office of Student Activities and Services, Healthy Decisions and the Union Program Council Jan. 21. **Karina Garcia**, UPC community co-chair and junior in communication sciences and disorders, said they focused the entertainment — such as a balloon artist, a make-your-own-chapstick stand, hot cocoa and an ice skating rink — around a "Blizzard Beach" theme.

"We brought in extra stuff for our events, but we've never brought in an ice skating rink before, so we thought we'd try something different," she said. "We thought it'd look really cool and be a lot of fun."

For **Amy A. Davidson**, junior in life sciences, the extras drew her to attend the event.

"(I came because) I heard there were balloon animals," she said, smiling. "The ice skating is really impressive. Even though it's not real ice, it's still really cool, and there's free stuff of course."

Healthy Decisions, on the other hand, participated mostly in organizing several student-service organizations to attend. **Jamie Weiser**, chairperson for HD and sophomore in life sciences, said she thought it was important to show students everything available to help them.

"We organized (the first floor) to give students a chance to find the resources they have on campus," she said. "We give out lots of free goodies to help promote the resources."

Bill Harlan, assistant coordinator for OSAS, said the spring carnival began as a simple activities carnival that was a "spin off" of the fall carnival.

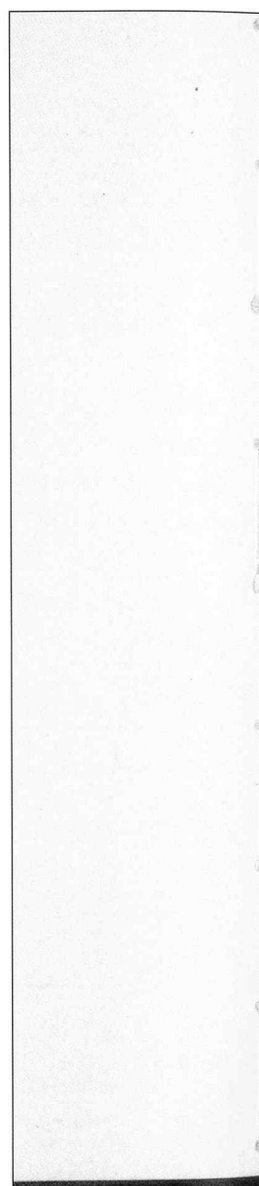
"We started with just the activities carnival part of it, saying here's your chance to get involved and find out what is going on, and that grew into a bigger event as UPC got involved, and now Healthy Decisions got involved by inviting student services," he said. "What we found out is the first week of school, freshmen just don't know what they need yet and don't know how much time they have to get involved, so the spring (carnival) is the answer to that. So, now they know what their interests might be, and what they want to get involved in and how much time they have, so here's their chance to find something that fits that."

Because the university boasts nearly 500 student organizations, Harlan said the carnival gave students a chance to see several groups in the same place.

"One thing that's always interesting is that last year we had 480 organizations, and students are always shocked to find that out," Harlan said. "We have the information on our Web site. We have the information on handouts. But nothing is as impressive as coming and seeing hundreds upon hundreds of people who are involved and want you to be involved with them."

Harlan said one of the differences between the fall and spring carnivals is the spring carnival's emphasis on giving students a fresh start to the new year.

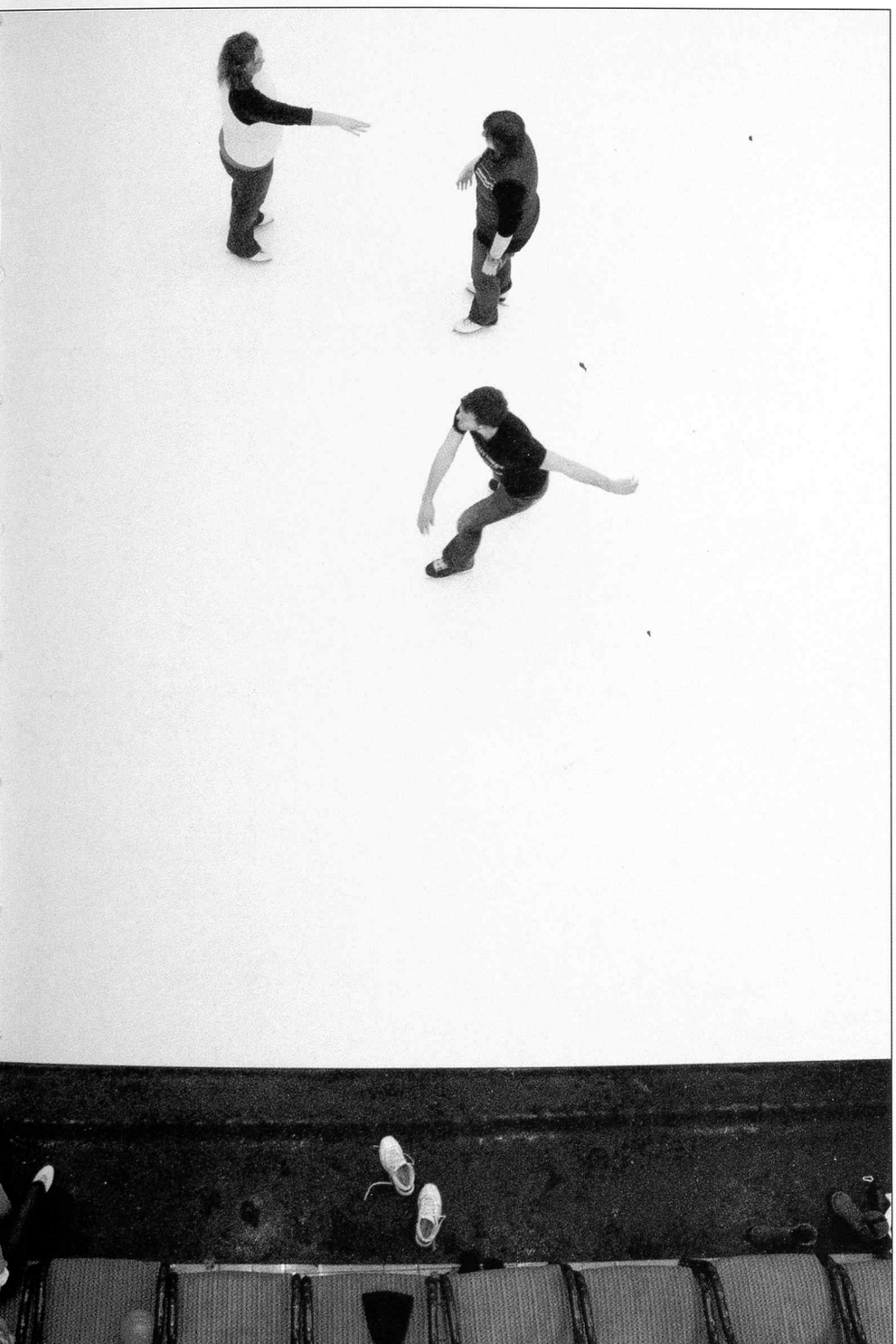
"There are some workshops about time management and finance management, the student services are here for academic help, and there are ways to get involved with student organizations," he said. "It's important to get involved, but it's also important to get help, and it's also important to meet new friends and have fun. It's a holistic approach."





At the spring Activities Carnival, themed Blizzard Beach, **Elizabeth Trevino**, senior in life sciences, laughs as a balloon is made for her by **Mike Mauthe**, "Mike Da Roving Guy" balloon artist. Trevino's balloon ended up as a purple monkey. The balloon artist made several different animals, including frogs, dogs and Mickey Mouse. More than 130 organizations participated in the spring carnival.
Nathaniel LaRue

On the ice skating rink in the K-State Student Union Courtyard, Jan. 21, students skate coatless and enjoy the music of the spring Activities Carnival. "It's not actually cold," said **Karina Garcia**, Union Program Council community co-chair and junior in communication sciences and disorders. "It's a synthetic ice. They put a layer over the top of it to give it that ice skating feel."
Nathaniel LaRue



Partial list of organizations that participated in the Activities Carnival from A-Z

ACACIA Fraternity
Bakery Science Club
Cats for a Cure
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority
ECM
Fair Trade Advocates
Gamma Rho Lambda
Horseman's Association
Individuals for Freethought
Japanese Yosakoi Dance Club
Kappa Alpha Psi
Lutheran Campus Ministry
MANRRS
National Education Association
Operations Management Club
Paintball Club
Relay for Life
Shire of Spinning Winds
Taekwondo Sparring Club
Ultimate Frisbee
Vietnamese Student Association
Walt Disney World College Program
Young Americans for Liberty

local resources for foreign aid

by Stephanie Mikuls

When an earthquake hit Haiti Jan. 12, leaving the country in ruin and devastation, the members of Kappa Alpha Psi were determined to help. Kappa Alpha Psis nationwide held a fund raiser with local restaurants to receive a percentage of the profits that night. On Feb. 2, Chili's Bar and Grill allowed the group to host "Dining with the Kappas" to raise money.

"We had a great turnout," Rowshayn Green, sophomore in open option, said. "I'd say about 70 students came out. And then there was a good number of people that were just from the community."

The national Chili's organization had what was referred to as "Give-Back Night," and "Dining with the Kappas" was the first event the Manhattan Chili's held, Annisa Shockey, manager and alumna, said. She added that for the first event of its kind, she thought it was successful.

Kappa Alpha Psis stood at the front door with flyers to make customers aware of the event. The group collected 10 percent of the profit made between 5 p.m.-10 p.m. if customers mentioned they were supporting the cause.

"There were some people who really didn't know much about what was going on over there," Dennis Foye Jr., non-degree undergraduate student, said. "We got to shed a little bit of light about what was going on over there. We brought awareness to the situation."

They raised awareness of the cause as well as more than $300 at the event. For some members of Kappa Alpha Psi, the cause was more personal.

"Well, I'm Jamaican, so it kind of hit very close to home being from right there in the Caribbean," Green said. "They are the poorest country on this hemisphere, so I felt it was important to do all we could after looking at the pictures."

The group participated in other activities to send aid to Haiti. They packed food in boxes to be shipped to Haiti with the Delta Epsilon chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi at Wichita State University. They collected canned goods for the Red Cross.

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>
> *Rowshayn Green, sophomore in open options*

They also set up a table in the K-State Student Union to raise awareness and collect donations. The table was set up for one week, raising $900, which was donated to Doctors Without Borders, an organization that sent doctors to third-world countries where people could not afford health care and provided them with health care.

"We noticed that people in the Union don't often carry cash with them, so we had a computer open on our table," Green said. "When they said 'I would, but I don't have any cash on me — I only have my card,' they could still donate right there in the Union with their card. That really drove up our participation."

Through all the fund raisers, the Kappa Alpha Psis were able to raise more than $1,000 and awareness for the needs of Haiti.

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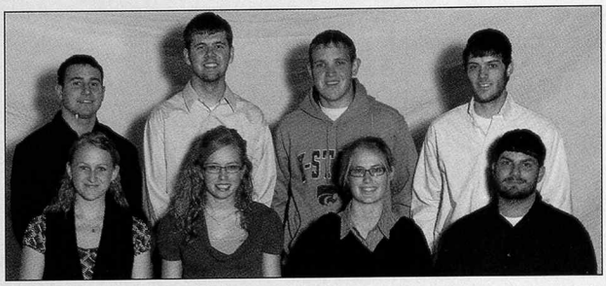
At Chili's Bar and Grill **Diante Calhoun**, senior in speech, and Stephen Harrison, senior in marketing, try to decide what they should order for dinner. Kappa Alpha Psi, with the help of Chili's, raised money to help the victims of the earthquake in Haiti.
Erin Poppe

As people walk in the door of Chili's, **Dennis Foye**, non degree student in arts and sciences, greets friends and guests who came to support Kappa Alpha Psi's philanthropy. People could support the cause by telling their waiter they wanted to take part.
Erin Poppe

Collegiate Farm Bureau



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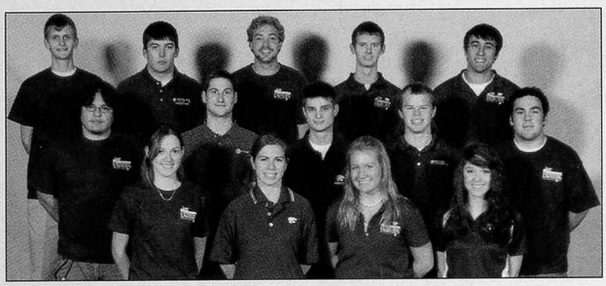
Engineering Student Council



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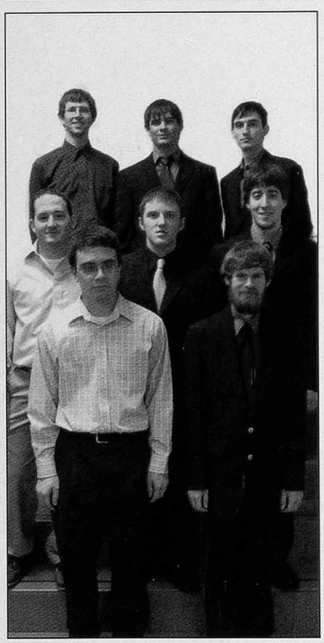


Front row: Jeff Koetting, Aaron Dueksen **Row 2:** Jack Plummer, Tanner Reynolds, Jason Sowers **Back Row:** Paul Edgington, Jeff Schuler, Phillip Schumm



opposing FORCES

by Amanda Lunn

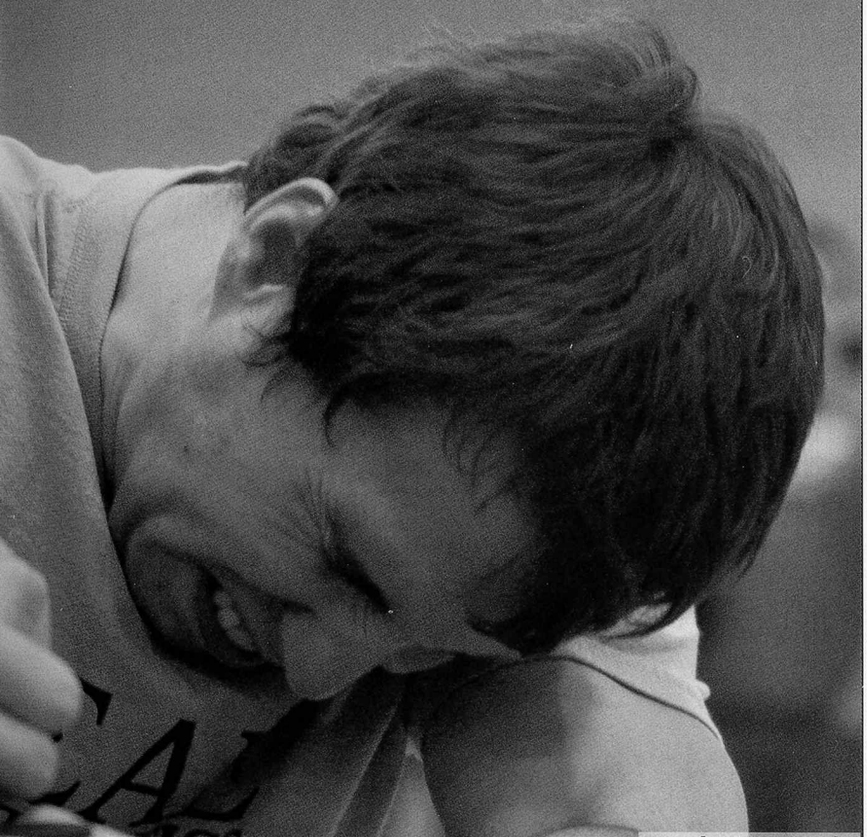
With benches filled with spectators, contestants made their way to the front of the crowd to show off their strength in wrist wrestling Feb. 11.

Clayton Peuser, junior in agribusiness, said he signed up to participate in the competition at Peters Recreation Complex because he needed something to do.

"It was just something to do on a Thursday night," Peuser said. "My friends and I saw it and thought, 'Hey, that'd be fun.'"

Wrist wrestling, also known as arm wrestling, consisted of two competitors, an official and a table with two handles, one for each of the competitors to hold onto during the match. Matches started with each wrist wrestler setting their elbows on the table and gripping each other's hand. The official grasped the hands and blew his whistle, starting the struggle between the opposing forces.

"Besides not knowing the tournament was going to be all



A contestant in the wrist wrestling tournament that took place on Feb. 11, strains to push his competitors hand on the table. The tournament was divided into independent and fraternity brackets and each bracket into weight classes. The tournament took place in one night at the Peters Recreation Center. *Tommy Theis*

in one night, the hardest thing about arm wrestling would have been leverage on the table," Joshua Smart, freshman in architectural engineering, said. "There was a box that the elbow went in (on the table). It was weird and made it difficult."

Each match lasted as long as it took for one person to pin the other's wrist on the table. To increase leverage the rules allowed participants to wrap one leg around the leg of the table while using their free hand to hold onto their handle and pull their body weight to the left.

The contest had five weight classes: fly weight, lightweight, mid weight, light heavyweight and super heavyweight. Each weight class was separated into fraternity and independent winners.

"It felt good to be successful," said Connor Bridge, junior in biology and light heavyweight winner for the fraternity bracket. "It was nice to compete and win in an abstract sport that people sometimes overlook."

Golden Key



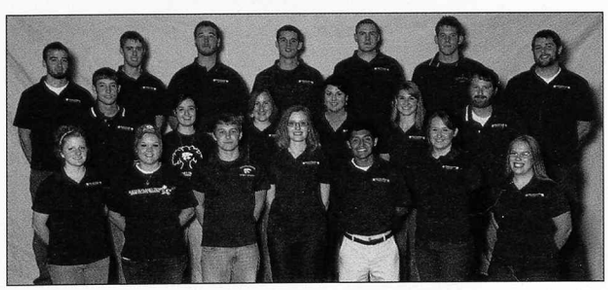
First Row: Chelsea Parker, Ann Virgo, Wafa Almatar, Mustafa Amiryar **Row 2:** Martin A. Tidd, David Villanueva, Frank Maulana, Ahmad Suliman; Donita Whitney-Bammerlin **Back Row:** Grizelda MacDonald, Lisa Mechels, Chase Dikomey, Ashton Brasel

Graduate Student Council



First Row: Rhett Mohler, Steven L Bellinger **Back Row:** Megan Miller, Kara N. Dillard

Horticulture Club



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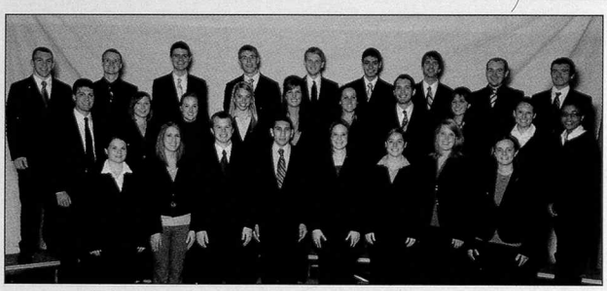
League of United Latin American Citizens



Front Row: Emma Del Real, David Villanueva, Rafael Trejo, Madai Rivera **Row 2:** Ivette Martinez, Edgar Tafolla, Alba Chacon **Row 3**: Miriam Martinez, Sandra Salas, Yasmin Diaz **Row 4:** Macario Benavides, Kimberly Hurt **Row 5:** Omar Quintero-Alcazar, Gustavo Contreras, Marco Rodela **Back Row:** Manuel Munoz, Miguel Ramos, Luis E. Sanz

Mortar Board



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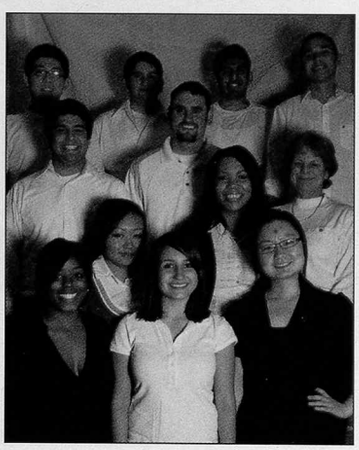
Multicultural Business Students Association



Front Row: Laniqe Jackson, Julia Wallis, Jinzi Chen **Row 2:** Konou Vang, Sabrina Urquhart **Row 3:** Edgar Bustillas, Nick Doll, Dawne Martin **Back Row:** Tong Dai, Phillip Gomez, Miquel Ramos, Nate Garcia



Students perform a lion dance as part of the Lunar New Year celebration in Forum Hall. Performers danced in elaborate costumes, and audience members fed the monster money to gain favor with it. The Vietnamese Student Association handed out $1 bills for students to use. "I played the drums (for the dance)," **Amy Vu**, junior in agronomy, said. "That was really complicated actually, and a lot more intense than I thought it was. You don't really think about the importance of the beat, but it is important."
Matt Binter

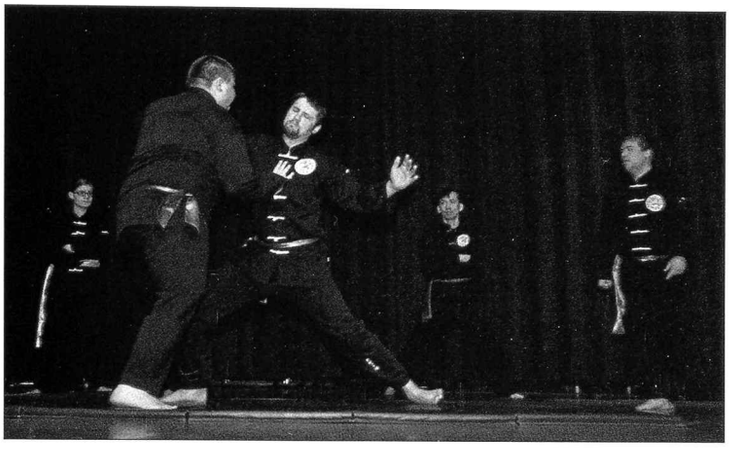
Instead of a video clip intended to mark the beginning of the celebration, the audience was instead shown another aspect of Vietnamese culture — how to say "Hey, handsome guy, give me your number?" in Vietnamese. When technical issues were resolved, the celebration got back on schedule.

Every 13 full cycles of the moon, Vietnamese participated in the most important celebration of their culture, Lunar New Year. On Feb. 13, the Vietnamese Student Association brought the celebration to Forum Hall with a presentation of Lunar New Year traditions.



Zodiac Signs of the 2010s

2010 Year of the Tiger
2011 Year of the Cat
2012 Year of the Dragon
2013 Year of the Snake
2014 Year of the Horse
2015 Year of the Goat
2016 Year of the Monkey
2017 Year of the Rooster
2018 Year of the Dog
2019 Year of the Pig



Students perform a Kung Fu demonstration for Lunar New Year Feb. 13. "We've done (the demonstration) for a few years now and it's always pretty fun," **Joshua Richtarik**, senior in social sciences, said. "They always do a culture show and that was something new for me. I knew about American holidays, but not about any others."
Matt Binter

Chúc Mừng Năm Mới

by Stephanie Mikuls

Happy New Year

The members helped with different parts of the celebration, including a slideshow, a fashion show, a kung fu demonstration, traditional dances and a taekwondo performance. During the "lion dance," members of the audience approached a bright yellow lion moving between the aisles to feed it "Li Xi," or lucky money, received with their programs. Nine members of the club participated in the fashion show.

"It was a fashion show of the traditional wedding dress — worn for four days of wedding celebration — 'aoeai' — high-waisted pants and a long dress worn in very springy colors," **Kathy Nguyen**, senior in public health nutrition, said. "It is one of the most important garments in the culture."

Dong-Hai Nguyen, president and graduate student in physics, said the association consisted of students originally from Vietnam and Vietnamese-American students. However, all members appreciated the importance of the Lunar New Year.

"The Lunar New Year is to celebrate the new year — it's based on the lunar calendar," **Thi Nguyen**, graduate student in chemistry, said. "We go to these celebrations because we want to welcome the new year and bring good luck and forget about sadness."

Dong-Hai said the Lunar New Year in Vietnam held the same importance as Thanksgiving or Christmas to people of Western culture.

"It is the most important ceremony in our culture," Dong-Hai said. "We have other festivals during the year, but we live in a culture where people live by growing rice, so they depend so much on the weather. We have several festivals throughout the year to mark the change in weather conditions. Lunar New Year indicates that winter has ended and spring is going to come and spring is the most beautiful time to grow crops and lots of fruit."



The water polo team sits in inner tubes and floats around in the pool. The team normally did not just sit there, however. The organization took part in an intense and abdomen-engaging workout that was often times challenging. "It's just a fun activity you can do with friends and get to play in the water," **John Feldkam**, senior in finance, said.
Courtesy of John Feldkam

Inner tube Water polo

Rules and Play of Game

RULES

- No part of the offensive players' body may penetrate the goal area.
- Guys are only allowed to throw to girls and girls are allowed to throw to either.
- Players must sit in their inner tube with legs and arms dangling outside.

PLAY

- Four 6-minute periods.
- Two-minute rest intervals occur between periods.
- Teams change ends at half time.
- One point for each goal.
- Teams consist of seven players.
- The ball is out of play when it rolls onto the concrete platform.
- Players may use one or both hands to play the ball

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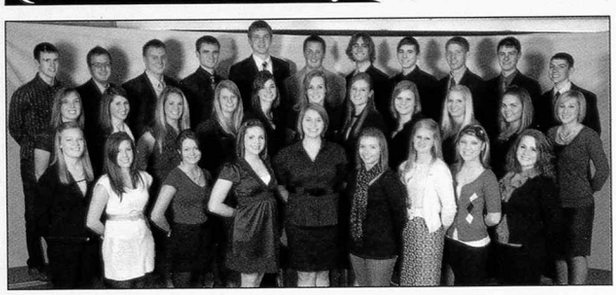
National Residence Hall Honorary



First Row: Alaina Shelton, Chelsi Thissen **Row 2:** Kevin Cook, Kelly Maydwell, Allison Bauer **Row 3:** Barbara Braga, Patrick Flores, Nick Brainard, Victoria Hatch **Row 4:** Josh Boehm, Christopher Miller, Andrew Johnson **Row 5:** Ryan Felber, Dave Bartlett, Klay Wilk **Back Row:** Kevin Dawson, Matt Shoger, Paul Payton

Quest Freshman Honorary



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work out and work together

by Maci Wells

Imagine sitting in an inner tube, feet and arms dangling out, trying to move quickly while passing the ball in a pool — without getting out of the tube. This was the challenge for those involved in inner tube water polo. The sport was an adjusted form of water polo, with seven fewer players and the addition of an inner tube. Many rules applied to make the game more challenging, but one key component to inner tube water polo was teamwork.

"Water polo is all about communication, playing as a team and passing the ball," Chris Mullins, senior in park management and conservation, said. "I have made so many good friends playing this game, and it really is fun."

Grady Augustine, senior in art, said the sport was an entertaining way to exercise.

"It's a great workout because of the way you have to sit and the way you have to move," he said. "You use muscles that you normally don't use, especially in your abdomen, so it ends up being a really good workout that is fun."

Not only was inner tube water polo a way to exercise, but it was also an enjoyable way for students to get away from their studies and hang out with friends. Augustine said 20 people could be on each roster, which created opportunities for friendships to develop.

"My favorite part of water polo is probably playing with my friends and just hanging out with them," Mullins said.

Because of the team atmosphere, students learned about leadership and trusting others, and found ways to apply the lessons to their lives.

"It has taught me how to talk to different types of people better when I am trying to get my point across and get them to trust me," Augustine said. "That comes from trying to lead a team or a group of people, so it kind of develops leadership skills."

Although the sport was competitive, participants did not have to be athletic to excel.

"You don't have to necessarily be the best athlete to play inner tube water polo, so if you're not the fastest runner or you're not the strongest, you can still be really good at the sport," Augustine said. "It allows students who don't excel at every other sport to have a sport to be good at."

Inner tube water polo lacked popularity because many students were unfamiliar with it, but those who played found it invigorating, Augustine said.

"Nobody really knows about inner tube water polo — it's an underrated sport — but it is one of the coolest sports out there," he said. "I would love to see it grow at K-State. It deserves notoriety, and it deserves to be seen."

School of Leadership Studies Ambassadors



Front Row: Jordan Fief, Christa Martinez, Katie Friesen, Katie Moyer **Row 2:** Amanda Hogue, Courtney Frantz, Ariel Anib, Keith Kennedy **Back Row:** Laneah Petitjean, HB Thompson, Taylor Schmidt, Nate Bozarth, Grant Goodack, Derrik Wiggins

School of Leadership Studies Ambassadors



Front Row: Lauren Wissman, Morgan Holecheck, Laura A. Rice, Caitlin M. Burns **Row 2:** Krystin Matuszewicz, Ally Heidebrecht, Jessica Gradert, Andria Nelson **Row 3:** Lauren Gradert, Erika Williams, Whitney Davis **Back Row:** Theo Stavropoulos, Zach Nelson

by Lauren Gocken

small action, BIG HELP

Coffee and cocoa. Dresses and bracelets. Handbags and belts. All were for sale at the fair trade marketplace Nov.18-19, and all were handmade goods from impoverished people in Mexico, Kenya and China. Fair Trade Advocates sponsored Fair Trade Week as a way to promote fair trade's mission: to ensure producers in foreign countries received adequate wages to make a living off their products.

"I think it's a really easy way to make a difference in the lives of other people," said **Stephanie Alderman-Oler**, president of the Fair Trade Advocates and senior in secondary education. "You don't really have to do anything outside your day-to-day routine to support fair trade and fair wages."

Fair Trade Week featured a fashion show Nov.17, a marketplace with only fair trade-approved goods and a hunger banquet Nov. 22, which was a dinner used to show class divisions around the world.

"The purpose of the hunger banquet was to raise awareness of the world hunger issue," Alderman-Oler said. "The dinner was served in proportion to world classes. Ten percent got an upper-class meal — full dinner with salad. Middle class, which is 35 percent of the population, got rice and beans. The lower class, the bottom 55 percent, only got rice, and that was it. It was a way to represent how the classes are separated through the world."

The hunger banquet was the final event in the week. The week started with a fashion show to display the goods sold at the marketplace located in the K-State Student Union courtyard featured items from several local stores, including T-La-Re and On the Wildside.

"The market was really interesting," **Samantha M. Williams**, junior in agricultural education, said. "It was a nice break to stop by and see the different things the club could offer. I hadn't really heard about fair trade before, but this was interesting. I liked all the different jewelry available."

The Fair Trade Advocates began planning the week during the summer, **Sara Lynde**, senior in family studies and human services, said. The week brought attention to the Fair Trade Advocates and showed people it was easy to make a difference.

"I think people came away a little bit more aware of the global aspects of economy and where they sit through the hunger banquet," Lynde said. "They probably realized they are in the top 10 percent, and it's easier to help out with big issues than they think. People are intimidated by global poverty and hunger. We try to point out small ways people can help it."







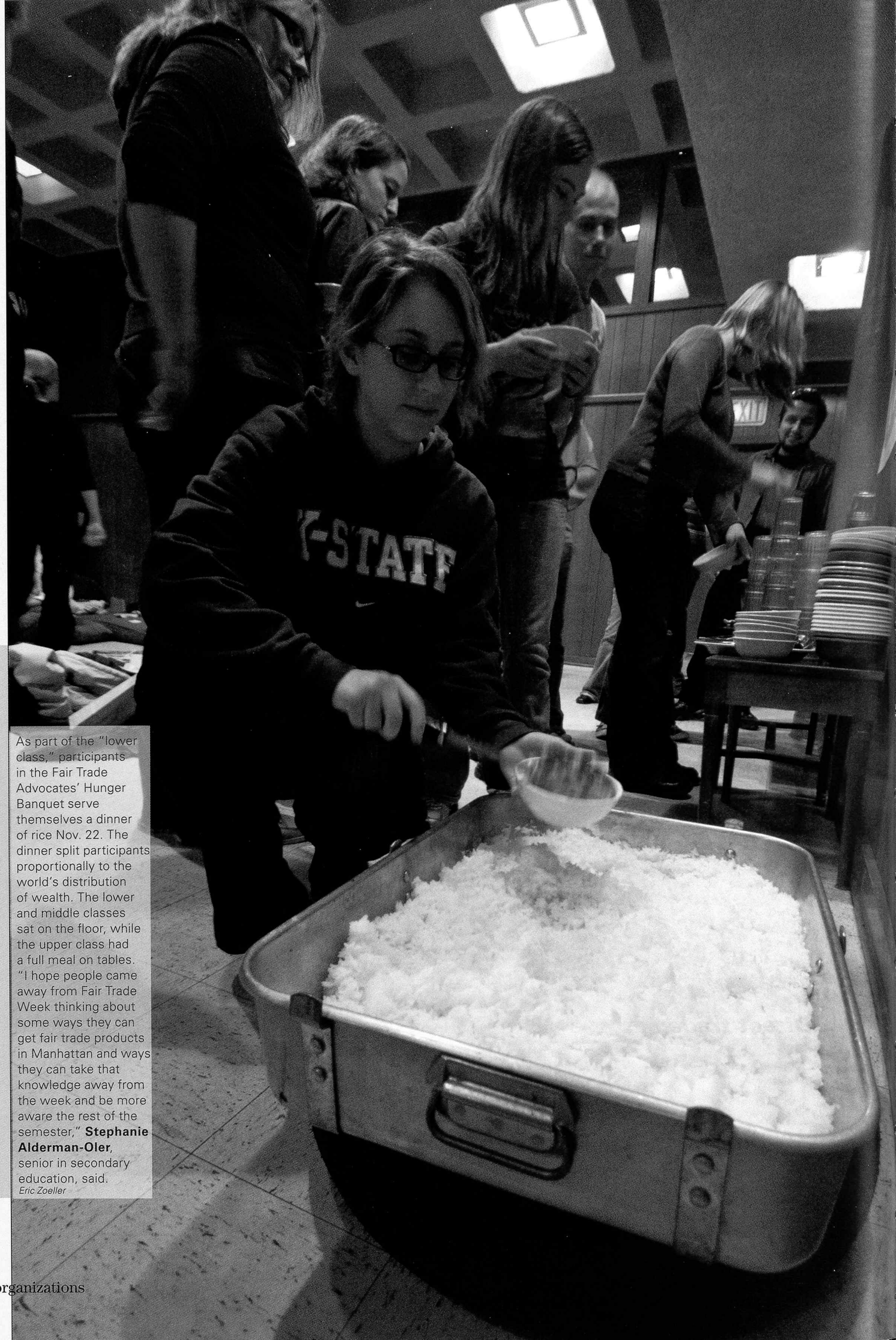


The participants at the Fair Trade Advocates' Hunger Banquet, **Kyle D'Amico**, freshman in philosophy; **Chris Byrne**, special undergraduate student in psychology; and **Blair Johnson**, sophomore in open option, who are fortunate enough to represent the world's top 10 percent in wealth — the "upper class" — enjoy their full, served meal with salad, while others ate either rice and beans or just rice. "(Fair Trade Week) is a yearly thing, so we didn't start planning until sometimes in the summer," Sara Lynde, senior in family studies and human services, said. "Last year we started generating ideas, because it's the main focus of our group."

Eric Zoeller

In the K-State Student Union Nov. 19, **Molly Sanders**, senior in English, and **Stephanie Gorges**, staff assistant for university publications, browse goods offered at the Fair Trade Advocates' Marketplace. Clothing was modeled by Students for Environmental Action Nov. 18. "For me personally, going to the Fair Trade Marketplace made me feel like I was actually doing something to make a difference," Sanders said. "I think it's really hard for students to find something that makes them feel like they're doing something, especially now since we have so many people or Web sites telling us what we should be doing."

Chelsy Lueth



As part of the "lower class," participants in the Fair Trade Advocates' Hunger Banquet serve themselves a dinner of rice Nov. 22. The dinner split participants proportionally to the world's distribution of wealth. The lower and middle classes sat on the floor, while the upper class had a full meal on tables. "I hope people came away from Fair Trade Week thinking about some ways they can get fair trade products in Manhattan and ways they can take that knowledge away from the week and be more aware the rest of the semester," **Stephanie Alderman-Oler**, senior in secondary education, said.
Eric Zoeller



Intricately beaded key chains lie on one of the tables at the Fair Trade marketplace in the K-State Student Union. "Some of the events were smaller than we hoped for, but the marketplace had a pretty good showing," **Sara Lynde**, senior in family studies and human services, said. "It's nice to see that for a lot of people on campus, this is an issue for them." Fair Trade Certification empowered workers to lift themselves out of poverty by investing in their farms and communities, protecting the environment and developing necessary skills to compete in a global marketplace.
Tommy Theis

fair trade principles include:

Fair price: Democratically organized farmer groups receive a guaranteed minimum floor price and an additional premium for certified organic products. Farmer organizations are also eligible for pre-harvest credit.

Fair labor conditions: Workers on fair trade farms enjoy freedom of association, safe working conditions and living wages. Forced child labor is strictly prohibited.

Direct trade: Importers purchase from fair trade producer groups as directly as possible, eliminating unnecessary middlemen and empowering farmers to develop the business capacity necessary to compete in the global marketplace.

Democratic and transparent organizations: Fair trade farmers decide democratically how to invest revenues.

Community development: Fair trade farmers and farm workers invest fair trade premiums in social and business development projects like scholarship programs, quality improvement trainings, and organic certification.

Environmental sustainability: Harmful agrochemicals and genetically modified organisms are strictly prohibited in favor of sustainable farming methods that protect farmers' health and preserve valuable ecosystems for future generations.
http://www.k-state.edu/fairtrade/whatisfairtrade.htm

a toss up

by Caitlin M. Burns

Rain or shine, every Thursday night a group of people met either in Bosco Student Plaza or the K-State Student Union Courtyard with balls, rings, other juggling props and unicycles. At 6 p.m., the magic started.

The club practiced with regular attendees as well as people who just wanted to learn and those who wanted to perform.

"One of my favorites was a performance we did for about 200 Fort Riley folks," **Ryan Bradburn,** former president and alumnus, said. "They were having an office Christmas party and asked us to come out as entertainment. It was great because we were able to get several members of the Juggling Club to participate and experience what it's like to be on stage in front of a large crowd. The crowd was really fun too and seemed to really enjoy our 45 minutes worth of antics."

Other than holiday parties, **Jason Kennedy**, president and senior in computer science, said they organized the Little Apple Juggling Festival, which took place during each spring semester. The juggling festival was a time for jugglers in the Midwest to get together to do something they all enjoyed.

"The KSU Juggling Club is pretty much one big fun, funny, exciting experience," Bradburn said. "Each week's meeting was a blast, but the festival the club hosts each spring is really the climax of it all. Jugglers from all over the Midwest descend on K-State and have a rollicking good time."

Those who participated in the festival spent most of their time juggling. By the end of the festival, everyone was tired, which helped them let loose and brought out their creative side.

"We invented Fancy Pants Day for the last day of each festival, which brings out the bizarre leggings," Bradburn said. "There's always some odd sort of game that arises, from straw bouncing and coffee creamer pop-up games to races to see who can bounce a club across the gym in the shortest time."

However, because the group was informal, participation in performances was not required. Members participated in as many events as fit their personalities.

"I am more of a recreational juggler," **Katie Brewer,** senior in chemistry, said. "The performances I have done are informal, walk-around juggling. Those are pretty fun. You just juggle and teach others how to juggle."

No matter how they practiced or where they performed, the important thing was they had fun.

"The best thing about our gatherings was certainly just getting together with friends and sharing our common interests and enjoying each others company," Bradburn said.



Outside of Salsaritas in the K-State Student Union, **Katie Brewer**, treasurer and senior in chemistry, and **Lance Williams**, senior in management practice their juggling skills with clubs. The juggling club was started in 1997 and became an official club in the spring of 1998.
Lisle Alderton





As he focuses on staying steady **Jason Kennedy**, president and senior in computer science, juggles three clubs. Clubs came in many sizes and weights to help with balance. "(I learned to juggle) because I was bored," Kennedy said. "I just started throwing things in the air. I basically taught myself, it wasn't easy. It takes about a week to 10 to teach yourself."
Lisle Alderton

Every week the juggling club meet in the K-State Student Union to practice together. People learned to juggle differently. "I learned to juggle when I was in the Marine Corps," **Ryan Bradburn**, former president and alumni, said. "When I started classes again at K-State in the spring of 2003, I noticed that there was a juggling club listed among the student organizations."
Lisle Alderton

People listen to a poem at an Invisible Children event near the Plaza in Kansas City, Mo., April 25. "It was powerful to see that people all over the world were standing in solidarity for this movement," **Newell Bowman**, freshman in women's studies, said.
Jonathan Knight



Invisible Children
the rescue

by Colleen Quinn



In 2003, three filmmakers were on a journey, looking for a story to capture in Uganda. What they found was like nothing they had seen: children were being kidnapped and forced to serve rebel leader Joseph Kony in the the Lourdes Resistance Army. From this journey, a nationwide cause and non-profit organization known as the Invisible Children emerged. It worked directly with the children in Uganda as well as educated the world about the long and arduous war, the longest-lasting war in Africa. Through the media, they planned to restore Uganda to what it was before Kony took control.

'A Voice for the Voiceless'

People fled to a specific city, "abducted" themselves and would not leave until a political figure rescued them. The event, which happened at different sites around the world, signified the abduction of children in Uganda and worked to raise awareness. Two students, **Erin K. White**, freshman in family studies and human services, and **Newell Bowman**, freshman in women's studies, shared a common concern for the children and decided to get involved with the Invisible Children organization.

"It wasn't a protest, it wasn't a rally, but standing together to raise awareness for these kids," White said. "We didn't leave until we were rescued by a political figure, somebody that said, 'I understand what's going on in Uganda, and I'm pledging my support.' It was a stance of solidarity."

The women gathered as many people as they could from the university and traveled to Kansas City, Mo., to help with the cause.

"The day of 'The Rescue' was so surreal," Bowman said. "The whole idea was we would be 'abducted' from one site and march to the 'Lourdes Resistance Army' camp as the children do who are kidnapped."

A group of about 800 people walked about 45 minutes from the J.C. Nichols fountain to the Liberty Memorial in Kansas City, April 25. With straight faces and complete silence, the group held signs that read "Invisible Children" to represent the organization they stood for.

"We encouraged people to be silent and think about the kids and what was going on," White said. "If you think about it, a continuous flow of 800 people marching down Kansas City with straight faces not saying anything sends a message."

Everybody there shared the same concern, passion and enthusiasm for what they believed in. They were families that risked being outside during a tornado siren, and juniors and seniors in high school who missed their prom to come out for this cause.

"It was really moving to see how many people and different types of people were there," **Kyle Black**, freshman in biology, said. "People ignored the differences between one another and focused on this cause."

As the night went on, people danced, sang and read poetry together. By midnight, the band Switchfoot showed up at the site and was officially the political figure that rescued the abducted.

"**Switchfoot** came, and it was really powerful," Bowman said. "They came down to meet everybody and just talk. They weren't celebrities that night. We were all coming together and taking a stand."

After the rescue some people went home, some people stayed the rest of the night, and some went to Chicago to wait with the last city that had not been rescued yet and received recognition on **Oprah Winfrey**'s talk show.

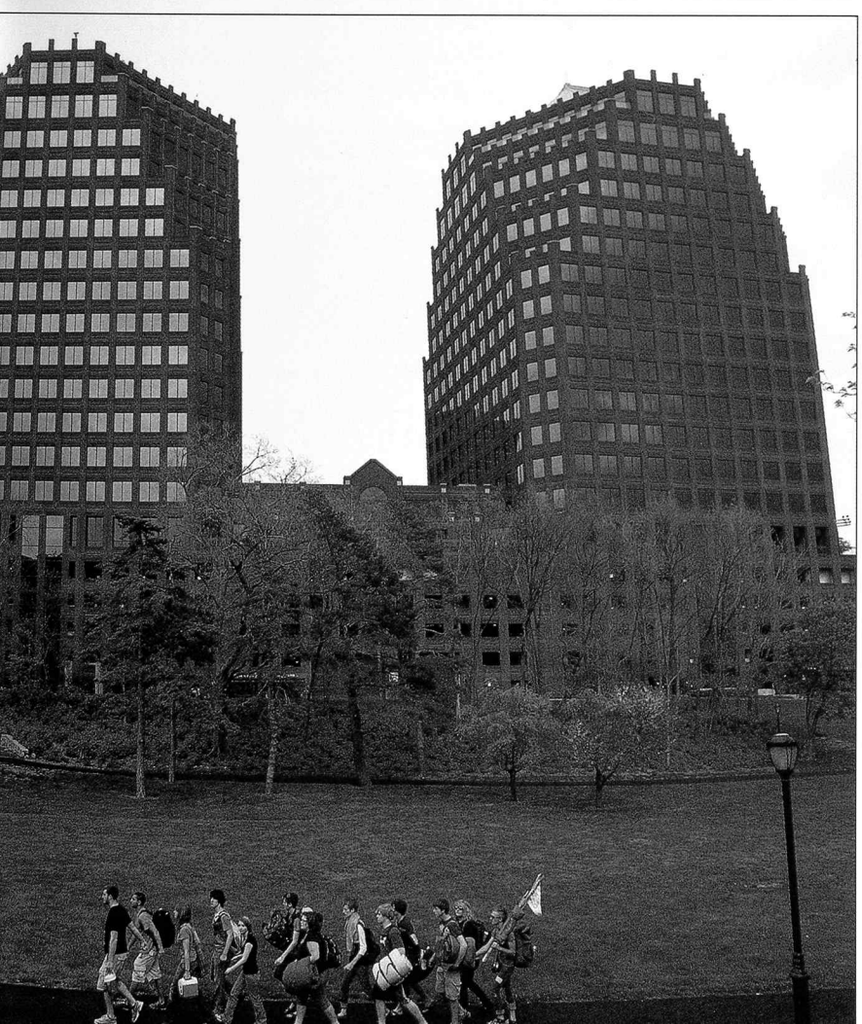
"With this issue, once you hear about it, you can't not care," White said. "It's just an issue of not knowing. Once people know they are moved to act. That was a basis of what the night was about."

> "When people are brought together for a common purpose, and when they are united doing something for other people, I don't think there is any greater bond than that."
>
> *Newell Bowman, freshman in women's studies*









Groups cling to a rope and march in silence together. The group march symbolized the children who were abducted everyday from their homes in Uganda. "(The Rescue) is about us being together and helping these kids," **Eric K. White**, freshman in family studies and human services, said. "But it's also about the youth of America, and in this case the youth of Kansas City, to bond and come together and form relationships based on this common cause."
Jonathan Knight

A group of University of Kansas students attempt to stay out of the rain during the Invisible Children march in Kansas City, Mo. It rained on and off for 45 minutes. Despite sirens blaring and the constant threat of a tornado in the area, these students stood strong and found cover in a nearby parking garage. Once the sirens stopped, they went back to their camping site until they were 'rescued' by the band **Switchfoot**.
Jonathan Knight

by Tamara Salisbury

a quest for cache

geocaching club hunts for treasure



In Longs Park, **Xi Chen**, graduate student in civil engineering, pulls the geocache out of the tree near the spot his GPS led him to. Chen eventually found his way, but his journey did not start well. "Something is not right," he said as he left the meeting place in City Park walking southwest. "It says I'm heading north!" The GPS showed current speed, an arrow pointing to the geocache, the time and the estimated time and distance to destination.
Matt Binter

Student Governing Association Cabinet



Front Row: Dena Bunnel, Dalton Henry, Wayne Stoskopf **Row 2:** Jessica Bradford, Kate Bormann, Ariel Anib, Ashley Joerger **Back Row:** Matt Ebert, Abdul Althukair, Joe Klug, Taylor R. Pankratz, Zack Pistora

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Four students walked together, heads looking at the electronic devices in their hands, chatting aimlessly about school. One said, "Right turn here," and they continued down the sidewalk. After a brief conversation, they continued, darting across Fort Riley Boulevard, narrowly missing oncoming traffic.

"This is real geocaching," said **David Vávra**, president and special undergraduate in computer science.

The students were not carrying their cell phones, but Garmin GPS devices — except **Christine Ebert**, junior in kinesiology, who used her phone for its GPS.

"Geocaching is like a high-tech treasure hunt," Vávra said. "You have your GPS, and you put the coordinates for the geocaches in it, which you found online. There are lots of geocaches around the world. Just here in Manhattan, there are like 50 of them."

At the Geocaching Club meeting March 1, four members walked from their starting point in City Park to their first geocache in Longs Park at the corner of 16th Street and Yuma Street. They had just crossed Fort Riley Boulevard on their way to their second geocache when they had to stop. The GPS said the geocache was only .16 miles away, but they had to cross Wildcat Creek to get to Linear Trail. To do that, they either had to go through a backyard or walk down a block and around.

"They will shoot him, I think," Vávra said, laughing. "Let's go around there."

Ebert joined the club after meeting Vávra, a Czech Republic native. Because of language difficulties, he convinced her she needed to try it for herself.

"I thought it was the world's best-kept secret," Ebert said. "Unless you're looking for them, you have no idea they're there."

The group had been looking for the geocache for about 20 minutes when they made it to the ending location, only to have to search the area for the box holding the logbook. Ebert said both the toughest part and the most rewarding part of geocaching was finding the geocache.

"The GPS only gets you (close), but it's going to lead you to the vicinity," she said. "And then you're going to have to find it. And oftentimes they're hidden in knots in trees and things like that. Or underneath bushes, and (Vávra) tells me stories that sometimes they're under water or you have to climb a tree."

Xi Chen, graduate student in civil engineering, finally found the geocache behind a tree root after a minute of contemplating going down the steep embankment to the creek. The group members all signed the log, and they began the long walk back to City Park and their parked cars and bikes.

"I enjoy the weather and being outside," Chen said. "Sometimes I don't know where I'm going though. But it's interesting, casual, and a way to hang out with friends."

Vávra said he started the club because he wanted to share his hobby with others who hadn't heard of it.

"It's my number one hobby, and I couldn't be without it," he said. "In Czech, not everyone does it, but they at least know what you are talking about. Here, almost nobody knows. So I said, 'I will start a club.' It's more fun with a group of people."

Student Governing Association Interns



Front Row: Emilee Taylor, Alycia McClarty, Maggie Weller, Rachel K. King, Megan Sauber **Row 2:** Tong Dai, John Reinert, Taylor Whiteside, Paul Fey, Eli Schooley, Kerry Gooch **Back Row:** Erin Fain, Morgan Adams, Maddi Haas, Madison Grisson, Andrew Waldman, Scott Ogan, Grant Hill

Student Governing Association Senators



Front Row: Sarah Works, Amy Schultz, Annie Oliver, Nathan Spriggs **Row 2:** Ashton Archer, Doug Shane, Bethany Rickford, Kelsey Flickner, Daniel Unruh, Natalie Rauth, Brandon Harder, Heather Houchen, Andrew N. Wagner, Jessica Schultz, Samuel Brinton, Molly B. McGuire, Randi Black, Lindsey Swoyer, Natalie Scott, Emily Haug, Heather Woods **Row 3:** Matthew James, Morgan Gauby, Jacob Gouldie, Shane Blaes, Brittany Lykins, Luke Fangman, Matt Marchesini, Alejandro Sune, Russell Buchanan, Stephanie Larson, Mark Andre, Addison Kirkland, Megan DeForce, Derek Thome, Bill Muir **Back Row:** Evan Woolsoncroft, Tyler Sharp, Kyle E. Reynolds, Joseph Norris, Edward Chesny, Cooper Mach, John Porter, Traci Gosser, Mark Savoy, Thomas Sidlinger, Zoe Ahlstrom, Michael Champlin, Tanner Banion



In the last performance of the competition, **Marcus Bragg,** freshman in industrial engineering, sings "I Believe I Can Fly" by **R. Kelly**. The judges offered almost completely positive feedback, except they felt Bragg lost some enthusiasm he had started with. His performance was followed by an audition video highlighting the audition process. The laughter from the video died down as emcees and music committee co-chairs' **Amanda Hogue**, junior in hotel and restaurant management, and **Courtney E. Smith**, senior in management, announced the winners.
Lisle Alderton

Talents surface on stage

by Anna Kearns

From offstage in Forum Hall strode **Shevy Smith**, K-State Idol judge and recording artist — she took her place in front of black and silver glittery banners hanging from the ceiling. The stage lights shimmered off her dress and guitar as she murmured, "It's going to be a great night," into the microphone and launched into the first song of K-State Idol sponsored by Union Program Council Feb. 23.

Throughout the night, the music ranged from country to rap and from original compositions to songs on the radio. **John Deterding**, junior in engineering, made a statement early in the show with his original rap "A Single Spark" when he announced all proceeds from the purchase of his song would go directly to Haiti relief organizations. As the beat grew stronger, Deterding explained his philosophy.

"This song is based on the concept of a fire," he said. "You start with a single spark. With a single spark you can change everything. It's not enough to stand around and wish."

Deterding had audience members on their feet, swaying and clapping. **Jacob Weakland**, sophomore in open option, also received support from the crowd when he left the stage during his rendition of Michael Buble's "Haven't Met You Yet"

Sigma Lambda Gamma



Front row: Angelica Peralta, Martha Arellano, Cecilia Montoya, Edlin Ortiz, Graciela Orozco **Back row:** Mirna Bonilla, Rocio Zuniga, Chelsea Ayala, Elizabeth Trevino, Mollie Robbins, Jasmine Grayson

Sigma Tau Delta



Front Row: Mo Li, Kristine Kimmi, Clarissa Howley **Back Row:** Jie Liu, Crystal Bandel, Jordann Pfannenstiel, Catelyn Kostbar



to pull his mother from the audience and into the aisle for a few dance steps.

When **Caleb McGinn**, graduate student in business administration, and **Ben Hollon**, non-degree graduate student, took the stage wearing stocking hats, sunglasses and black jackets, there was no way the crowd could know what was coming.

"We're going to do a song called 'The Winter Change,'" McGinn said. "It's about a tree, and it'll probably be a number one hit someday — maybe not. We hope you guys enjoy it."

Halfway through the song McGinn and Hollon stopped playing to remove their shades, hats and jackets, but the music kept going. A bewildered hush fell as the audience realized that McGinn's looping pedal was now playing the guitar line. McGinn switched the looping pedal so it played the bass line, calling it their "invisible bass player."

Intermission featured **Jessica Furney**, judge, two-time American Idol contestant and freshman in music, singing her 2010 American Idol audition song, "Footprints in the Sand."

Many of the contestants were complimented by the judges for having heart and spirit. However, a trio of three women not only received praises from the judges, they got a standing ovation from much of the audience. **Jasmine Hammond**, junior in mass communication, **Deborah Muhwezi**, senior in mass communication, and **Angela Muhwezi**, sophomore in biology belted a version of "Amazing Grace" by **John Newton**.

Though many other contestants received the suggestion to make a popular song more original, these three women did not hear that comment.

"It was so fun to listen to a song we knew but to not know where it was going," Smith said.

After one introductory song, one intermission song, 16 performances and one or two technical glitches, the judges settled down to deciding who would take home the cash.

Deterding won third place and $100. **Dani Lucas**, sophomore in communication sciences and disorders, won second place and $200 for her original song "Black Car," with which she played the piano. An oversized $300 check awaited the first place winner. As the emcee said the first name of the trio of women, the audience erupted into a wave of noise.

"It's exciting for me and Deborah because we've competed for the last two years, so it's refreshing to know that we're ending with a win. I don't know how to explain, but we were nervous," Hammond said. "There's so much great competition this year, so to be considered the best is unexplainably amazing."

Silver Key



Front Row: Katie Samples, Alex Jost, Lora McGraw, Natalie Jordan, Ashley A. Heptig, Madeleine Little **Row 2:** Carla Jones, Erin Schuberth, Whitney Davis, Rachel James, Lauren Halsey, Carissa Loehr, Alexis Kiel, Blair Johnson **Row 3:** Dan Hornsby, John W. Leonard, Leah Wolff, Jessica C. Jones, Shannon Wilson, Annie Goodson, Anne McClain, Stacy Littlechild **Back Row:** Andrew Desloge, Brennen Richman, Dylan Works, Dillon Robbins, Chris Dolezal, Cassidy Fowles, Austin Walter, Katie Vine, Hanna Kemble

Steel Ring



Front Row: Tom Roberts, Anna Sommer, Marie Betancourt, Rashmi Balekundargi, Megan Young, Stacey Ahern **Row 2:** Robert Richards, Emily Long, Matt Rohr, Sarah Beier, Carrie Beyer, Alison Foree, Kathryn Davis, Keira Masters **Back Row:** Matthew Fitzmaurice, Neil Ostermann, Cody Kalivoda, Andrew Harris, Anthony Halling, Jason Orr, Adriann Sullivan

by Tara Cowley

not just a number

With no evident signs, Diana Hylton's battle with an eating disorder began around sixth grade, but it was not until later her family realized the problem.

"I went to a private school, and in our all-girls school, we all had the drive to be the best and look the best," Hylton, senior in microbiology, said. "I didn't think about what I was doing at first. It was addicting at a young age."

Hylton's involvement in Sensible Nutrition Body Image Choices and Eating Disorders Awareness Week hit close to home because of her history with anorexia. The week featured a documentary showing, a yoga class and a speaker.

"I liked how SNAC was getting the message out on campus about not only eating disorders but also about health in general," Hylton said. "I saw SNAC as a way to help other people with problems like mine."

Hylton said the mind does not function normally when suffering from an eating disorder. She said people saw things the way they wanted, usually resulting in seeing themselves larger than in reality.

"During my freshman year of high school, I had to leave school for six months because of my condition," Hylton said. "My mom homeschooled me for the rest of the year, and if it weren't for my mom holding my hand and helping me through it, I wouldn't have woken up so fast."

Hylton's heart grew weaker, and she weighed around 70 pounds, and though spontaneous visits to the outpatient care were required, her parents did not think it was necessary to put her in the hospital, thinking she was strong enough to pull through on her own.

"My parents knew me. They trusted me," Hylton said. "It was weird knowing something was wrong with me, but not knowing how to change it."

Throughout high school, Hylton sought help from counselors and support from friends and parents, and she began to see a change. Even with the transition into college, Hylton's freshman year went well; she ate regularly and became involved in SNAC.

As Hylton's sophomore year started, she got busy with a job and school, and she nearly relapsed. She said she found support within her friends and SNAC, and she knew she needed to trust them.

"Having a support system is instrumental," she said. "I had to trust that they were right and I was wrong."

Hylton said she believed her struggles made her stronger and helped her have a more confident voice about issues such as eating disorders.

"If a girl is too scared to share her problem about an eating disorder, I would tell her that there is hope, always," Hylton said. "I would tell her she's beautiful, she's brilliant, she's worth it."

Student Alumni Board



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Student Foundation



Front row: Taylor Concannon, Megan Barnett, Katy Zapletal, Kelley Nelson, Anna Zeiger, Carolyn Freeman **Row 2:** Matthew Ebert, Hillary Boyle, Courtney Hallenbeck, Karli Fredrickson, Casandra Robinson, Mariel Martinez, Michelle Neal, Jared Schnefke **Back Row:** Samuel Brinton, Phillip Harner, Ryan Wilkerson, John Grice, Adam Tank, Zachary Buckmiller, Drew Goering

One thousand flags line the sidewalk near Seaton Hall during Eating Disorders Awareness Week, representing the 36,000,000 people in the U.S. with an eating disorder. "This visual display was created so that individuals could have a more concrete understanding of the number of people impacted and the seriousness of these illnesses," said Dianna Schalles, SNAC adviser and nutritionist for Lafene Student Health Center.
Erin Poppe

Union Program Council Executive Board



Front Row: John Deterding, Eva Hedtke, Lauren Porterfield, Janna Splitter, Xiaowen Guan, Christina Ballew, Karina Garcia, Courtney E. Smith **Row 2:** Kerry Gooch, Alicia Shankle, Amanda Shankle, Megan Canfield, Rowshayn Green, Jasmine Taylor, Kelsey Donahue, Beth Bailey **Row 3:** Ashley R. Moore, Amanda Hogue, Maggie Winter, Hal Hockersmith, Blair Johnson, Anna Knackstedt, Daniel Jemmott **Back Row:** Jesus Garcia, Chris J. Wallace, Hanna Wiltfong, Julianne Jensby, Hannah McSpadden, Caleb McGinn, Ben Hopper

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After defeating the University of Kansas Jayhawks 17-10, junior quarterback **Samuel Lamur** receives the Kansas Governor's Cup Trophy from Lieutenant Governor Troy Findley Nov. 7. "The crowd was amazing today," senior quarterback Grant Gregory, said. "They were here for pregame and warm-ups and they were on another level today. The helped us out big time and we have one more game and hopefully they can come out even better."
Chelsy Lueth



sports

Athletes, coaches, students and fans all came together behind the Wildcat rallying cry.

Determined to be the Best

by Colleen Quinn

Across the country post-collegiate athletes were drawn to **Cliff Rovelto**, head track coach, all with the same goal — the honor of being on an Olympic team. Rovelto trained athletes in track and field at the university who hoped to make it to the 2012 Summer Olympics in London.

"For someone, regardless of how much physical ability they have, you're talking about an 8-10 year process to get to that point in the sport of track and field," Rovelto said. "It's a long process, and it takes many repetitions, a lot of time in the weight room and a lot of miles to get to the point where you can compete at that level. Our country, without question, is the most difficult Olympic team to make in the world."

Keeping this in mind, post-collegiate track and field athletes stuck to a strict training schedule. A typical day consisted of strength training early in the morning for an hour and then practice in the afternoon that lasted anywhere from one and a half to three hours.

"Staying healthy is number one," **Scott Sellers**, high jumper and university alumnus, said. "We're in such a talented country — there's always a lot of really good athletes you're competing against. If you don't have your body, you don't have anything."

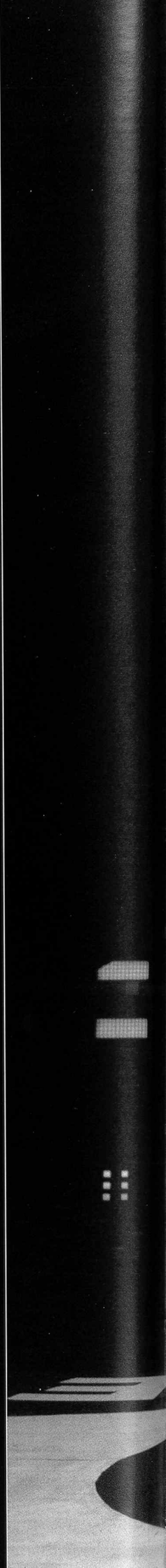
Early on the athletes understood the dedication it would take to get to the Olympic games. They chose not to be a part of the stereotypical college party scene. They would call it an early night when everybody else was ready to go out for more fun, Sellers said.

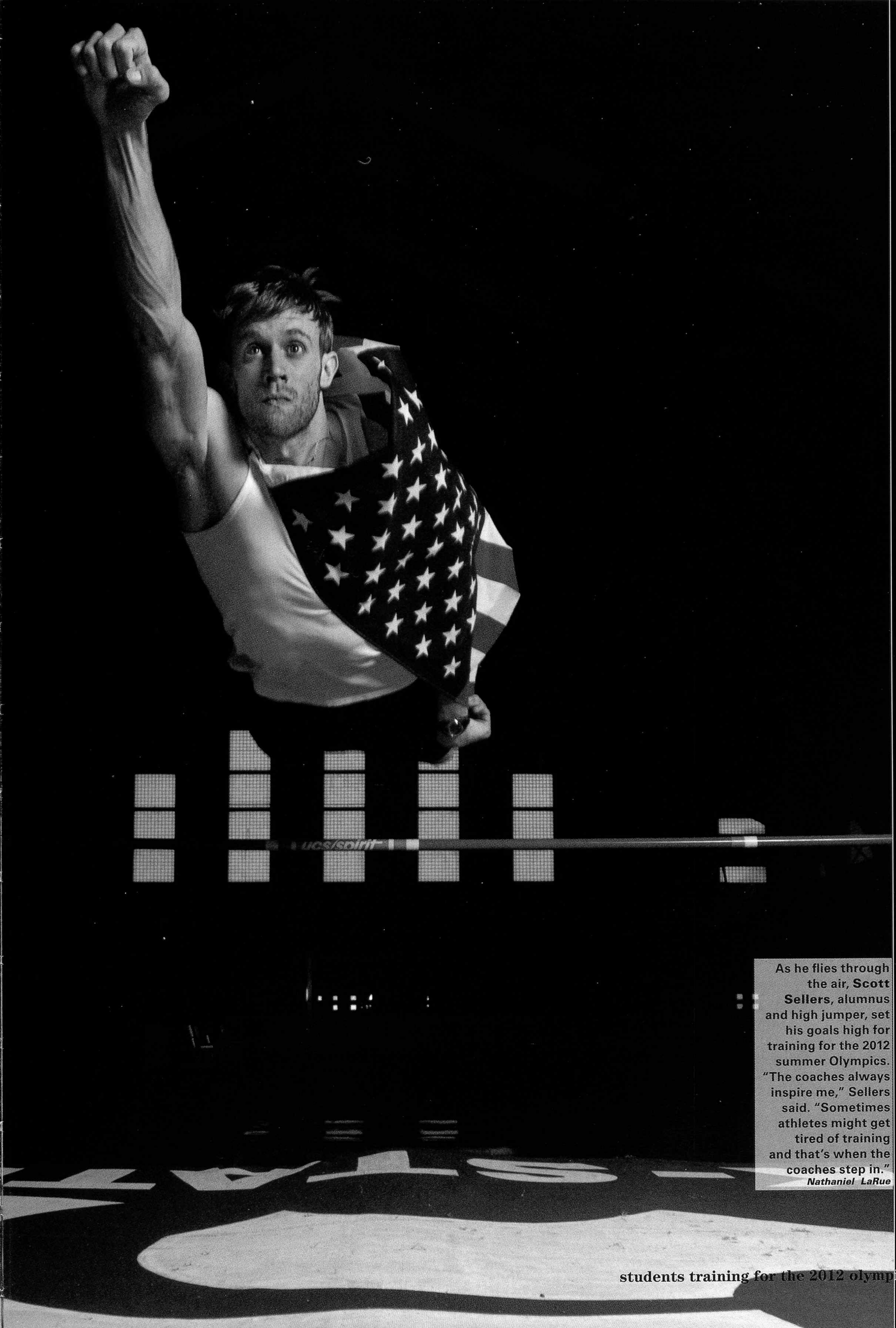
"You really can't lead a normal life," he said. "You have to really dedicate yourself to training. A lot of college students think of college as party time I guess. You don't really get a lot of that because we practice two times a day, seven days a week. We sacrifice some, but we also get another social aspect by being a part of the team and having a lot of close friends."

Coming from Michigan State University to train with Rovelto, **Bettie Wade**, heptathlon runner, knew since she was a child that she wanted to be a runner. Wade and her father had races outside their home when she was younger, and it got to the point where she would beat him, she said.

"I'm pretty spiritual, so I give God all the glory for blessing me with all the talents," she said. "In addition to the blessings I've received, I'm a hard worker, so I think with the combination of these two things, it has allowed me to be successful."

With talent came a desire to see results quickly, Rovelto said.





As he flies through the air, **Scott Sellers**, alumnus and high jumper, set his goals high for training for the 2012 summer Olympics. "The coaches always inspire me," Sellers said. "Sometimes athletes might get tired of training and that's when the coaches step in."
Nathaniel LaRue



With determination and confidence, Bettie Wade, hepthalon runner, stands proud and ready to represent her country. "If I have doubts in my mind, I just kind of set those down and really believe what my coach thinks of me," she said.
Nathaniel LaRue



Olympic Athletes in Training

With her shot put and javelin in hand, **Diana Pickler**, heptathlon runner, meditates on her journey to make it to the 2012 summer Olympics. "It's an evolution thing," Pickler said. "Every step I've seen farther and farther." *Nathaniel LaRue*

The athletes learned they would have to wait their turn, and their time would come.

"By nature, great athletes tend to be impatient," he said. "They want to be good, and they want to be good now; that's part of what drives them. One of the things they have to learn to do is be patient. That's probably one of the more difficult things for the athletes and their coaches."

Not only did the training require long hours, but it required the athletes to be in shape, both mentally and physically.

"With the amount of hours we have to put in a day, you have to be mentally strong," said **Diana Pickler**, heptathlon runner and Washington State University alumna. "It's pretty intense on the body, but Coach Rovelto is amazing at giving us workouts that we can do day after day."

With the understanding that each day would not be handed to him, Sellers said he knew making it to the Olympics would require more than talent. He said he knew at times obstacles would get in the way, but he had to deal with it.

"It takes a lot of dedication and the mind set of understanding there will be setbacks, but (you've got) to see past them," he said. "You're never going to have a perfect week of training or a perfect day of training. If you get discouraged by the little things, then it's going to affect your attitude, and your attitude will affect your training, and your training will affect the way you compete."

Because they were motivated and determined, the athletes agreed they did not make many sacrifices since this was the life they chose for themselves.

"It's the highest honor in athletics to make an Olympic team," Sellers said. "Not a whole lot of people can do it, so if you think you can do it that's a pretty big motivation."

by Eric Brown

ULTIMATE ATHLETE

The Ultimate Athlete graphic pieces together the best body parts of eight of the finest Wildcat athletes to makeup one hybrid athlete.

Arms of Walley Judge

Although freshman center Judge was young, he had a matured body. Standing at 6-foot-9 inches tall and weighing in at 250 pounds, he was built like a NFL tight end. His arms were long and defined; this made it especially hard for offensive players to put the basketball in the hoop.

Hands of Jamar Samuels

With as many ball exchanges as there are in the game of basketball, it is important for each player to be proficient in catching the ball. Sophomore forward Samuels did this better than any other big man in the nation. His ability to catch the basketball was best displayed when the Wildcats knocked off the No. 1 University of Texas Longhorns at home on Jan. 18. Samuels led all scorers with 20 points and made numerous plays that required him to pluck the ball out of the air over large Longhorn defenders.



Mind of Jack Sachse

Sachse, junior in social sciences, was named to the Academic All-Big 12 team. More impressively, he was one of only five other cross-country student athletes in the Big 12 who maintained a 4.0 grade point average.



Legs of Beverly Ramos

The senior cross-country All-American's legs carried her to a 33rd place finish in the NCAA national championships race. Ramos ran an average of 75 miles a week, bringing a new meaning to the term endurance.

Mind of Alyssa Bellinder

Like Sachse, Bellinder was also named to the Academic All-Big 12 team and she too was one of the five cross-country runners in the Big 12 to maintain a perfect 4.0 GPA. Bellinder was a junior in secondary education.

photo illustration by Lisle Alderton

Legs of Daniel Thomas

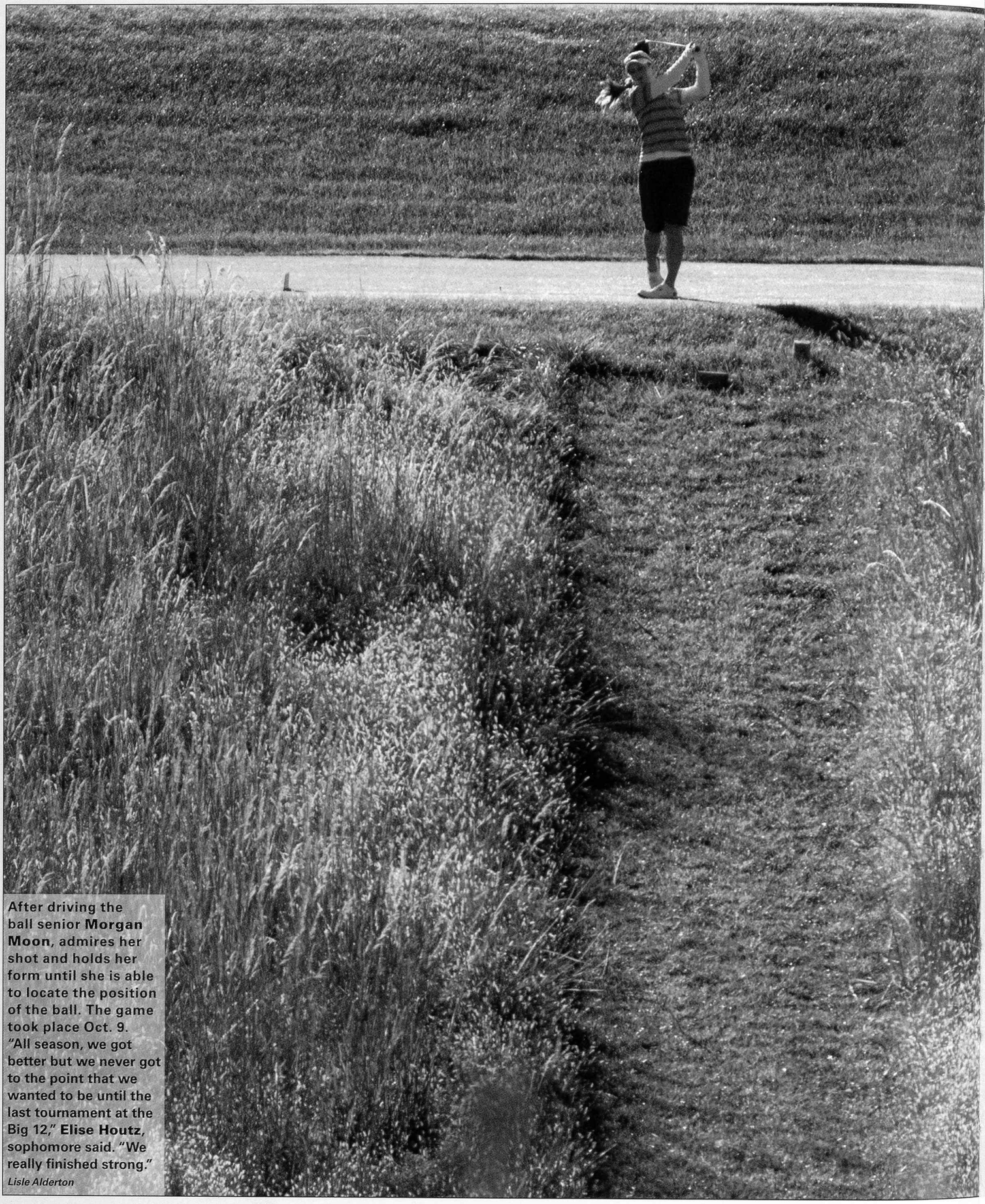
The powerful legs of junior running back Thomas pushed through defenders despite taking a beating game in and game out. He rushed for 1,265 yards and averaged 105 yards per game in his junior year.

Beard of Jacob Pullen

Not only did the junior guard lead the Wildcats in scoring, but he also became a bit of a folk hero around campus. At each home game some members of the crowd would wear homemade beards similar to the Pullen's beard. With or without the beard Pullen was an efficient player and after the Wildcats loss to the University of Kansas Jayhawks, KU coach Bill Self said Pullen was the most improved guard in the entire nation.

Feet of Brandon Banks

The senior wide receiver proved he was among the most agile athletes in all of college sports after recording five touchdowns on the season, four of which came from kickoff returns. Although he was only 5-foot-7 and 150 pounds, his nimble feet allowed him to repeatedly elude defenders while he made his way to the end zone.



After driving the ball senior **Morgan Moon**, admires her shot and holds her form until she is able to locate the position of the ball. The game took place Oct. 9. "All season, we got better but we never got to the point that we wanted to be until the last tournament at the Big 12," **Elise Houtz**, sophomore said. "We really finished strong."
Lisle Alderton

Stroke development
women's golf team does best to rebuild program

by Stephanie Mikuls

After losing three seniors from the previous year, the women's golf team was in need of more players. Four freshmen filled the gap, which meant half the team was inexperienced in dealing with the pressures of collegiate golf.

"It was good to have new blood on the team," head coach **Kristi Knight** said. "Overall, we did not have a good year. It was a building year, a disappointing year. As the season went along, the girls never gave up. They kept battling."

Although the fall season got off to a rough start, many golfers placed individually and accomplished personal victories throughout the season.

Junior **Abbi Sunner** played in all 11 tournaments, shooting her personal best and a tournament best at the Mountain View Collegiate with a score of 67.

"Things were working that day," Sunner said. "I was hitting it close, and I was making putts that on a normal day I might not make. I just took advantage of every opportunity I had and didn't have anything go awry that day."

At the Dr. Donnis Thompson Invitational in Hawaii, freshman **Paige Osterloo** shot a 69.

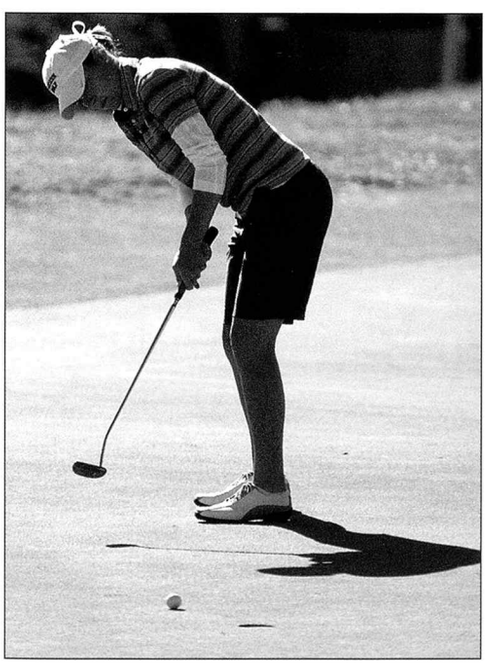
"For a freshman to come in and shoot a score like that early in her career was great," Knight said.

Although the individual golfers did well, the team struggled. However, the season ended in remarkable fashion at the Big 12 Championship tournament.

"We went into it being underdogs, and we hadn't performed (well) all year," junior **Morgan Moon** said. "We were picked close to last, but we ended up shooting one under par the first day. We were put into the top three on the second day. It just brought into perspective what we could do."

The golfers performed better than they had all year and had their highest finish all season. Moon and junior **Elise Houtz** led the team, tying for 15th place. The Wildcats placed fourth at the Big 12 Championship, which was the best finish in university history for post-season play.

"All season we got better, but we never got to the point that we wanted to be until the last tournament at the Big 12," Houtz said. "We really finished strong. I think we kind of surprised some people at the tournament and turned some heads. They started seeing K-State as a young team to watch for next year."



Immediately after putting, Moon watches her ball and hoping it makes it into the hole. Moon was one of the more expirienced golfers on the team, as well as one of two captains. "I know I have to step up my game," she said. "It's exciting to know I'm playing for the Big 12 championship. I get psyched up and get ready to go, and I just play better."
Lisle Alderton

> "It's exciting to know im playing for the Big 12 Championship. I get psyched up and I just play better. We had worked hard all season and we had never gotten the results we wanted. It felt good to have such a good finish after struggling all season.
>
> *Elise Houtz, sophomore*

a drive for titles

by Colleen Quinn

Having arguably one of the best seasons in men's golf history, every player was an important asset to the team. Records were set and golfers were constantly recognized for their accomplishments on the course.

"Everybody has one or two players who can play anywhere," head coach **Tim Norris** said. "We had a good third and fourth scorer as well."

The team won four tournament titles, a feat only one other team in university history had accomplished in one season. Along with first-place titles came a fourth-place finish at the Big 12 Championship.

"There was a lot of state pride involved since we were in Hutchinson, Kan., and tied with the University of Kansas on the last day," Norris said. "It was a great team effort, and we ended up beating KU by 21 shots."

Besides team accomplishments, individuals flourished, and the team's lone senior, **Robert Strebb**, was named an All-American. Strebb finished his final match with the Wildcats by placing third in the Big 12 Championship, the best any Cat has done at the event.

"I started the last day in third place and was trying to beat the leader, but it didn't matter," Strebb said. "I was pleased with third."

Trailing close behind Strebb was junior **Mitchell Gregson**, who was the first Cat to win two titles in the same season since PGA Tour pro Aaron Watkins in 2002.

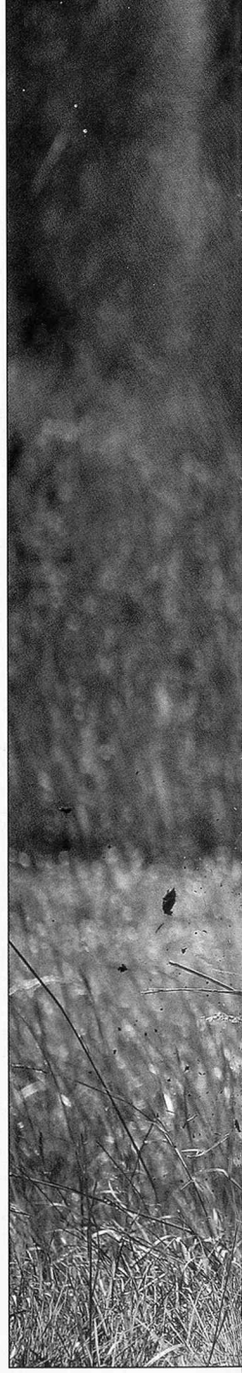
"It's pretty cool to be compared to him," Gregson said. "Maybe I could follow in his footsteps one day."

Winning first place twice was not enough for Gregson, and he didn't stop there. Gregson went on to shoot the lowest final round in university history at the Big 12 Championship.

"I was shocked," Gregson said. "It is neat to be able to have that accomplishment."

Coach Norris said he could not have had more faith in his team.

"When the players feel and believe it, it's better than when a coach feels it," he said. "I'll never be able to outsmart them. Belief from the team about the team helps."





Never losing focus, senior **Jason Schulte** watches the ball fly. The team had a demanding practice schedule throughout the season.
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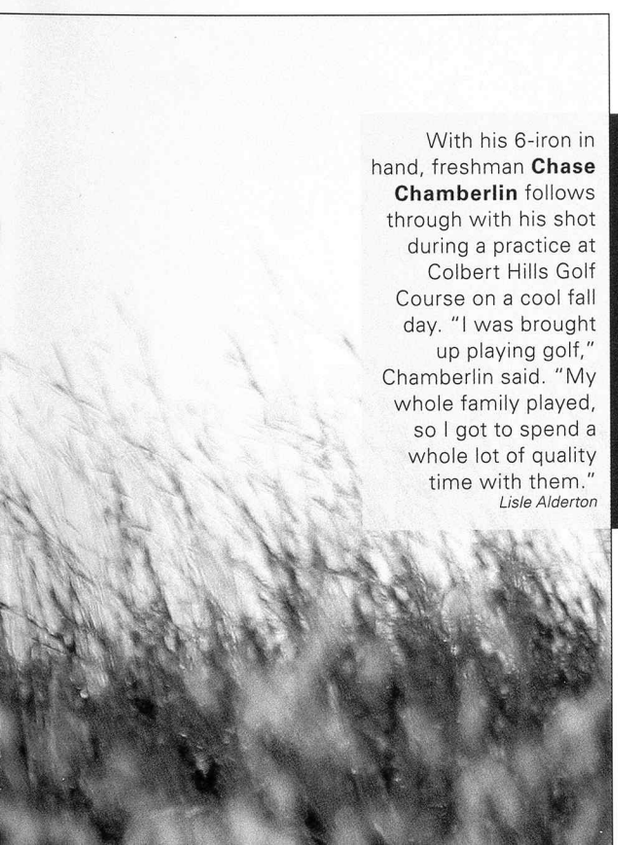

With his 6-iron in hand, freshman **Chase Chamberlin** follows through with his shot during a practice at Colbert Hills Golf Course on a cool fall day. "I was brought up playing golf," Chamberlin said. "My whole family played, so I got to spend a whole lot of quality time with them."
Lisle Alderton

The Wildcats claimed more than half the titles during the regular season, and finished in fourth place at the Big 12 Championship.

Feb. 27: First place in Palm Desert, Calif.
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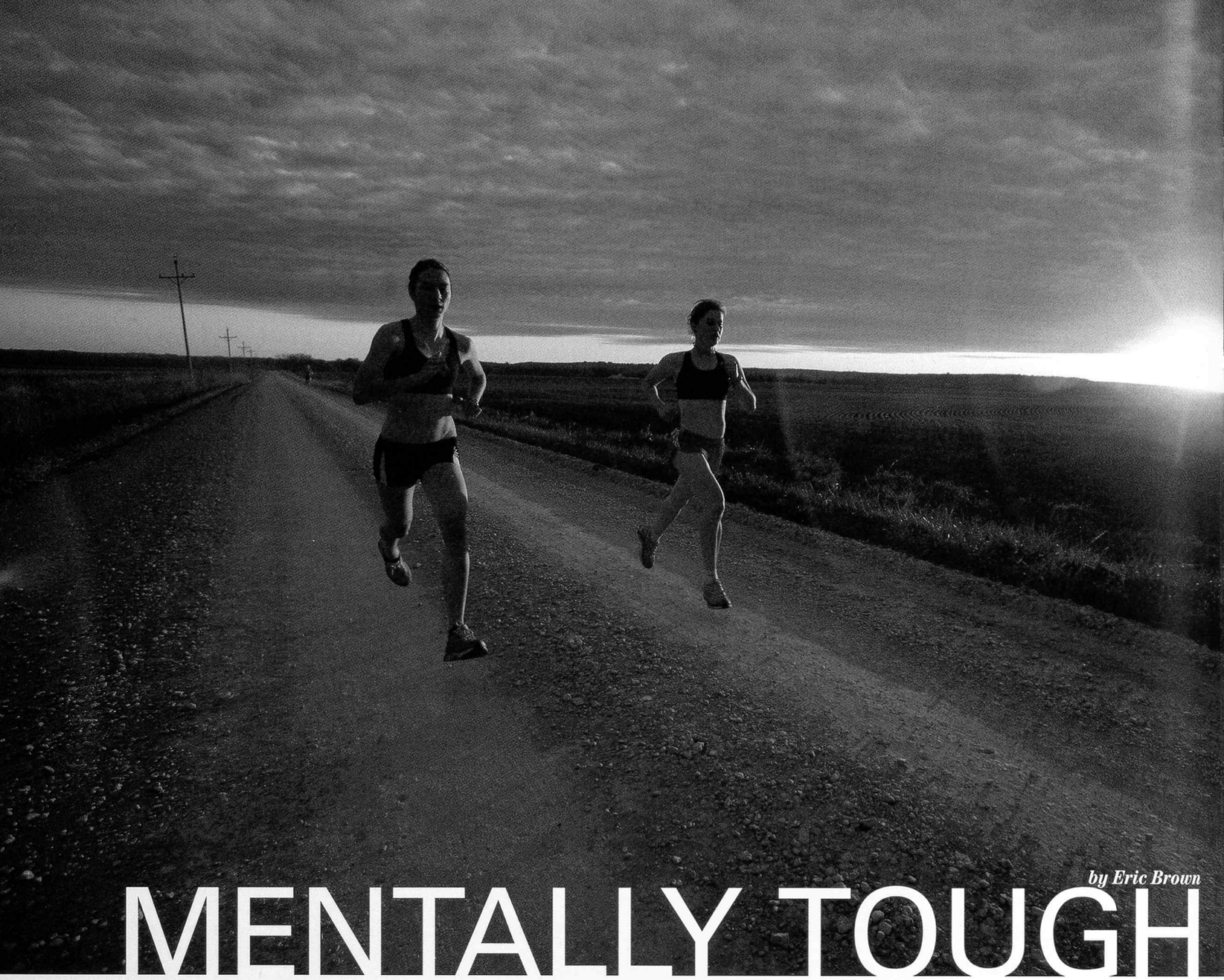


by Eric Brown

MENTALLY TOUGH

In sports, the phrase 'mentally tough' was often thrown around when referring to athletes who displayed a certain amount of grit during a competition. Although the characteristics of a mentally tough athlete were known, the sacrifices they made to reach this level of psychological durability generally were not. Perhaps no athletes knew of the mental and physical determination it took to be successful more than the Wildcat cross country runners. Before recruits officially joined the team, they often had an idea of the rigor of a college program.

"We recruit based on talent and performance," head coach **Michael Smith** said. "We like to see (recruits) win and obtain a level of success before they get here, but once they get here it comes down to how hard they are willing to work."

Working on focus was essential for runners, because the slightest thing could throw them off and cause them to fall behind in a race. A runner could lose focus by encountering a puddle or patch of mud, coughing, sneezing, bumping into another runner or simply not feeling confident.

"To overcome these things, sometimes we intentionally make our practices and workouts harder than the actual meets will be," Smith said. "This makes our runners tough — it helps cut down on mental errors and improves their concentration."

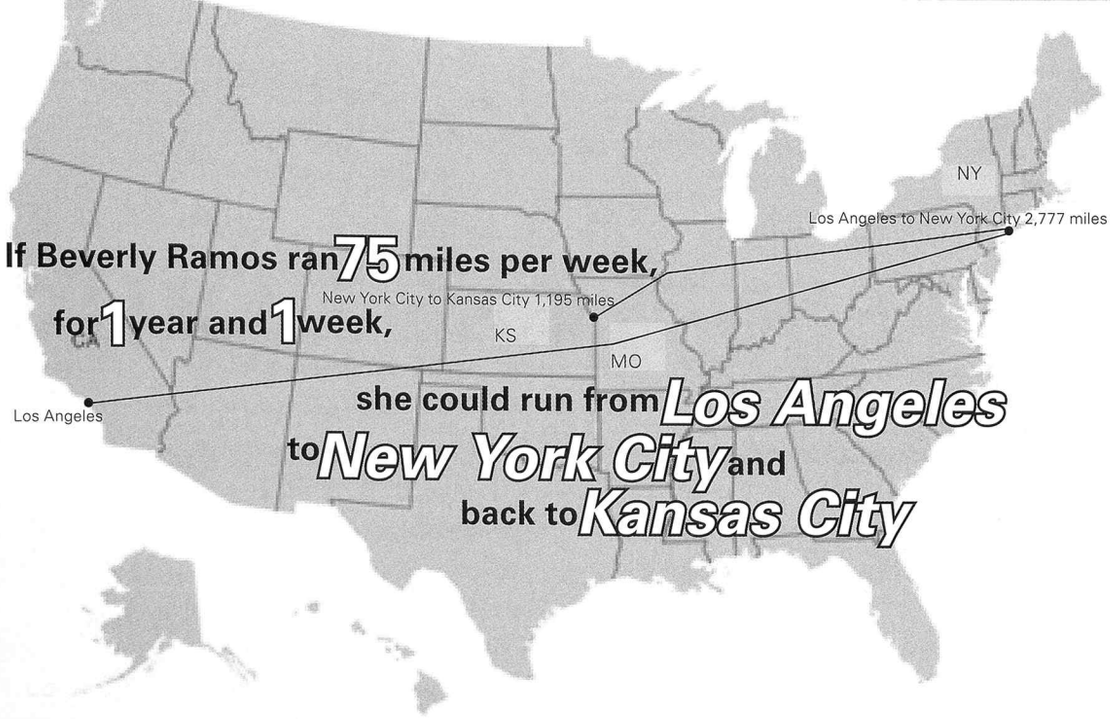
Many runners found that to be successful at such a high level of competition, they had to first overcome personal fears.

"We work on staying on top of our game and eliminating fear," senior **Beverly Ramos** said. "Coming in as a freshman, I was afraid when I had to go up against other girls in a race, but I got through that with hard work and experience."

The hard work that helped push Ramos past her fears included running 70-75 miles a week.



As the sun begins to set, **Sydney Messick**, junior in dietetics, and **Martina Tresch**, freshman in biology, run together on a road near Flush, Kan., in early November. *Chelsy Lueth*





At a routine cross country practice, head coach **Michael Smith** encourages his runners while driving alongside them and keeping pace. Doing so allowed the runners to better understand what kind of speed they should keep while running. "Some people just naturally like to work harder than others," senior **Beverly Ramos** said. "I came in with a plan to get a little better each year, it feels good to be able to say that I have done that." *Chelsy Lueth*

"If you're going to run in the Big 12, you have to be willing to run around 70 miles a week," Smith said. "The runners are extremely driven, so running such a high number of miles is pretty standard for them."

Senior **Jack Sachse** explained that maintaining such a high level of dedication was at first difficult but later got easier.

"It's easy to work hard when everything is going right for you," he said. "It's about working hard even when things aren't going so great — that's what makes runners and people mentally tough."

The hard work paid off in more ways than one. During the season, both Ramos and Sachse were named to the Academic All Big 12 Cross Country Teams. To qualify for this honor, athletes must maintain a 3.0 grade point average or higher and compete in at least 60 percent of their team's competitions for that season. Of the 134 student-athletes awarded, Sachse and junior **Alyssa Bellinder** represented the Cats as two of seven to earn a perfect 4.0 GPA. Other accolades the team racked up included both a men's and women's first place finish in the Missouri State Classic Sept. 19. At the Missouri State Classic, Ramos captured an individual title in the women's 5-kilometer race, where she finished 10 seconds ahead of the next competitor. She also snagged another first place finish in the 5K race at the South Dakota State Invitational Oct. 3.

Although Smith didn't directly credit mental toughness to the team's success, he said it was an essential thing for any runner.

"If you're not mentally tough, then this just isn't the sport for you," Smith said. "Talent goes a long way, but you have to be strong in both body and mind to achieve what you want in cross country."

SEASON TURNS TO **SUCCESS**

riders achieve mid-season turning point *by Anna Kearns*

Just a horse, a rider and the judges. Even though equestrian was a team sport, riders competed alone in the ring. Those individual scores were compiled for a team score, and during the fall season the equestrian team received scattered success.

Though riders did well individually, they did not score wins on the same days during the fall season, head coach **Casie Lisabeth** said, so wins were hard to come by.

"It was challenging to see them not doing well at the same time — that was a frustration — and I think what we've learned is since our girls were really seasoned, we have a sense of expectation of how things should go, so they were their own worst enemies."

This struggle prompted coaches to bring in a sports psychologist to work with the teams. They received whole team, Western, hunter seat and individual assistance.

"We saw dramatic improvement," Lisabeth said, "and we saw all the girls peaking at the right time, and they just really built up in their performances as we went to Big 12 championships and on to nationals."

Though riders competed in the ring alone, team unity was a topic that received a lot of attention.

"We talked about how each player needs to be a more compassionate and aware player of all the other players on the squad," **Alyssa Freeman**, Western rider and senior, said. "We talked about how one team member can be the spark that just really inspires the team, but that it can work the other way too."

The Western squad worked with the sports psychologist on issues that could separate student athletes from success.

"One of the biggest (things we talked about) was learning to be in the moment," Freeman said. "Sometimes

In the air over a home jump, a hunter seat rider concentrates on the landing Oct. 17. One round lasted 60 seconds for each rider. "Riding is very much a mind game, it's a physical sport but it's a real precise sport," Freeman said. "It's a lot of muscle memory, it's a lot of timing of movements and little things go a long way, and it's a lot of precision and accuracy and consistency and stuff like that.

Nathaniel LaRue

Form and horsemanship are keys to success. "(This season) did not go as idealistically as we would have hoped," **Alyssa Freeman**, Western team captain and senior, said. "We encountered a lot of challenges that didn't allow us to be as successful as our goals were, but I think that we handled those challenges as well as we could and we ended up having a successful season."

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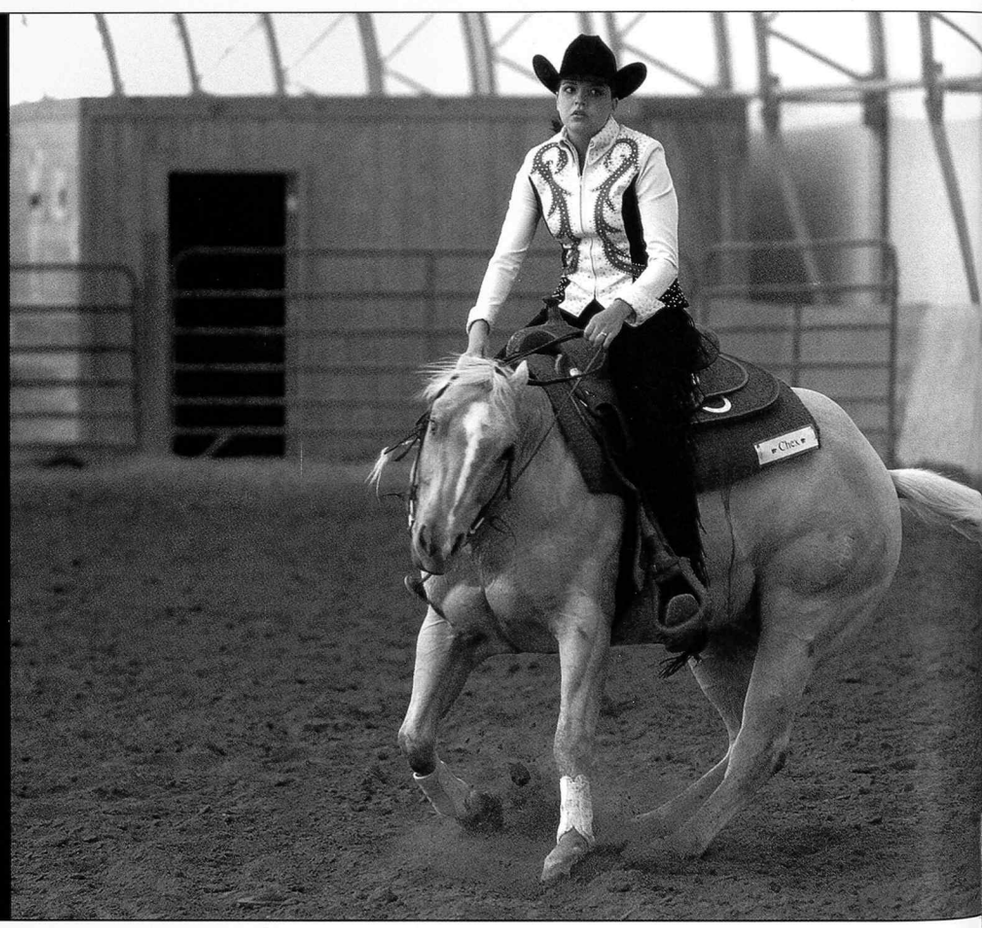

student athletes, with weights and classes and all the things we have to do everyday, forget to be in the moment. So he taught us that when you're in class to be the best you can be right there in class. When you're at practice, leave all that other baggage at the door and be consciously aware of the effort you're putting forth right there in that moment."

As a hunter seat team, the riders learned about control and letting go.

"In our sport, you don't know your horse usually, so there are a lot of factors you cannot control," **Kendall Marvin**, hunter seat team captain and senior, said. "So we focused a lot on controlling the things you can control and letting go of the rest. So letting go of what other people may or may not be saying, letting go of, to an extent, the judge's opinion, because it is a judged sport. Letting go of all of that stuff and just focusing on your ride."

Despite struggling throughout the fall semester, focusing on the mental side of riding and practicing team communication helped them work together and aim high at nationals, Freeman said.

High end-of-season goals worked in favor of the team. The Western team tied the No. 1 ranked team in the nation, Texas A&M, at the Big 12 Championships and finished fifth at nationals. Freeman qualified for nationals in horsemanship as the first individual rider ever from the university.

"Nationals was an amazing experience," Marvin said. "We really came together as a team. If I had to pinpoint one thing that was my favorite thing about last year it was competing at nationals. I just can't describe the feeling of the girls there, the atmosphere was great, the attitude was great, the riding was great."



adaptability

individual rider qualifies for nationals

The most impressive record at the university of anyone so far was held by **Alyssa Freeman**, Western team captain and senior, said head coach **Casie Lisabeth**. Freeman's success did not stop at the university, however — she was the first rider to ever qualify on the individual level from the university.

"I was ranked fifth in horsemanship," Freeman said, "and I ended up finishing in the top four (at nationals). I lost to the girl that won it in the semifinals."

Freeman said she had been riding horses before she could walk and competed for the first time at age 4.

Accolades included competing at the World Championships for the first time at age 13 and competing in the All-American Quarter Horse Congress. Freeman was also an alternate for the United States at the American Quarter Horse Youth Association World Cup when it was in Australia.

After graduation, Freeman planned to return home to Illinois to work at her family's quarter horse training facility with younger children on improving their riding abilities.

As a life-long rider, however, Freeman said she adopts the slogan "Adaptability" to represent herself.

"One of the biggest weaknesses in the horse world in general, as a trainer or as a rider, is lots of riders try to make the horse form to their style. My philosophy has always been to try to find out how the horse learns and adapt to their style."

cut the ribbon

by Tara Cowley

The smell of food, new rubber and an assortment of perfumes filled the air of the new Salina Recreational Center at the ribbon cutting ceremony on Nov. 5. A crowd of people was there to watch as university officials and philanthropists cut a long purple ribbon to signify the opening of the new Rec Center. After they cut the ribbon, and speeches were given, Dean **Dennis Kuhlman** and President **Kirk Schulz** had the privilege of shooting the first basketball. President Schulz took his shots and a ball finally went through the hoop.

"The new Rec Center had been a vision for awhile, to have a place for the students to go and hang out," **Brian Koester**, student body president and senior in technology management, said. "It didn't just replace our old Rec Center, but also our student center."

The new Rec added basketball hoops, electronic touch screen equipment, a running track, racquetball court and a lounge with ping-pong and pool tables.

"The basketball court was clear in the back before (in the old Rec)" **Natalie Pankratz**, worker at the Rec Center and junior in management, said. "We actually have basketball hoops that retract now."

In the old Rec Center, one person worked at a time but since the new Rec Center was bigger, more people could work at a time and communicate with each other.

"The old Rec Center was kind of creepy," Pankratz said. "Now I can see everyone in the weight room and other people using some of the other equipment."

Convenience was a benefit to having the new Rec Center. The old Rec was a couple miles off of campus, but the new one was on campus and within walking distance for many students.

"It is a lot easier to get to," **Jake Linder**, freshman in computer systems and technology, said. "You don't have to walk as far, and it is closer to the dorms."

With new facilities added in the new Rec Center, other colleges, such as, Brown Mackie College and Kansas Wesleyan started using it on occasion. Along with the surrounding colleges, more alumni started to use it as well.

Overall, the new Rec Center was an improvement to the Salina campus, and not only did the students benefit from it, but also the community, alumni and surrounding colleges.









Enjoying the food, and checking out the new workout equipment in the new Rec Center on the Salina campus, people of the Salina community, K-State officials and students from both campuses showed up for the ribbon cutting ceremony. "I go to the new Rec probably three times a week," **Taylor Deihl**, freshman in mechanical engineering technology said. "It's definitely a lot nicer and there has been a lot more people using it. I think it was a good idea to build it."
Matt Binter

A group of K-State officials and philanthropists each hold a pair of scissors, sharing a part of a long purple ribbon. All at once, the group cut their piece of ribbon in two, signifying the opening of the new Rec Center on the Salina campus. The thought of a new Rec Center had been passed between people for awhile. In October 2004, the referendum was passed and the thought became a reality. Building plans were soon put into action after that.
Matt Binter

"The new Rec Center is a great thing to have for our students. The students needed a place to be able to go and just hang out and talk with friends, the Rec Center provides that for them."

Brian Koester, student body president and senior in technology management

“I think it’s definitely given me some great experiences. Not only with the personal training; we also get to do nutritional consultations and stuff like that. I like the fact that I’ve gotten to combine those.”

Catherine Metzgar, senior in nutrition and exercise science



In an abdominal workout, Metzgar helps McGarry focus on form and encourages her to finish strong. “As for the future, I don’t want to do personal training as a career, but like as a side job, it’d be great for that,” Metzgar said. Metzgar had 12 clients, six of whom she met with regularly.
Lisle Alderton

While on an elliptical machine, **Amanda McGarry**, third-year veterinary medicine student, is coached by **Catherine Metzgar**, Wildcat Personal Trainer and senior in nutrition and exercise science. Metzgar started working at Peters Recreation Complex as a freshman in January 2006.
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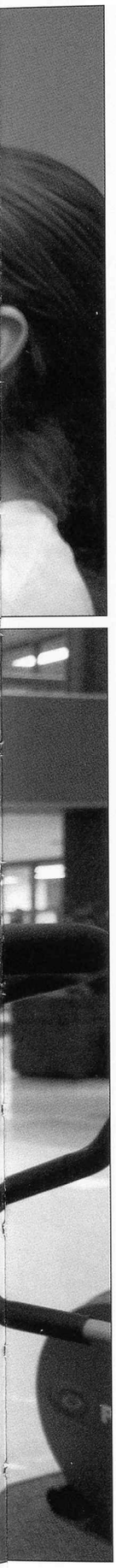

fitness journey

by Amanda Lunn

For **Catherine Metzgar**, senior in nutrition and exercise science, working out was her job. She worked as a Wildcat Personal Trainer at Peters Recreation Complex, a job she first thought she would never consider.

"When I was a freshman, I saw an advertisement for a class on how to learn to be a personal trainer," Metzgar said. "I'd been kind of interested in that, and so I thought I'd give it a shot."

Even though Metzgar had her doubts about going through the class, since it was mostly upperclassmen, it proved to be worth it.

"At one point I was like 'I don't even know if I want to do this,'" Metzgar said, "but I ended up going through the class and then getting hired as a trainer."

Although the class was a start, job satisfaction drew her attention to personal training.

"When people reach their goals, it's really an amazing feeling," she said. "They try to give you, as the trainer, the credit, but really it's them. You were there and you helped them, but they're the ones who produced the goal. It's just really exciting to see that."

Metzgar not only helped her clients reach their goals, but her philosophy on fitness showed them fitness was an on-going experience they could continue throughout their life.

"I think a lot of people have the mindset that if you fail, then you're done," she said. "My favorite quote is 'Fitness is a journey, not a destination.' If you get off the road, then just get back on. It's not like you get to a stopping point. Even if you exercise forever and you reach your goal, you're still not done. It's always continuing."

The flexibility of the job was a bonus for Metzgar. Being able to work around her schedule had its advantages, but clients sometimes took advantage of that luxury.

"I really like the flexibility of the job because it's kind of whatever fits your schedule and then you meet with your client," she said. "But at the same time, it's also not so great because if they want to meet at 6 a.m., you can meet them if you're free, but sometimes it will be last minute. It's always work, and you never have free time to yourself."

Being a personal trainer changed her outlook on fitness and her career path. She added dietetics as a second major, against her original thoughts on the career. Metzgar said she originally believed dietetics was a major filled with "skinny girls" who were not going to be personable to their clients.

"These people are coming to you for help, and they can't relate to you," Metzgar said. "I think as a trainer, it's important that you relate to your clients. Let them know 'Well, I didn't have time to work out today either. I was really busy.' Letting them know that you don't always work out or sometimes you don't reach your goal really opened my eyes that you don't have to be perfect. You just need to be able to relate to your clients and show them you're a real person as well."

In practice, **Will McDonnell**, forward and freshman in art, focuses on handling the puck and maneuvering around his teammate **Joel Carroll**, defenseman and junior in electrical engineering. "The future for the team looks super good," **Coleman Younger**, president and junior in political science, said. "There's a lot of young talent. As a club, we are going in the right direction and making a lot of improvements."

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Before taking to the rink with his teammates for practice, **Michael Meier**, forward and graduate student in nuclear engineering, laces up his skates. Although the main purpose of the club was recreation, some members said they felt as if they were improving other areas of their lives as well. "I am learning a lot about teamwork, skills, making quick decisions and camaraderie," Younger said.

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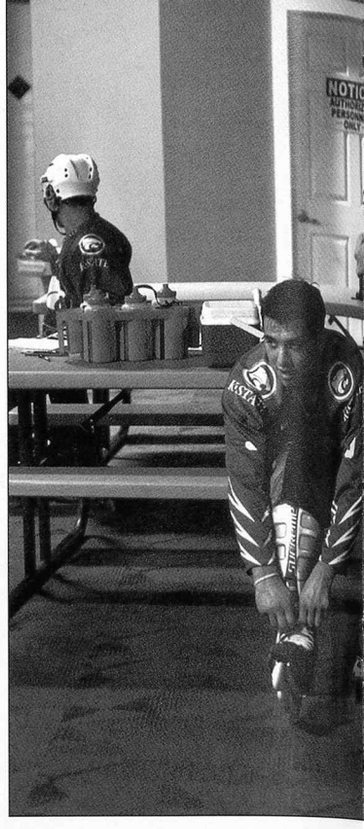






n a roll

by Tiffany Wilson

inline hockey club builds resources

During a black-tie affair at the Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art, **Joel Carrol**, assistant captain of the Inline Hockey Club, opened car door after car door and escorted passengers into the museum as a fundraiser for the club.

The team did valet parking at the museum for several years to help fund participation on the team.

"Inline hockey is a very expensive sport," head coach **Jerry Remsbecker** said. "A goalie's gear is about $1,500, and other players' gear might cost $500-$600, which is considered cheap."

Valet parking was not the only fundraising event they participated in.

"Mostly we valet park for the Beach Museum and Meadowlark Hills (retirement community), but we also sell T-shirts, do car washes and request donations from the alumni," Remsbecker said. "This year, thanks to the alumni, we were able to buy the parking shuttle bus at an auction, which we are really excited about."

The club was open to everyone and met every Tuesday and Wednesday night for an hour to an hour and a half, Remsbecker said.

"The difference between club and the competitive group is mostly the amount of time we spend practicing and on our own weight lifting," Coleman Younger, president and junior in political science, said.

The competitive team consisted of the top 13 players and competed in tournaments in St. Louis, Denver and Dallas.

"Currently, the team does not have their own rink," Remsbecker said. "However, it is in the near future with the add-on to the Peters Recreation Complex. Once that is built, we will have fewer away games and hold tournaments in our own rink."

Eleven years earlier, Remsbecker found the club practicing in the tennis courts by Goodnow Hall. He became their coach, and developed a love for the game because of the lessons it taught the participants.

"Everything you can learn in life, you can learn in a hockey rink," Remsbecker said, "such as adversity, working with people, leadership and organization, which are the basic skills for life."

Throughout the year, the club strived for more participants, emphasizing teamwork.

"I work hard mostly for the love of the game and for my teammates," Younger said. "I would never want to see **Chris Calvin** (teammate and senior in accounting) walking around and think to myself that I let him down."

talent had nothing to do with it

by Tamara Salisbury

In athletics, talent could be a major factor, but it was not the only thing that spelled success.

"I obviously have some talent, but, definitely, it's not all," **Moritz Cleve**, sophomore in combined events, said. "Talent brings you to a certain point … but wherever that brings you, from that point on you have to work really, really hard to improve. Then, if you do, success is almost guaranteed."

On the women's side, success was hard to come by, as the season was riddled with injuries and the team was young.

"We were very, very young," head coach **Cliff Rovelto** said. "Placings were not up to standards that we're used to here, but it wasn't a reflection of those athletes; it was a reflection of our decisions (about who could compete) that made it harder to place. The kids who were out there did a good job; we just didn't have enough of them."

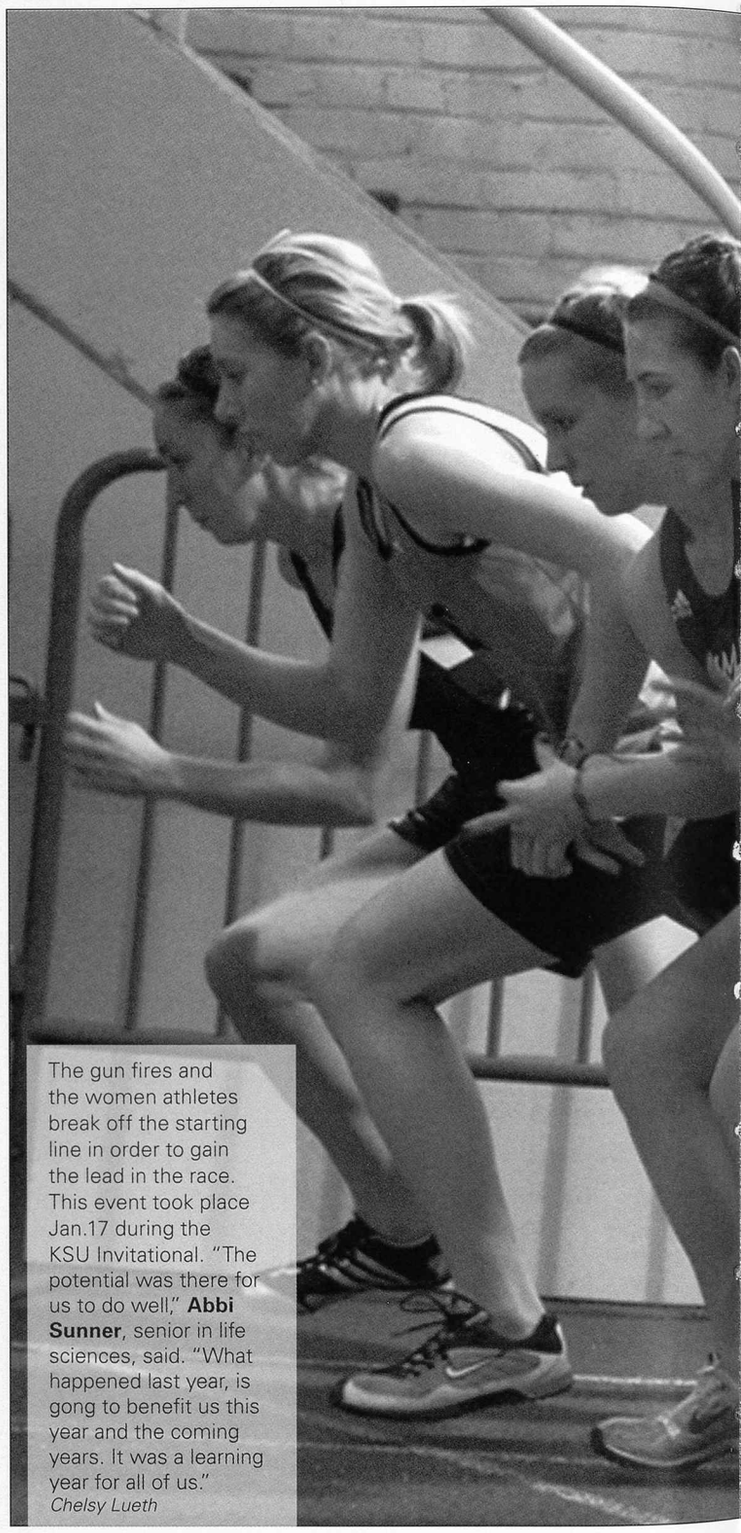
Though **Loren Groves**, senior thrower and Division I honoree for the 2009 all-sport NCAA Woman of the Year, had what she called a "dream season" the previous season, a shoulder injury in February 2008 limited how well she said she could perform.

"That kind of put a damper on what I was able to do. I was really bummed out and upset because I wasn't performing the way I had wished with my goals that I had set prior to the season," she said. "But then towards outdoor, I was told I was needing surgery, so I finally sucked it up and realized that I need to be thankful I am even able to finish this season."

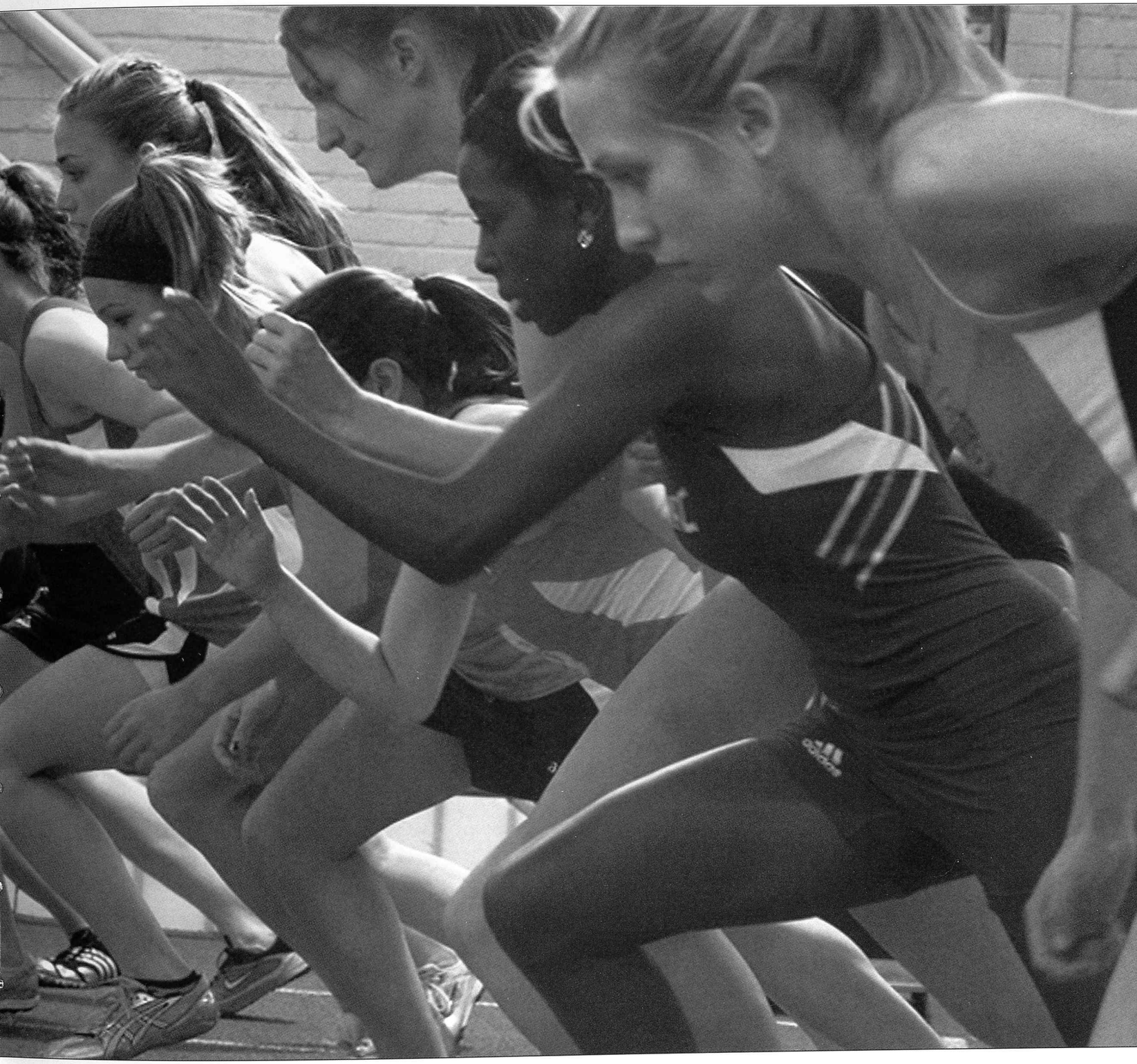
She did finish strong, placing first at the Big 12 Indoor Championship, 13th at the NCAA Indoor Championships, second at the Big 12 Outdoor Championship and seventh at the NCAA Outdoor Championships.

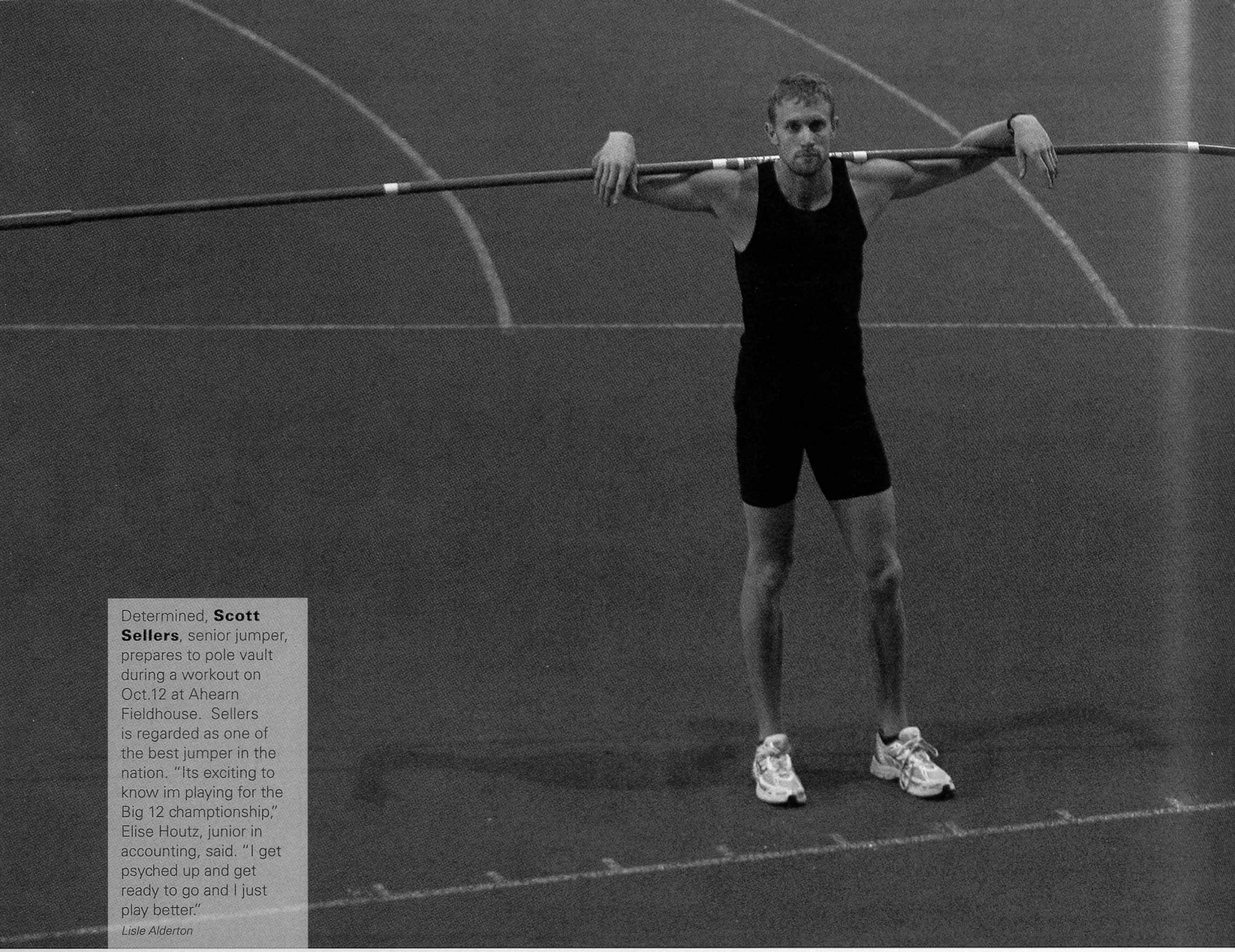
The men's team fared better, though judging by the team scores for the outdoor Big 12 Championship meet it would have been hard to tell.

"At the conference level, we maxed out," Rovelto said. "There wasn't much more we could have done. For this team, which later placed 13th at nationals, to place sixth in the conference is reflective of the strength of this conference."



The gun fires and the women athletes break off the starting line in order to gain the lead in the race. This event took place Jan.17 during the KSU Invitational. "The potential was there for us to do well," **Abbi Sunner**, senior in life sciences, said. "What happened last year, is gong to benefit us this year and the coming years. It was a learning year for all of us."
Chelsy Lueth





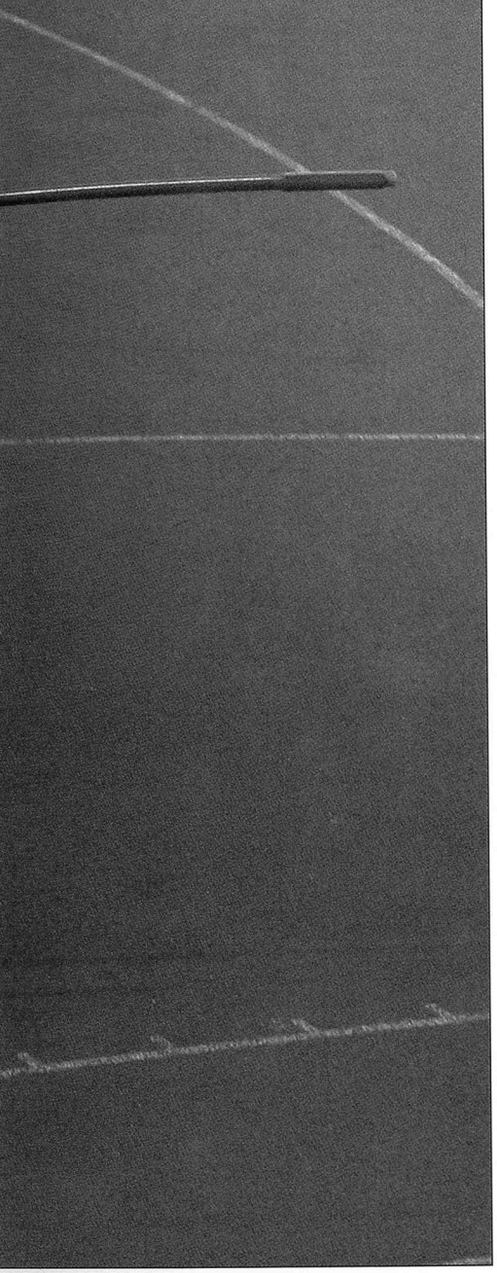
Determined, **Scott Sellers**, senior jumper, prepares to pole vault during a workout on Oct.12 at Ahearn Fieldhouse. Sellers is regarded as one of the best jumper in the nation. "Its exciting to know im playing for the Big 12 champtionship," Elise Houtz, junior in accounting, said. "I get psyched up and get ready to go and I just play better."
Lisle Alderton

At the NCAA Outdoor Championships, two men secured the 13th place finish: Cleve and senior jumper **Scott Sellers**. Cleve placed third in the decathlon, with Sellers taking first in high jump.

"Nationals is the elite of the elite," Rovelto said. "At indoors you may have 15-18 people in an event, and at outdoors that's maybe 25-27. You could have seven or eight guys score two points each and be in the top 20, but two guys did that. If you've got the truly elite getting firsts and seconds, they can carry a team."

In his fourth and final year, Sellers continued his streak of accomplishments, sweeping both the indoor and outdoor NCAA high jump titles, as well as becoming the first eight-time All-American in one event in university history by receiving the honor for both indoor and outdoor all four years. Sellers also earned Academic All-America honors eight times. By no means did Sellers attribute his success soley to talent.

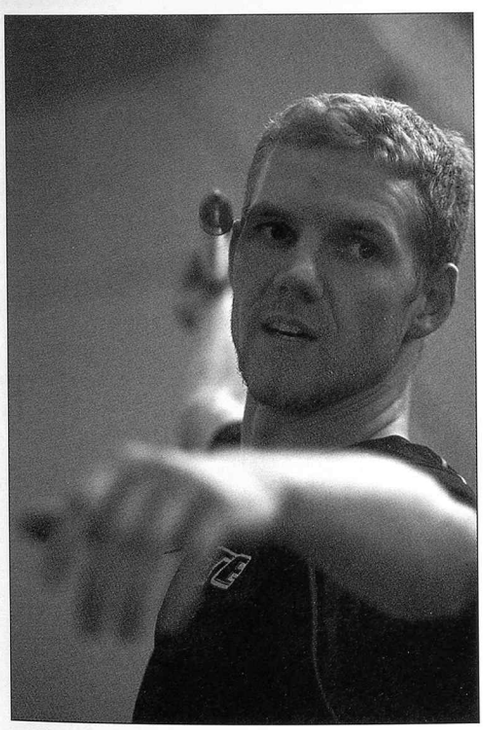
"I think it was a combination of things, the biggest part is the atmosphere, the way the coaches set it up with the training and other things," he said. "I also like to think I worked pretty hard for four years. I think when you put those two things together, it's a pretty good combination for success. Plus I had a little luck; I was always pretty good about performing."



"People generally think of talent as physical tools; it's almost a disservice to the athlete. Take (senior jumper Scott) Sellers. Yeah, he has a physical talent, but the difference is he works hard with the talent he's got."

Cliff Rovelto, head coach





At training Oct. 12, **Loren Gorves**, graduate student and thrower, builds up momentum before releasing the hammer. She was named an All-American four times. "We had worked hard all season, and we had never got the results we wanted," Elise Houtz, junior in accounting. "It felt good to have such a good finish after struggling all season."
Lisle Alderton

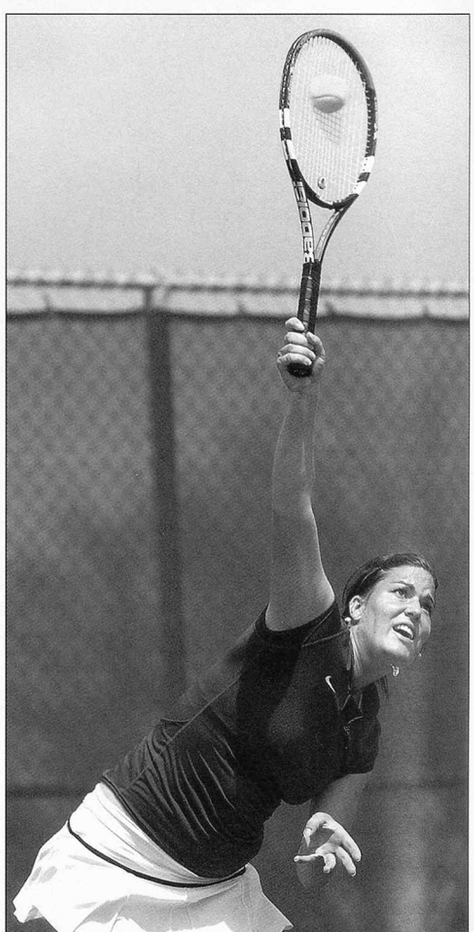
During practice, **Mauritz Cleve**, sophomore in combined events, throws the javelin in Ahearn fieldhouse. As a freshman Cleve placed second in the Big 12 Championships.
Lisle Alderton

Before coming to the university, **Natasha Vieira**, junior singles and doubles player was a five-time female athlete of the year in her hometown of Carabobo, Venezuela. She was also the No. 2 ranked junior player in all of Venezuela in 2005. While in the No. 6 position, Vieira registered a 9-13 record and a 10-19 singles record overall. "The season overall was very tough," she said. "All the teams were very equal."

Nathaniel LaRue

After capturing her first career win on Sept. 26 against the University of Missouri Kansas City during the Jayhawk Invitational, **Petra Chuda**, freshman singles and doubles player, continued to win through out the season. She finished her first season in Manhattan with an 11-21 record. Before Chuda came to the university, she won a regional championship in 2002 in the Czech Republic and qualified for the national singles championship match.

Nathaniel LaRue





During a 2-5 team loss to Texas A&M, **Nina Sertic**, freshman singles and doubles player, competes at home April 18. Sertic said her favorite memory of the season was competing against Oklahoma State University, playing No. 3 singles. "She won the first match, but I came back and won the last two," she said. "Everyone had been watching and after I won, everyone was screaming; it was crazy." The team lost the contest with OSU 3-4 March 28.
Nathaniel LaRue

team experiences growing pains

by Tara Cowley

With three freshmen, the women's tennis team was ready to start a new season. Though the season was inconsistent, team members came together and fought to overcome their difficulties.

The team was all about support, whether it was in singles or doubles, **Antea Huljev**, sophomore singles and doubles player, said.

"We pushed each other in practice and cheered each other on when we ran," she said.

They grew as a team and worked on personal weaknesses during the season.

"At home (in Croatia), if I won, I won and if I lost, I lost, but here I knew there were more people depending on me, making me fight till the last ball," **Nina Sertic**, freshman singles and doubles player, said. "I enjoy playing not only for myself, but for my team and my coach."

The first big wins for the women came when they beat Drake University Jan. 31, 2009 Colorado State University Feb. 8, 2009 and the University of Arkansas-Little Rock Feb. 22, 2009.

Though the team did not continue to win consistently, they kept fighting through the matches, leading to the final team win against the University of Nebraska April 11.

"We were so close to all teams, but we didn't have luck with other teams," Huljev said. "Beating the University of Nebraska showed us we could be better and we were improving."

The win against Nebraska was a season highlight for many women on the team.

"They were not very easy; it was not an easy win," **Natasha Vieira**, junior singles and doubles player, said. "It was like a come-back for our team."

The Wildcats' season came to an end April 23 against the University of Colorado in the first round of the Big 12 Championships. The season ended with a 4-15 record.

"The season didn't come out as we hoped," head coach said. "It was a season of improvement, for individuals and the team."

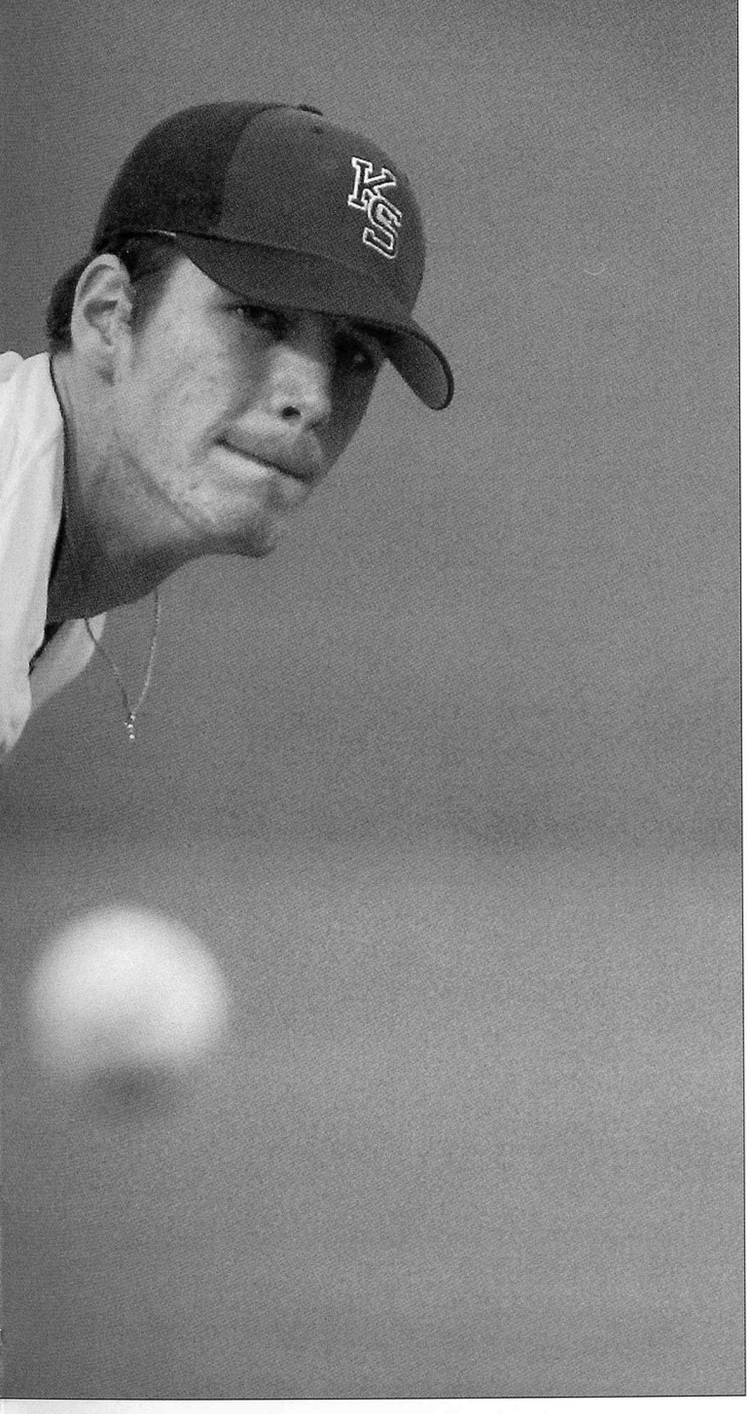


by Eric Brown

diamond cutters

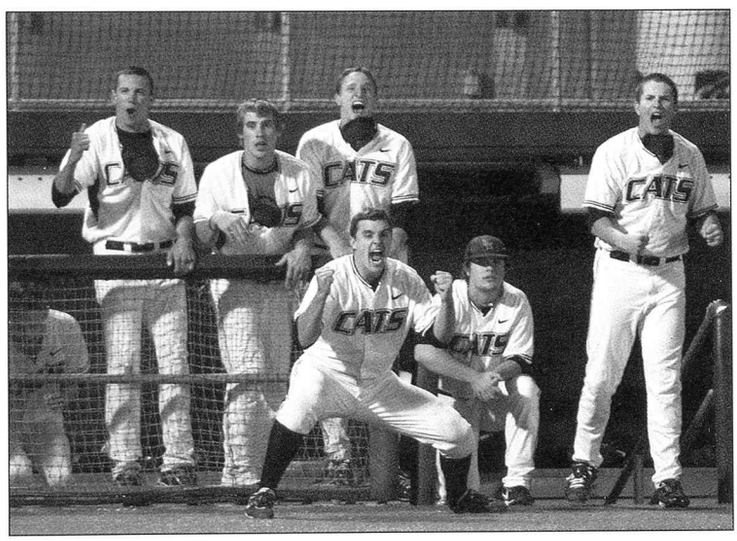
team puts program on the map

Houston 16-2	Pacific 7-4	San Diego State 5-4	Niagara 9-8	ASU 6-2
Houston 9-2	Nevada 10-2	Creighton 12-1	Niagara 12-2	ASU 1-12
Houston 2-3	San Diego 1-2	Niagara 12-1	Niagara 15-1	Butler 8-4



In the game against the University of Missouri Tigers April 17, Big 12 Pitcher of the Year, **A.J. Morris**, junior, delivers a pitch."It's an honor for me to be able to work with these players and this coaching staff," head coach **Brad Hill** said. "Any success that the team or any individuals have is really a collected effort."Morris pitched eight shutout innings, struck out five batters and allowed six hits.
Jonathan Knight

The Wildcats bench rallies late in the game while trying to stage a comeback against the Tigers. The Cats attempts fell short though, as they were defeated 3-4. "Last year was definitely the most fun I have had while playing baseball," **Adam Muenster,** junior outfielder, said. Muenster was 18-22 in stolen base attempts, which tied for fourth in the Big 12.
Jonathan Knight



The baseball team boasted a long list of accomplishments, including a school best — 43 wins, the Big 12 Conference and Midwest Coach of the Year and an admission to the NCAA Championships for the first time in school history.

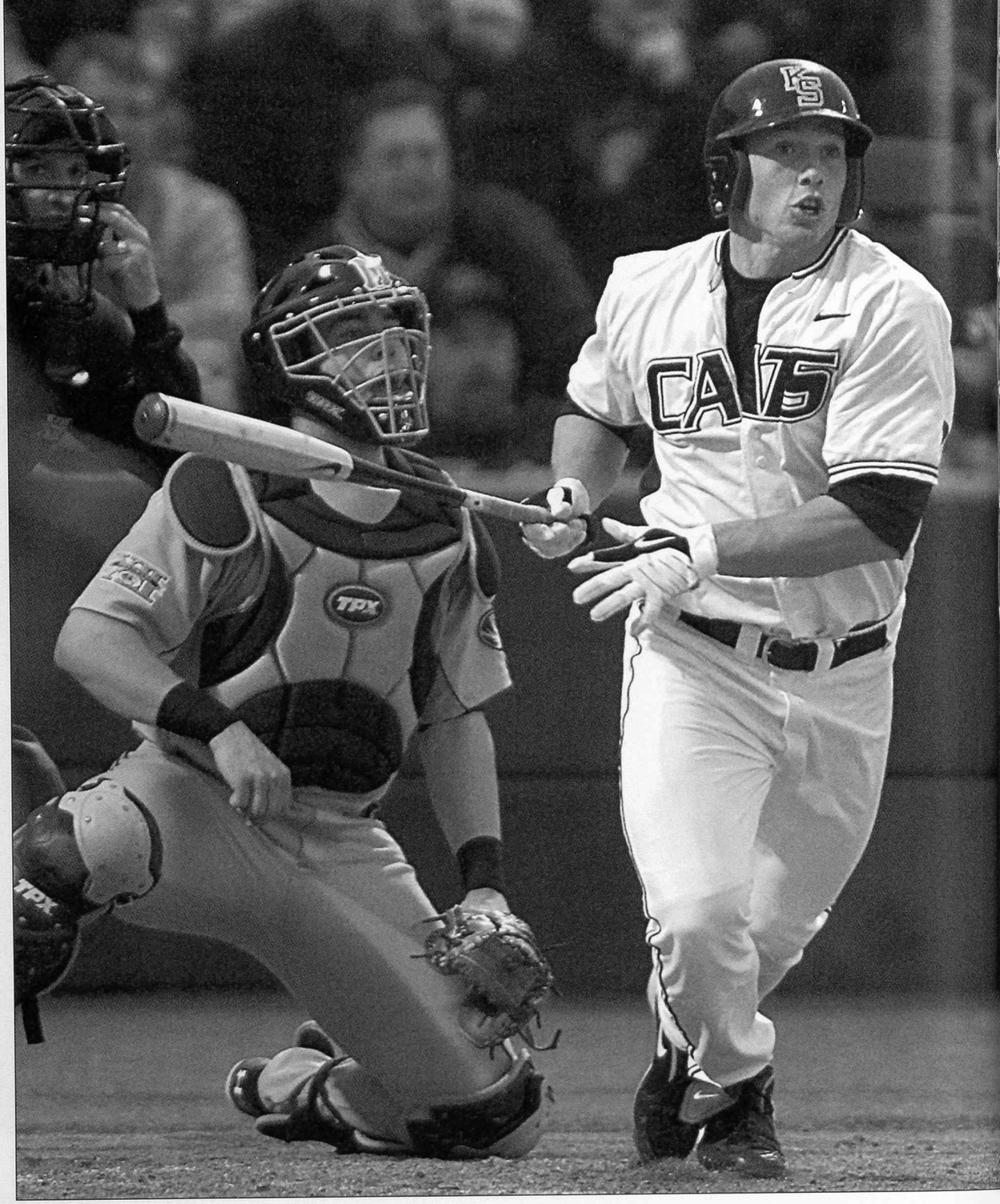
"I'm obviously very excited about the success that we had last season," head coach **Brad Hill** said. "Both our players and our coaching staff did a tremendous job of staying committed to both themselves and the team."

The Wildcats started the season unranked and on the road against the University of Houston Cougars in a three-game series. While in Houston, the team took two out of three, including a huge first game, running the Cougars out of the ballpark 16-2.

"We gained a lot of confidence from playing Houston," sophomore infielder **Jason King** said. "We proved that we were able to play with and beat a high-caliber team. It was great to see all our hard work from the off-season translate over to the field."

The team had one hiccup during the regular season by giving up 11 homeruns March 22, when the University of Oklahoma Sooners defeated them 4-29.

Butler 14-2	UTSA 5-4	Oklahoma 11-1	Northwestern 12-8	Baylor 6-7
Butler 15-3	UTSA 5-4	Oklahoma 4-29	Baylor 7-1	Creighton 1-5
Butler 13-2	Oklahoma 9-1	Northwestern 4-3	Baylor 2-3	Nebraska 15-1



"We became a much better team after being embarrassed by Oklahoma," Hill said. "We were at a very low point, but we showed toughness and bounced back. I was very proud of the way we played from that point on."

The Cats finished the regular season at 39-15-1, soaring all the way to No.10 in national team rankings. They stole two out of three games from the No. 2 University of Texas Longhorns just a month before the Big 12 Championship, though they ended up losing to the Longhorns 2-4 in the title game.

"Our first three games against Texas were by far the biggest games of our regular season," junior outfielder **Adam Muenster** said. "It proved that our

Nebraska 9-3	Texas A&M 6-4	Wichita State 4-3	Missouri 11-5	Texas 6-6
Nebraska 5-3	Texas A&M 4-3	Missouri 3-4	Texas 4-2	North Dakota 10-2
Texas A&M 2-4	Wichita State 13-5	Missouri 6-11	Texas 5-4	North Dakota 22-1

After a hit against the University of Missouri Tigers, sophomore infielder **Jason King** watches before advancing to first base. In the 3-4 Wildcat loss, King went 1-4 with one run batted in. "Individually, I just try to control what I can," he said. "Playing as hard as I can every single play is my main focus."
Jonathan Knight

On April 18 against the Tigers, King fields a ground ball. The Cats lost 6-11, however, they earned 43 season wins, a university record. "We're doing things on the diamond that have never been done at this school before," King said. "Knowing that you're a part of history is a pretty cool feeling."
Jonathan Knight

> "We preach self-discipline. We tell our players, 'You're not here just to be a player, but a tremendous student as well.'"
>
> *head coach Brad Hill*



team had a ton of heart. It was too bad that we couldn't beat them in the Big 12 championship game."

The Cats could not dwell on the loss for long, as they began the NCAA Championships by defeating Xavier University16-8.They went on to play the No. 6 Rice University Owls May 29, for the regional championship. The Cats took the first game 7-6. They were one game away from advancing in the tournament, but could not pull through and dropped the next two games 0-8 and 4-13.The losses eliminated the No. 14 ranked Cats from the tournament and ended their season at 43-18-1.

"It felt great being able to play in the NCAA tournament, but it sucked not being able to go the distance," Muenster said. "We needed more than just a taste of victory."

Though the Cats did not finish the way they had hoped, knowing they were the first team with 43 wins and a bid to the NCAA Championships was its own victory.

Oklahoma State 5-3	BYU 11-3	Texas Tech 9-5	Kansas 7-17	Texas 2-4	Rice 0-8
Oklahoma State 4-3	Texas Tech 0-6	Kansas 4-1	Kansas 5-4	Xavier 16-8	Rice 4-13
BYU 9-8	Texas Tech 6-12	Kansas 3-9	Baylor 9-4	Rice 7-6	

With the sun rising during their 7 a.m. practice, rowers are on the water every morning and in the weight room in the afternoon. "Every day I go to practice and do what the coxswain says," **Hannah Wiltfong**, freshman first novice eight rower, said. During the fall, the rowers have weight workouts three times a week and in the spring, two times a week.
Chelsy Lueth

Rowers, including **Stephanie Carr**, sophomore second varsity eight rower, carry their boats to the water before and after practice. Carr earned her first varsity letter after being on the team two years. The team consisted of 46 women split into a varsity team, returning rowers, and a novice team, first-year and transfer rowers.
Chelsy Lueth









Before practice Oct. 7, coxswains **Lauren Hoobler**, freshman, **Sarah Reynolds**, freshman, **Jarity Marsh**, freshman, and **Marianne Maddeford**, sophomore, put on warm jackets. The coxswain's main jobs were to command and motivate the crew and steer the boat.
Chelsy Lueth

by Tara Cowley

uncharted territory

strong leaders help team reach new heights

In the Big 12 Championship, the first varsity eight boat took an early, extensive lead. About a fourth of the way through the race, everything was called to a halt due to assumptions that one of the boats had an advantage because of a wake pushing the boat forward. The race was restarted. After exhausting themselves in the first start, the second start was slower, putting them in the rear, but they pushed through and still pulled out a triumphant win.

"One of the highlights of the year definitely would have to be how we came together as a team," **Hanna Wiltfong**, freshman first novice eight rower, said. "The captains created biographies for all the younger girls so that we could get to know each other on such a big team."

The first varsity eight boat was primarily filled with seniors who had been rowing all through college.

"Having nine experienced varsity girls in a boat that worked well together was amazing," said **Nicole Vogt**, junior first varsity eight rower and team captain. "We took 20 seconds off our 2-kilometer time from the previous year."

Each race was only about 7 minutes long, so taking 20 seconds off meant a lot to the team.

"The seniors were the first girls that I had coached all through their rowing careers at K-State," head coach **Patrick Sweeney** said. "It was interesting to watch the girls grow from coming in and not knowing anything about rowing to beating the University of Texas at the end of the season."

Aside from the Big 12 Championship win, the rowers acquired two wins at the Longhorn Invitational, third place at the San Diego Crew Classic and one gold and one bronze at the Southern Intercollegiate Rowing Association meet.

"The season was one of the most successful for our program in terms of number of wins," **Amanda Weishaar**, freshman first novice eight rower, said. "As a K-State program, we completely dominated the first regatta in Des Moines, Iowa."

The rowers went to Regionals and qualified for the top semifinal division, the A/B Semifinals.

"This was huge for our program," Vogt said. "No boat in K-State history has done that in the first varsity division."

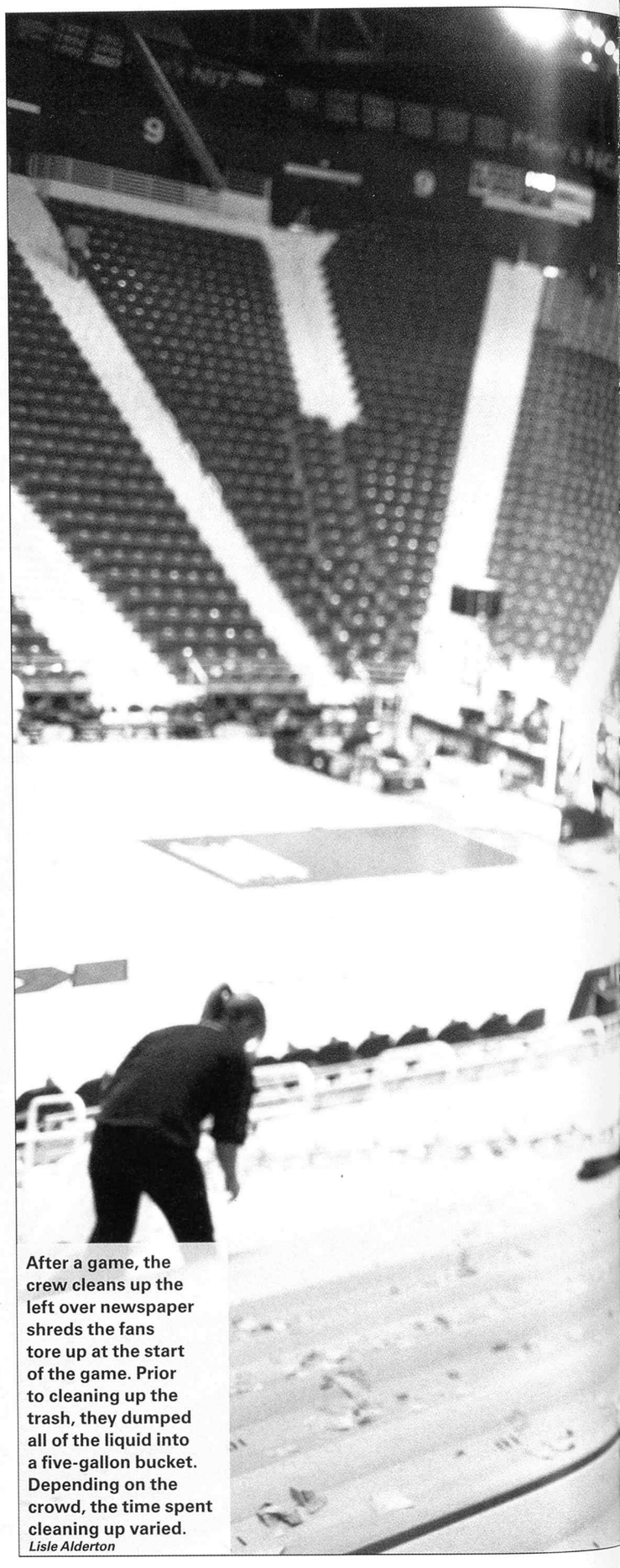
During the previous season, the team made a deal with Sweeney, stating if the first varsity made it to the A/B Semifinals, he would get into their boat and cox them for five minutes. That year the team did not make it; however, the team pulled out the signed contract after they made it into the A/B Semifinals this season, and after a lot of talking, he conceded.

"He coxed us for a lap around our cove," Vogt said. "It will forever be one of the highlights of my rowing career."

THE END IS JUST THE BEGINNING

by Tara Cowley

Shredded newspapers, gum, cups, shirts and the smell of thousands of sweaty basketball fans were all that remained in Bramlage Coliseum after the basketball game against the No. 1 University of Texas Longhorns Jan. 18. Though the game was over, the evening was just beginning for student organizations that came to clean the coliseum that had a sold-out crowd of 12,528 people.



After a game, the crew cleans up the left over newspaper shreds the fans tore up at the start of the game. Prior to cleaning up the trash, they dumped all of the liquid into a five-gallon bucket. Depending on the crowd, the time spent cleaning up varied.
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If one out of three people bought a bottled beverage, that would have been 4,176 bottles for the cleanup crew to pick up.





The clean-up crew clears out Bramlage after a basketball game. They used more than 100 trash bags for the game against the University of Kansas. It took 60 people four hours to clean up after the game.
Lisle Alderton



Gloves are required for the safety of all volunteers. "(The hardest part) is definitely organizing that many people and getting them together," **Grant Bauer**, group supervisor and senior in industrial engineering, said. "Trying to make sure all the people were keeping busy, but mainly knowing how many people need to do each job and when to start them so they finish at the same time."
Lisle Alderton

"I enjoy helping out my group and giving my organization the funds. I enjoy the opportunity to do it."
Hannah Nunnenkamp, senior in music education

"I would have things already prepared for the groups when the game ended," **Grant Bauer**, group supervisor and senior in industrial engineering, said. "We then would start to pick up the big trash while some go around dumping liquid from cups leftover in buckets."

By cleaning up, students raised money for their organizations. The groups averaged around 45 people for men's games and 20 people for women's games.

The AirSoft Team had helped clean Bramlage since the team was founded, **Shane Smith**, president and sophomore in mechanical engineering, said. They usually had three to four students from their team working.

The process of cleaning the seating took from three to four hours; however, when students threw newspapers before the game, it added at least another hour to cleanup time.

"Some groups sweep, and some groups mop the whole arena," Bauer said. "One time somebody dropped the dust pan full of the trash they just swept up down the stairs."

Though the work of cleaning was time consuming and dirty, the groups often found some interesting items in the stands.

"One time there was a random package of pacifiers in the stands," **Hannah Nunnenkamp**, senior in music education, said. "Usually we found pop bottles and wrappers as we went along, but a package of 13-14 pacifiers was really weird. What kid needs that many pacifiers?"

Missed Opportunities

As shadows overtook Bill Snyder Family Stadium, head coach **Bill Snyder,** returning from a three-year retirement, made his way toward the Wildcats' sideline for the Cats' home opener against the University of Massachusetts Minutemen. *by Eric Brown*

There were 50,750 people in attendance, an opening-game attendance record, most stood to cheer with high hopes Snyder's return.

The Cats defeated the Minutemen 21-17, making the Cats 17-0 in home openers under Snyder. Junior quarterback **Carson Coffman** and senior wide receiver **Attrail Snipes** led the offensive attack for the Cats, hooking up on two touchdowns in the game.

"With the first (touchdown), we just ran everybody off, and I knew that if it was man-to-man, I was going to beat my man," Snipes said. "On the second touchdown I knew if I beat my man to the inside, I just had to get by him, and I knew if (Coffman) threw it up, I was going to go get it."

In his first game as a Wildcat, junior running back **Daniel Thomas** rushed for 104 yards on 23 carries, the most yards gained by a Wildcat running back making his debut since 1993. His counterpart, senior running back **Keithen Valentine**, added 88 yards on 11 carries to the ground game.

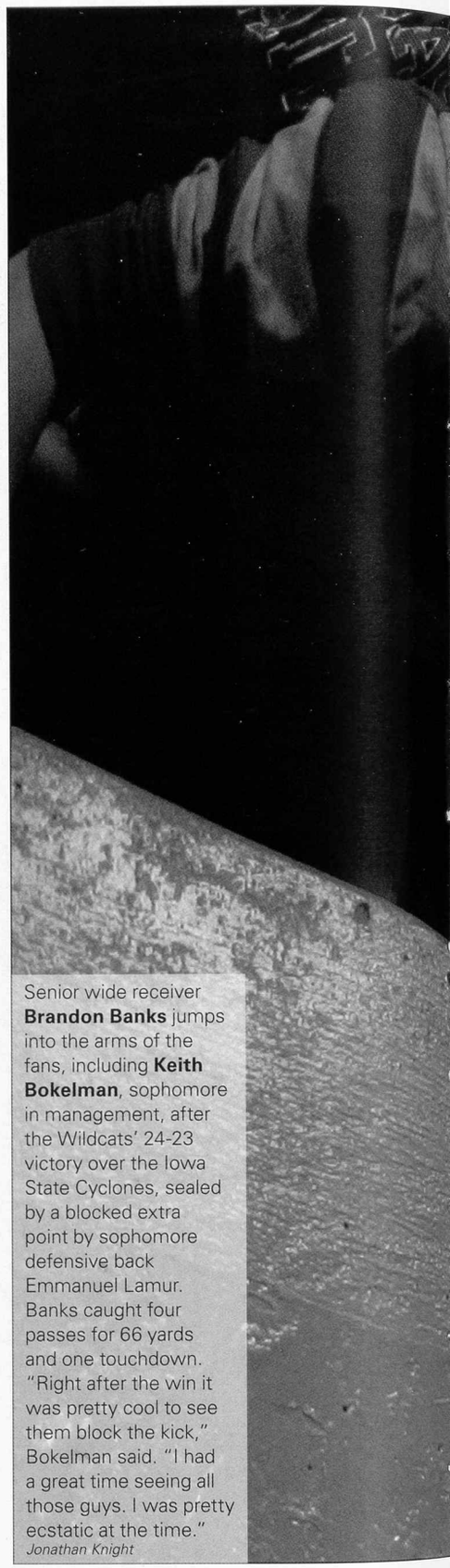
Although the Cats came away with a win, many fans were dissatisfied after the game, including coach Snyder.

"Without me elaborating, you can see what concerns I have, and there are a lot of them," Coach Snyder said. "I was proud of how well we played defensively. It all fell apart in the second half, and we were a bad, bad, offensive football team in the second half. They are a well-coached football team, but that does not help us."

Over the next three weeks, the Cats went 1-2 and were set to face off against the Iowa State University Cyclones in their first conference game. In the last minute of the game, the Cyclones scored a touchdown, putting the score at 24-23. An extra point would have tied the score and most likely put the game into overtime, but sophomore defensive back **Emmanuel Lamur** blocked the Cyclones' extra point attempt. The Cats took a knee, which closed the game and sealed the win.

"It was almost as though when they threw that touchdown pass, it was meant to be," Coach Snyder said. "And when we turned around and blocked that extra point — I can't remember the last time we did that — maybe it was meant to be that way too."

Any momentum the Cats gained from their win over the Cyclones was slowed by a 14-66 loss to the Texas Tech Red Raiders the next week, though after



Senior wide receiver **Brandon Banks** jumps into the arms of the fans, including **Keith Bokelman**, sophomore in management, after the Wildcats' 24-23 victory over the Iowa State Cyclones, sealed by a blocked extra point by sophomore defensive back Emmanuel Lamur. Banks caught four passes for 66 yards and one touchdown. "Right after the win it was pretty cool to see them block the kick," Bokelman said. "I had a great time seeing all those guys. I was pretty ecstatic at the time." *Jonathan Knight*

University of Massachusetts	Louisiana State University	UCLA
21-17	15-17	9-23



Tennesee Tech
University
49-7

Iowa State
University
24-23

Texas Tech
University
14-66

this loss, the Cats got back on track by winning back-to-back games against Texas A&M 62-14 and the University of Colorado 20-6.

In the following game, the Cats lost to the University of Oklahoma Sooners 30-42. Despite the loss, the Cats were able to celebrate 30 points scored against a stacked Sooner defense Senior wide receiver **Brandon Banks**' 351 all-purpose yards, tied the school record for all-purpose yards in a game.

"We were capable of moving the ball anytime we wanted to," Banks said. "I think we have a little more confidence on the offensive side of the ball knowing that we can put points on the board. Thirty points — we are pretty excited about that."

Although the loss to the Sooners was disappointing, the Cats still had a winning 5-4 record and controlled their own destiny in the Big 12 North going into their game against the rival University of Kansas Jayhawks.

In the Sunflower Showdown, the Cats took control of both state bragging rights and the Big 12 North by defeating the Jayhawks 17-10. This was the first win the Cats' senior class had over the Jayhawks. The last time the Cats had defeated the Jayhawks was in 2005, before Snyder retired, when they won 12-3. After the game, Snyder elaborated on the joy he felt from once again beating the Jayhawks.



Texas A&M University 62-14

University of Colorado 20-6

Oklahoma State University 30-42

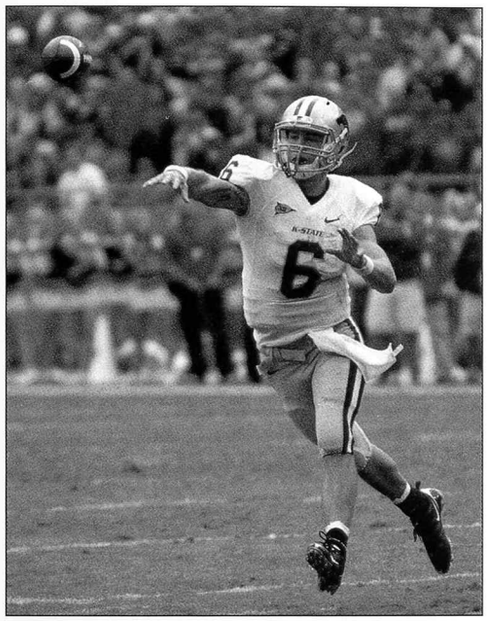
"I was happy for all of the people involved," he said. "This game means a lot to the fans, and I have always known that, so I am pleased for them. I am pleased for our players because this game is so important to them. I was happy for our coaches because they have put in so much time and effort into all of the aspects that go into coaching."

Things were on the up and up for the Cats going into week 11 as they prepared to take on the University of Missouri Tigers. They were sitting atop the Big 12 North, and they had six wins with two games left — just one more win would have made them bowl eligible. Normally, only six wins were required for a team to be considered bowl eligible, but because the Cats played the University of Massachusetts and Tennessee Tech, both division two schools, the Cats had to have seven wins to keep their bowl hopes alive. Unfortunately, the Tigers ruined the Cats' senior day by defeating them 12-38.

The Cats were unable to score a touchdown in the game, the first time they had gone without a visit to the end zone since 2006. The Tigers' senior wide receiver **Denario Alexander** deflated the Cats' defense with 200 receiving yards and 3 touchdowns.

"I think that when you fail to tackle (Alexander), it helps him out quite a bit," Snyder said. "I thought (KU junior wide receiver) **Dezmon Briscoe** was the best receiver in the Big 12 until







On Harley Day, Senior defensive tackle **Jeffrey Fitzgerald** tackles Texas A&M junior quarterback **Jerrod Johnson** on the way to a 62-14 win. Fitzgerald was named MVP for the defensive ends at the award ceremony at the end of the season. He had 40 tackles and seven sacks. Fitzgerald forced three fumbles, two which he recovered, and one interception which he returned for a touchdown.
Matt Binter

Senior quarterback **Grant Gregory** passes the ball during the Iowa State game at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Mo. "I think that it is an enjoyable stadium to be in," head coach **Bill Snyder** said. "I have been to a number of Chiefs games, and we have played there several times. It's a big, spacious stadium." Gregory received the Kevin Saunders (Never Give Up) Award at the end of the season.
Nathaniel LaRue

As he breaks through the Texas A&M defense, junior running back **Daniel Thomas** dives while holding the ball. Thomas won MVP for the offensive ends. Thomas was also named first team All-Big 12 selection as running back and the Big 12 Offensive Newcomer of the Year and rushing yards of 1,265. The team's 62 points were the most points scored in the Big 12 since defeating Kansas 64-0 in November 2002.
Jonathan Knight

University of Kansas 17-10	University of Missouri 12-38	University of Nebraska 3-17

I saw Alexander play. The comparative speed today put us at a disadvantage."

The loss to the Tigers ended the high the Cats had from defeating the Jayhawks, but they still controlled their future going into the last regular season game against the University of Nebraska Huskers.

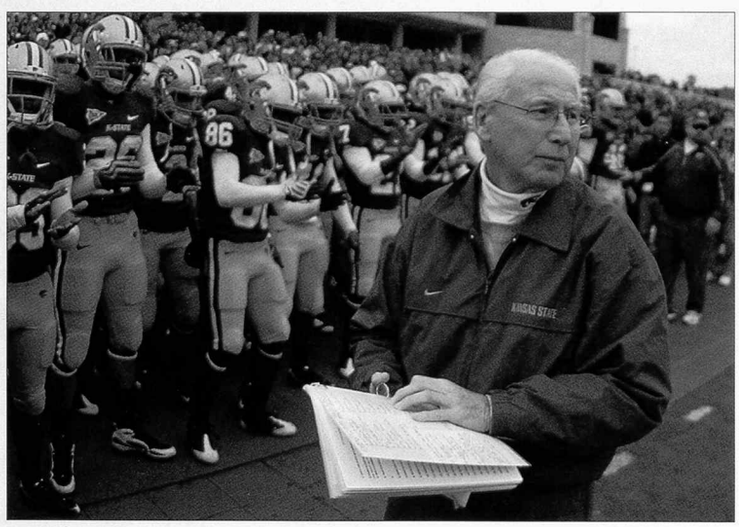
"It is good because we have another opportunity to reach our goal," Banks said. "We are still down about this loss though. Hopefully, we can bounce back for another opportunity next week."

To win the Big 12 North and be bowl eligible, the Cats had to beat the Huskers on the road. However, the Cats saw their opportunities disintegrate in the 3-17 loss. The story of the loss, like much of the season, was one of missed opportunities. They out ran the Huskers 293 yards to 267 but failed to score a touchdown for the second consecutive week. Senior linebacker **Ulla Pomele**'s 15 tackles for the Cats was nearly the only highlight of the Cats' performance.

"We had ample opportunities, our football team understands that," Snyder said. "I thought we played well enough to win defensively. We made mistakes that cost us a very fine opportunity for our program and for our players and for our seniors."

The end of the season proved to be somewhat of a letdown, but it also proved that the team was on a path of improvement. The six wins were one more than the previous season, and the Cats could have won the Big 12 North and go to a bowl game until the final game.

"I was proud of our football team for putting themselves in the position they were in this evening," Snyder said. "I wanted our seniors to understand that they will always be a part of the foundation. I told the underclassmen that we need some leaders to step up and that we needed to begin to go through the process for the future, and hopefully this, among so many other opportunities that we've learned life lessons, applied directly to us on the football field."



The team tries to keep warm during their wait to charge Wagner Field against the University of Missouri Nov. 14. Head coach **Bill Snyder** stopped and took a glance back at the field and the crowd before the game. Home to the football team since 1968, the stadium was renamed Bill Snyder Family Stadium soon after Snyder announced his retirement in November 2005. *Jonathan Knight*



Junior wide receiver Lamark Brown throws himself over his opponent during the University of Kansas game. With one minute left in the first half, Brown received the ball from senior quarterback Grant Gregory at the 5-yard line and scored the first touchdown of the game, giving the Cats a 10-7 lead against the Jayhawks going into halftime. *Jonathan Knight*

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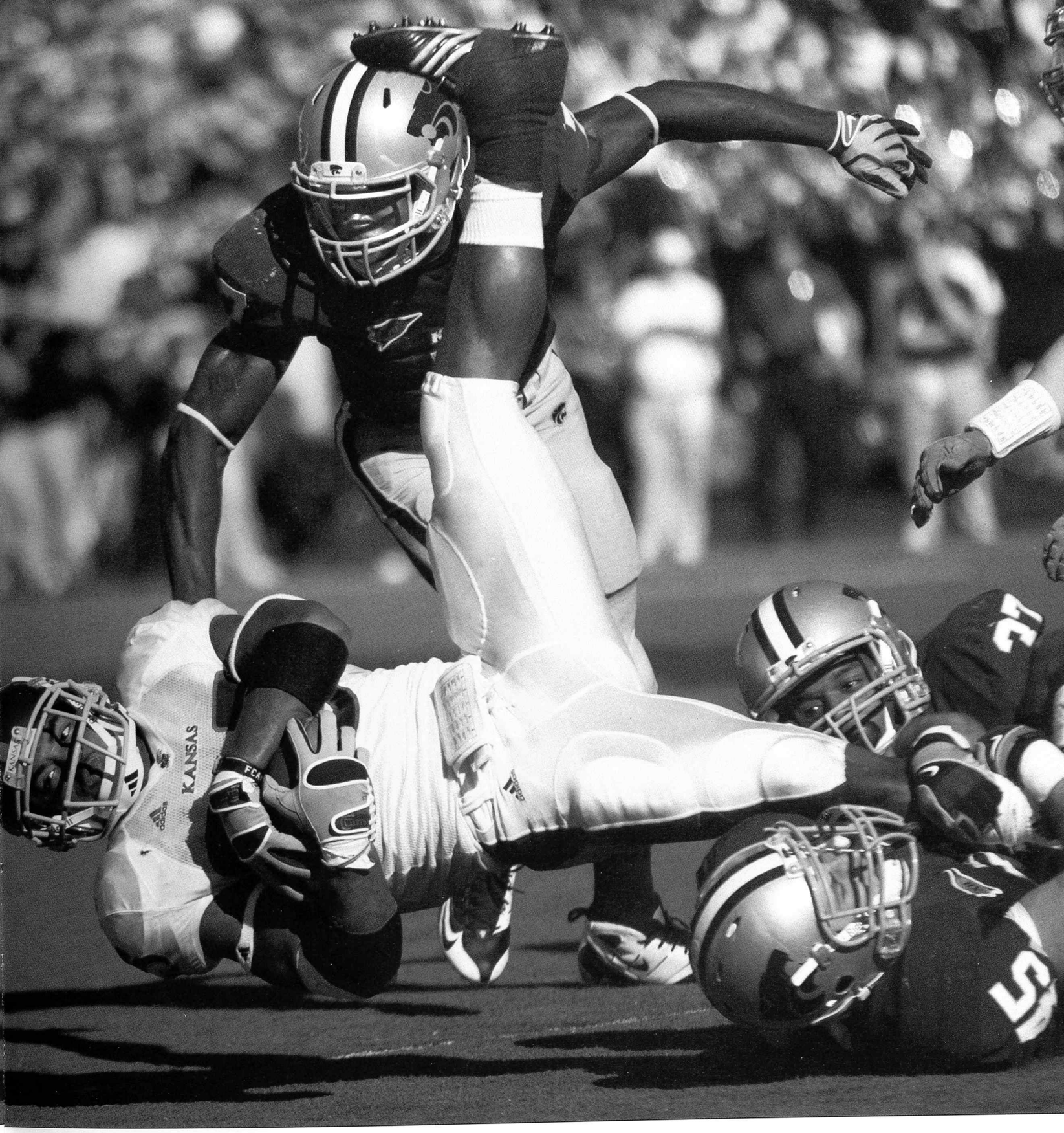

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Bill Snyder, head coach

from SHELTERS to STADIUMS

by Colleen Quinn

Attrail Snipes, senior wide receiver, began his journey with two bags of clothing in his hands and a 13-hour bus ride from Vallejo, Calif., to Seattle ahead of him. Although at first he had no idea where the journey would end, he found football to be the map that guided him to where he needed to be.

Shortly after his arrival in Seattle with his mother and sister, Snipes' mother became ill with diabetes and was not able to work any longer. Due to his mother's health, he was forced to make a decision that placed his own future in jeopardy.

"After my mother got sick, I had a choice to take care of her or go to school," Snipes said. "I chose to take care of her, so I sat out my freshman year of high school. Basically, the decision was school or family."

Though that year Snipes chose family, he was able to return to school, and his sophomore year of high school, began to play organized football for the first time, excelling despite his amateur status. Everything seemed stable until his mother and sister moved back to California, and once again, Snipes came to a crossroads. He could either move back to California with his family or stay in Seattle by himself and pursue his dreams of going to college and playing football. He chose the latter.

"My coaches in high school kept telling me I had the chance to go to any school in the nation," he said. "It was hard (dealing with all of those things). I kept it to myself, so I was embarrassed to talk about what was going on. It was hard not being able to turn to somebody for help, and I felt like it was my fault. The hardest thing was trying to get through this with my mom."

While on his own, Snipes lived on the street, bouncing from shelter to shelter, doing what he could to get by.

His senior year, Snipes received offers to play at universities around the nation, but he was not permitted to participate in Division 1 athletics due to NCAA Clearing House qualification rules, which state academic requirements for eligibility to receive an athletic scholarship. He attended Bakersfield College in Bakersfield, Calif., instead. Although the hardships Snipes dealt with in high school helped prepare him for situations off the field, he credited junior college football for preparing him for things on the gridiron.

"(High school) prepared me more for life than college," he said. "Going through all that showed me what it's like to be without anything. The junior college level really prepared me for the D1 level, so I'm glad I went that route."

In 2008, Snipes came to the university and brought with him an understanding of the world as well as the ability to give a helping hand.

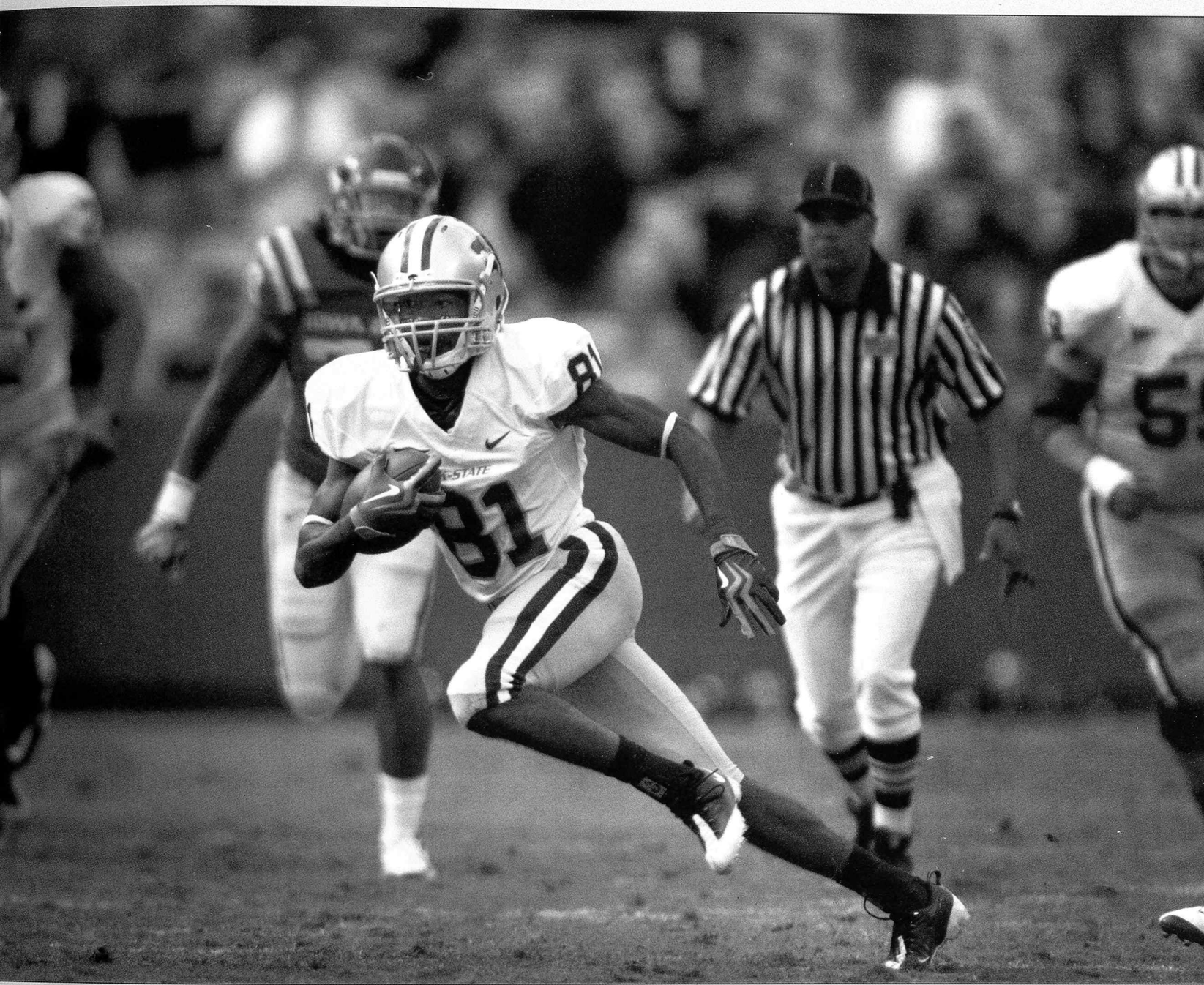
"I see people on the team that go through stuff, and I feel like I can help them out," Snipes said. "I'm someone they can turn to and talk to."

Through his senior year, Snipes continued to use football as his map, and with the support of his coaches, family and team, he gained the confidence to pursue a career in professional football and stay optimistic about the rest of his life.

"Coach is telling me I have a chance and a shot at the next level," he said, "but if it doesn't work out, I actually have a son back home, and I'm going to go back home and get acquainted with my family once again."



At Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Mo., senior wide receiver **Attrail Snipes** runs away from the Iowa State Cyclones Oct. 3. In the last seconds of the game the Cats blocked an extra point attempt and finalized the score at 24-23. *Jonathan Knight*

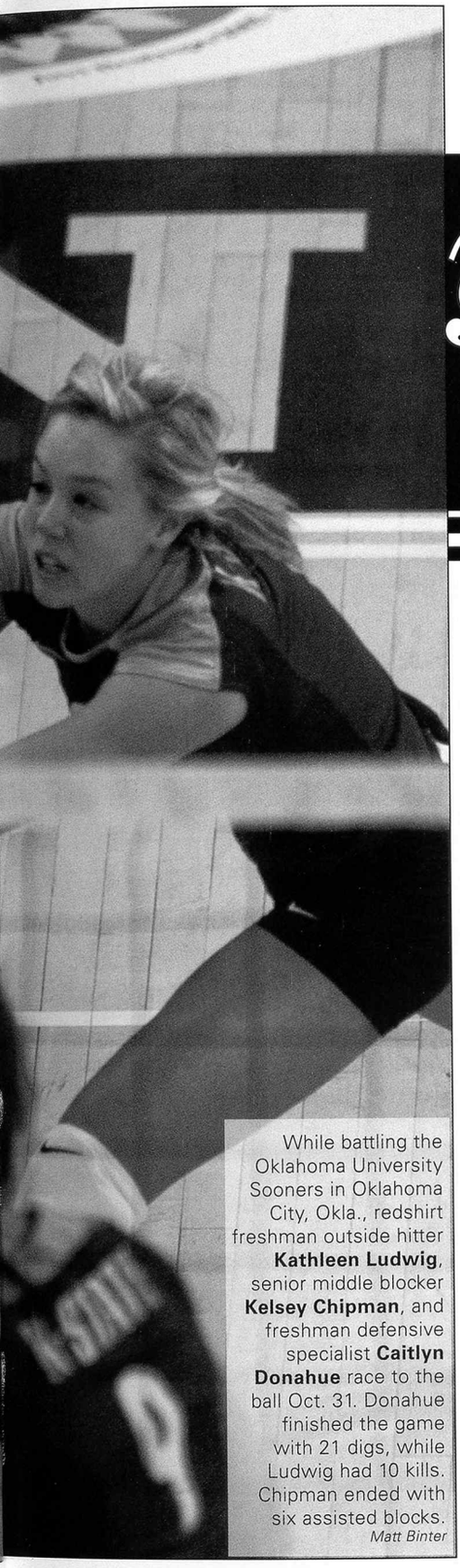


"Off the field I felt like I didn't have a family, but on the field everybody helped me with open arms and they treated me like a family — somebody else I could turn to."

Attrail Snipes, senior wide receiver



Minnesota 2-3	UMKC 3-1	Cal Poly 3-1	South Dakota 3-1
Michigan 1-3	Weber State 3-0	BYU 3-2	Kentucky 1-3



While battling the Oklahoma University Sooners in Oklahoma City, Okla., redshirt freshman outside hitter **Kathleen Ludwig**, senior middle blocker **Kelsey Chipman**, and freshman defensive specialist **Caitlyn Donahue** race to the ball Oct. 31. Donahue finished the game with 21 digs, while Ludwig had 10 kills. Chipman ended with six assisted blocks. *Matt Binter*

young team, HIGH GOALS

by Eric Brown

After being eliminated from the NCAA tournament in 2008, the Wildcat volleyball team started the season at the Runza/AVCA Showcase ranked No. 22 in the nation with intentions of topping its achievements from the year before. Doing this proved to be difficult for the Cats, when five players graduated, four of whom were starters. Also, in the Showcase they were set to play the University of Minnesota Gophers and the University of Michigan Wolverines, both top 20-ranked teams.

"We were in a position where we needed to grow up as fast in the preseason as possible so that we would be ready to compete once conference games started," head coach **Suzie Fritz** said. "I thought playing two teams of that caliber would allow us to find out a lot about where we were as a team at that point."

In their first match against the No. 11 Gophers, the Cats forced a fifth set after coming back from a two-set deficit. Junior outside hitter **JuliAnne Chisholm** recorded a career-high 19 kills in the match. Redshirt freshman outside hitter **Kathleen Ludwig** added another 18 kills in her debut as a Wildcat. Unfortunately, the Cats were unable to capitalize on their comeback, and they ended up losing the match 3-2.

The Cats' match against the No. 18 Wolverines was also one that pushed both teams to their limits. Although the Cats lost 1-3, they almost rallied back from being two sets down before the Wolverines ended the match by winning in extra points 24-26.

"We had two really good matches, even though we lost both of them," Fritz said. "Playing those teams showed us that we could compete with teams who were amongst the top in the nation."

After dropping their two opening matches, the Cats turned things around at the BYU Nike Classic by defeating all three of their opponents and taking

Portland 3-2	Oklahoma 1-3	Iowa State 0-3	Texas A&M 0-3
Purdue 2-3	Baylor 1-3	Texas 0-3	Nebraska 0-3



In Ahearn Gymnasium against Kentucky, junior outside hitter JuliAnne Chisholm hits the ball between a double block Sept. 11. Chisholm topped the team's total season hit record with 342 hits and an average of three hits per set.
Matt Binter

home the tournament championship. In their first match, they swept the Weber State University Wildcats 3-0. The second match was closer, but the Cats defeated the California Polytechnic University Mustangs 3-1. The Cats closed out the Classic in perfect fashion by beating the Brigham Young University Cougars 3-2. Three Wildcats were named to the BYU Nike Classic All-Tournament Team: senior middle blocker **Kelsey Chipman**, senior setter **Soriana Pacheco** and Chisholm. Chipman also earned the title of Tournament Most Valuable Player.

"It was a really special weekend for the team," Chipman said. "We played extremely hard, and we were rewarded for it, so that was nice. Being named MVP was something that was very special to me, and I'm sure I will remember that for years to come."

After their impressive tournament win, the Cats came home to host the Varney's Kansas State Invitational.

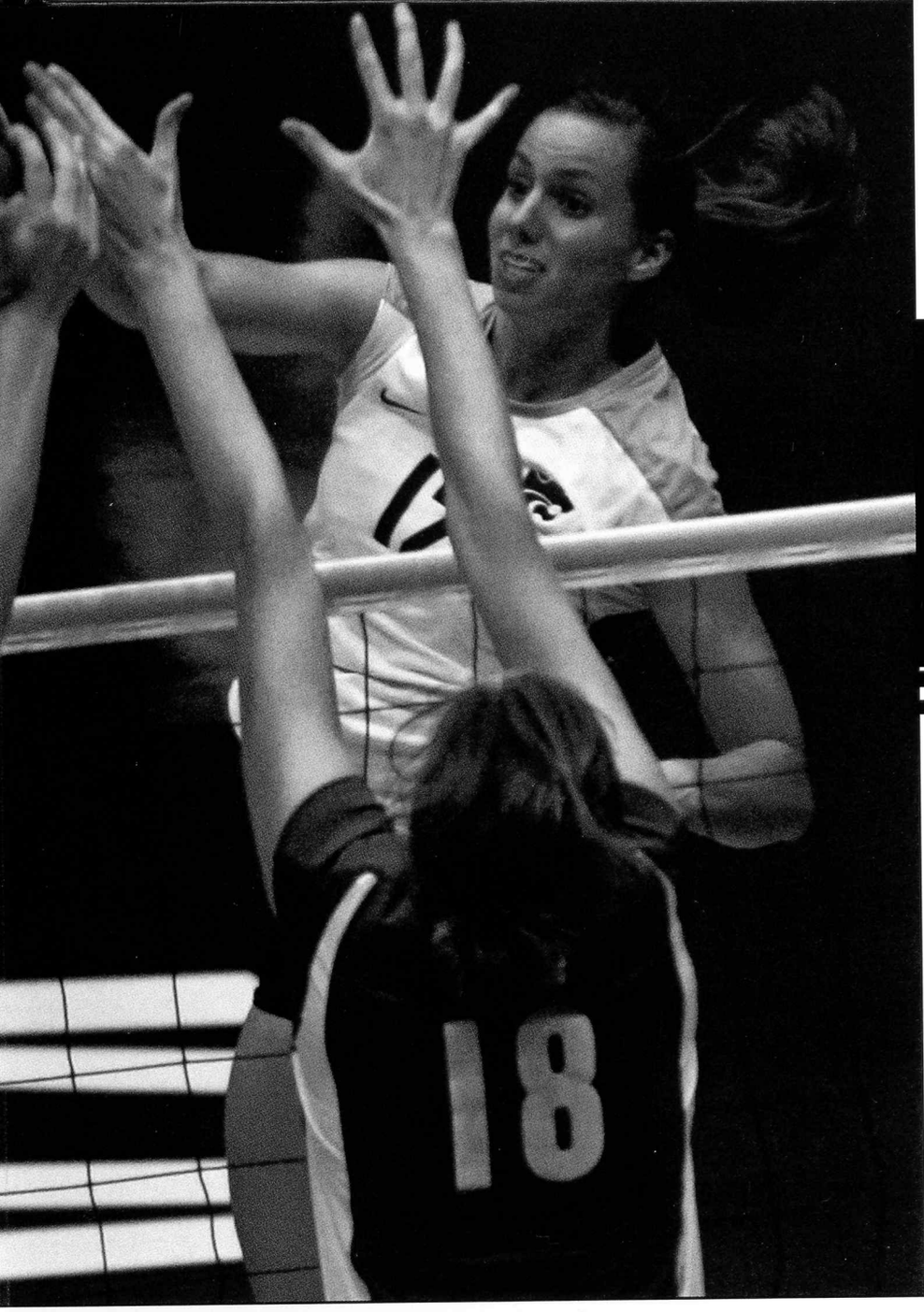
The Cats were unable to maintain the same level of success they enjoyed at the BYU Nike-Classic, however, going 1-2. Chipman once again made the all-tournament team, but she was the only Wildcat who did so. This put the Cats' record at 6-4 for their first conference match against the University of Oklahoma Sooners Sept. 16.

The Cats were unable to put together any type of flow on offense, which contributed to their loss. The Sooners dropped them in four sets. The Cats' defense was led by junior libero **Lauren Mathewson**, who tallied 22 digs in the set.

This loss marked the first of a six-match losing streak for the Cats, four of which were 0-3 and all of which were conference losses.

"We were pretty optimistic during that stretch," Fritz said. "At the same time, we realized how much work we still had to do in order to play at the level that we wanted to."

Missouri 3-1	Colorado 3-1	Missouri 0-3	Texas A&M 3-2
Kansas 0-3	Baylor 1-3	Oklahoma 1-3	Texas Tech 3-1



Determined to win, the Cats battled the University of Missouri Tigers and came out with a 3-1 victory in the fourth set, where in the set the Cats trailed 16-9 before going on a 16-6 run to seal their win.

"It was amazing," Chisholm said. "We were all really into it and on top of our game. It felt good to get over that hump and finally get a win."

Over the next five weeks the Cats won more, but they still went 5-8. However, they kept their heads up, and on Nov. 21, they faced the University of Colorado Buffaloes at home on senior day. Their hard work was again rewarded as they defeated the Buffaloes 3-0, sending the seniors out of Ahearn Field House in a memorable way. Chipman, who recorded 10 blocks in the match, reflected on what it meant to be able to win one of the last matches of her college career.

"There was a lot of emotion amongst all of the girls in that game," she said. "All of the underclassmen knew what the game meant to the seniors, and they all did their best so that the moment was a good one."

The Cats were also able to pull out a win in their final match against the Texas Tech University Red Raiders Nov. 28 in Lubbock, Texas, giving them a 12-18 overall record. Pacheco reached 2,214 career assists, the eighth-most in school history. More impressively, Pacheco did this in only two seasons.

The Wildcats may have fallen far short of topping their achievements from 2008, but Fritz said they continued to work hard from their first match against the Gophers all the way until their final match against the Red Raiders, especially for such a young team.

"It was an interesting season all the way around," Fritz said. "We had some great moments, but we just weren't able to string those great moments together in order to maintain the same level of success that we are accustomed to."

Kansas 0-3	Texas 0-3	Nebraska 0-3
Iowa State 0-3	Colorado 3-0	Texas Tech 3-1

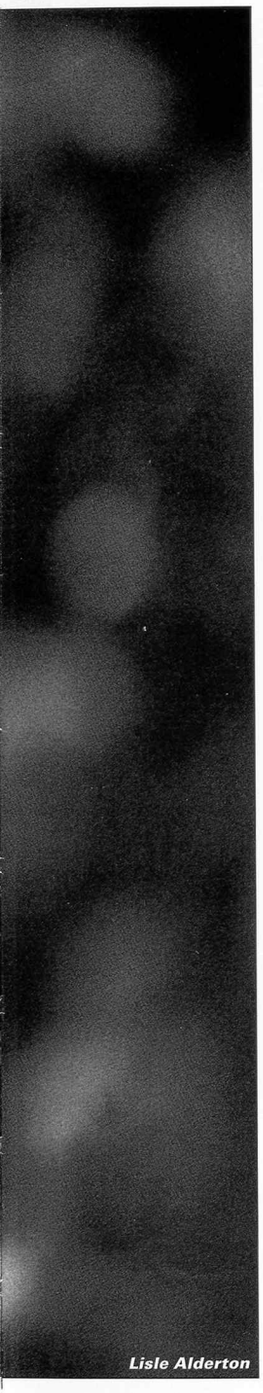
from the SIDELINES



"Being a manager has turned out to be amazing for me. It's taught me a lot about life, how to be responsible and how to do things the right way....

by Eric Brown

A person could have easily assumed that 6-foot-7-inch **Rhett Clark** belonged on the basketball court. Instead, he took to the sidelines as the co-head manager for the men's basketball team.



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"I always liked basketball, but I never played it in high school," Clark, senior in political science, said. "I stayed involved with the game by managing our team and since I liked doing that I applied to be a K-State basketball manager."

He remembered originally being a bit timid while working, in the competitive atmosphere of Division 1 sports.

"I still did everything I was required to do, but I definitely stayed in the shadows sometimes," he said. "I eventually overcame my shyness and became more outgoing around the people involved with the basketball program."

Over the next couple of years, Clark continued to work hard and eventually moved up the managerial ladder. He started in the program as a volunteer, then earned a partial scholarship, then earned a books-and-tuition scholarship, and finally was promoted to the position of co-head manager.

"Rhett is a really strong leader," **Jacob Havercamp**, volunteer manager and freshman in agribusiness, said. "This job requires a big time commitment, and he has totally embraced that."

Clark's schedule was demanding. He said when he was not in class or studying he was doing something for the basketball program. Because of the enormity of college basketball, he said each program depended on everyone, from the star player to the water boy, to be successful. Clark said many times the responsibility of keeping a team on its feet fell on the managers — if the basketball program were a finely oiled machine then the managers would have been considered the lubricant.

"If you're not dedicated then this just isn't the job for you. We do the odd-end things that keep stuff running," Clark said. "Managers don't have a detailed job description we just do what we are told. All the jobs that we do are important in some way, and we know that if we do them well then we are directly contributing to the bettering of the team."

Some of the jobs the managers were expected to do included: ensuring players were punctual, doing the team's laundry and sometimes putting the players through drills.

By being involved in these things, managers gained a better understanding of the game. Clark said after graduation he wanted to begin coaching high school basketball, and this experience would help him make the transition.

"We learn a lot about the sport from being around it as much as we are," he said. "If one day I do get into coaching I will take the things that I learned from being a manager, and use them while teaching the game."

Fellow manager **Brian Krueger**, junior in industrial engineering, said he could see Clark doing a number of things because he liked to work hard and was always the first to show up and the last one to leave.

"He always goes out of his way to do things right, and there is something to be said for people who do that," Krueger said. "He's a very intelligent person. He's kind of our go-to guy."

Clark was an important part of the team, especially to the players.

"We've been having a good year and most of that comes from us staying cohesive," junior guard **Jacob Pullen** said. "Clark does a good job of knowing what his role is and also a good job at helping out the team however he can."

... I'll always cherish this great opportunity I've been given."

Rhett Clark, senior in political science

In a 79-81 overtime loss to the No. 2 University of Kansas Jayhawks, junior guard **Jacob Pullen** attempts to go up and over sophomore Jayhawk center, **Markieff Morris**. After the game Pullen effect the crowd had on the game. "It's the sixth man," he said. "In some ways is made them miss a few free throws and we just had to take advantage of them. It really affected them at times."
Jonathan Knight

REVENGE OF THE FALLEN

After failing to make the NCAA tournament in 2009, the Wildcats entered the season unranked and unexpected to have a significant effect on the college basketball season.

by Eric Brown

They officially began their season against the Loyola University Chicago Wolves on Nov. 13 in Manhattan. The Cats defeated the Wolves 92-54, led by junior forward **Curtis Kelly** with 22 points. Although the Cats won, head coach **Frank Martin** was still disappointed with the team's performance and attributed his unhappiness to the team's practice the day before the game.

"We stunk — no disrespect to Loyola because their kids played their hearts out," Martin said. "We were the worst team in the country yesterday in practice, and we deserved to play as bad as we did. I hope we got embarrassed by it. It was the worst practice I have been associated with since I have been coaching basketball."

After a loss at the O'Reilly Auto Parts Puerto Rico Tipoff, the Cats won four games in a row before taking on the No. 17 University of Nevada Las Vegas Rebels. On paper, the Rebels were the Cats' biggest challenge up to that point in the season, but they trounced UNLV 95-80. Junior guard **Jacob Pullen** led the Cats in scoring with 28 points, 21 of which came from 3-pointers.

"Every time I caught, I saw the rim, and I thought it was going in," he said. "I was laughing because (UNLV's sophomore guard **Oscar Bellfield**) said 'Dang.' I would have said the same thing if the other team was doing that to us. They were playing good. Fortunately, the ball was bouncing in for us."

With this win, the Cats were ranked No.22. Over their next four games, they continued to climb up the national rankings, finally surging to No. 10 right before taking on the University of Missouri Tigers on the road. After the Cats were defeated by a score of 68-74, they dropped in national rankings to No. 12.

The team shook off the loss to the Tigers two games later when they went up against the No. 1 University of Texas Longhorns. The Cats jumped on top of

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Western Illinois 82-50 W
Bostson University 80-70 W
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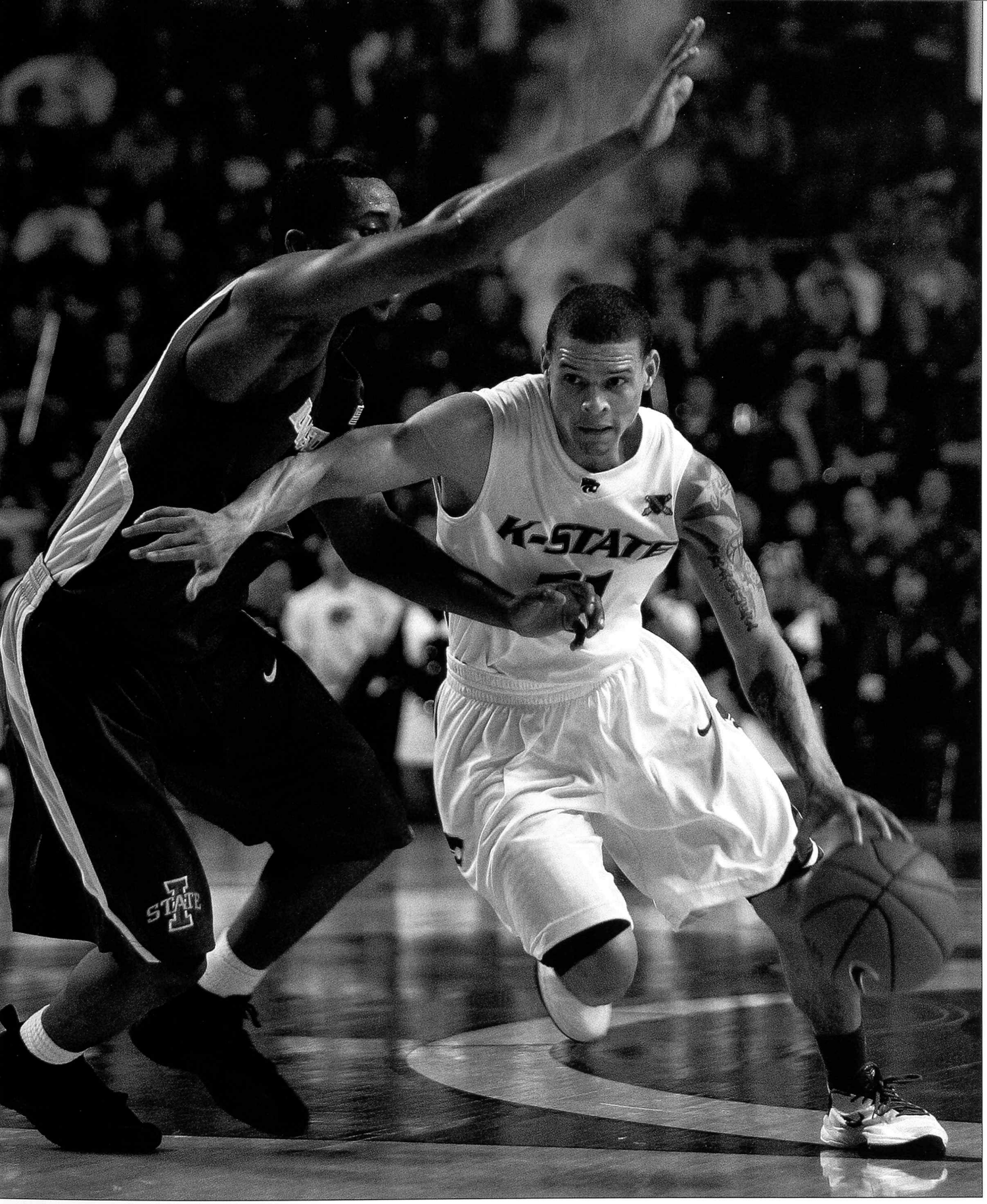
Dayton 83-75 W
IUPUI 70-57 W
Fort Hays State 83-76 W
Washington State 86-69 W
Xavier 71-56 W



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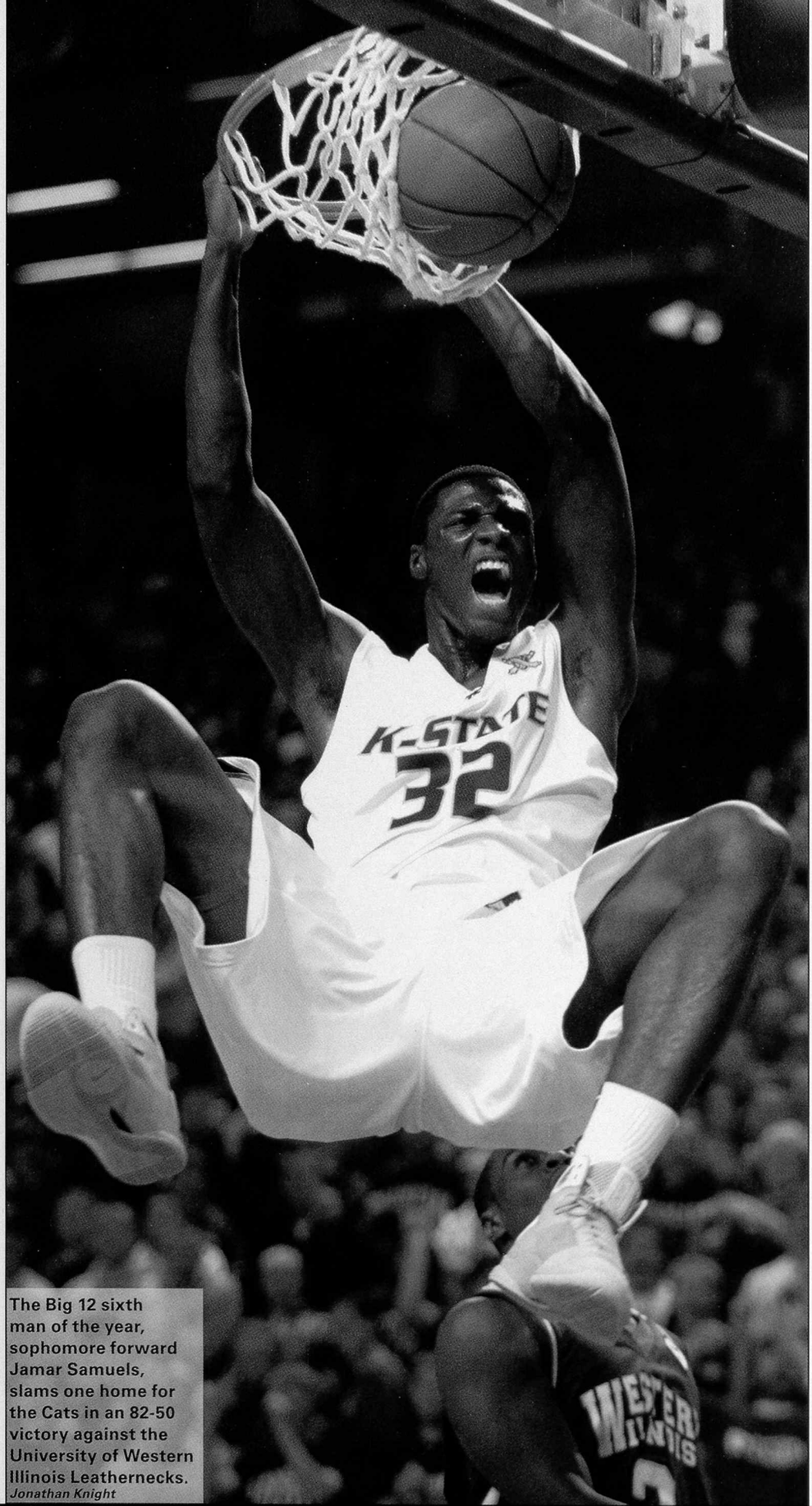


The Big 12 sixth man of the year, sophomore forward Jamar Samuels, slams one home for the Cats in an 82-50 victory against the University of Western Illinois Leathernecks.
Jonathan Knight

the Longhorns from the tipoff and never looked back. The Cats' 71-62 victory marked only the third time in school history a team had knocked off the No. 1 team in the nation. Sophomore forward **Jamar Samuels**, who recorded a game-high 20 points and 8 rebounds, led the Cats. After the game, Martin briefly displayed his excitement over the win but also elaborated on why he was reserved in praising his team.

"To me, it means that we won a game on Jan. 18," he said. "I do not mean to be silly about it, but we do not get parades this time of year. I am proud of our kids, and I am proud of our assistants. We are a united group of people in our office, and it has been like that since day one."

After such a significant win against the Longhorns, the Cats turned around and lost to the Oklahoma State University Cowboys 67-73, ending their home winning streak at 15 games. The loss to the Cowboys could not stick with the now No. 13 Cats, however, because they were set to take on the No. 2 University of Kansas Jayhawks at home for ESPN's College Gameday. After 40 minutes of play, a winner was still not decided. The score was tied at 79 with less than a minute remaining in overtime, the Jayhawks' leading scorer and team captain senior guard **Sherron Collins** drove to the basket and floated a shot just over the long reach of freshman forward **Wally Judge**, putting the score at 79-81. In a last second attempt for the Cats, senior guard **Denis Clemente** chucked a desperate 3-pointer that clanked off the back of the rim as time expired. Clemente finished the game with

Oklahoma State 69-73 L
Baylor 76-74 W
Kansas 79-81 L
Nebraska 76-57 W

Iowa State 79-75 W
Colorado 68-51 W
Nebraska 91-87 W
Oklahoma 83-68 W

Texas Tech 83-64 W
Missouri 68-53 W
Kansas 65-82 L
Iowa State 82-85 L

13 points, but the true star was Pullen, who finished with a game-high 22 points. After the game, Jayhawk head coach **Bill Self** said that Pullen was the most improved player in the nation. Martin summarized what a thriller the match up was between the two teams.

"From a fan's perspective, I do not think you can complain about anything," he said. "If there is ever a better college basketball atmosphere, then I have never seen anything close to it. From a game perspective, I do not think you could get a better basketball game than that either."

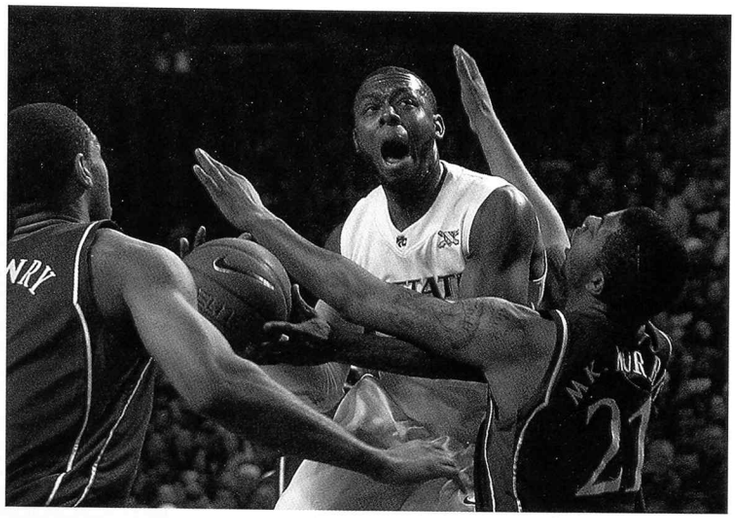
Junior forward **Dominique Sutton** talked about the nature of the game from a player's perspective.

"I mean that's the type of game that we like to get into, Denis and Pullen, open transitions and easy baskets. We knew it was going to be that type of game from day one," he said "That was something we had to get right into, and it was just tough. We tried to grind it out and we just came up short."

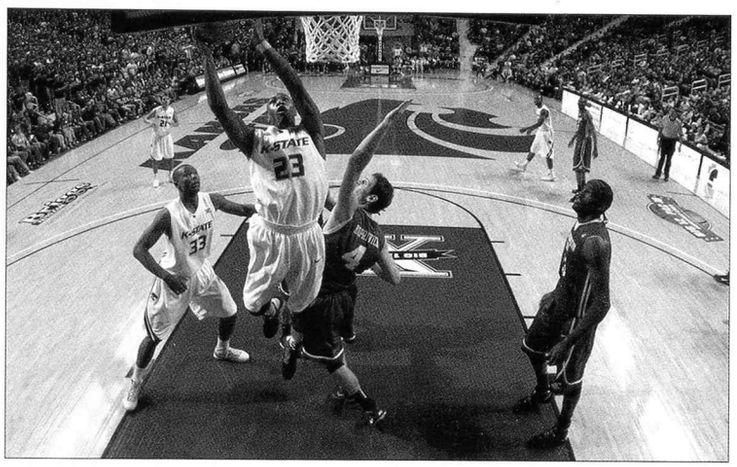
After their loss to the Jayhawks, the Cats' overall record was 17-4, and their record in the Big 12 was 4-3.

The Cats were not defeated again until the next time they faced the Jayhawks, seven games later 65-82. The Cats went into the game ranked No. 5 while the Jayhawks were once again ranked No. 2. Allen Field House was a notoriously tough place to play in, and with the win, the Jayhawks moved their home win streak to 59. The Wildcats were led in scoring by Clemente who had 21 points.

The Cats looked to turn things around in their last game of the regular season against the Iowa State University Cyclones. Emotions were running rampant in Bramlage Coliseum during the Cats' Senior Night. The Cyclones crashed the Wildcat party, however, by defeating the Cats 85-82 in overtime. When reflecting on the loss, Martin said why he felt bad for both the fans and his seniors.



The unranked University of Iowa State Cyclones knocked off the No. 5 Wildcats 82-85 in overtime. "I don't think the pressure will build," junior forward Curtis Kelly said. "I think that people are going to wonder about us a little more. A lot of people thought we were the team to beat, now I think we have moved down a little bit." The Cats went on to finish second in the Big 12 tournament, losing to the Jayhawks.
Jonathan Knight



During the Big 12/ Pac-10 Hardwood Series Nov. 29, junior Forward Dominique Sutton powers his way down the lane and shoots the ball. "Our guys have big hearts and a lot of pride," head coach Frank Martin said. "They do not need me going into the locker room and telling them they practiced wrong and played bad last Tuesday. They have pride in who we try to be."
Jonathan Knight

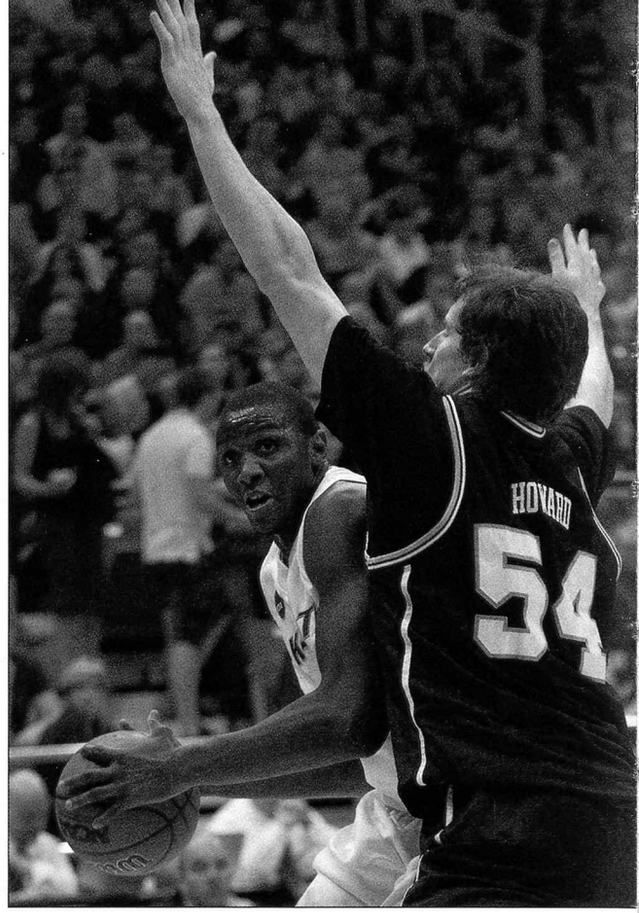
"It is disappointing. I am disappointed that we could not send our seniors out with a win," he said. "I am disappointed that we could not give the people of K-State a win on the last game this season at home. It is unfortunate that in this business success is measured on wins and losses. As a coach, I measure success in your ability to continue to get your kids to do their jobs regardless of the obstacles that you come across."

The Cats finished the season at 24-6, a tie for the second most wins in a season in school history, ranked No. 9 in the nation, tied for second in the Big 12, and also earned a two seed in the NCAA tournament. The Cats were also decorated with many individual honors as well; Martin was named the Big 12 Coach of the year, Pullen was named a Third Team All American and Clemente was named a Fourth Team All American. Historically, there were few Wildcat teams that accomplished more in a season then this one did.

Big 12 Tournament
Oklahoma State 83-64 W
Baylor 82-75 W

Kansas 64-72 L
NCAA
North Texas 82-62 W

BYU 84-72 W
Xavier 101-96 W
Butler 56-63 L



For the first half of the game March 27, junior forward **Curtis Kelly** was a quite a headache for the Bulldogs, but in the second half Butler clogged up the inside making it difficult for him to enjoy the same amount of success. In the press conference following the game Kelly said how important it was for him as an individual to be able to be part of a team as special as this one.
Matt Binter

cats exceed expectations in post-season

by Eric Brown

The Wildcats started their postseason by playing in the Big 12 Championship against the Oklahoma State University Cowboys. The Cats blew by the Cowboys 83-64 and advanced to the second round of the tournament, where they faced the Baylor University Bears. The Cats defeated the Bears 82-75, led by junior guard **Jacob Pullen**, who scored 26 points in 36 minutes of play. With this win, the Cats went on to the championship game to play the No. 1 University of Kansas Jayhawks for the third time in the season.

The Cats fell short of claiming the Big 12 Championship after being beaten 81-79 in overtime by the top-ranked Jayhawks. The Cats' record fell to 26-7, a record that earned them a No. 2 seed in the NCAA Tournament.

In the first round of March Madness, the Cats took on the University of North Texas Eagles and defeated them 82-62. Senior guard **Denis Clemente** led the way for the Cats by racking up 17 points. Pullen and junior forward **Curtis Kelly** added 15 points each to the Cats' total.

"I'm real proud of our guys," head coach **Frank Martin** said. "I thought we gave up a couple of offensive rebounds early in the game, but outside of that, I thought we really zoned in and defended and allowed us to get into broken floor, and then we went up there and converted and made some shots, made some plays, and that allowed us to kind of get away a little bit, and I was proud of our guys."

After rolling over the Eagles, the Cats took on the No. 7 seed Brigham Young University Cougars. Pullen and Clemente combined for a total of 53 points. Their performances led the team to a 84-72 victory and pushed the Cats to their first Sweet 16 since 1988. In the game, Pullen left briefly with an injury in the first half before returning and giving the team a spark that eventually led to the lead.

"Your adrenaline is rushing," Pullen said. "I look over at my teammates and they're telling me, 'Come on, come on,' you know, and I just couldn't sit there and watch us play, you know. So regardless, man,



unless something was broken (or) I couldn't walk, I would have gotten back up and tried to play."

To advance to the Elite Eight, the Cats had to get past the University of Xavier Musketeers. Pullen buried a pair of 3-pointers to pull out a 101-96 double-overtime victory. After the game, Pullen, who finished with 28 points, talked about the game and the teams' wills to win.

"It was a classic. It was two teams who didn't want the season to end," he said. "We didn't play our best game. It was a credit to them. They played good defense, made tough shots. Every time we thought the game was over with, we were walking to the line, you could see it in their eyes, they didn't want their season to end either."

In the Elite Eight, the Cats took on the No. 5 seed Butler University Bulldogs. In the first half, both Pullen and Clemente were scoreless for the Cats, allowing the Bulldogs to take a 26-20 lead. The Bulldogs also controlled most of the second half, but at the 3:09 mark, Clemente nailed a three and tied the score at 54-54. Butler quickly slowed the Cats' momentum and ended up winning the game 63-56. Pullen finished the game with 14 points and Clemente with 18, but the two shot a combined 11-30 from the field. Kelly had a dynamite first half, scoring 10 of his 14 points, but he did not have the same amount of success in the second half due to the Bulldogs tough inside defense. After the game, a distraught Kelly talked briefly about the Cats' successful season and how much being a part of their tournament run meant to him.

"A lot of people did not think we were going to make it this far," he said. "We have made strides and started traditions. For me, it is just great to be able to play here. This team has saved my life."

By all accounts, he Cats had a tremendous season. They finished second in the Big 12, tallied the most wins in a single season in school history, produced the Big 12 Coach of the Year, and took a trip to the Elite Eight for the first time since 1988.

"We had a great ride," Martin said.

After losing 56-63 in the Elite 8 to the No. 5 seed University of Butler Bulldogs, freshman guard **Martavious Irving** hangs his head and aimlessly stares. "I'm extremely proud of the ride these kids have given me, and all of K-State," head coach **Frank Martin** said. "I'm disappointed because I know how much those kids invested in taking a chance to be special and to be so close to that promise land that we all get judged on in college basketball which is a place that K-State just hasn't been to in so long. It's disappointing." The Wildcats trip to the Elite 8 marks the first time that the team has went that far in the NCAA tournament since 1988.
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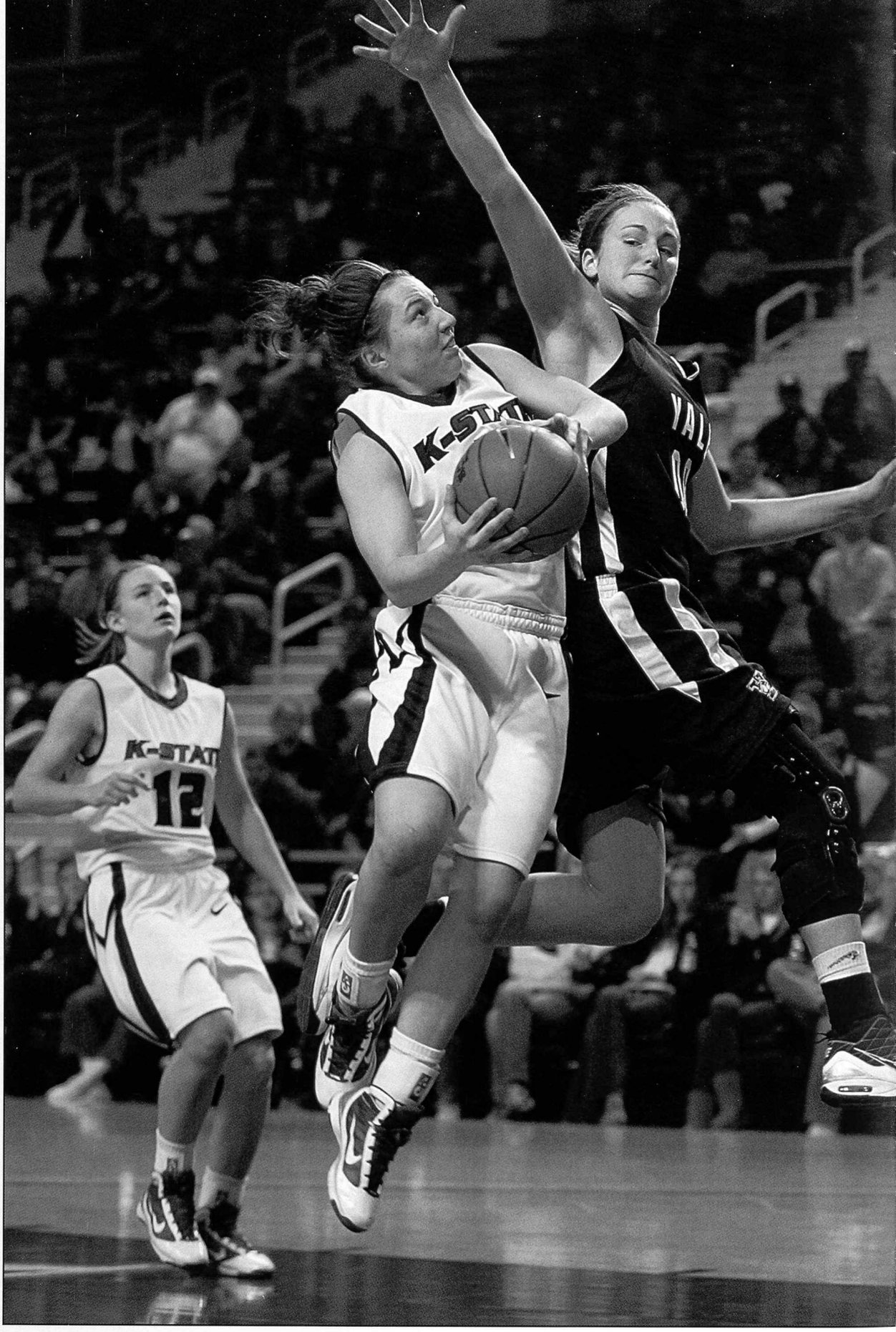


Against the University of Yale Furious Bulldogs freshman guard Brittany Chambers fearlessly takes the ball to the basket despite colliding in midair with senior forward Haywood Wright. "We have to learn that when the ball goes up, we have to come with some intensity," head coach Deb Patterson said. "I didn't like our lack or focus and intensity early in the game. As we move forward, the two and three minutes that we are not ready to compete and not playing at the speed of the game can get you beat." Chambers finished the game with 16 points.
Jonathan Knight

Indiana State 73-77 L
Arkansas State 79-80 L
Washington State 70-63 W

Creighton 54-63 L
BYU 65-62 W
Arkansas 58-60 L

Grambling State 58-60 L
Missouri State 64-60 W
Northwestern 50-53 L

Lady Wildcats Hoop It Up

by Eric Brown

After making it to the NCAA tournament in 11 straight seasons, the Wildcats had to fill the void that four key graduating players left. This proved to be a challenge but the Cats managed to stay competitive with the help of a young and talented backcourt and a veteran center. The Wildcats started the season with a three-game home stretch. In those three games the team went 1-2, defeating the Washington State University Huskies and losing to the Indiana State University Sams and Arkansas State University Red Wolves. Against Arkansas State, the Cats blew a 14-point lead and allowed the Red Wolves to push the game into overtime.

In the final seconds, the Cats held on to a two-point lead until guard **Meghan Lewis** of the Red Wolves hit a game-winning 3-pointer, putting the final score at 79-80. Although the Cats dropped the game, they did get a promising performance out of freshman guard **Brittany Chambers**, who had 20 points in only 25 minutes of play. After the game, head coach **Deb Patterson** said the Red Wolves controlled the majority of the game and also thanked the fans for their support during the game.

"Statistically, they owned just about every phase of the game, so I give them credit for coming in here and getting a road win," she said. "I appreciate our fans being here, and I thought they did their very best to try and provide us with energy and give us the emotion to get over the top."

After their overtime loss, the Cats went on the road for three games, two of which they lost, before coming back home for the Commerce Bank Wildcat Classic. In their first match of the Classic, the Cats took on Grambling State University and defeated them 87-62, their largest win of the season. Senior forward **Ashley Sweat** had a double-double and led all scorers with 26 points. Chambers continued to put up good numbers by adding 18 points to the Cats' total.

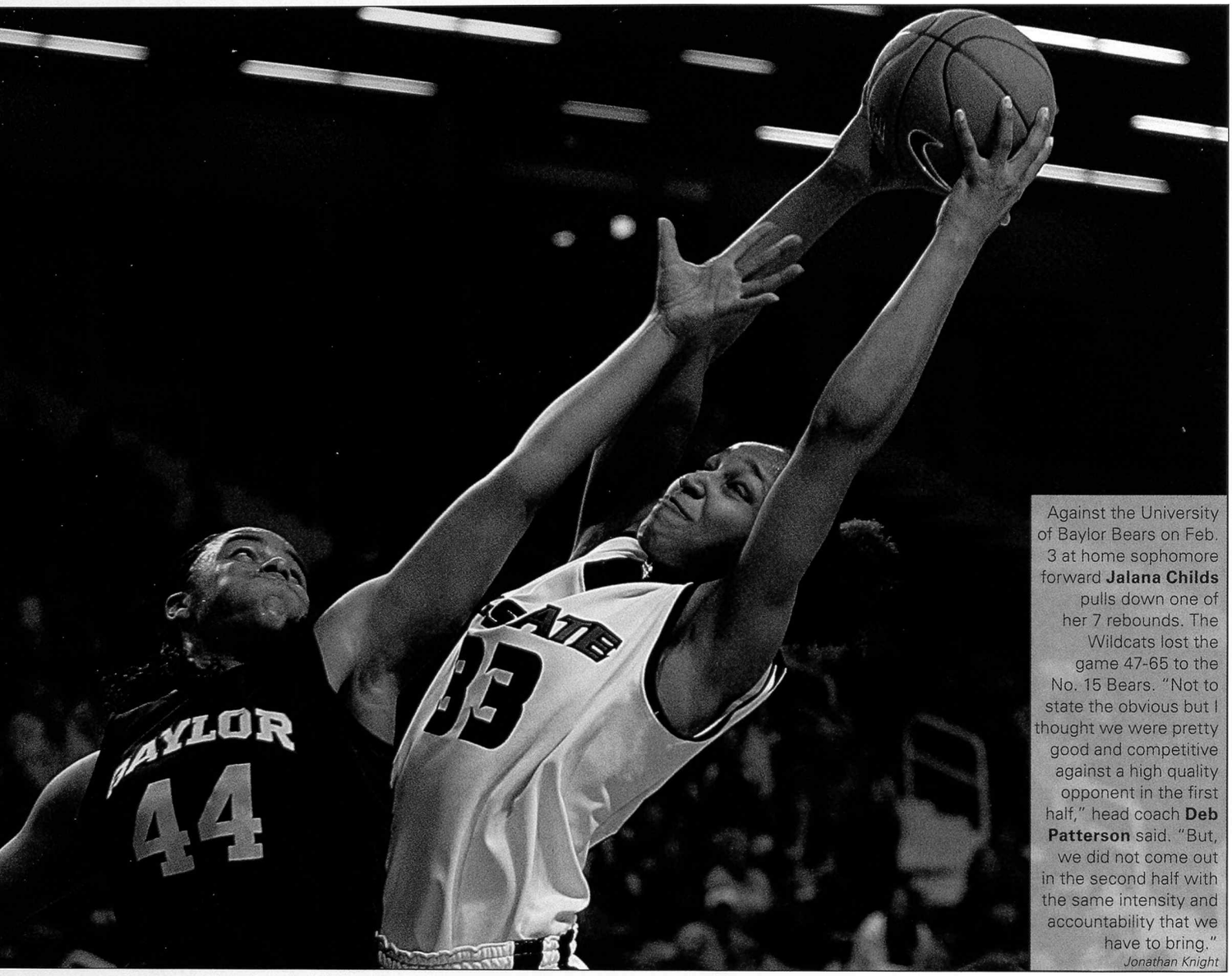
In the second game of the Classic, the Cats faced off against the Missouri State University Bears. This game was closer in score, but the Cats still came out on top and defeated the Bears 64-60, putting the Cats' overall record at 4-4. Once again, Sweat led all scorers in the game with 26 points; she also finished with 7 rebounds.

The team then traveled to Las Vegas for the Duel in the Desert. At the Duel, the Cats went 2-1, losing their first match to the University of Hawaii 61-71. They swept their next two opponents, however, and in their final game of the duel against University of Texas at San Antonio, the Cats had four players in double digits, including Sweat, who became only the ninth player in school history record at least 1,500 points in their career.

After leaving the desert, the Cats went on an impressive four-game winning streak. The most notable victory of the four came Jan. 9 at home when the Cats took on the No. 24 University of Kansas Jayhawks. The final score was 59-35, and the Cats forced 20 Jayhawk turnovers and converted them into 23 points. Afterward, the Cats maintained a concentrated attitude about their performance and looked forward to their upcoming games.

"Hopefully it is something that we can build off of," senior guard Kari Kincaid said. "I hope our young players know every game will not be like this. It is war every single game, and I hope we take this as confidence booster."

Hawaii 61-71 L
VCU 73-67 W
UTSA 59-55 W
UC Davis 73-59 W
Yale 78-59 W
Kansas 59-35 W
Missouri 65-50 W
Oklahoma State 56-66 L
Colorado 57-63 L



Against the University of Baylor Bears on Feb. 3 at home sophomore forward **Jalana Childs** pulls down one of her 7 rebounds. The Wildcats lost the game 47-65 to the No. 15 Bears. "Not to state the obvious but I thought we were pretty good and competitive against a high quality opponent in the first half," head coach **Deb Patterson** said. "But, we did not come out in the second half with the same intensity and accountability that we have to bring."
Jonathan Knight



Over the course of the next four games, the Cats were unable to maintain the same level of success and went 1-3. They didn't think back on track until Jan. 31 when they took on the No. 22 Iowa State University Cyclones at home. The Cats' 73-67 victory not only shattered the Cyclones' four-game winning streak, but it also marked the teams second victory over a ranked opponent in the season. The Cats' win was secured by Sweat, Chambers and freshman guard **Taelor Carr**, who all scored in double figures.

"We worked a lot on our offensive execution this week," Sweat said. "We were able to work the ball well inside and outside. We played really well together, and we played smart, and that was one of the first times that we have played smart like that this year."

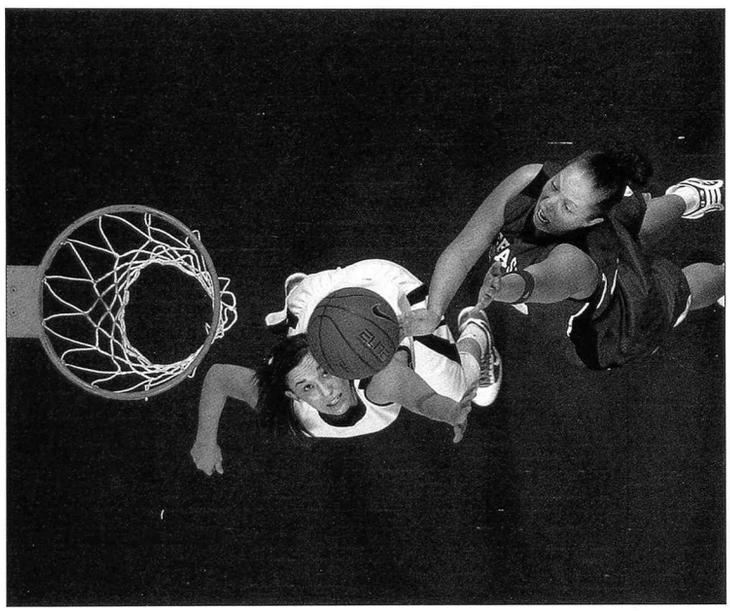
After beating the Cyclones, the Cats took on the Baylor University Bears at home. In the second half, the Bears went on a 20-2, leading to a 65-47 win. This game put the Cats' overall record at 11-10 and in the Big 12, their record was 3-4. The team's losing woes didn't stop there; in the Sunflower Showdown sequel, the Cats were defeated by the Jayhawks 60-70. Sweat reached another milestone in her career, the senior earned her 563rd rebound in the game,

Nebraska 56-71 L
Iowa State 73-67 W
Baylor 47-65 L
Kansas 60-70 L
Missouri 37-33 W
Texas A&M 63-69 L
Texas 41-62 L
Oklahoma 58-64 L
Texas Tech 67-75 L



During a 67-73 loss to the No. 18 University of Iowa State Cyclones Freshman guard **Brittany Chambers** desperately chases the ball. "When they switched to the zone, I had flashbacks to Oklahoma State and how we did not execute, but we watched film so we knew where the gaps would be in the Iowa State zone and how we could penetrate it," senior forward **Ashley Sweat** said. "We were able to work the ball well inside and outside."
Jonathan Knight

Although the Cats lost to the No. 2 University of Nebraska Huskers 72-82 they managed to stay competitive. In her final home game senior forward Sweat tallied 24 points. "It was so amazing, that first half," she said. "You are right, there was a lot of emotion in the locker room and I'm just so happy at the improvements that we have made over the past couple games. I think that getting that win at Colorado was so big for us."
Jonathan Knight



making her the school's 19th all-time leading rebounder.

In the team's last eight games, they went 2-6, dropping their overall record for the regular season to 15-17 and their record in Big 12 to 5-11. Their final win of the season came when they defeated the University of Colorado Buffaloes 72-70 on the road.

On Senior Day, the Cats were defeated by the No. 3 University of Nebraska Huskers'. The Huskers 72-82 win made them the first team in the Big 12 to complete a season at 29-0. Although the regular season had been a disappointment by many measures, Patterson still shared her appreciation for the two seniors for their hard work and accomplishments.

"Everyone here at K-State has a great appreciation for Ashley and Kari," she said. "It goes without saying that Ashley Sweat is one of the top five players to ever put on a K-State uniform. She has been a program-elevator and a program-changer for us over the course of her four-year career. Kari Kincaid is a phenomenal leader and is as tough as a competitor as we have had the opportunity to coach. Both of these seniors are tremendous student-athletes, as well as people of character off the floor."

Iowa State 38-49 L
Colorado 72-70 W
Nebraska 72-82 L

Big 12 Tournament
Texas Tech 59-51 W
Nebraska 46-63 L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On the driveway in front of Kappa Kappa Gamma, the women are serenaded by a fraternity pledge class. "It was pretty exciting, it was funny," **Molly Glenn**, freshman in elementary education, said. All the older girls in the house were like, 'Dress kind of cute, because all these boys are going to be singing to you.' Plus, that was the first thing we did (as a pledge class.) We had bid day and (serenade) was the next weekend. That meant you got to learn a little about the girls in your house. Like when the boys wanted to dance with the girls, you could tell about the girls' personality, like who danced and who stood in the back."
Chelsy Lueth

people

In their Manhattan home-away-from-homes, students found places to take off their pretenses and bare it all.



For Boyd Hall's Floor Wars, **Anna Zink**, vice president and junior in elementary education, kicks off the night of karaoke Nov. 19. The whole group joined in on other songs including Fergie's "Fergalicious." *Erin Poppe*

by Tamara Salisbury

boyd residents time travel during Battle of the Decades

A semi-circle of women formed around one Boyd Hall resident, **Breanna Stewart**, freshman in music, as she belted Aretha Franklin's "Respect," in the Boyd lobby. Within the semi-circle, Stewart had her own backup singers and dancers for her karaoke performance.

"I like karaoke," she said, "but I also came to have fun and meet new people."

Karaoke was the Thursday night activity for Boyd's annual Floor Wars competition. In a battle of the decades, Boyd residents time traveled through the 1920s to the 1940s, 1960s, 1980s and finally the 2000s within one week.

Each night had an activity based on one of the decades, except Wednesday because of Moore Hall's rave party. To earn points, participants signed in and floors received points for the number of residents present.

Additionally, residents for Thursday night dinner in clothing from their decade, and they decorated their floor in the theme of their decade as well. Residents also donated to the Flint Hills Bread Basket, though their floor did not receive points for this activity. **Heather Brink**, president and sophomore in biology, said she thought the turnout was great.

"It's gone over my expectations," she said. "I've been very pleased. I've heard from a lot of people that they've enjoyed it, and tonight (Thursday), you can tell everyone is having a blast. It just shows me I've been doing my job."

Though Boyd residents competed for bragging rights, the goal for the program was participation and getting to know one another better, Brink said.

"We do it to get all the floors involved and to be more communal," **Anna Zink**, vice president and junior in elementary education, said. "I know a lot of people like to stay within their floor, but this way you can meet more people."

Alisha Ball ..... Potwin, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Laura Cates ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Bakery Science and Management • SO
Ashley-Ann Cavazos ..... Wichita
Agriculture Communications and Journalism • FR
Rebekah Dodez ..... Larned, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • SR
Victoria Fort ..... Tonganoxie, Kan.
Public Health Nutrition • JU
Hilary Heinrichs ..... Lyons, Kan.
Athletic Training • FR
Laurie Hildebrand ..... St. John, Kan.
Athletic Training • SR
Jamie Hitchcock ..... Mentor, Kan.
Park Management and Conservation • FR
Kathryn Jones ..... Dodge City, Kan.
History • JU
Emily Loe ..... Olathe, Kan.
Interior Design • FR
Christen Markovich ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Interior Design • SO
Valerie Rock ..... Olathe, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Alexia Sampson-Bellot ..... Manhattan
Animal Science and Industry • FR
Breanna Stewart ..... Flower Mound, Texas
Music • FR
Amanda Tammen ..... McPherson, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Azsha Thompson ..... Wichita
Business Administration • FR
Whitney Unkefer ..... Pleasant Valley, Mo.
Family Studies and Human Services • FR



Q&A with sydney peck

by Eric Brown

Sydney Peck, sophomore in political science, decided to be a resident assistant in Ford Hall to help her pay for school. In doing so, she also found a job that allowed her to connect with all the women of her hall. She was one of two RAs on the first floor of Ford Hall in her first year of the job.

Q: What is the best part of being a RA?
A: I really like that I am able to connect with all of the girls. It makes it easier to identify with them since Ford is an all-girls hall, because we don't have to be self-conscious about impressing boys. We can just be ourselves.

Q: What is the biggest perk of being an RA?
A: I'm not going to lie; the best part is definitely the free room and board. My family and I were looking for ways to take care of all of the financial aspects of my college life, and this provided a great opportunity.

Q: Is it hard to be an enforcer?
A: No, not really, because I feel like I am able to deal with conflict well. I am a direct person, so I handle things in a direct manner and that really cuts down on the amount of problems that I have.

Q: Was there any training that you had to go through in order to be able to have this job?
A: We go through a ton of training for the job. We are required to go to inservices while we are working, and in our first semester on the job we are required to take a class to help prepare us for the job. We learn about how to deal with everything from planning a party to suicide threats.

Q: Has there been anything happen this year that is memorable for you?
A: We did mud runs this year. Every time it rained we would all go outside, run around and get super muddy. Afterwards, a couple of others and me would wash everybody's clothes, and then we all would go hang out for a couple of hours. It was a blast.

Q: Have there been any practical jokes that you were played this year?
A: Earlier this year somebody kept setting a Chucky doll in random places throughout the building. It got to be a little creepy after a while, especially when it eventually made its way in front of my door. It's pretty funny looking back on the whole thing.







Mackenzie Brown.....Leoti, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Michelle Clark.....Chapman, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Maureen Orth.....Prairie Village, Kan.
English • SO
Tiara Williams.....Overland Park, Kan.
English • SO



In the basement of Goodnow, **Jessica N. Long**, sophomore in chemical engineering, gently styles the henna on the arm of **Dana Bloom**, sophomore in mechanical engineering Dec. 7. "We were just having fun doing henna," Long said. "It was kind of a break from the stress of classes coming to an end and exams. I was using the scissors to touch up the artwork, it got a little bit messier than we were expecting, but that's all in fun when you're with friends."
Lisle Alderton

night of design

by Tara Cowley

Eight people sat around an oblong table in the basement of Goodnow Hall the night of Dec. 7. With a bowl of virgin sangria (cranberry juice, orange juice and lemon-lime soda) in the middle of the table and a smaller bowl of dark green, lumpy paste at the end of the table, the henna party, organized by the fifth floor resident assistants, was ready to begin.

"This is our second year doing the henna party," said **Diana Reichuber**, resident assistant and senior in family studies and human services. "I originally got the idea from a friend of mine that was an RA in Ford Hall. "

The activities of the night started with mingling while drinking punch and making the henna. The henna powder was mixed with water in a small bowl, then put into a plastic bag to be squeezed out and made into designs on the skin. The paste started out as a deep green, but as it dried on the skin, it turned brown.

Lauren F. Elder, sophomore in chemical engineering, said she had never gotten a henna tattoo before but was excited to. She also said it made her think she might get a real henna tattoo.

Whoever was next to get their tattoo would either pick a tattoo that others had looked up online or let the person doing the design choose. Most of the designs included flowing lines and flowers; they were often located on either the wrist or hand.

"I thought the idea of a henna party was really unique and interesting," **Hannah Ozier**, sophomore in communication sciences and disorders, said. "My favorite part about taking part in floor activities like this is just getting to meet people I probably normally wouldn't meet."



Robert Biang ..... Manhattan
Construction Science and Management • JU
Katie Bigham ..... Meriden, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
David Blanken ..... Henderson, Nev.
Anthropology • SR
Colborne Bucl ..... Sublette, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • SO
Leann Budke ..... Beloit, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Grant Borthwick ..... Salina, Kan.
Computer Science • FR
John Caldwell ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Microbiology • SO
Timothy Carroll ..... Spring Hill, Kan.
Dietetics • FR
Cade Cervenka ..... Sugar Land, Texas
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Peter Christensen ..... Leavenworth, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SO
Tom Clark ..... Olathe, Kan.
Engineering • FR
Megan Coffroth ..... Louisburg, Kan.
Biology • JU
Tara Cowley ..... Blair, Neb.
Journalism and Mass Communication • FR
Stuart Disberger ..... Arvada, Colo.
Engineering • FR
David Endsley II ..... Plano, Texas
Computer Science • SO
Timothy Engel ..... Raymore, Mo.
Agribusiness • SR
Melvin Fatimehin ..... Germantown, Md.
Open Option • FR
Kelly French ..... Manhattan
English • SR
Heather Goering ..... Newton, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Keith Gustin ..... Hays, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Jacob Heffern ..... Iola, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Rachel Helmke ..... Tecumseh, Kan.
Psychology • SO
Brett Holloway ..... Sublette, Kan.
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Ashley Hough ..... Overland Park, Kan.
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Faddy Khamis ..... Manhattan
Biology • FR
Jordon Kosechequetah ..... Salina, Kan.
Kinesiology • FR
John W. Leonard ..... Columbia, S.C.
Architecture • JU
Regan Lundin ..... Manhattan
Construction Science and Management • FR
Devin Mangus ..... Goodland, Kan.
Biological Systems Engineering • SO
Samantha McCloud ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Architecture • SO
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Stephanie Price ..... Olathe, Kan.
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Kurt Pucci ..... Overland Park, Kan.
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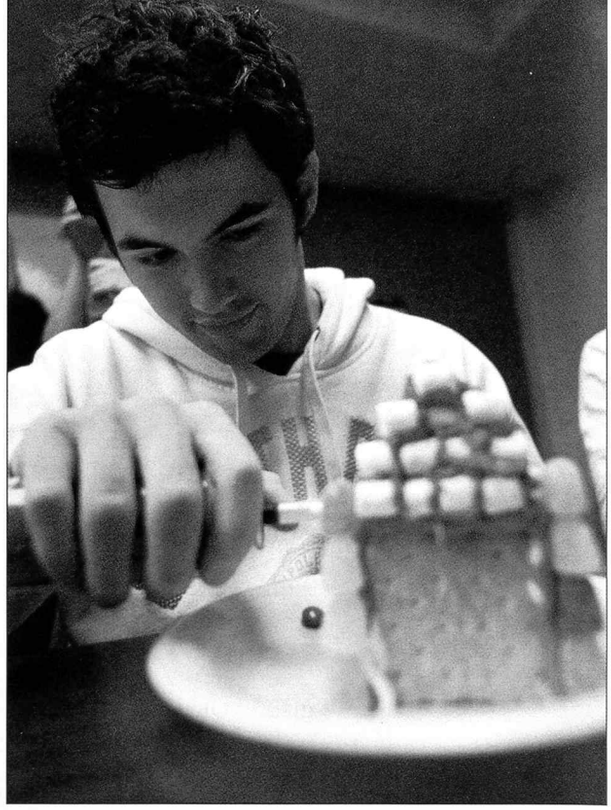
Todd Rundell ..... Morganville, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Rutherford Sanford IV ..... Houston
Hotel and Restaurant Management • FR
Derrick Schmitz ..... Greenwood Village, Colo.
Engineering • FR
Chris Sturm ..... Eudora, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Corey Tindall ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Mass Communication • SO
Matthew Wagner ..... Wellsville, Kan.
Regional and Community Planning • JU
Zachary Walters ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Fine Arts • SO
Richard Weibling ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Jonathan Weiss ..... Manhattan
Mechanical Engineering • FR
Michael Whitner ..... Ellsworth, Kan.
Computer Engineering • FR
Ali Wilcox ..... De Soto, Kan.
Athletic Training • FR
Jacquelyn Williams ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Human Ecology • FR



As he creates his gingerbread house, **Nathan Tinsley**, junior in horticulture, socializes with other residents in the basement of Haymaker. "I enjoyed making the gingerbread house," Tinsley said. "It was my first time doing so. I also enjoyed just taking a break from finals to have some mindless fun."
Chelsy Lueth

by Tara Cowley

residents build holiday cheer

Gumdrops, graham crackers, marshmallows, frosting, holiday music and board games — all critical elements of Haymaker Hall's holiday party on Dec. 9. With hot water for apple cider or cocoa in the entryway, students grabbed warm drinks to enjoy while conversing with friends and building their dream houses out of treats.

"We've had a lot of events this semester," **Amy Benson**, sophomore in history said. "One night we made snowflakes, and we also had a progressive dinner."

Normally, resident assistants organized events for just their own floors, but for the holiday season, a group of them worked together to organize the holiday party for the whole building. The night was originally planned to be a game night, but thinking it would be fun to incorporate the holidays, the RAs brought in ingredients for gingerbread houses, as well as the games.

"This is my first year (living) in Haymaker, and I really like it," **Maryclare Wheeler**, junior in animal sciences and industry, said. "The people are always good here."

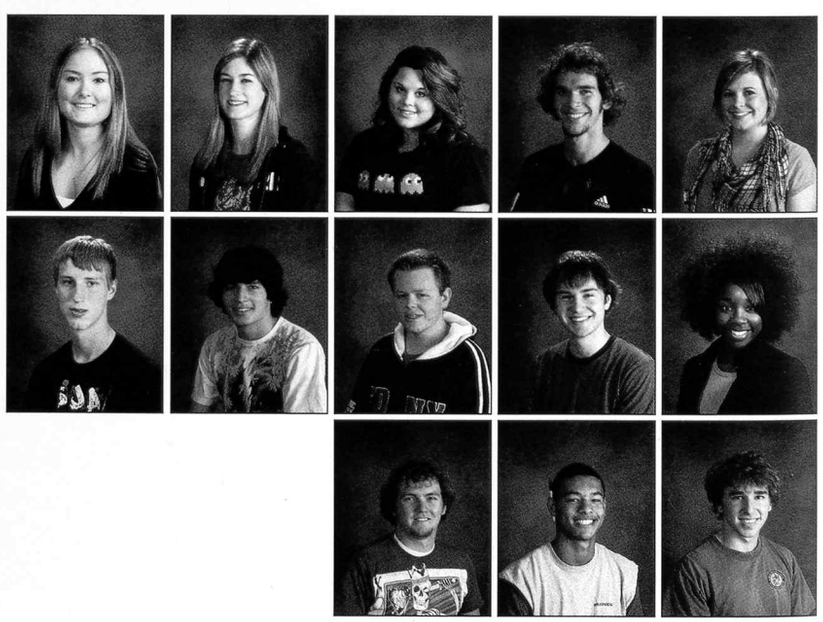
While a few students sang along with the carols, others shared plans for the upcoming break. The RAs said they felt the event was a good way for the students to take their minds off of the approaching finals week and focus on just relaxing and having fun.

"This event is definitely one of the best we've had," **Lindsay Beardall**, RA and junior in animal sciences and industry, said. "I've really enjoyed it. I think it's really great."

Jacqueline Black ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Biology • SO
Ashton Brasel ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Fine Arts • SO
Michaela Bryant ..... Olathe, Kan.
Theatre • FR
Brian Fibelkorn ..... Edgerton, Kan.
Music Education • FR
Robin Helget ..... Onaga, Kan.
Sociology • SO

Ryan McNally ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Engineering • FR
Nicholas Mercado ..... Plano, Texas
Open Option • FR
Conor Milne ..... Topeka
Psychology • FR
Alex Muirhead ..... Hays, Kan.
Music Education • SO
Natasha Peterson ..... Wichita
Business Administration • FR

Joe Rundle ..... Washington, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Nicholas Wiggins ..... Olathe, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Matt D. Wilson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Biology • SR



by Melissa M. Taylor

women in the mix



Heads turned during fall move-in as women hauled boxes into the historically all-male Marlatt Hall.

"It was like walking into a brand-new hall," **Lucia Nolla**, sophomore in elementary education, said. "Living in a coed environment, you get to meet some guys, and while all-girls is OK, it's good to have a mixture of different genders so you can have a bigger group of friends."

The hall went coed for the first time, and while new residents knew no different, but not all former residents were content with the new arrangement.

"The atmosphere before the transition was very relaxed and fraternal," **Patrick Short**, former president and senior in architectural engineering, said. "It was easy to make friends, and there was no pressure to act a certain way because girls were not around."

Short, who lived in Marlatt until last year, loved the camaraderie, and he said he wished the residents would have had more influence on the decision. He chose to live off-campus his senior year, though he said his decision was not solely dependent on Marlatt's transition.

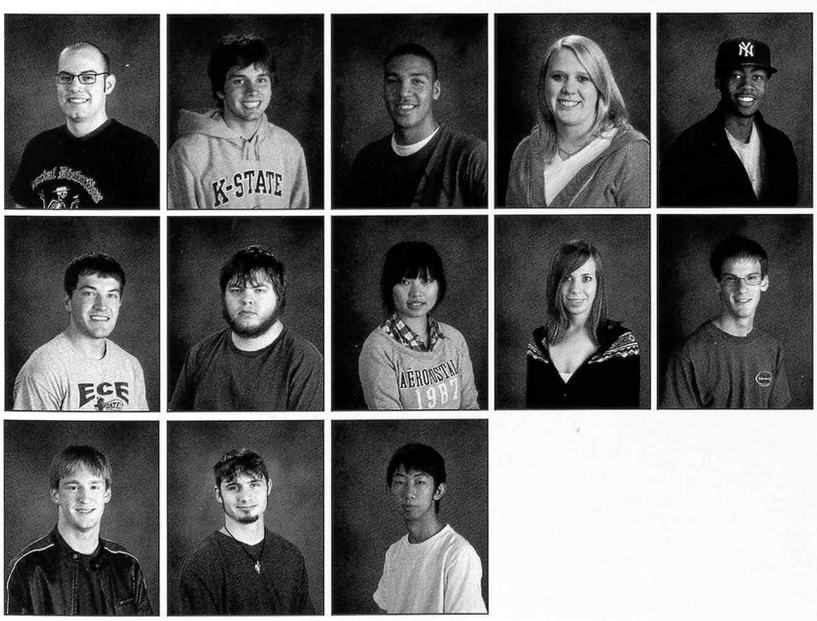
Representatives from Housing and Dining said they made the change to meet demands. **Nick Lander**, assistant director of Housing and Dining, said less than five percent of incoming men requested all-male living arrangements.

Lander also said the department was working with the Honors Program to create an Honors Cluster community and needed an environment where men and women could live together in both standard and suite-style rooms.

While some former residents did not return due to the changes, Lander said overall the Marlatt population saw the change as a good thing.

"I know there were a few students who were upset about the change, mostly students who had lived in Marlatt for many years," he said. "However, some still decided to live there again this year. In fact, some students even asked me, 'What took so long?' I think change is good when we can better serve our students with their success at K-State, so as long as changes are made with that in mind."

Before the fall semester begins, friends **Amber Roberts**, sophomore in accounting, and **Bailey Howel,** Washburn University student, stroll into the newly coed Marlatt Hall. "At first I thought (Marlatt) was kind of weird and boyish, but I've gotten used to it," Roberts said. "I figure that since it's the first year they haven't made many changes yet, but it'll get better."
Lisle Alderton



James Beveridge.....**Lyons, Kan.**
Fine Arts • SR
Joel Bland.....Emporia, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • FR
Eric Linden Brown.....Liberal, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Kelby Burton.....Highlands Ranch, Colo.
Architectural Engineering • FR
Justin Curry.....Olathe, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • FR

Timothy Ditch.....Gardner, Kan.
Civil Engineering • JU
Randall Hellmer.....Overland Park, Kan.
Computer Science • SO
Ke Hu.....Shi Pai, Guangzhou, China
Business Administration • SO
Lucy Nolla.....Bel Aire, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Jonathan Phillips.....Merriam, Kan.
Computer Science • JU

William Stevens.....Burlington, Kan.
Computer Engineering • SO
John Wittorff.....Windom, Kan.
Graphic Design • SO
Zhiman Xiao.....Zhengzhou, Henan, China
Business Administration • FR

WILL TRAVEL FOR FOOD

by Colleen Quinn

Chaos struck the basement and third floor of Moore Hall one quiet September evening when a mix-up landed the tiramisu in Germany and the black German cake in Italy. At Moore's first cultural dinner Sept. 27, each floor was assigned to bring a food or beverage representing a specific country.

Patrick Flores, Moore Hall Governing Board member and junior in agribusiness, thought of having each floor host food from a different country having a progressive dinner but was not quite sure how that would work with so many residents.

"I wanted to do an event that involved the presidents and would help build on their leadership skills," Flores said. "Moore Hall is all about wanting people to succeed."

All the residents in Moore were free to move between floors and explore each culture. The dinner gave the students the opportunity to step out of their comfort zones and experience a different culture.

"I'm a 'food-a-phobe,'" **Anthony Meals**, freshman in agricultural education, said. "I think if it doesn't look good it won't taste good. So I said I was going to pretend I enjoyed it. I tried every floor and loved it. They perfected their recipes."

Floor presidents were well versed on the food they were serving and knew facts about the country their floors were hosting.

"It definitely was a good opportunity to learn more about new cultures," **Kenna McWhirter**, freshman in human ecology, said. "It made it very interesting."

Family and teamwork were two common words Flores kept emphasizing. He said he could not have pulled the event off by himself.

"We worked together as a team," Flores said. "We worked as a family and took care of each other. It was a collaborative effort between everybody."

Ahmad Shah Ahmadi ..... Mazar City, Balkh, Afghanistan
English Language Program • Non Degree Student
Nicolas Da Silva Bernal ..... Topeka
Business Administration • FR
Alyson Eargle ..... Olathe, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Chikezie Ehie ..... Manhattan
Chemical Engineering • FR
Jared Evans ..... Wichita
Music • FR

Andrea Fouts ..... Ottawa, Kan.
Accounting • SO
Phillip Gomez ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Abdul Haq Haqiq ..... Mazar City, Balkh, Afghanistan
Modern Languages • GR
Joshua Huston ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Psychology • FR
Tyler Jacobson ..... Highlands Ranch, Colo.
Environmental Design • FR

Michelle Nelson ..... Ottawa, Kan.
Accounting • SO
Rachel Peters ..... Manhattan
Bakery Science and Management • JU
Benjamin Raaf ..... Blue Springs, Mo.
Business Administration • FR
Taylor W. Schmidt ..... Greensburg, Kan.
Political Science • SO
Adriana Weatherspoon ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Psychology • SO

Maci Wells ..... Cottonwood Falls, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Tyrone Williams Jr. ..... Columbia, S.C.
Theatre • SO
Nathanael Wold ..... Elmdale, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SO
Keeley Young ..... Liberal, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Lashonda Young ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Open Option • FR





Moore Hall residents serve themselves at the Greek food station on the first floor of Moore Hall as part of their cultural dinner celebration, which featured a different type of food on each floor.
Matt Binter

"We had over 150 students who attended. It was set up so students could receive a dish on every floor. The point of the event was for students to have chances to try foods from other cultures, and this is especially good because of the growing international student population."

Mark Savoy, senior in sociology

FROM COUNTRY TO COUNTRY

Basement:
- Italy

1st floor:
- Greece

2nd floor:
- Denmark

3rd floor:
- France

4th floor:
- India

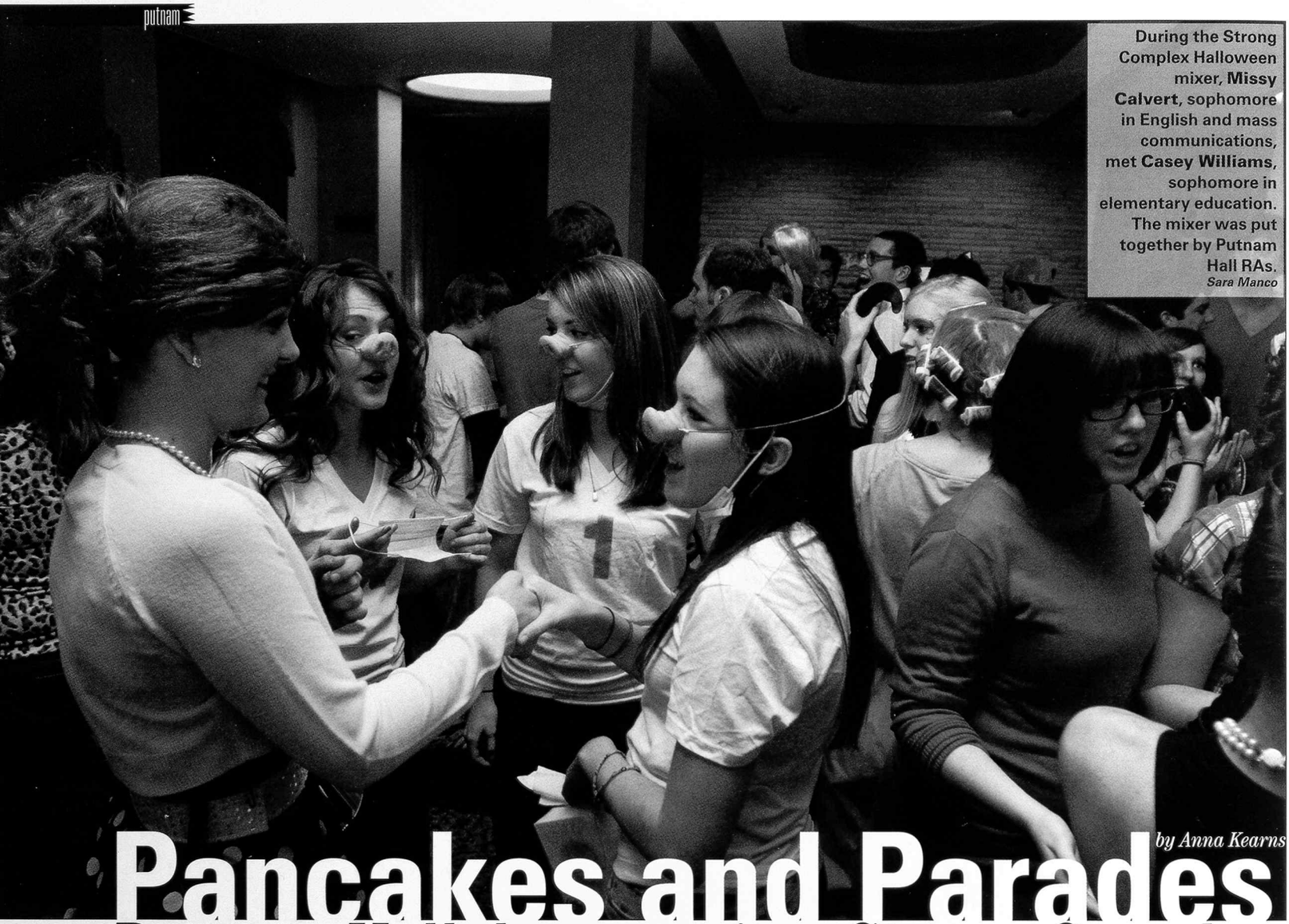
5th floor:
- China

6th floor:
- Germany

7th floor:
- Middle East

8th floor:
- Spain

9th floor:
- Mexico



During the Strong Complex Halloween mixer, **Missy Calvert**, sophomore in English and mass communications, met **Casey Williams**, sophomore in elementary education. The mixer was put together by Putnam Hall RAs.
Sara Manco

by Anna Kearns

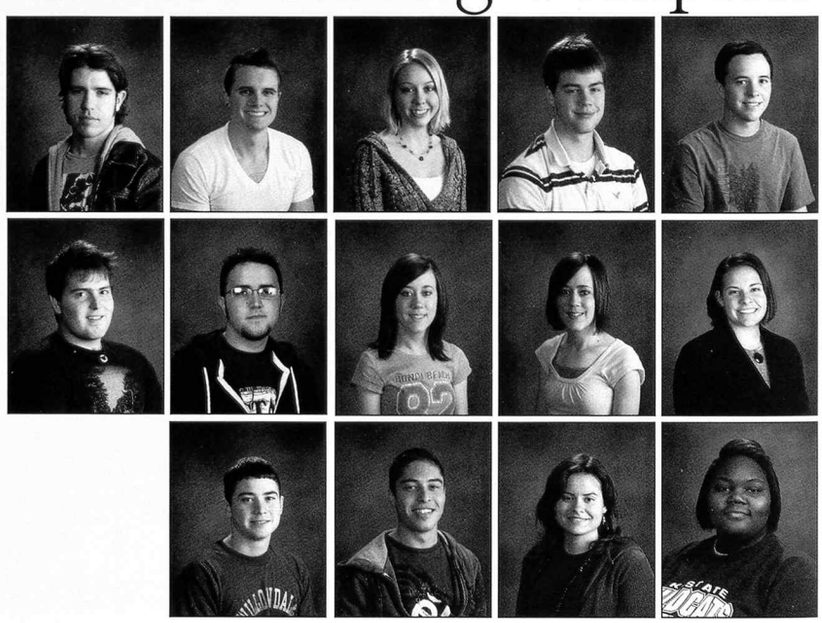
Pancakes and Parades

Putnam Hall dance unites Strong Complex

Nick Arst ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Biology • JU
Andrew Dalbey ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Katelyn Elliott ..... Lawrence
Elementary Education • SR
Hunter Ellsworth ..... Topeka
Mechanical Engineering • JU
Chad Foust ..... Webster, N.Y.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU

Mason Good-Turney ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Mass Communications • SR
Joshua Hendry ..... Riverton, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Alicia Shankle ..... Lakin, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Amanda Shankle ..... Lakin, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Alaina Shelton ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Mathematics • SR

Clayton Stubbs ..... Abilene, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • SO
Edgar Tafolla ..... Arkansas City, Kan.
Engineering • FR
Marina Warkentien ..... Caruaru, Pernambuco, Brazil
Open Option • JU
Caysha Williams ..... Topeka
Business Administration • SO





Monica Ebert ..... St. George, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • FR
Abigail Lynch ..... Humble, Texas
Elementary Education • SO
Shawna Marlow ..... Sylvia, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Brittany Stevens ..... Parker, Colo.
Mass Communications • JU
Heather Stos ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Graham Weaver ..... Overland Park, Kan.
History • FR

At 8 p.m. on Halloween, a bottle of ketchup sat in an easy chair in the lobby of Putnam Hall and watched about sixty of her costumed Strong Complex mates dance to the Backstreet Boys at the Putnam Halloween Dance, hosted in an effort to unite the residents of the Strong Complex.

"We have a staff who do rounds in all three buildings," said **Maggie Higgins**, Putnam Assistant Residence Life Coordinator and graduate student in counseling and student development. "We, as a staff, work hard for (the residents) to see us united, and we want them to feel united. But we don't want to mess with the identities of the houses. We just don't want to, for instance, throw a party the same night as Boyd (Hall)."

Upon entering the main room of Putnam, the Halloween Dance attendees were asked to sign up for door prizes. The winner would receive a Bakery Bucks gift certificate for the T.H.E. Bakery in the Derby Complex dining center. The sign-up for door prizes had informational purposes as well.

"This is our first program of the year with Van Zile (Hall) and Boyd (Hall)," Higgins said, "so we're wanting people to sign up so we know how many people are here from the (other halls)."

Before the dance began, residents ate pancakes dyed orange, with chocolate chips and blueberries available so students could decorate them like jack-o'-lanterns.

After eating, students headed to the dance floor for some tunes and friends.

"(This dance is a) more fun way to meet people and get to know each other better," **Lexie Casey**, freshman in elementary education, said. "I've seen a lot of people randomly walking up to people and meeting each other."

The main event of the dance was a costume contest. Participants paraded down the middle of the room in front of the judges. In the parade were two women wearing pig noses and face masks (dressed to represent the H1N1 virus), Peter Pan and Tinker bell and a herd of men dressed like women, who readjusted their brassieres throughout the entire parade.

The judges chose five winners, and a dance-off, measured by audience applause, decided the first-place winner. Brothers **Andrew Dalbey**, junior in mass communications, and **Grant Dalbey**, freshman in business administration, were awarded first place for their scantily dressed portrayals of a police officer and a firefighter.

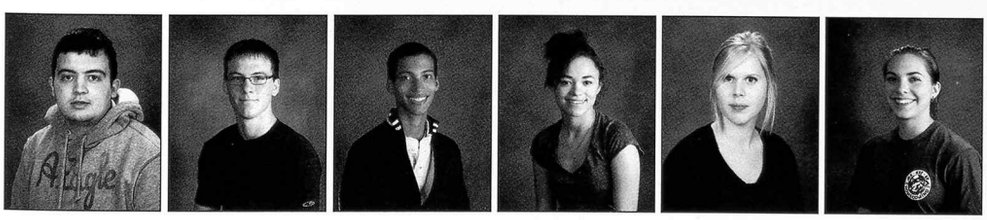
"It is wonderful to have everyone here," **Kosta Kirilov**, senior in economics, said. "It allows everyone to just get in here and have fun. We've got naked men running around — we've got everything."



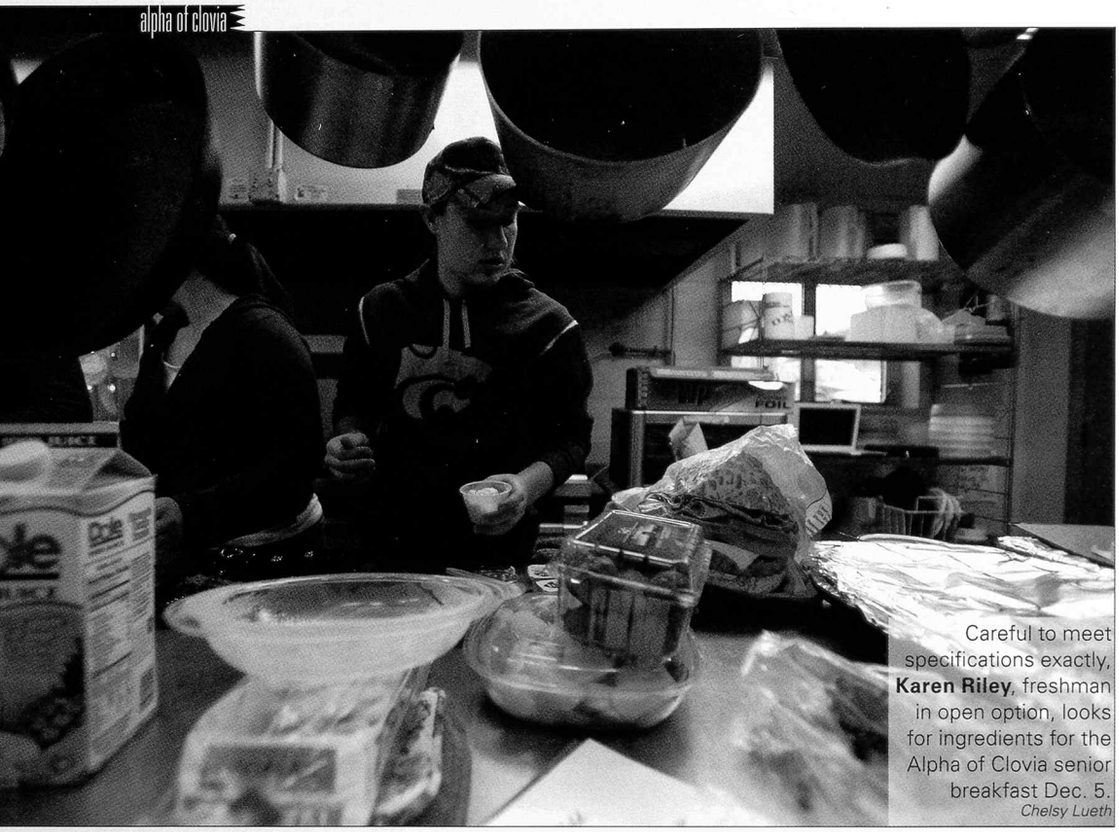
Putnam Hall RAs flip pancakes decorated to look like jack-o'-lanterns. **Alaina Shelton**, senior in secondary education and mathematics, and **Jessica Bocquin**, junior in dietetics, assisted with the planning and organizing of the mixer. "The orange pancakes — people didn't expect orange," Shelton said. "We definitely made a double recipe, close to 100 pancakes."
Sara Manco

Dance Off–
top 5 costume contestants

- fifth place: the Ghostbusters
- fourth place: the Scooby Doo gang
- third place: Superman
- second place: Wolverine and Sabertooth
- **WINNER:** scantily dressed firefighter, **Andrew Dalbey**, junior in mass communications; and police officer, **Grant Dalbey**, freshman in business administration



Yacine Ait Si Amer ..... Manhattan
Civil Engineering • FR
Ryan Easterling ..... Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
English • JU
Winston Duncan ..... Richardson, Texas
Political Science • FR
Emaleigh Farlow ..... Wichita
Pre-Dental • SO
Leslie Horn ..... Le Mans, Sarthe, France
Pre-Law • SP
Talia Timler ..... Leawood, KS
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR



Careful to meet specifications exactly, **Karen Riley**, freshman in open option, looks for ingredients for the Alpha of Clovia senior breakfast Dec. 5.
Chelsy Lueth

Seniors sat at their personal tables, in a circle formation. Some had cinnamon rolls in front of them. Some had Starbucks. Some had crowns and plates decorated with rhinestones. They were the queens for the day as the pledge class put on the senior breakfast at Alpha of Clovia.

"Every year we do it for anyone who's graduating," **Karen Riley**, freshman in open option, said. "They can request any type of thing they want. They gave us a list of requests, which we got this week. We put it together after many Wal-Mart trips."

The requests could be for anything the

Kay Albright ..... **Delia, Kan.**
Agribusiness • SR
Marlana Barkow ..... Cedar Springs, Mich.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Erica Baumann ..... Junction City
Elementary Education • JU
Kelsey Beel ..... Valentine, Neb.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Rebecca Benoit ..... Damar, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • JU
Torey Berndt ..... Herington, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • FR
Whitney Box ..... Linwood, Kan.
Fine Arts • SO
Bethany Boyer ..... St. Joseph, Mo.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SO
Kayla Brzon ..... Belleville, Kan.
Food Science and Industry • FR
Tiffany Carroll ..... Dwight, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Jinzi Chen ..... Shanwei City, Guangdong, China
Management • JU
Haley Compton ..... Elk City, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Jade Comstock ..... Fall River, Kan.
Agricultural Communication and Journalism • JU
Victoria Cowley ..... Wichita
Open Option • FR
Mary Cox ..... Eudora, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Cassandra Dutcher ..... Humboldt, Neb.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Sara Elliott ..... Hiawatha, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Rachel Guilfoyle ..... Fontana, Kan.
Music Education • SO
Jancey Hall ..... Neodesha, Kan.
Agribusiness • SO
Katie M. Hill ..... **Abilene, Kan.**
Management • SR
Christine Hobelman ..... Auburn, Kan.
Entrepreneurship • JU
Lacey Howard ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Food Science and Industry • SO
Hope James ..... Clay Center, Kan.
Kinesiology • FR
Nicole Keenan ..... **Oakley, Kan.**
Kinesiology • SR
Autumn Kidwell ..... Topeka
Open Option • FR
Jessica Knickerbocker ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Horticulture • FR
Kari Knight ..... Fredonia, Kan.
Management • JU
Adrienne Koops ..... Downs, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SO
Sierra Koster ..... Jewell, Kan.
Agribusiness • JU
Matti Kuykendall ..... Osage City, Kan.
Agronomy • SO



by Caitlin M. Burns

BREAKFAST in style

seniors wanted. Some were simple like running to Starbucks for coffee before breakfast. Cinnamon rolls were one of the more popular requests. The Clovers who stayed up until 2:30 a.m. baking them described them as magical.

"We made cinnamon rolls from scratch, and they are delicious," **Jessica Knickerbocker**, freshman in horticulture, said. "We got up and had to finish putting things together this morning. Last night we got everything ready because we really only had two days to do it."

Brynne Cowley, freshman in open option, said it was a good time, and it gave her the chance to see what people were really like. The Clovers spent the night finalizing little details and decorating the room as well as a set of plates and glasses.

"We had to BeDazzle a set of plate ware with pink, black and white champagne flutes to go along with it," Riley said. "She'll get to keep those."

Those dishes were for **Lindsey Morrica**l, senior in family studies and human services.

"(I loved) all the pink and sparkles and being with my friends and sisters," Morrical said. "I'm the Clovia diva."

While the seniors were eating, the pledges also had to entertain them. The seniors had the opportunity to call out skits they wanted to see.

"For one of the skits we had to be men," Riley said. "She was imitating one of the Kappa Sigma guys from our homecoming skit."

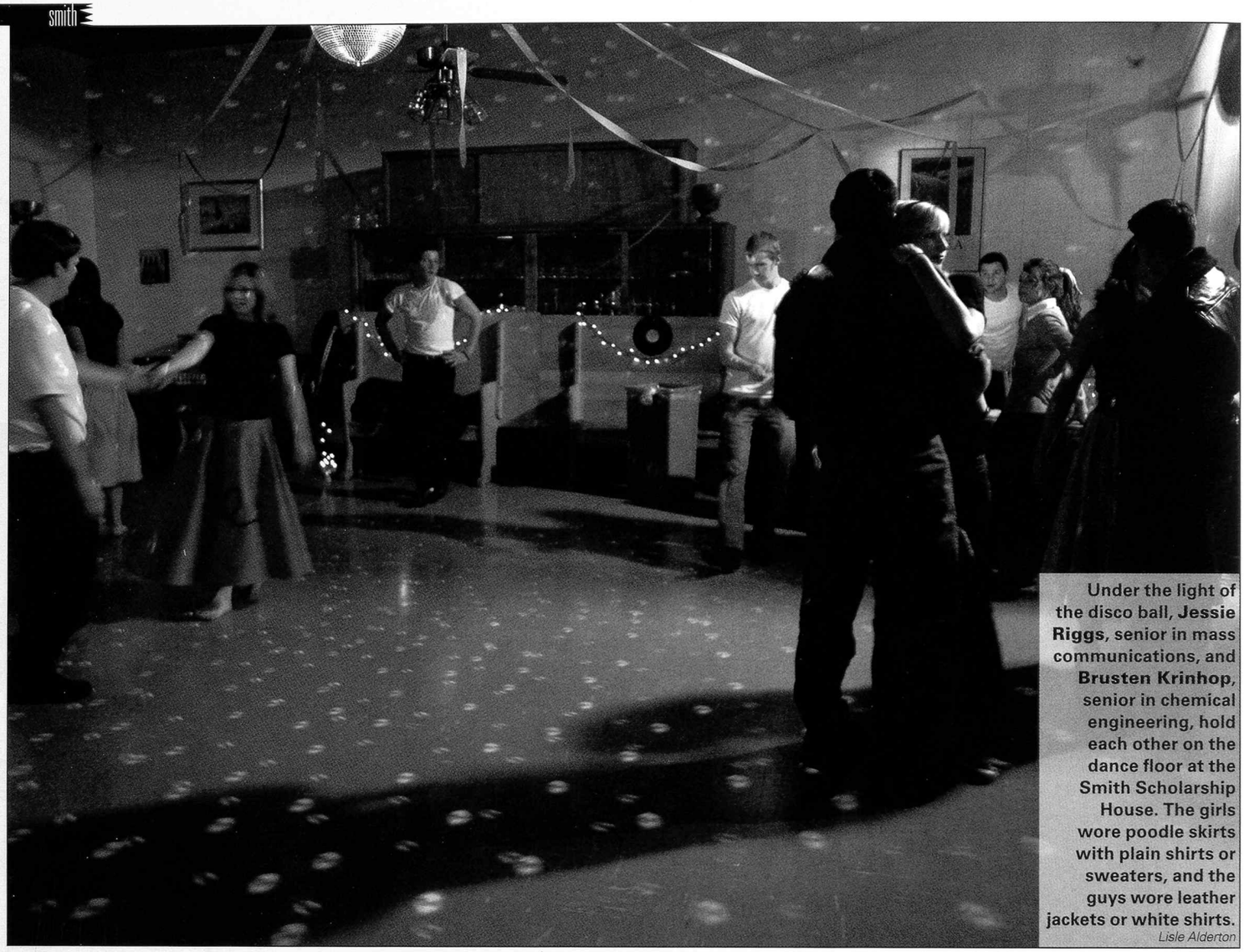
The skit required the used of plastic wrap to make it more realistic. Other skits they had to perform included the house flooding from a few years earlier, the "Itsy Bitsy Spider" and the "Yes Dance."

In the end, with the exception of the one broken glass, the day was a success.

"At the beginning I was dreading this," Knickerbocker said. "At the end it wasn't so bad. They're wearing the crowns. Look at their faces. They're so happy. It's worth it."



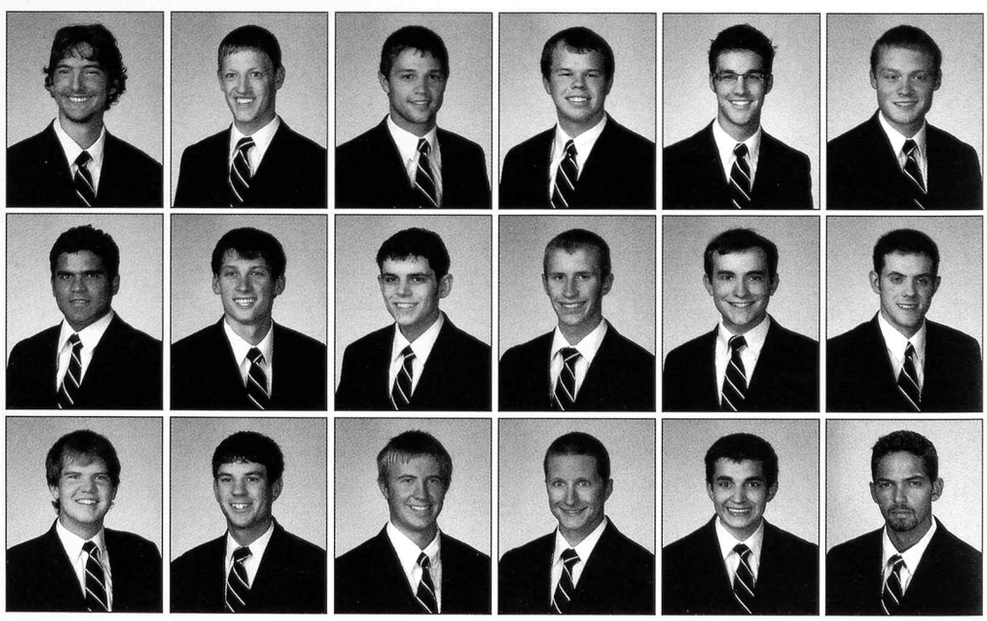
Danielle Lautt ..... Council Grove, Kan.
Agricultural Communications and Journalism • SO
Lynn Leuthold ..... Manhattan
Agricultural Education • SR
Beibei Li ..... Beijing, China
Biochemistry • SO
Zana Manche ..... Hiawatha, Kan.
Agricultural Education • SR
Sarah Marten ..... Arkansas City, Kan.
Agricultural Education • SO
Alyson McCall ..... Bennington, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SO
Amanda Mentzer ..... Neosho Falls, Kan.
Dietetics • SR
Stacy Mueting ..... Centralia, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • SR
Bailey Myers ..... Humboldt, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Lucrecia Nold ..... Wathena, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Karissa Pankratz ..... Argonia, Kan.
Environmental Design • FR
Susie Parks ..... Manhattan
Kinesiology • SR
Lori Patton ..... Topeka
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Holly Poe ..... Oakley, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR
Katie Price ..... Valley Center, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SO
Karen Riley ..... La Plata, Md.
Open Option • FR
Nicole Rosencutter ..... Topeka
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Amy Sents ..... McPherson, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Sarah L. Smith ..... Tonganoxie, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Elizabeth Suellentrop ..... Colwich, Kan.
Bakery Science and Management • SO
Sarah A. Thompson ..... Montrose, Colo.
Animal Science and Industry • SO
Morgan Trowbridge ..... Olathe, Kan.
Agribusiness • JR
Blair Umholtz ..... Humboldt, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Christina Voelker ..... Riley, Kan.
Agribusiness • SO
Stephanie Waln ..... La Cygne, Kan.
Art • FR
Allison Wilcox ..... Olsburg, Kan.
Dietetics • SR
April R. Wilson ..... Olsburg, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR



Under the light of the disco ball, **Jessie Riggs**, senior in mass communications, and **Brusten Krinhop**, senior in chemical engineering, hold each other on the dance floor at the Smith Scholarship House. The girls wore poodle skirts with plain shirts or sweaters, and the guys wore leather jackets or white shirts.
Lisle Alderton

"I have a lot of good memories just hanging out and talking at the house."
Andrew Reichard, sophomore in mechanical engineering

Greg Agnew ..... Spring Hill, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • FR
George Ammerman ..... Flower Mound, Texas
Mass Communications • JU
Drew Basgall ..... Herndon, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • FR
Samuel Brinton ..... Perry, Iowa
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Luke Brohmer ..... Colorado Springs, Colo.
Architecture • JU
Joseph Burgett ..... Carbondale, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SO
Gustavo Contreras ..... Olathe, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • SR
Tyler Crow ..... Olathe, Kan.
Accounting • SR
Travis Dick ..... Mountain Lake, Minn.
Agricultural Technology Management • SO
Nathan Fisher ..... Wichita
Mechanical Engineering • FR
Patrick Gitchell ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Computer Engineering • SR
Josh Goldstein ..... Littleton, Colo.
Architecture • SO
Brian Hampel ..... Tribune, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Russell Heier ..... Manhattan
Agribusiness • FR
Holden Mai ..... Sharon Springs, Kan.
Computer Engineering • SO
Ryan Marshall ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SR
Alex Miller ..... Lawrence
Construction Science and Management • FR
Pedro Miller ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR



the bond between SCHOLARSHIP HOUSES

by Tara Cowley

Miley Cyrus and **Frank Sinatra** provided background music while residents from Smith Scholarship House and Smurthwaite Scholarship House, dressed in poodle skirts and leather jackets, danced around the dance floor during Smith's '50s dance party on Dec. 4. The two scholarship houses often did events together, including events like the '50s dance party and a snowball fight on the night of the first snowfall.

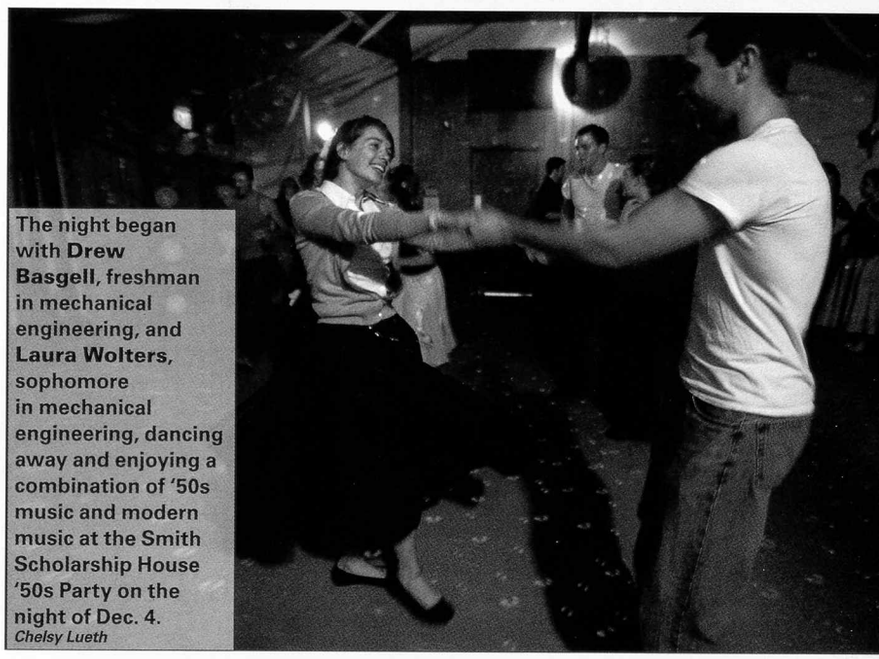
"I have a lot of friends in Smurthwaite, as well as Smith," **Joseph Burgett**, sophomore in mechanical engineering, said. "When I see one of the girls in class or around campus, it is nice to see someone I know."

The two houses planned a formal dance each year, usually during second semester. They also did community service together, such as collecting canned goods around Halloween.

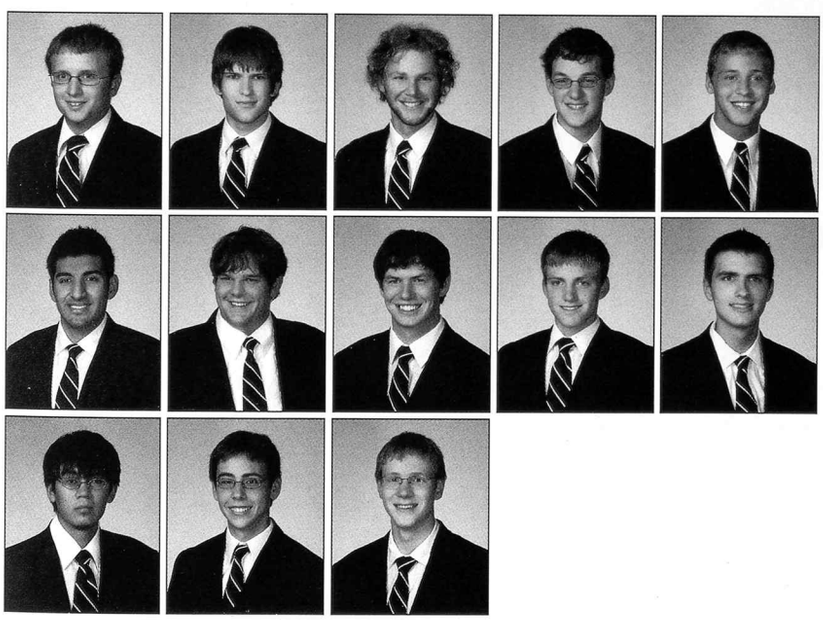
"Whenever we have problems with computers they always come over to help, they shoveled our snow for us when it snowed and they are always willing to come over to help," **Megan Torline**, freshman in animal sciences and industry, said. "Since we do a lot of stuff together, you really get to know the boys a lot better."

By living in Smith, the men did not only get the bond of brotherhood, but also the bond they shared with the Smurthwaite women.

"Our houses get along really well — we're all pretty connected," **Andrew Reichard**, sophomore in mechanical engineering, said. "We do a lot together. They are our sister house."



The night began with Drew Basgell, freshman in mechanical engineering, and Laura Wolters, sophomore in mechanical engineering, dancing away and enjoying a combination of '50s music and modern music at the Smith Scholarship House '50s Party on the night of Dec. 4.
Chelsy Lueth



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Tim Schrag ..... Kingman, Kan.
Mass Communications • SO

Erik Stalcup ..... Wellington, Kan.
Physics • SR

Luke Wenger ..... Powhattan, Kan.
Microbiology • SO

Grant Wilson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Computer Science • SO

Kindergarten playtime in college

Smurthwaite women create children's crafts

by Anna Kearns



Lindsey Armbrust ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Art • FR
Rebecca Bohling ..... Scandia, Kan.
Horticulture • SO
Sarah Caldwell ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Dietetics • JU
Chloe Callahan ..... Wichita
Biochemistry • FR
Sarah Carr ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • SO
Chelsea Corkins ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Biological Systems Engineering • JU
Christina Davis ..... De Soto, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • SR
Sarah Dudte ..... Newton, Kan.
Athletic Training • JU
Kelsey Duffy ..... Hays, Kan.
Biology • SO
Megan Frey ..... Clearwater, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Angela Grommet ..... Wichita
Chemical Engineering • FR
Victoria Hatch ..... Topeka
Sociology • SO
Robyn Hilt ..... Pittsburg, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Britny Lewis ..... Valrico, Fla.
Fine Arts • SO
Allison Melia ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Sofia Pablo-Hoshino ..... San Francisco, Calif.
Political Science • GR
Stacy Place ..... Manhattan
Animal Science and Industry • SR
Kelsey Purvis ..... Berryton, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Chelsea Rohr ..... Farmersville, Texas
Animal Sciences and Industry • SO
Leah Rutledge ..... Lawrence
Horticulture • FR
Kyla Smith ..... Edna, Kan.
Music Education • FR
Emily Snell ..... Ellinwood, Kan.
Mass Communications • SO
Amanda Spoo ..... Hermiston, Ore.
Agriculture Communications and Journalism • SO
Audrianna Stowe ..... St. Charles, Mo.
Interior Design • JU
Lauren Sturn ..... Ellinwood, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • JU
Megan Torline ..... Derby, Kan.
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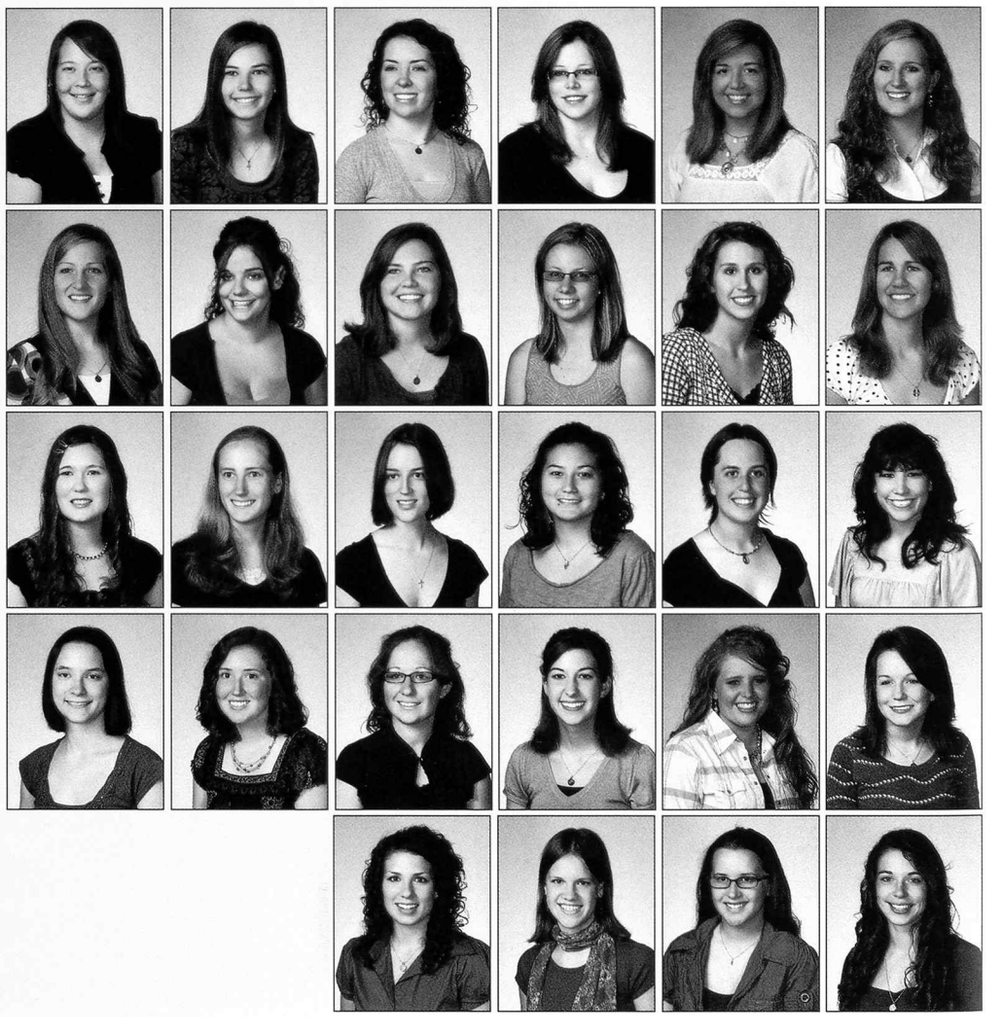



To make their beaded snowflakes, **Sarah Dudte**, junior in athletic training, and **Victoria Hatch**, sophomore in sociology, string bright beads on wire. "(Kiddy Craft Corner) allows the women not only to teach the crafts but to sit and talk," **Chelsea Corkins**, junior in biological systems engineering, said. "We do programs to get to know each other on a more personal basis instead of in a large meeting." The beaded snowflakes were one of six crafts that the women could made during the program.
Chelsy Lueth

Approximately 25 women dug through piles of feathers, pipe cleaners, leaves and colorful art supplies that were heaped on four long tables in the Smurthwaite Scholarship House dining room Nov. 10. They took time away from studying and work to participate in Kiddy Craft Corner, an opportunity to make children's crafts.

"Just pretend you're in kindergarten or first grade again," **Chelsea Corkins**, junior in biological systems engineering, said to kick off the evening. "If you mess up, that's OK. We're learning too — we'll probably mess up too. OK, have fun."

As part of living in the house, the women were required to attend or host a certain number of programs throughout the year, depending on their year in school. The women put the programs on in groups of five or six about once a month.

"It just really brings us together," **Lindsey Armbrust**, freshman in art, said. "I don't think dorms do as many things like this."

Since programs did not usually include every resident, the smaller number of participants encouraged more personal bonding.

"Every little thing that you do together, you learn more about the people you live with," **Kelsey Duffy**, sophomore in biology, said. "(Kiddy Craft Corner means) we get to go back to a time when everything was fun. You get to go back to kindergarten with the people you are going to college with."

A gentle murmur filled the room as the residents sat in groups of three or four to create their crafts. Occasionally they would rotate stations, changing up the conversation and beginning the next project.

"I think that (the childlike atmosphere) really relaxes people," Corkins said. "When you get to that 20- to 22-year-old stage you need to realize that yes, you do have to get ready for the real world, but you need to connect with your inner child too."

> "It makes me feel like I'm 5 years old again. You get to have fun with your friends and your house mates. You get to make a mess and make mistakes, and it doesn't matter because you're 5."
>
> *Megan Frey, freshman in kinesiology*

Brotherhood Growth Spurt

by Lauren Goeken

Two years ago, when **Josh T. Linn** became the recruitment chair of Acacia, 18 men belonged to the fraternity. Since then, the fraternity had seen a 200 percent growth to 46 men. Linn credited the Acacia Leadership Scholarship as a reason for the growth, as well as a factor in being recruited.

"I got involved (in Acacia) through the Acacia leadership scholarship," Linn, senior in chemical engineering, said. "We send a letter out to all the high schools, and I happened to receive one of those letters and applied for the scholarship. I came up to interview at the house and decided I really liked the people and the atmosphere, so I decided to join."

Incoming freshman could receive the one-time award, which was not membership dependant. The scholarship went out to students who had the qualities of leadership, scholarship and service. Linn said he considered the scholarship applicants good potential members for Acacia because they were the "cream of the crop" of the incoming freshman, Linn said. A selection committee reviewed the scholarship applications and invited the finalists to the house to interview.

Linn said Acacia provided him with good networking contacts, including a source that helped him receive an internship with Conoco-Phillips, but the most important thing about being in Acacia was the brotherhood.

"Basically (my favorite thing is) just everyday life," Linn said. "I love the people I live with; people are why I joined Acacia. I like being able to give back to a house that has given me so much."

Cameron Adelson ..... Andover, Kan.
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Ryan Amthauer ..... Junction City
Marketing • JU
David Becker ..... Melvern, Kan.
Biological Systems Engineering • SR
Dennis Becker ..... Melvern, Kan.
Agricultural Education • JU
John Brant ..... Topeka
Theatre • FR
Andrew Broeckelman ..... Selden, Kan.
Biological Systems Engineering • SO
Brandon Brunner ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • SO
Derek Chambers ..... Oberlin, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • SO
Bradley Coover ..... Erie, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Kyle Coover ..... Galesburg, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • JU
Bryan Cox ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Economics • SR
Christopher Connell ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Christopher Dolezal ..... Valley Center, Kan.
Biological Systems Engineering • JU
Cory Dorau ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Athletic Training • JU
Brett Engleman ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Austin Enns ..... Buhler, Kan.
History • JU
Tyler Fennema ..... Abilene, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR
Matthew Haynes ..... Junction City
Open Option • SO
Robert Haynes ..... Junction City
Agricultural Education • JU
Roger Carlton Keyes II ..... McLouth, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Taylor Kinney ..... Andover, Kan.
Biology • SR
Timothy Knox ..... Brewster, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • JU
Blake Koblitz ..... Hazelton, Kan.
Computer Science • SO
Zachary Langford ..... Buhler, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • FR
Nathan Lechtenberg ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Mathematics • JU
Josh T. Linn ..... Abilene, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • SR
Brandon Litch ..... Melvern, Kan.
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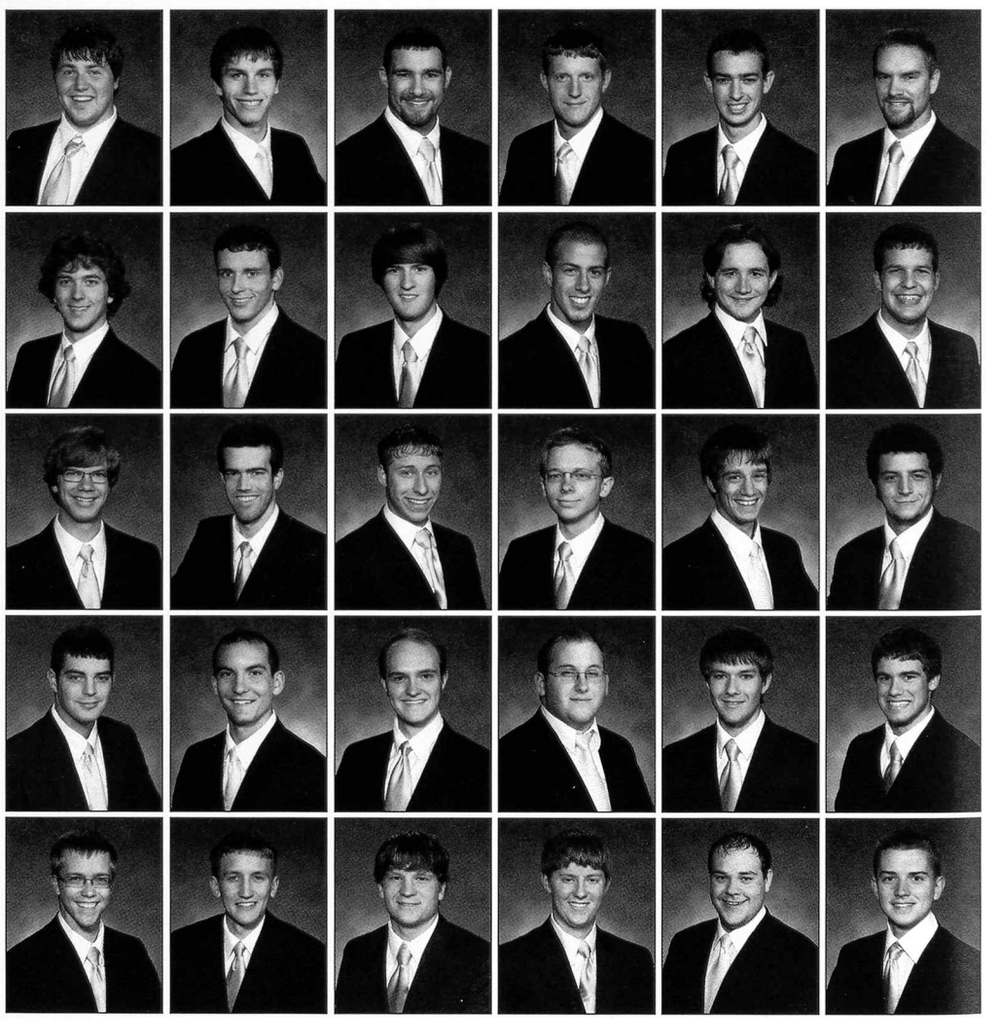



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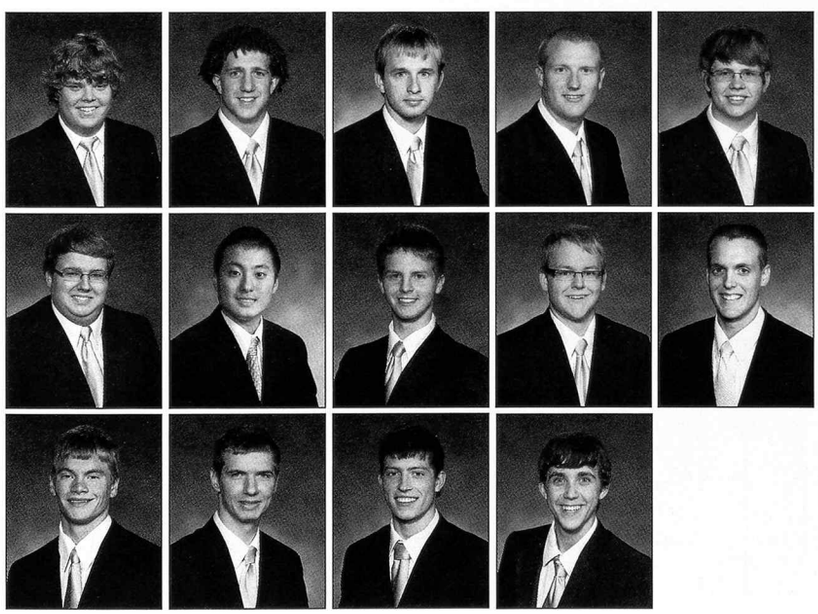

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Tyler Oblinger ..... Mulvane, Kan
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Aaron Rigg ..... Topeka
Biology • JU
Taylor Robillard ..... Wichita
Construction Science and Management • SO

Joshua Roemerman ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Economics • JU
Shawn Scanlan ..... Abilene, Kan.
Social Sciences • SR
Jacob K. Schmidt ..... Topeka
Biology • SO
Zachary Seaman ..... Olathe, Kan.
Regional and Community Planning • SR
Garrett E. Sharpe ..... Lindsborg, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SO

Trent Shrader ..... Elmwood, Neb.
Veterinary Medicine • SO
Brian Tierney ..... Leavenworth, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • SR
Forrest Trachsel ..... Goodland, Kan.
Agronomy • JU
Christopher Zimmerman ..... Derby, Kan.
Open Option • FR

Casie Adams ..... **Osawatomie, Kan.**
Nutritional Sciences • SR

Lauren B. Anderson ..... Dallas
Fine Arts • SO

Melissa Andrade ..... Liberal, Kan.
Open Option • SO

Kaylee Andsager ..... South Hutchinson, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • JU

Kelsey Ayers ..... Olathe, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • JU

Kelsie Ball ..... Eureka, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU

Danielle Banks ..... Russell, Kan.
Open Option • SO

Rochelle Barker ..... **Topeka**
Animal Science • SR

Chelsey Barnes ..... Manhattan
Management • SO

Julia Barnhart ..... Osage City, Kan.
Bakery Science and Management • JU

Kara Bartosch ..... **Highlands Ranch, Colo.**
Kinesiology • SR

Connie Beck ..... Manhattan
Life Sciences • FR

Michelle Beck ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Dietetics • JU

Samantha Belsan ..... Topeka
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR

Geneva Benton ..... **Shawnee, Kan.**
Mass Communications • SR

Jillian Bettinger ..... Beloit, Kan.
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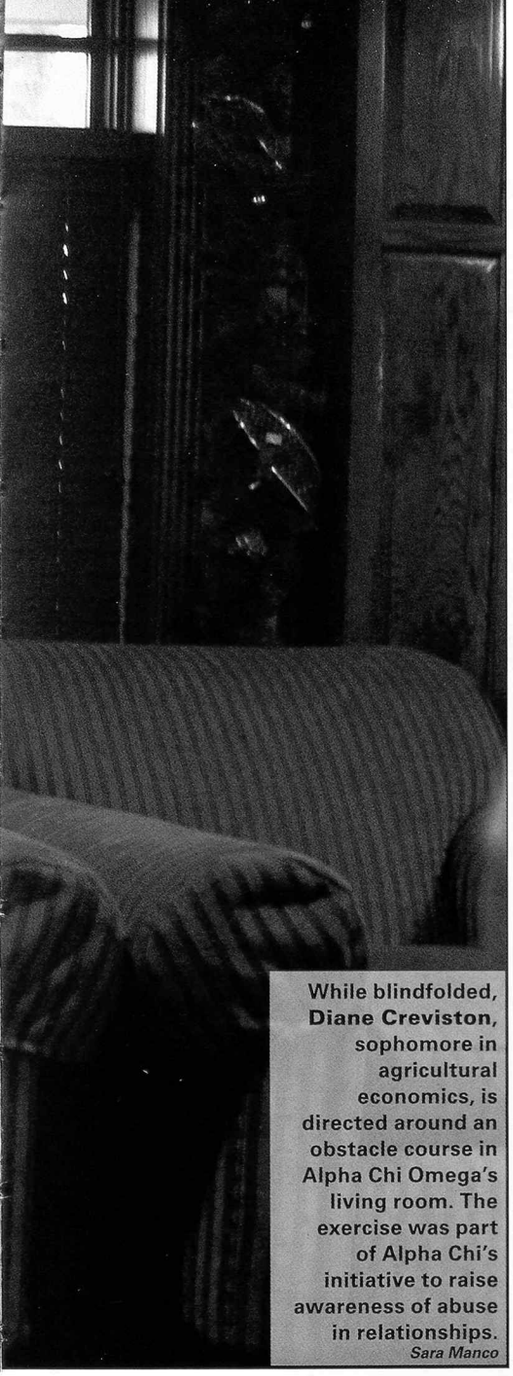

While blindfolded, **Diane Creviston**, sophomore in agricultural economics, is directed around an obstacle course in Alpha Chi Omega's living room. The exercise was part of Alpha Chi's initiative to raise awareness of abuse in relationships. *Sara Manco*

Women's Center Inspires Self Help

by Caitlin M. Burns

Lighting up houses with Christmas lights, making luminaries, walking on couches and mirroring their friends were all ways Alpha Chi Omega raised money for the Manhattan Crisis Center and awareness of domestic violence.

"Our philanthropy focuses on supporting the victims of domestic violence, and as part of that, we help out in various ways with the Women's Center," said **Madeline Miller**, vice president of risk management and senior in biology. "Many girls get involved with training and meeting women staying at the safe house to act as support."

Because of their philanthropy, Alpha Chis received the opportunity to learn more about domestic violence through the theatre department.



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Family Studies and Human Services • JU

Amy Calderwood ..... Sterling, Kan.
Family and Consumer Sciences • JU

Monica Castro ..... Houston
Mass Communications • SR

Emily Chartrand ..... Olathe, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO

Nicole Chaska ..... Wichita
Industrial Engineering • SO

Ashlyn Cheray ..... Richmond, Texas
History • SR

Anna Chernoff ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SR

Kristen Clarke ..... Yates Center, Kan.
Agricultural Communication and Journalism • JU

Marley Conine ..... Scott City, Kan.
Accounting • SR

Britney Cowan ..... Manhattan
Open Option • SO

Caitie Crain ..... Lane, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR

Diane Creviston ..... Atchison, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • SO

Sheriden Crowley ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SR

Grace Culp ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU

Rachel L. Cunningham ..... Andover, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR

Sadie Daniels ..... Columbus, Kan.
Entrepreneurship • FR

Emily Dickerson ..... Olathe, Kan.
Interior Design • JU

LeaAnne Diederich ..... Greenleaf, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR

Weekly Activity Brings ***Awareness, Connection*** *and* ***Growth***

Twenty Alpha Chis gathered weekly to do workshops targeting different conflict styles, issues of self-esteem and being assertive in relationships.

"The group interaction helps educate through things like role playing, music, masks and other drama related methods," Miller said. "It's education and prevention. So if in the future our girls are dealing with a situation they have the tools to get out."

The goal behind the activities was to teach women about relationship types and how to recognize unhealthy situations. They worked through self-esteem issues to prevent them from staying in an abusive relationship because of those problems.

"I've learned about different conflict styles and kinds of abuse you wouldn't think about," **Kelsey Ayers**, junior in industrial engineering, said. "It has helped me be able to work through conflict styles and know how to deal

Courtney Diehl ..... **Junction City**
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Elizabeth DiNitto ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Psychology • FR
Cami Dinkel ..... Salina, Kan.
Athletic Training • SO
Jessie Dowell ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JU
Darra Draheim ..... Lake Winnebago, Mo.
Interior Architecture and Product Design • SO
Diana Fath ..... Somerset, Pa.
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Jessalyn Fisher ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Civil Engineering • SR
Amanda Foster ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Carolyn Freeman ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
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Allison Gard ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
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Becky Gentry ..... Overland Park, Kan.
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Kristyn Glavin ..... Salina, Kan.
Communication Science and Disorders • FR
Lauren Gocken ..... Burleson, Texas
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Krystal Golden ..... Olathe, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • JU
Heather Goodwin ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Social Work • SO
Chandra Griffith ..... Wichita
Pre-Veterinary Medicine • JU
Hannah Grond ..... **Parkville, Mo.**
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Katie Gustafson ..... Valrico, Fla.
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Stephanie Haggard ..... Overland Park, Kan.
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Ally Herme ..... **Santa Clarita, Calif.**
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Shay Hickey ..... Hugoton, Kan.
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Kristen Hopkins ..... Overland Park, Kan.
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Anne Hundley ..... Leawood, Kan.
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Kayla Insogna ..... Gardner, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Mallory Jacobs ..... **Holton, Kan.**
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Tanya Jana ..... Lee's Summit, Mo.
Architecture • SO
Abby Jennings ..... Leawood, Kan.
Biology • JU
Brittany Johansen ..... Waterloo, Neb.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Emily Johnson ..... Salina, Kan.
Equine Science • FR
Marta Johnson ..... **Dwight, Kan.**
Construction Science and Management • SR
Laura Jones ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Alyssa Jonson ..... Leawood, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Klaire Jorgensen ..... Exeter, Neb.
Agricultural Economics • SO
Betsy Karst ..... Olathe, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Ericka Kepley ..... Chanute, Kan.
Interior Design • SO
Sarah Kesler ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Interior Design • SO



with them better."

The activities and discussions also focused on different kinds of abuse the women may run into in the future. One activity was a mirroring exercise. Two women teamed up and faced each other, and they acted as if they were looking at themselves in the mirror. One person was a leader and they moved and had the other woman follower her motions. The other person tried to do the same thing at the same time in order to demonstrate a dominative relationship.

The activities helped the women put the topics in perspective, but it also taught them about themselves.

"Going through this we learned about the warning signs and how to respond," **Diane Creviston**, sophomore in agricultural economics, said. "It taught us a lot about what women go through. I learned a lot about myself, what I think about myself and how I portray myself."



Emily E. King ..... Junction City
Journalism and Mass Communication • SO
Chelsi Knight ..... Lyons, Kan.
Agribusiness • JU
Kelsey Knutson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Stephanie Lacy ..... West Olive, Mich.
Kinesiology • FR
Katie Lanter ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Tina Lee ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Interior Design • SR
Rebecca Lightle ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR
Leigh Luina ..... Lawrence
Speech • JU
Brittney Machado ..... Winton, Calif.
Agricultural Communication and Journalism • FR
Lacey Madden ..... Osawatomie, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR
Taylor Manges ..... Manhattan
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Mallory McGinnis ..... Springfield, Mo.
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Ashton McIntyre ..... Iola, Kan.
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Abby Meehan ..... Overland Park, Kan.
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Jessica Meneses ..... Topeka
Apparel and Textiles • FR
Mackenzie Meyer ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Ashley Miller ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Mass Communication • SR
Madeline Miller ..... Holcomb, Kan.
Biology • SR
Aly Mix ..... Buffalo Grove, Ill.
Interior Design • FR
Amy Montgomery ..... Derby, Kan.
Philosophy • FR
Amelia Morgan ..... Spicewood, Texas
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Patricia Murphy ..... Spring Hill, Kan.
Computer Engineering • JU
Carrie Newman ..... Manhattan
Psychology • SO
Stacey Newton ..... Salina, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Laura Nigro ..... Leawood, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Meredith Nitcher ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SR
Brittany Olson ..... Huron, S.D.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Kali Orrick ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • FR
Allison Parr ..... Wichita
Environmental Design • SO
Lauren Pauls ..... Buhler, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • SO
Jennifer Pike ..... Emporia, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Julie Platt ..... Alma, Neb.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Steph Plowman ..... Osbourne, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Abagail Polys ..... Edwardsville, Kan.
Fine Arts • SR
Allie Prester ..... Salina, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Jessica Prockish ..... St. George, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR
Dawnelle Proctor ..... Topeka
Mass Communications • SO
Jamie Raaf ..... Gridley, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Megan Radford ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Courtney Rager ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR
Kim Riege ..... Omaha, Neb.
Interior Design • SR
Caitlin Riley ..... Columbus, Neb.
Elementary Education • JU

Emily Riley ..... Olathe, Kan.
Music Education • JU
Hannah Rodlund ..... Stilwell, Kan.
Management • JU
Stephanie Roe ..... Wichita
Life Sciences • SR
Melissa Rose ..... Mobile, Ala.
Business Administration • SO
Hannah Ross ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Modern Languages • JU
Caitlin Scholz ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Alyssa Schrag ..... Hesston, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Sara Schreiner ..... Topeka
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Amber Schueth ..... Lincoln, Neb.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • JU
Mycal Scott ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Dietetics • FR
Alyssa Segura ..... Olathe, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Kailey Sharp ..... Junction City
Psychology • FR
Makenzie Simpson ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Miranda Sims ..... Olathe, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR
Rebecca Sims ..... Berryton, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Melissa Slater ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Taylor B. Smith ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Secondary Education • FR
Megan Sorrick ..... Lawrence
Finance • SO



"We are educated about things like conflict styles, self-esteem and assertiveness in relationships. The goals are to help women identify the differences between abusive and healthy relationships, to help women identify why they may be at risk for abusive relationships, to help women identify behaviors and self-esteem issues within themselves that could lead them to and keep them involved in abusive relationships and to practice new behaviors that will help women avoid or leave abusive relationships."

Madeline Miller, senior in biology





Rebecca Sowers ..... Grandview Mo.
Management • JU
Jordan Spears ..... Iola, Kan.
Life Sciences • SR
Liz Stack ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Fine Arts • SO
Kaitlen Stacy ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Jessie Steele ..... Ford, Kan.
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Christina Strange ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
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Malissa Swietek ..... Topeka
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Courtney Taylor ..... Andover, Kan.
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Erin Titus ..... Leawood, Kan.
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Megan Van Sooy ..... Leawood, Kan.
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Danielle Willburn ..... Tonganoxie, Kan.
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Jaymee Wright ..... Independence, Kan.
Mass Communication • JU
Kathryn Zalenski ..... Spring Hill, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • SO



Alpha Chi Omegas participate in a mirroring exercise that shows the dominance one person can have when in a committed relationship. The exercise aimed to raise Alpha Chis' awareness of domestic abuse in relationships. "We do games and role playing," **Madeline Miller**, senior in biology, said. "We do sculpting, which is interesting. It's used to portray different emotions or things that have happened in your life." The classes coordinated with Alpha Chi's philanthropy, which supported the Manhattan Crisis Center with proceeds from their philanthropy events, like Light up the Little Apple. The money went toward clothing and toiletries.
Sara Manco

Songs of Sisterhood

by Lauren Gocken

Kelley James played with **Sara Bareilles**, **Kate Voegele**, **T-Pain** and **Lil Jon**. He headlined — and packed — the famous Los Angeles clubs El Rey, Avalon and Roxy. And on Sept. 21, James played to the crowded living room of Alpha Delta Pi as part of his nationwide Sorority Tour.

The concert was planned as a sisterhood event for the women, where they could get together, listen to live music and enjoy each other's company.

"Every month we have sisterhood events," **Katie Cox**, senior in marketing, said. "Just something fun and another way to all get together and have a good time and hang out. This was something different. I think it was one of the best events we've ever had — it was hilarious."

James toured more than 100 sororities, traveling more than 23,000 miles. His show combined singing and freestyle rapping with members of the sorority, **Kristen Luthi**, senior in management, said.

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Secondary Education • SR
Rylee Bacon ..... Olathe, Kan.
Agronomy • SO
Laura Banks ..... Topeka
Psychology • SO
Mallory Barmby ..... Olathe, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Rachel Barth ..... Parkville, Mo.
Landscape Architecture • JU
Abby Bauer ..... Clay Center, Kan.
Kinesiolgy • SO
Laura Baxt ..... Wichita
Interior Design • SO
Alysha Bellamy ..... Manhattan
Elementary Education • JU
Jenna Bellinder ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • FR
Jillian Beyer ..... Mission, Kan.
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Meghan Blythe ..... White City, Kan.
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Public Health Nutrition • SR
Kate Bormann ..... Lousiburg, Kan.
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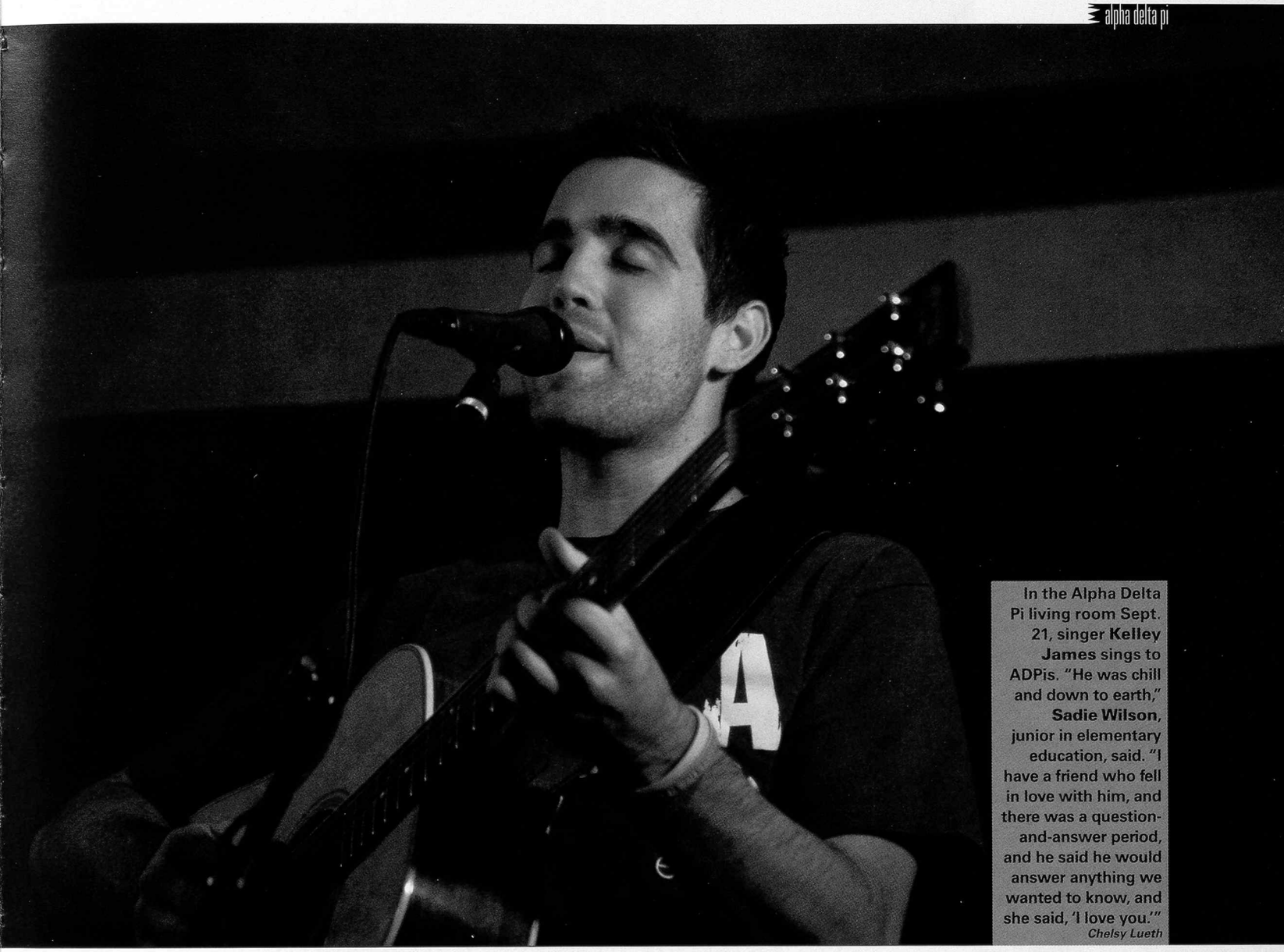
Hillary Boyle ..... Salina, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Cassie Brown ..... Independence, Mo.
Family and Consumer Science Education • SR
Amanda Brown ..... Fort Scott, Kan.
Feed Science and Management • SO
Abbey Brown ..... Topeka
Business Administration • FR
Katherine Calovich ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Emily Campbell ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communication • FR
Lauren Cantril ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Niki Caro ..... Wichita
Elementary Education • SO
Victoria Chaput ..... Oakley, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR
Micala Charlton ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Christine Chollet ..... Shawnee Mission, Kan.
Athletic Training • SR
Suzanne Cocke ..... Augusta, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR
Chelsy Coen ..... Wellsville, Kan.
Agricultural Education • SR
Jennifer Coen ..... Wichita
Open Option • SO
Kelsey Coen ..... Wichita
Modern Languages • SR





In the Alpha Delta Pi living room Sept. 21, singer **Kelley James** sings to ADPis. "He was chill and down to earth," **Sadie Wilson**, junior in elementary education, said. "I have a friend who fell in love with him, and there was a question-and-answer period, and he said he would answer anything we wanted to know, and she said, 'I love you.'" *Chelsy Lueth*



Kari Coen ..... Wichita
Elementary Education • SO

Katie Cox ..... Wichita
Marketing • SR

Kate Cunningham ..... Wichita
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR

Allison Dandurand ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO

Margaret E. Davidson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO

Nicole DeBrie ..... Scottsbluff, Neb.
Open Option • SO

Christina Devaney ..... Wichita
Secondary Education • SO

Blair Diel ..... Kiowa, Kan.
Social Work • FR

Carrie Dotson ..... Andover, Kan.
Finance • SR

Lauren Ewald ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Landscape Architecture • JU

Natalie Exposito ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Marketing • SR

Elizabeth Faltin ..... Elkhorn, Neb.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • FR

Chelsea Farrington ..... Wichita
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR

Jordan Fief ..... Salina, Kan.
Open Option • SO

Molly Fogarty ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO

Ashley Franden ..... Olathe, Kan.
Social Work • FR

Maggie Gabrielson ..... Wichita
Secondary Education • FR

Emily Garvey ..... Wichita
Environmental Design • FR



At a monthly Alpha Delta Pi sisterhood activity, **Emily Garvey**, freshman in environmental design, laughs along with fellow ADPis at the **Kelley James** concert in their living room. "I laughed almost the whole time," she said. "(The concert) was more personal. Other ones I've been to have been more like addressing a crowd, and this one he was actually there for us, and he talked about things that we could relate to. I thought it was a lot of fun, and I didn't know what to expect going into that, but it was really cool." According to James' Web site, his sorority shows combined storytelling and live music to make the show unforgettable.
Chelsy Lueth

"Every month we have sisterhood events. Just something fun and another way to all get together and have a good time and hang out. This was something different. I think it was one of the best events we've ever had – it was hilarious."
Katie Cox, junior in management

Allison Goethe ..... **Lenexa, Kan.**
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Heather Gordon ..... Leawood, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Taylor Gudgel ..... Leawood, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Ashley Guenther ..... **Ottawa, Kan.**
Agricultural Economics • SR
Kimberly Hall ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Alexa Hanney ..... Tecumseh, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Kelley Harmison ..... **Lenexa, Kan.**
Elementary Education • SR
Anne Hartman ..... **Logan, Kan.**
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SR
Kathryn Hartman ..... Logan, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Hannah Hartsig ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
History • SR
Kathryn Hawkes ..... St. Louis, Mo.
Architecture • JU
Emma Hawkins ..... Halstead, Kan.
Biological Systems Engineering • JU
Kelsey Hayden ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Elementary Education • SR
Courtney Held ..... **Leawood, Kan.**
Public Health Nutrition • SR
Jessica Heller ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Meghan Herde ..... Manhattan
Biology • JU
Molly Hinman ..... **Andover, Kan.**
Mass Communication • SR
Rosie Hoefling ..... Wichita
Mass Communication • JU
Shelby Horton ..... McPherson, Kan.
Kinesiology • FR
Kiley Huff ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Elementary Education • SR
Kirsten Hyde ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Music • FR
Kayla Jones ..... **Hutchinson, Kan.**
Management • SR
Katelyn M. Keith ..... Wellington, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Taylor Kelly ..... Omaha, Neb.
Industrial Engineering • FR





"My favorite part was when he talked about creeping," **Sadie Wilson**, junior in elementary education, said. "It was so hilariously accurate it almost made me blush. Everybody was looking at each other like, 'Yeah, we do that.'"

The concert was closed to the public, so the only ones in attendance were ADPi's. This led to personal and relaxed environment for the women, Luthi said.

"The event was set up in the living room, in our own house, so no one was afraid to make a fool of themselves," she said. "Entertainers usually have the attitude of being casual and fun, and he got everyone involved. I think it was a huge success."

Overall, the ADPis who attended said it went well and they enjoyed the sisterhood, Wilson said.

"A bunch of girls said they'd come by and stay for 10 minutes then leave," Wilson said, "but nobody ended up leaving. It was by far the best sisterhood event we've ever had at our sorority."



Rachel K. King ..... Wichita
Political Science • SO
Makenzie Kirkhart ..... Lyons, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Stephanie Kisler ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Regional and Community Planning • SO
Rebecca Klassen ..... Halstead, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR
Jamie Klover ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Communication Science and Disorders • SR
Ellen Knackendoffel ..... Manhattan
Business Administration • FR
Anna Knackstedt ..... Winfield, Kan.
Political Science • JR
Cori Komarek ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Management • JR
Katie Kozacek ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Biology • JU
Laura Kreikemeier ..... West Point, Neb.
Environmental Design • SO
Abbie Kuckelman ..... Olathe, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Audra Kuhlman ..... Sharon Springs, Kan.
Communications Sciences and Disorders • SO
Lindsey Lane ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SR
Lee Lechner ..... Albuquerque, N.M.
Life Sciences • SR
Abagail Lewis ..... Derby, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • JU
Meredith Lindsey ..... Leawood, Kan.
Mass Communications • SR
Stacy Littlechild ..... WaKeeney, Kan.
Biology • JU
Lauren Lovett ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Kristen Luthi ..... Olathe, Kan.
Management • SR
Mariel Martinez ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Nutritional Sciences • JU
Katie McKenzie ..... Topeka
Mass Communications • SR
Allison McMillan ..... Wichita
Communication Sciences and Disorders • FR
Kelsey Mills ..... Clearwater, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Courtney Minnich ..... Olathe, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR
Emily Mize ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Theatre • FR
Chelsea Murphy ..... Wichita
Secondary Education • SO
Cassandra Myskiw ..... Manhattan
Sociology • SO
Kelley Nelson ..... Manhattan
Public Health Nutrition • JU
Mollie Nelson ..... Holton, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • FR
Abbey Norris ..... Wellington, Kan.
Dietetics • SR

Susan Norris ..... Littleton, Colo.
Elementary Education • SO
Caroline Nyman ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JU
Marissa Olberding ..... Leawood, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Lauren Ollila ..... Lawrence
Elementary Education • SO
Jacqueline Orpin ..... Leawood, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Maureen Orth ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
English • SO
Madison Peak ..... Shawnee, Kan,
Nutritional Sciences • SO
Morgan Pearn ..... Columbia, Mo.
Open Option • FR
Kaitlyn Peterson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Alexa Phipps ..... Wichita
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Lauren Pierce ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Dietetics • JU
Kelsey Pritchett ..... Olathe, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Sarah Rajewski ..... Wichita
Mass Communications • SR
Meghan Rausch ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Mathematics • JU
Cortney Reimer ..... Dodge City, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Rachel Richardson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Mass Communications • SR
Brennen Richman ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Biology • JU
Alexandra Richmeier ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Casandra Robinson ..... London
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Jessica Rodriguez ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Food Science and Industry • SR
Caitlyn Romero ..... Tucumcari, N.M.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Allie Rupp ..... Hesston, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JU
Lauren Ryan ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
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Bayli Schmitt ..... Olathe, Kan.
Secondary Education • FR
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Mass Communications • SR
Rachel Schultze ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Finance • JU
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Accounting • JU
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Mass Communications • SR
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Biology • SO
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Mass Communications • SR
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Family and Consumer Science Education • JU
Audra Walker ..... Lawrence
Industrial Engineering • SO
Melanie Wall ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
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Dietetics • SO
Jill Wege ..... Manhattan
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Becky Wegman ..... Centennial, Colo.
Secondary Education • JU
Hillary Wehmeyer ..... Lawrence
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Maggie Weller ..... Leawood, Kan.
Communication Studies • FR
Hillary Wilson ..... Abilene, Kan.
Clinical Laboratory Science • JU
Sadie Wilson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Jill Winter ..... Mt. Hope, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Katy Zapletal ..... Manhattan
Kinesiology • SO



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Living Unit Name:

• Alpha Gamma Rho

Address:

• 1919 Platt St.

History:

• In October 1904, seven friends came together and organized the fraternity at what is now Ohio State University. A similar group took shape at the University of Illinois, and upon interacting with the AGR chapter at Ohio State at the International Livestock Show, the University of Illinois group took the name of the Ohio State chapter. Both organizations felt the bond of friendship and the interest in agricultural were important to the fraternity's foundation. The university's Alpha Zeta chapter began in 1927.

Other Facts:

• It was the only fraternity on campus classified as a "social and professional" fraternity.
• During the fall the fraternity worked with its academic sister sorority, Sigma Alpha, to complete multiple cleanups on a three-mile stretch of I-70.

"I joined the Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity because I was from out-of-state and I knew that the members in the chapter would have similar interests as me. However, I never exactly realized how much more this fraternity would do for me. Through becoming a member, I have 60-plus brothers who are more than just friends to me. The relationships that I have made while in the house will be long-lasting ties. Throughout the AGR community, there are numerous alumni and undergraduates who are more than willing to provide or find internships and job opportunities. The reason why I joined the Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity was to meet friends, however, I have done more than just that. I have found a family that I love. Being an AGR has allowed me to mature into an agricultural leader and to become successful throughout my life."

Charley Cull, vice president, recruitment chair and junior in animal sciences and industry



Collin Adams ..... **Circleville, Kan.**
Agricultural Economics • SR
Alex Beaton ..... Paauilo, Hawaii
Animal Sciences and Industry • SO
Nicholas Bishop ..... **Louisburg, Kan.**
Horticulture • SR
Shane Blaes ..... Cherryvale, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • JU
Alex Bolack ..... **Burden, Kan.**
Agronomy • SR

Cody Bornholdt ..... Inman, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Brad Brensing ..... Stafford, Kan.
Agribusiness • JU
Dustin Bresnock ..... Mount Airy, Md.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Austin Bretz ..... Dighton, Kan.
Feed Science and Management • JU
Nathan Clarke ..... **Yates Center, Kan.**
Agricultural Economics • SR

Levi Clubine ..... Havana, Kan.
Agricultural Education • FR
Dillon Cook ..... Hope, Kan.
Feed Science and Management • FR
Chris B. Cox ..... **Andover, Kan.**
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Charley Cull ..... Oakland, Neb.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Tyler Dechant ..... Garden City, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • JU

Austin Dezeeuw ..... Elkton, S.D.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SO
Curtis Dolezal ..... Wilson, Kan.
Wildlife and Outdoor Enterprise Management • SO
Robert Enoch ..... Colorado Springs, Colo.
Agricultural Education • SR
Lee Glanville ..... Cottonwood Falls, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • JU
Jacob Gouldie ..... Garden City, Kan.
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Brett Grauerholz ..... Manhattan
Horticulture • JU
Clinton Grisier ..... Yates Center, Kan.
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Justin Hagedorn ..... Andover, Kan.
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Brandon Harder ..... Haven, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Ben Harris ..... Ottawa, Kan.
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Dalton Henry ..... Randolph, Kan.
Agricultural Communication and Journalism • SR
Levi Herrman ..... Scandia, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Justin Hlaus ..... Wilson, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Chris Holderman ..... Manhattan
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Westin Holloway ..... Kincaid, Kan.
Agricultural Technology Management • JU
Brady James ..... Council Grove, Kan.
Animal Science and Industry • JU
John Jones ..... Rio, Wis.
Agronomy • FR
Jordan Jones ..... Holcomb, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Kellen Jorgensen ..... Exeter, Neb.
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Michael Lanzrath ..... Allen, Kan.
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Brian Lawrence ..... Winfield, Kan.
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Jarred Leis ..... Yates Center, Kan.
Geology • SR
Tyler Leonhard ..... Oskaloosa, Kan.
Animal Science and Industry • JU
Garrett Lister ..... Marysville, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • SO
Justin Lupfer ..... Hanston, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Blake Mackey ..... Atlanta, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • SR
Patrick McSwain ..... Colwich, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • JU
Kyle Meenen ..... Hiawatha, Kan.
Agronomy • SO
Kevin Morgan ..... Louisburg, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • FR
Kyle Morgan ..... Louisburg, Kan.
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Bo Nelson ..... Lewis, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Clarke Nelson ..... Long Island, Kan.
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Scott Neufeldt ..... Inman, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SO
Trent Newell ..... Oskaloosa, Kan.
General Agriculture • FR
Shea Obermeier ..... Parker, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • SR
Cole Pearson ..... Scott City, Kan.
Food Science and Industry • JU
Travis Pfannenstiel ..... Wichita
Political Science • SR
Neal Rasmusson ..... Lyndon, Kan.
Geography • SO
Zach Schotte ..... Marysville, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • FR
Gared Shaffer ..... Independence, Kan.
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Doug Shane ..... Louisburg, Kan.
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Miles Theurer ..... Wellington, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Ben Tokach ..... Saint Anthony, N.D.
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Clint VenJohn ..... Mount Hope, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • JU
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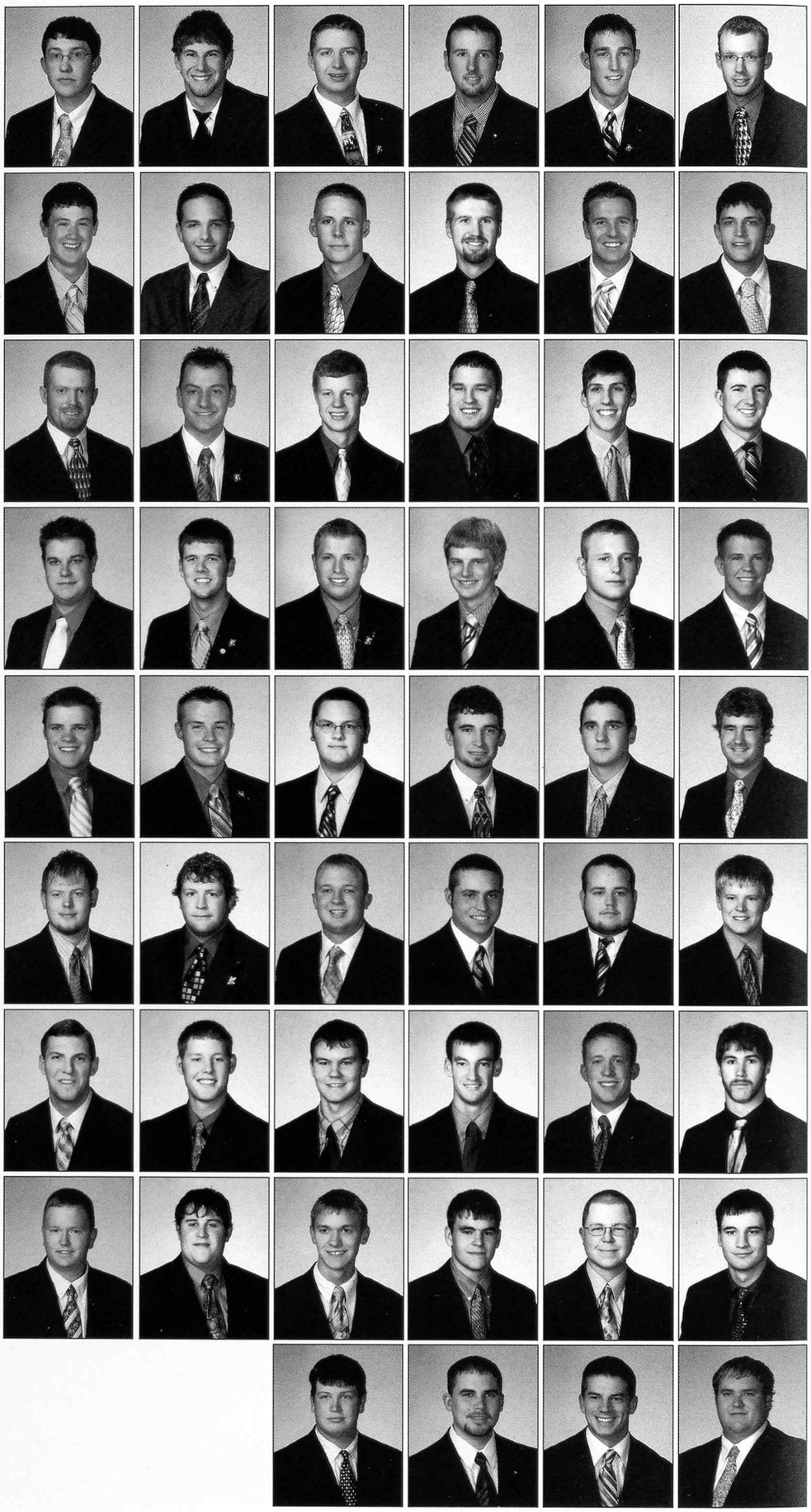
Jared Wilson ..... Amoret, Mo.
Agribusiness • SR



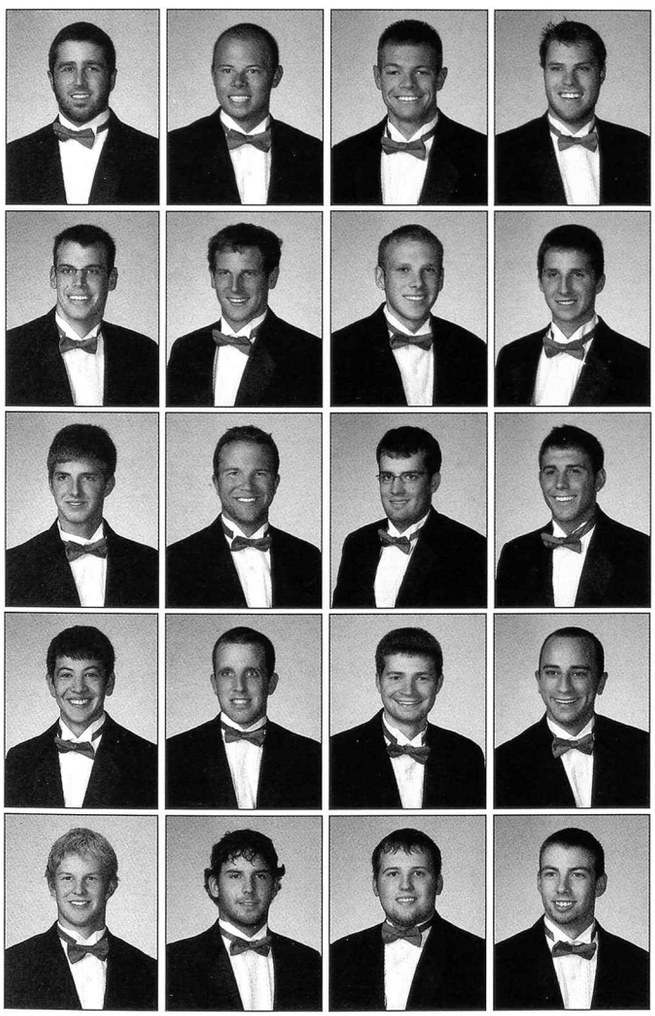
$1,400,000: the amount of money awarded in scholarships in the Kansas State Alpha Tau Omega Students' Aid Endowment Fund's 54-year history *by Tamara Salisbury*

Basically, they just liked to award money, said Bill Muir, president of the Kansas State Alpha Tau Omega Students' Aid Endowment Fund and university assistant vice president.

"(The endowment fund) has worked out rather nicely," he said. "It has just grown and grown and grown. It helps people get through school, and anymore these days, that's not an easy task."

The endowment fund had grown so much that a board of directors distributed $227,780 through 55 different scholarships and grants.

Current students did not contribute to the fund, but benefited from it, which began a cycle of generosity that Muir said funded the scholarships nearly completely.



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Biology • SO
Bret Alsobrook ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Austin Anderson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Tyrek Artley ..... Spring Hill, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU

Chad Baalman ..... Oakley, Kan.
Nutritional Sciences • SR
Tyler Bell ..... Leawood, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Bryan Blake ..... Olathe, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Jacob Bollin ..... Osawatomie, Kan.
Business Administration • SO

Matthew Bollin ..... Osawatomie, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Peter Boos ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • SR
Trent Byquist ..... Salina, Kan.
Political Science • SR
Patrick Calzonetti ..... Garden City, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR

Christopher Carrasco ..... Topeka
Sociology • SO
Charles Clarkson ..... Southlake, Texas
Business Administration • JU
Pat Criss ..... Olathe, Kan.
International Marketing • SR
Josh Cromer ..... Topeka
Elementary Education • SR

Colin Cummings ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Social Sciences • SR
Dalton Cummings ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Zane Derusseau ..... Clyde, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
David Dikeman ..... Leawood, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU

"It's mostly alumni who give back," Muir said. "Some of them, without it, wouldn't have made it through school. A year doesn't go by that somebody doesn't call me up and say, 'I want to establish a scholarship.' We're starting to run out of reasons to do that, but we keep thinking about different ways."

For **Jared Schnefke**, president and senior in accounting, the endowment fund showed the importance of the involvement in the fraternity. As president, he received a scholarship that paid for his house bill. He said this funding kept him from needing a job, which allowed him to keep his grades up, better serve the chapter and get more involved on campus.

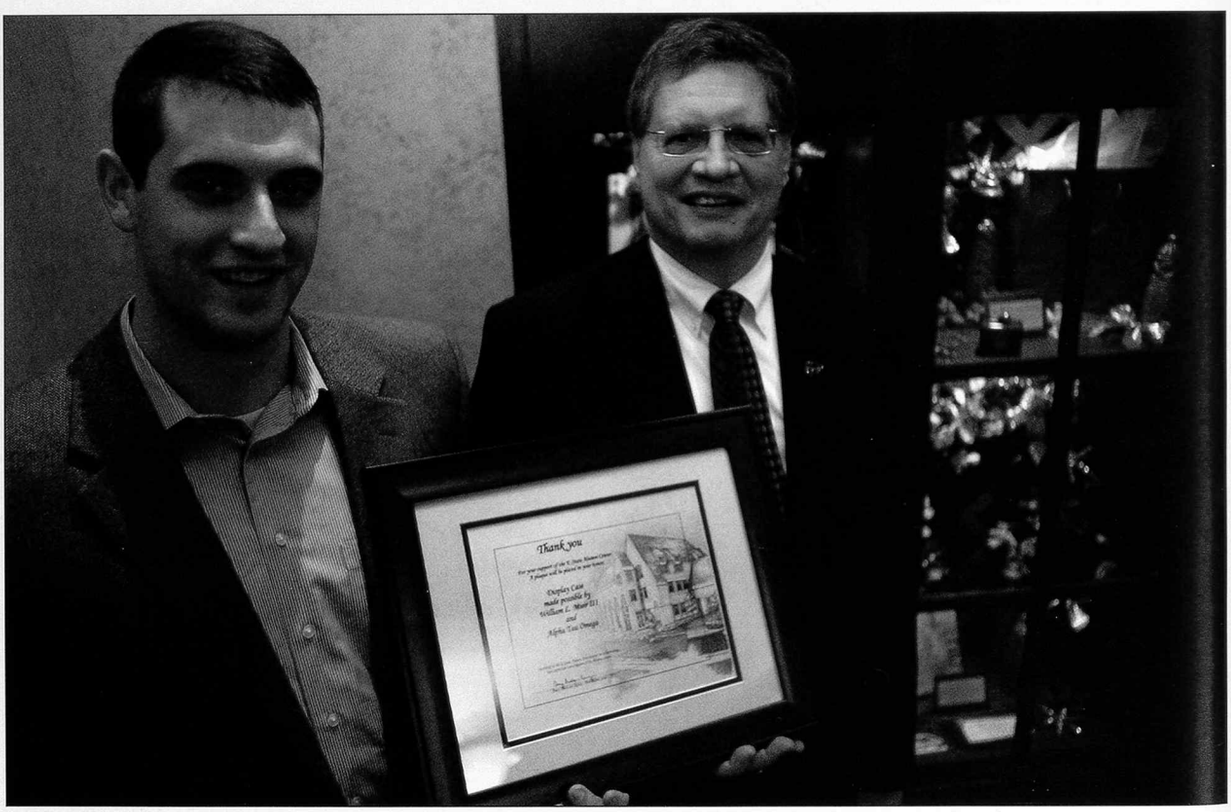
"I think it's unique in that there's really no other organization locally, or I'd be surprised to find one nationally, that's so focused on giving back to its members," he said. "It really emphasizes the significance and the importance of the organization we're a part of to have financial backing for that. If you do well in school, then you're rewarded for that, if you serve the chapter, you're rewarded for it. The endowment fund is an outlet to financially reward, or award, our members for giving back to the fraternity."

In addition to several scholarships and grants for ATOs, seven scholarships (some with more than one recipient) went to students not in the fraternity for reasons like excelling in the College of Architecture, Planning and Design and holding positions of leadership in the K-State Student Union.

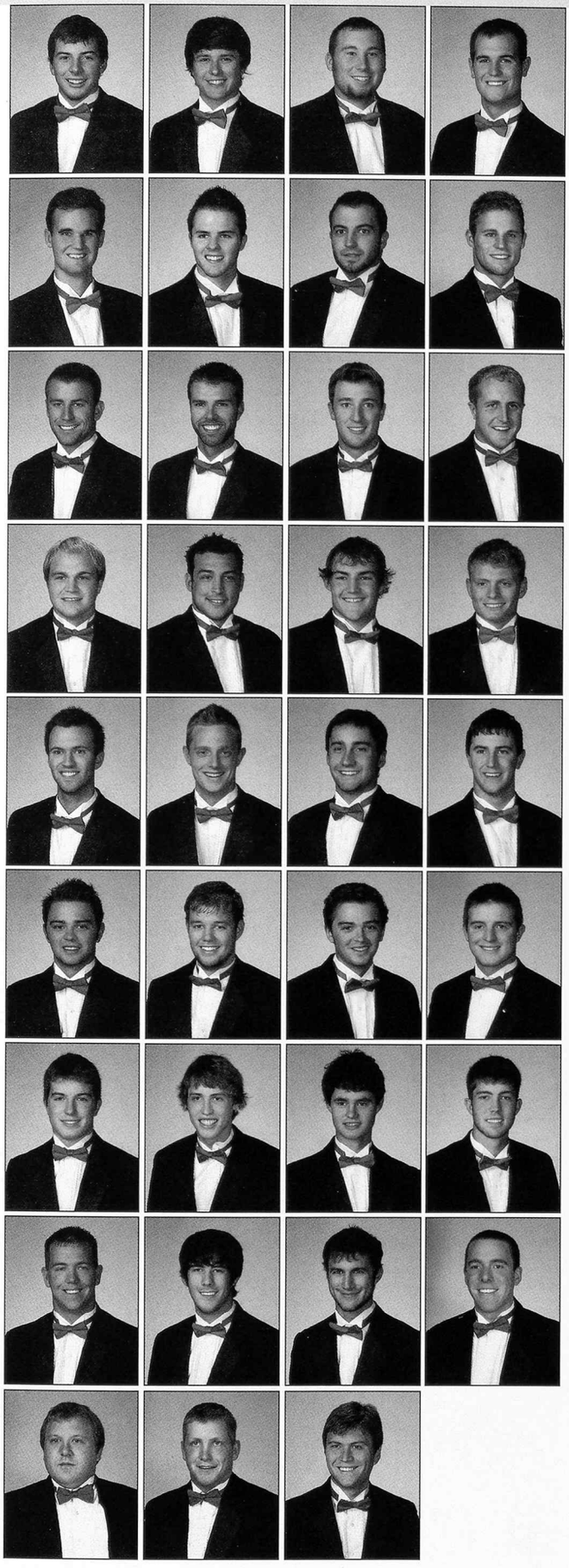
"The thing that's really neat to me is we're extending it outside our chapter," Schnefke said. "We're trying to recognize those on campus who are deserving of an award."

Peter Boos, former president and graduate student in architectural engineering, received several ATO scholarships, including the Bensman President's Award, the Holstrom Memorial Outstanding Senior Award and the Trustees' Brotherhood Award, in addition to the Winter scholarship awarded for leadership and service to the Union.

"I am paying for my own school, so the scholarships were beneficial for me and helped pay for my schooling and get me through some tough financial times through the five years I've been here," he said. "I have full intention of being able to support ATO and K-State in my future endeavors. Hopefully, I will be in a financial capacity to do so. I look forward to being able to 'repay my debt' to the fraternity and the community of K-State through donations and see it as a privilege to be able to do so."



A display case recognizes donations of both **Bill Muir,** president of the Alpha Tau Omega endowment fund and university assistant vice president, and ATO, represented by **Jared Schnefke**, president and senior in accounting. "(Students) don't do much now for raising those funds, but it fosters an appreciation from us, so when we do have the opportunity to give back, it's one of the first places we go to," Schnefke said.
Lisle Alderton



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Civil Engineering • JU

Paul Fangman ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SR
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Journalism and Mass Communication • SR
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Matt Herring ..... San Antonio, Texas
Athletic Training • SO
Tucker Hewitt ..... Shawnee, Kan.
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J.D. Holland ..... Bucyrus, Kan.
Business Administration • SO

Samuel Hund ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Biology • SR
Ethan Hutcheson ..... Olathe, Kan.
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Christian Jackson ..... Clifton, Kan.
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Biological Systems Engineering • FR
Parker Knox ..... Olathe, Kan.
Management • SO

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Feed Science and Management • JU
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Environmental Design • SR

Casey Mason ..... Olathe, Kan.
Biology • JU
Albert Maurin ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Biological Systems Engineering • JU
Michael McArthur ..... Salina, Kan.
Entrepreneurship • JU
Scott McDonald ..... Jefferson City, Mo.
Professional Pilot • SR

Wesley McFadden ..... Iola, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • JU
Drew J. Miller ..... Olathe, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • FR
Steven Miller ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
William H. Miller ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR

Nicholas Mitchum ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Eric Montgomery ..... Leawood, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Philip Newman ..... Leawood, Kan.
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Joseph Norris ..... Littleton, Colo.
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Business Administration • SO
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Horticulture • SR
Scott Ogan ..... Andover, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JU

Josh Oller ..... Kingman, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Aaron Ortbals ..... Leawood, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • SR
Connor Osbern ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Samuel Osbern ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Business Administration • FR

Presten Petersen ..... Omaha, Neb.
Biology • SO
Adam Pfautsch ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Accounting • SR
Nick Poland ..... Olathe, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Ryan Radetic ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Business Administration • JU

Neal Rasmussen ..... Wichita
Geography • SO
David Rathjen ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • FR
Nick Rauth ..... Leawood, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Patrick Reazin ..... Leawood, Kan.
Business Administration • SO

Eric Redhair ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR
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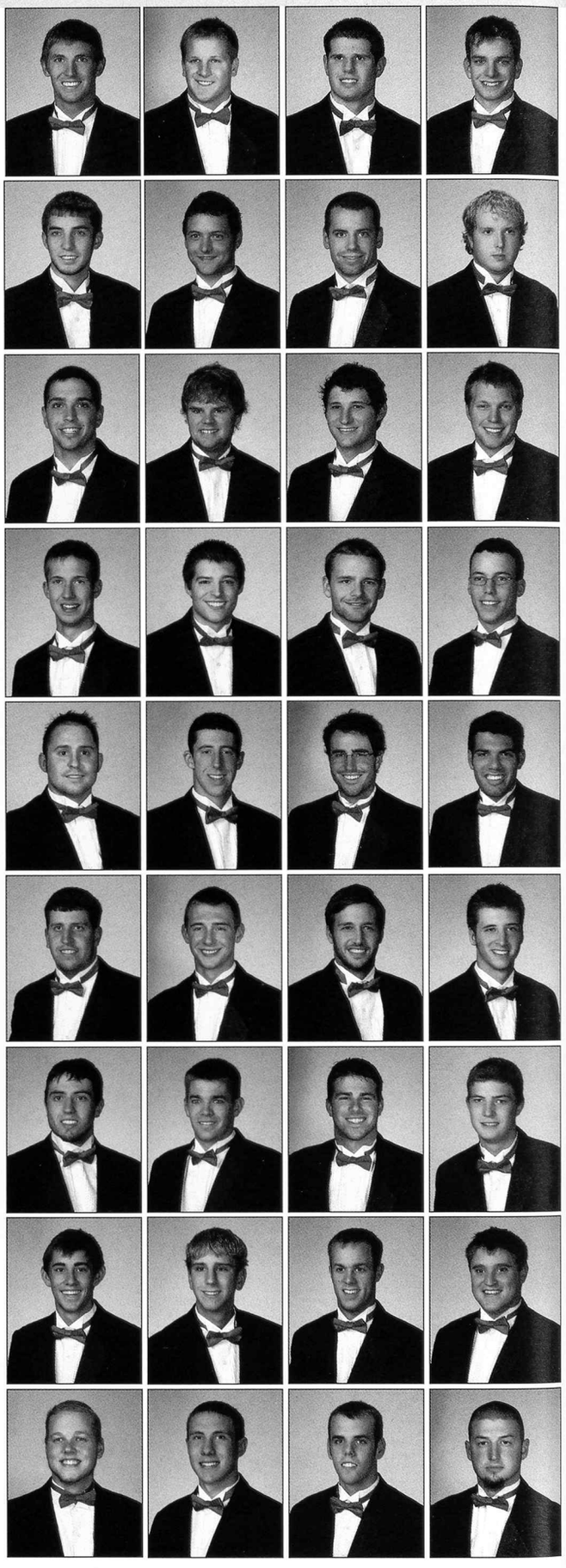
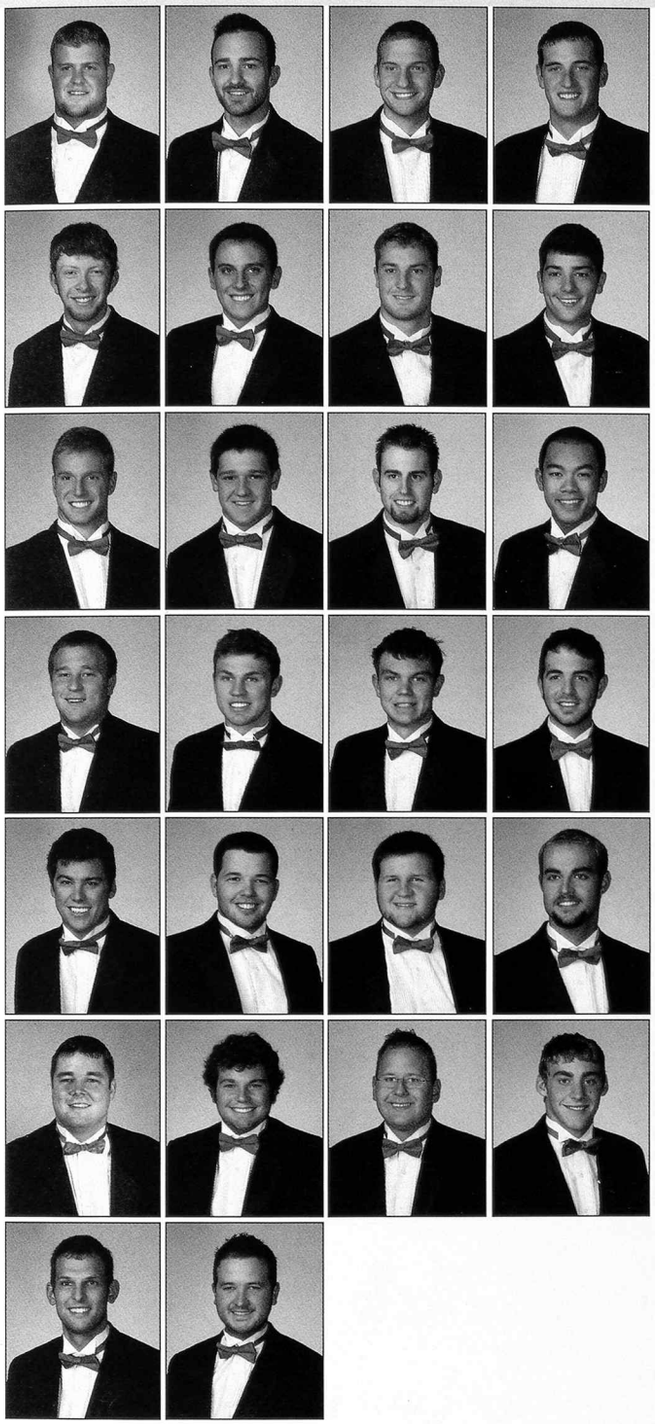
Construction Science and Management • SR





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Kyle Schleicher ..... **Merriam, Kan.**
Architecture • SR
Brad Schnefke ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Jared Schnefke ..... **Shawnee, Kan.**
Accounting • SR

Brandon Scott ..... Clay Center, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • FR
Nicholas Sevart ..... Wichita
Food Science and Industry • JU
Tyler Shepherd ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Sean Shoemaker ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Business Administration • JU

Michael Siscos ..... Olathe, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Carl Specht ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SO
Derick St. Thomas ..... Olathe, Kan.
Finance • JU
Mike Ta ..... Garden City, Kan.
Business Administration • FR

Jakob Thierer ..... Manhattan, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Ryan Thomas ..... **Shawnee, Kan.**
Construction Science and Management • SR
Sean Thomas ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • FR
Christopher Tipton ..... Katy, Texas
Business Administration • SO

Ryan Ullom ..... Tahlequah, Okla.
Accounting • JU
Daniel Unruh ..... **Manhattan**
Political Science • SR
Christopher Waggoner ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Austin Waldo ..... **Wichita**
Marketing • SR

Todd Williams ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Kinesiology • SR
Jonathon Wirtz ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Tyler Wisdom ..... **Leawood, Kan.**
Marketing • SR
Jake Wright ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO

Keith Wyss ..... Wichita
Psychology • JU
Calen Young ..... **Lenexa, Kan.**
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR

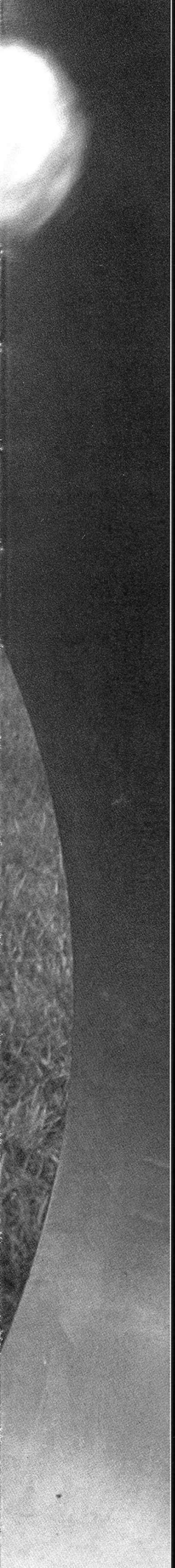
"It shows the importance of establishing a mind set of giving back, and once members graduate and get out on their own, they remember the awards they were given and want to give back, and it helps the community in return."

Jared Schnefke, president and senior in accounting



During a game of alternative disc golf, **Staff Johnson**, junior in philosophy, hits a tennis ball through a piece of campus art. "I was a bit nervous about my first time going out and hitting the tennis balls," Johnson said, "but everyone is really cool and fun, unless you damage the property. So I enjoy it."

Chelsy Lueth



"(Campus) has so much architecture, it's beautiful. You can really tell they put their time into making it appealing architecturally. In the spring, the trees are really pretty when they're blooming. But especially at night, in the winter, you're hanging out, doing finals, and you see the light on the snow and it's enchanting. It's old school, like I went back in time."

Staff Johnson, junior in philosophy

One live band, 50 pounds of chips and a whole lot of cheese combine for annual

Fiesta Feed

by Tamara Salisbury

For the fifth year, the Alpha Xi Delta house was taken over by other greeks, students and members of the community, all after one thing: nachos. At the annual Fiesta Feed Oct. 9, swarms of hungry people flocked to the house for the all-you-can-eat nacho bar, jalapeño eating-contest, piñatas and live band.

Cara Cotter, philanthropy chair and junior in interior architecture and product design, said even though the event started later than previous years and the weather was much colder, the turnout seemed good.

"The girls were saying that the turnout was really good all night," she said. "They said it was actually better than last year. There was a consistent crowd throughout the night for sure."

Fiesta Feed, held at other Alpha Xi chapters across the country, gave the university's chapter something in common with other chapters, but Alpha Xis kept having the philanthropy event because it fit their house so well.

"I'd say it is good for our chapter in particular because we are — compared to other sororities — a more relaxed, chill, laid-back house," **Jessica Schultz**, president and senior in political science, said. "This is an event that would be something that our girls would like to participate in if it was put on by another sorority or fraternity. It's something our girls enjoy doing because it matches so well with their personalities. It's really something that reflects the style of our house and how we are naturally."

Hannah Hoisington, public relations

Chelsea Abney ..... Warrensburg, Mo.
Interior Architecture and Product Design • GR
Lauren T. Allen ..... Olathe, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Emily Atwood ..... Topeka
Marketing • SR
Nicole Augustine ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Marilyn Banach ..... Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
Fine Arts • SO
Megan Barnett ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Lauren Barrick ..... Merriam, Kan.
Athletic Training • FR
Colleen Beasley ..... Olathe, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Maryann Bennett ..... Emporia, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Michelle E. Bergman ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Paige Berry ..... Gardner, Kan.
Biology • SO
Elizabeth Bervert ..... Topeka
Business Administration • JU
Alex Bever ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Erin Boline ..... Olathe, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Haley Burgess ..... Manhattan
Kinesiology • FR
Maggie Burlbaw ..... Leawood, Kan.
Mass Communications • SR
Caitlin C. Burns ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Fine Arts • SR
Kianne Campbell ..... Arkansas City, Kan.
Bakery Science and Management • FR
Maggie Campbell ..... Leawood, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Marissa Carroll ..... Olathe, Kan.
Architecture • SR
Cari Chestnut ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Biology • FR
Cara Cotter ..... Wichita
Interior Architecture and Product Design • SR
Haley Davidson ..... Olathe, Kan.
Interior Design • FR
Liz W. Davis ..... Wichita
Psychology • SO



To increase participation, **Cara Cotter**, philanthropy chair and senior in interior architecture and product design, said Alpha Xi Delta tried to have as many ways to be involved as possible, including the option of sponsorship to other greek houses.
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Kara Disberger ..... **Morton, Ill.**
Mass Communication • SR
Erin Diskin ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Marketing • SR
Taylor Dodge ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Family and Consumer Science • FR
Courtney Drane ..... Topeka
Marketing • JU
Rachel Dula ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Sarah Dula ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Social Sciences • SR
Jessica Eftink ..... Rose Hill, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Miranda Everhart ..... Salina, Kan.
Microbiology • JU
Kelly Fairchild ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Sarah Gamber ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Abby Geist ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SR
Sarah Geringer ..... **Douglass, Kan.**
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR
Sarah Gillespie ..... Topeka
Business Administration • SO
Kelly Gustin ..... Olathe, Kan.
Secondary Education • FR
Mackenzie Haefner ..... Topeka
Elementary Education • JU
Lauren Hand ..... Lee's Summit, Mo.
Nutritional Sciences • JU
Megan Haney ..... Lincoln, Neb.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Joanne Heimsoth ..... **Shawnee, Kan.**
Interior Design • SR
April Hiatt ..... Belleville, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Mindy Hodges ..... Manhattan
Architectural Engineering • SO
Molly Hoener ..... Waukee, Iowa
Elementary Education • JU
Hannah Hoisington ..... Leawood, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Shelby Houser ..... Maize, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • FR
Cassandra Huff ..... Riley, Kan.
Psychology • JU

chair and junior in marketing, said the event also allowed Alpha Xis to invite friends and other people who would not normally hang out in a sorority house.

"I like having people that have never been in a greek house get to come and see it's not an exclusive thing," she said. "A lot of people are kind of intimidated by sororities, and we like to have fun and just have people come and hang out. We have a lot of friends that are not in the greek system, and I don't feel like it should be an exclusive thing, so my favorite thing is just seeing those people come and hang out and meet all these people that I love."

Adding raffle tickets gave this year's event a twist, but the biggest change was the recipient of the money. Alpha Xi's national headquarters changed the house's philanthropy from Choose Children — various children's philanthropies — to Autism Speaks — an organization that works for autism awareness and donates to autism research and support groups for families of children with autism, Schultz said.

Katie E. Murphy, assistant philanthropy chair and sophomore in history, said she thought Fiesta Feed would continue to grow.

"I think this year was, and in the following years is going to be, a lot better because we did change our philanthropy to Autism Speaks," she said. "It relates more to people."

The following day, Alpha Xis continued the cause by attending the Walk Now for Autism in Kansas City,



For $4 — or $15 including a T-shirt — people come into the Alpha Xi Delta house for the annual Fiesta Feed Oct. 9. One of the ways Alpha Xis volunteered was by serving food. "Keeping up with everything (was tough); **Kelley (Miller**, junior in mechanical engineering) and I had to run to Wal-Mart and buy 20 bags of tortilla chips in the middle of the event and have the Wal-Mart guy ask us if we have the munchies," **Hannah Hoisington**, public relations chair and junior in marketing, said. "That was great — a little bit stressful, but for a good cause."
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Natalie Ireland ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Jamie Jacobs ..... Junction City
Speech • SR
Becca Jekel ..... McLean, Va.
Apparel and Textiles Marketing • FR
Lindsey M. Johnson ..... Olathe, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • FR
Megan Jurgensmeier ..... Topeka
Mass Communication • JU
McCaela Kelly ..... Santa Fe, N.M.
Open Option • FR
Alarie Kennedy ..... Topeka
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Ashley Kennedy ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR
Katie Kermashek ..... Leavenworth, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Kate Kongs ..... Oklahoma City, Okla.
Modern Languages • SR
Kendra Kriley ..... Wichita
Journalism and Mass Communication • SO
Katie Kuhn ..... Hays, Kan.
Open Option • JU
Kelley Kusnierz ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Business Administration • SO
Ashlee Lamar ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Nutritional Sciences • JU
Katie Link ..... Manhattan
Bakery Science and Management • SR
MicKayla Mages ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Mass Communication • SR
Leah Mahanay ..... Salina, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Alexandria Marquez ..... Garden City, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Kelsie Mayer ..... Marysville, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Mary McKenzie ..... Topeka
Open Option • FR
Chelsi Medved ..... Merriam, Kan.
Mass Communication • SR
Amanda Meinhardt ..... Springfield, Mo.
Theatre • SO
Kelley Miller ..... Wichita
Mechanical Engineering • JU
Katherine E. Murphy ..... Overland Park, Kan.
History • SO
Elizabeth Neill ..... Parker, Colo.
Advertising • SR
Marsha Newman ..... Olathe, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Kaitlin Norman ..... Scott City, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Michaela Norton ..... Hays, Kan.
Mass Communication • SR
Betsy Philippi ..... Lincoln, Neb.
Public Health Nutrition • SR
Olivia Pitt-Perez ..... Hazelwood, Mo.
Environmental Design • SO
Hannah Powell ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Modern Languages • SO
Natalie Pritchett ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Mass Communication • SR
Madeline Pyle ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Jordan Raymond ..... The Woodlands, Texas
Interior Design, FR
Laurren Rehkop ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Nicole Reigel ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • SO
Megan E. Reynolds ..... Warrensburg, Mo.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SR
Katy Riley ..... Manhattan
Elementary Education • SR
Shanon Robertson ..... Tribune, Kan.
Life Sciences • SR
Dee Rodriguez ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR
Erin Rutter ..... St. Louis
Open Option • FR
Rachel Ryan ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Samantha Rysavy ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Emily Salter ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Jen Santa Maria ..... Stillwell, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Jessica Schultz ..... Manhattan
Political Science • SR
Sarah Showalter ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Mara Sloan ..... Sharon Springs, Kan.
Biology • JU
Kelsey Smalley ..... Topeka
Accounting • JU
Jamie L. Smith ..... Derby, Kan.
Finance • SR
Lily Smythe ..... Leawood, Kan.
Interior Design • SO
Rachael Stueder ..... Claflin, Kan.
Environmental Design • FR
Lindsey Sullivan ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR
Kara Svoboda ..... Belleville, Kan.
Bakery Science and Management • SO



On the front porch of Alpha Xi Delta, **Katie Link**, senior in bakery science and management, takes her turn at a piñata at the annual Fiesta Feed. Other activities included a nacho bar, a live band, a raffle and a jalapeño eating-contest.
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enough to feed hundreds

- 120 pounds of ground beef
- 9 cans of nacho cheese
- 20 pounds of sour cream
- 20 pounds of shredded cheese
- 6 gallons of salsa
- 50 pounds of chips
- 7 gallons of refried beans

Kan. By creating a team online, asking family and friends to join or donate, and attending the walk Oct. 10, the Alpha Xis raised more than $2,800 of the walk's total of more than $150,000. Alpha Xi, with the university chapter's team and another Alpha Xi teams, was the top-raising company for the walk in Kansas City.

Through the Fiesta Feed and the walk, Alpha Xis as well as other community members had a chance to participate in raising money for a good cause.

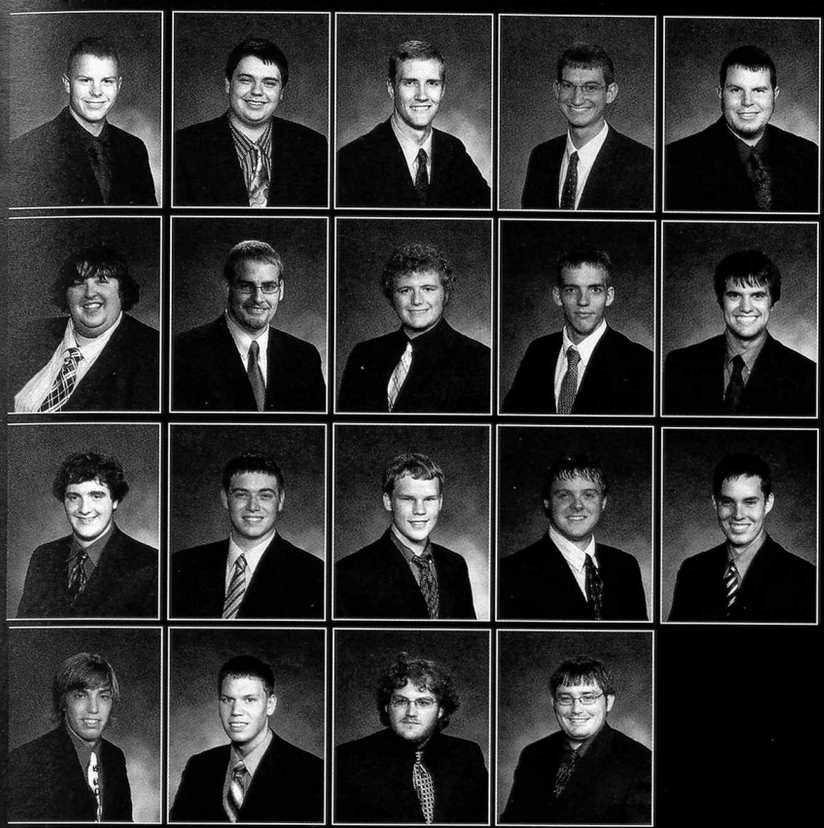
"I'd say something that's really great about this philanthropy as opposed to other philanthropies we put on is that it's more of a community event," Schultz said. "Everyone can get involved. Everyone can participate. I've always been partial to this one because it's just a relaxed gathering."

Katherine Sweeney ..... Leawood, Kan.
Horticulture • JU
Heather Tosh ..... Olathe, Kan.
Art • JU
Katarina Tusten ..... Ulysses, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • JU
Rylee Uhlrich ..... Topeka
Biology • FR
Kristina Visk ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU

Emily Wells ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • JU
Chelsea Wheatcroft ..... Wichita
Interior Design • JU
Rikki Whitby ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Pre-Nursing • SO
Taylor Wiese ..... Cawker City, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Nicole Wilbur ..... Wichita
Elementary Education • SO

Sara Wilbur ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Regional and Community Planning • JU
Jordan Williamson ..... Dodge City, Kan.
Kinesiology • FR
Elizabeth Zabel ..... Wamego
Political Science • FR





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Park Management and Conservation • SO
Alan Barraza ..... Olathe, Kan.
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Drew Bolton ..... Olathe, Kan.
Park Management and Conservation • SO
Andrew Bowman ..... Wichita
Electrical Engineering • SR
Justin Buckles ..... Topeka
Park Management and Conservation • SR

Justin Gehrt ..... Olathe, Kan.
Management • SR
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Secondary Education • SO

Kyle Plaice ..... Eudora, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
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Chemical Engineering • SR
Dustin Schmidt ..... Canton, Kan.
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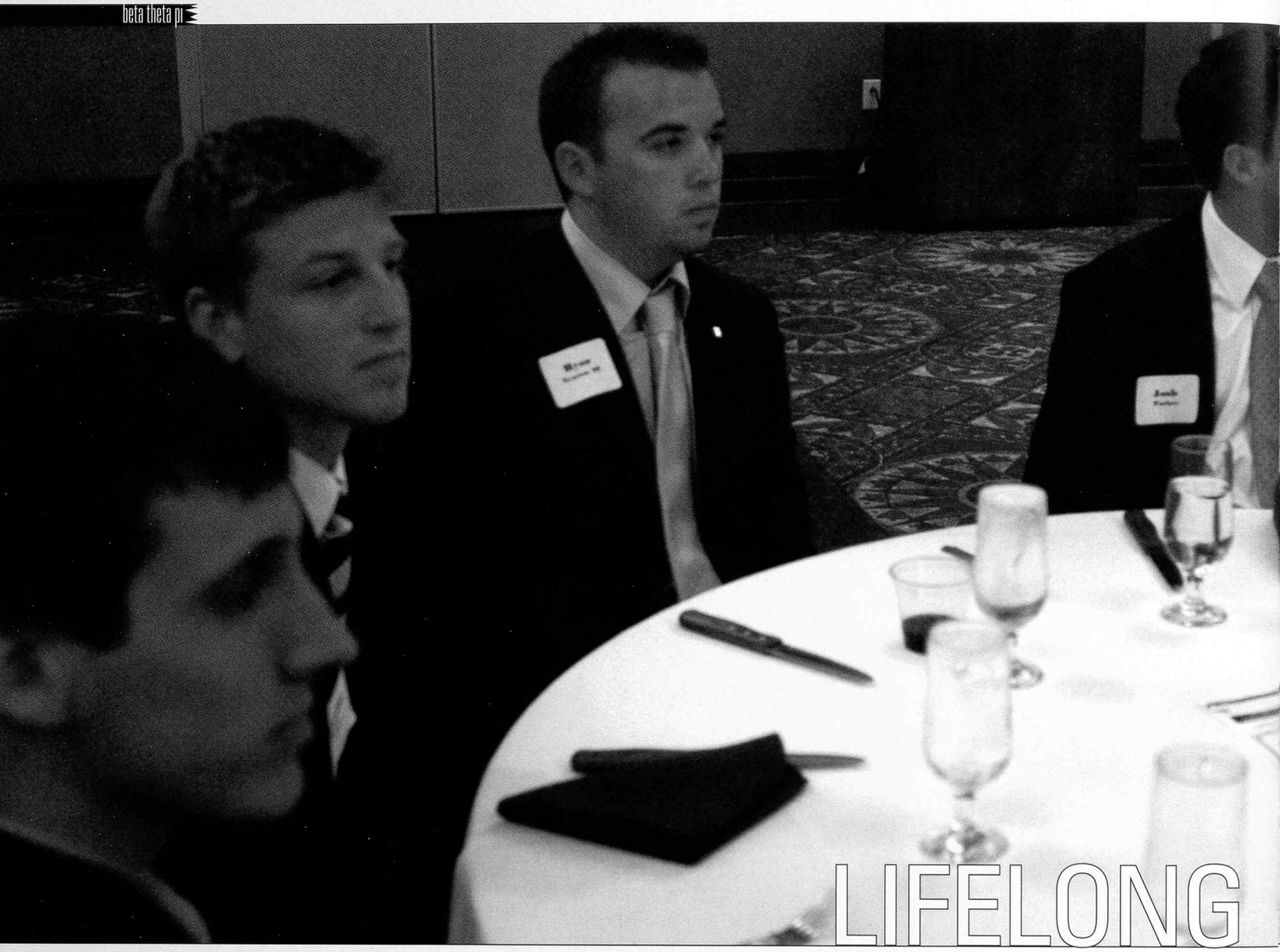
Ben Schweda ..... Topeka
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO

Cole Spickler ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Animal Science • JU
Scott Streck ..... Ellinwood, Kan.
Biology • JU
Jeffrey Wilms ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • GR
Alex Zillinger ..... Topeka
Architectural Engineering • SR



As snow fell harder, beginning to cover her feet, Chelsea Cooley, sophomore in mass communications brushed off the snow from her car windshield. Cooley made her way through the Z lot to find her car before she headed to an acting rehearsal.
Chelsy Lueth

"People seem more quiet and peaceful when it snows. It's colder so people are more bundled up and it seems like life moves slower."
Chelsea Cooley, sophomore in mass communications



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Stratton Bachman ..... Centralia, Kan.
Finance • JU

Denton Bailey ..... Norcatur, Kan.
Agronomy • SR

Brett Basom ..... Topeka
Accounting • SO

Trenton Bishop ..... Littleton, Colo.
Finance • SO

Matthew Blackmon ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • SO

Keith Bokelman ..... Washington, Kan.
Management • SO

Connor Brass ..... Salina, Kan.
Philosophy • FR

Eric Braun ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • FR

Connor Bridge ..... Hutchinson, Kan,
Biology • JU

Austin Brown ..... Belleville, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • FR

Kevin D. Brown ..... Auburn, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO

Cliff Burdick ..... Dodge City, Kan.
Biology • SO

Brian Carter ..... Topeka
Management Information Systems • SR

Thomas Chaffee ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Social Sciences • JU

Matt Chalfant ..... Manhattan
Open Option • FR

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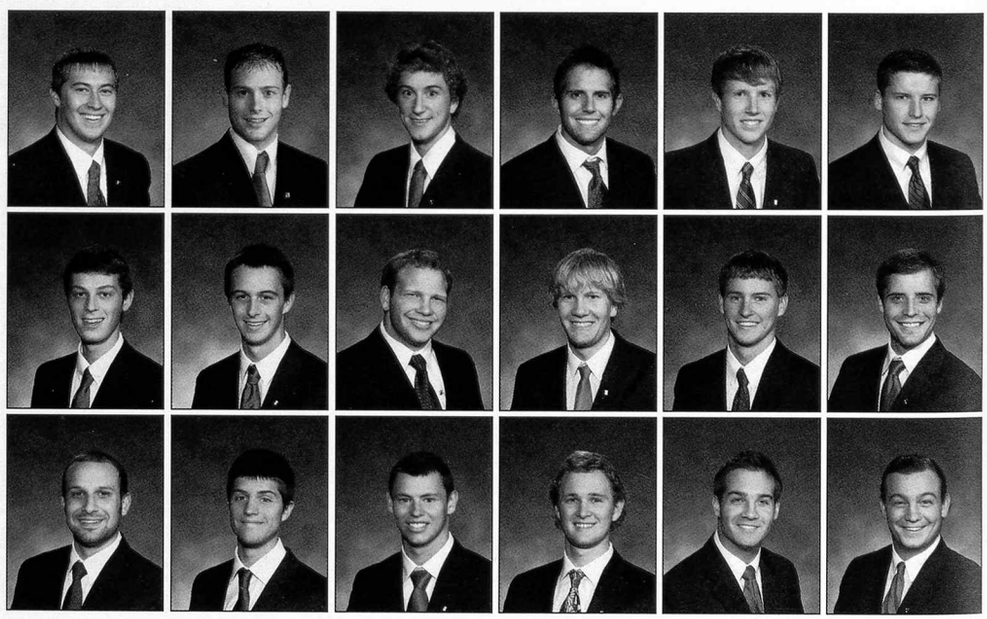




Beta Theta Pis **Zach Weaver**, sophomore in civil engineering, **Brandon Lackey**, junior in electrical engineering, **Ryan Newton**, admissions representative, **Josh Parker**, president and senior in accounting and **Katie Niederee**, senior in mass communications, chat while waiting for the formal banquet, which celebrated 95 years of Beta history. "It was incredible being able to talk to so many different alums from so many different eras," Parker said, "from men that graduated before World War II was over, to men that graduated five years ago."

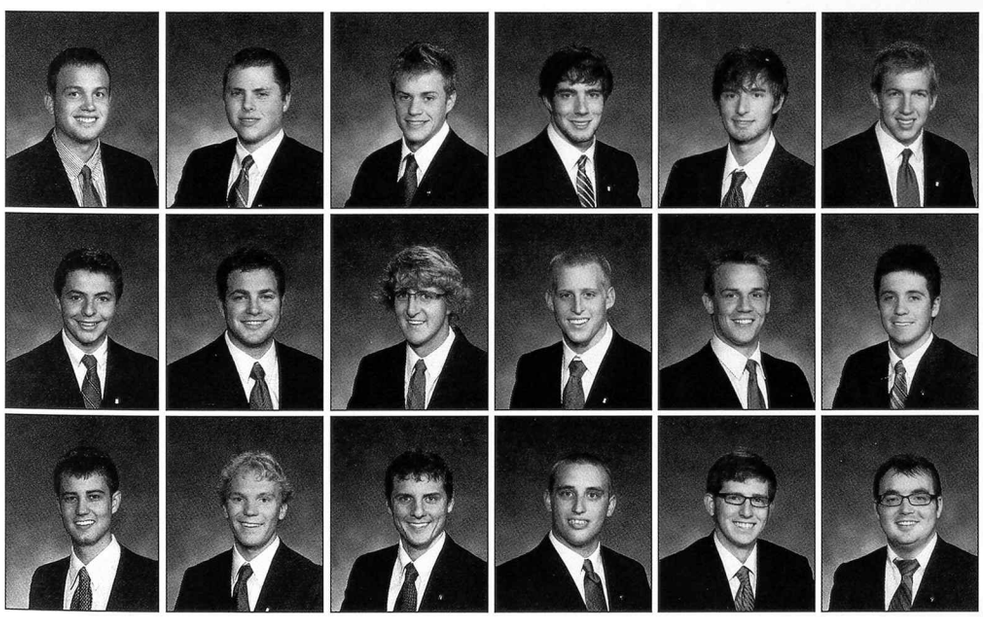
Lisle Alderton

by Caitlin M. Burns

BROTHERHOOD

It was a weekend to remember as 172 current members, alumni and guests came together to celebrate 95 years of history in Beta Theta Pi.

A four-person scholarship golf tournament at Colbert Hills Golf Course Oct. 23 kicked off the celebration, followed by a formal banquet dinner Oct. 24. The banquet had a buffet catered by Coco Bolos's, and people had the chance



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Finance • SR
Andrew Dellett ..... Leawood, Kan.
Fisheries, Wildlife and Conservation Biology • SO
Taylor Dietz ..... **Topeka**
Political Science • SR
Kevin Durkee ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Biology • SO
Sean M. Durkee ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Grant Edmunds ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Will Exline ..... Salina, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • FR
Shane M. Fiser ..... **Shawnee, Kan.**
Finance • SR
Logan M. Gauby ..... Washington, Kan.
Human Ecology • JU
Andrew S. Goble ..... Olathe, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Joshua Gross ..... Beverly, Kan.
Mathematics • JU
Evan Hall ..... Salina, Kan.
Fine Arts • JU
Jacob D. Harnack ..... **Lenexa, Kan.**
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Robert Hamilton ..... Topeka
Music Education • FR
Taylor Hanney ..... **Tecumseh, Kan.**
Elementary Education • SR
John Harwell ..... Wichita
History • JU
Frederick Hasler ..... **Manhattan**
Theatre • SR
Adam Herbener ..... **Papillion, Neb.**
English • SR

Cade Hewitt ..... Beloit, Kan.
Agronomy • FR
Matt Hildebrand ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Grant Hill ..... Whitewater, Kan.
Engineering • FR
Tyson Hilyard ..... Andover, Kan.
Engineering • FR
Shae Hinman ..... Andover, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Jesse Hodes ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Christopher Horner ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Mitchell Jennings ..... Leawood, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Stuart Jones ..... Mission Hills, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Ryan Kautz ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Bryce Knott ..... Dallas
Business Administration • JU
Brandon Lackey ..... Sabetha, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • JU
Brett Logue ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Daniel Long ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR
Sam Long ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Sociology • SR
Greg Lott ..... Topeka
Accounting • SR
Zachary Lyman ..... Manhattan
Business Administration • JU
Cooper Mach ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Brandon Mais ..... Leawood, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SO
Thomas Markey ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Cameron Masilionis ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Michael Mazzoni ..... Leawood, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SO
Thomas McGowan ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Accounting • JU
James R. Miller ..... Leawood, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Jack Mosimann ..... Lee's Summit, Mo.
Finance • JU
Christopher Newton ..... Tampa Bay, Florida
Mass Communications • JU
Gustave Oxler ..... Wichita
Architectural Engineering • SO
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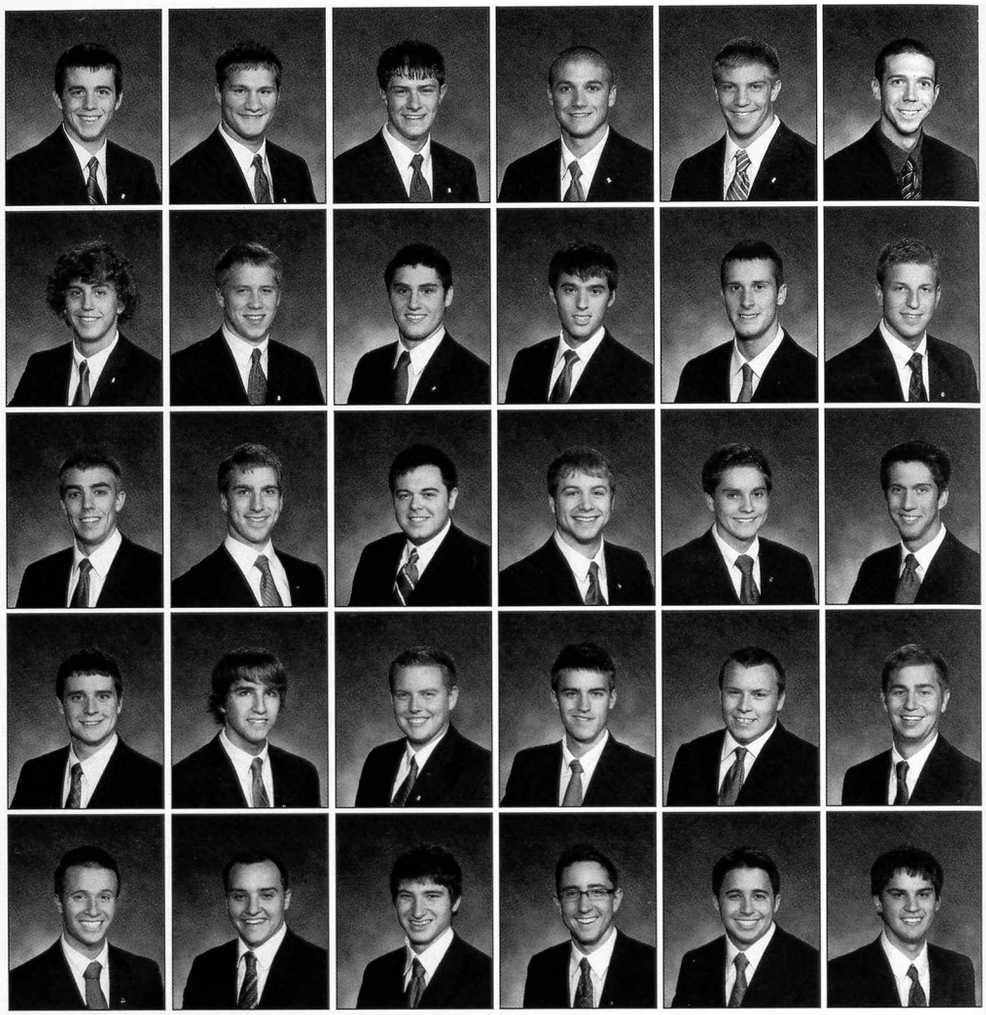
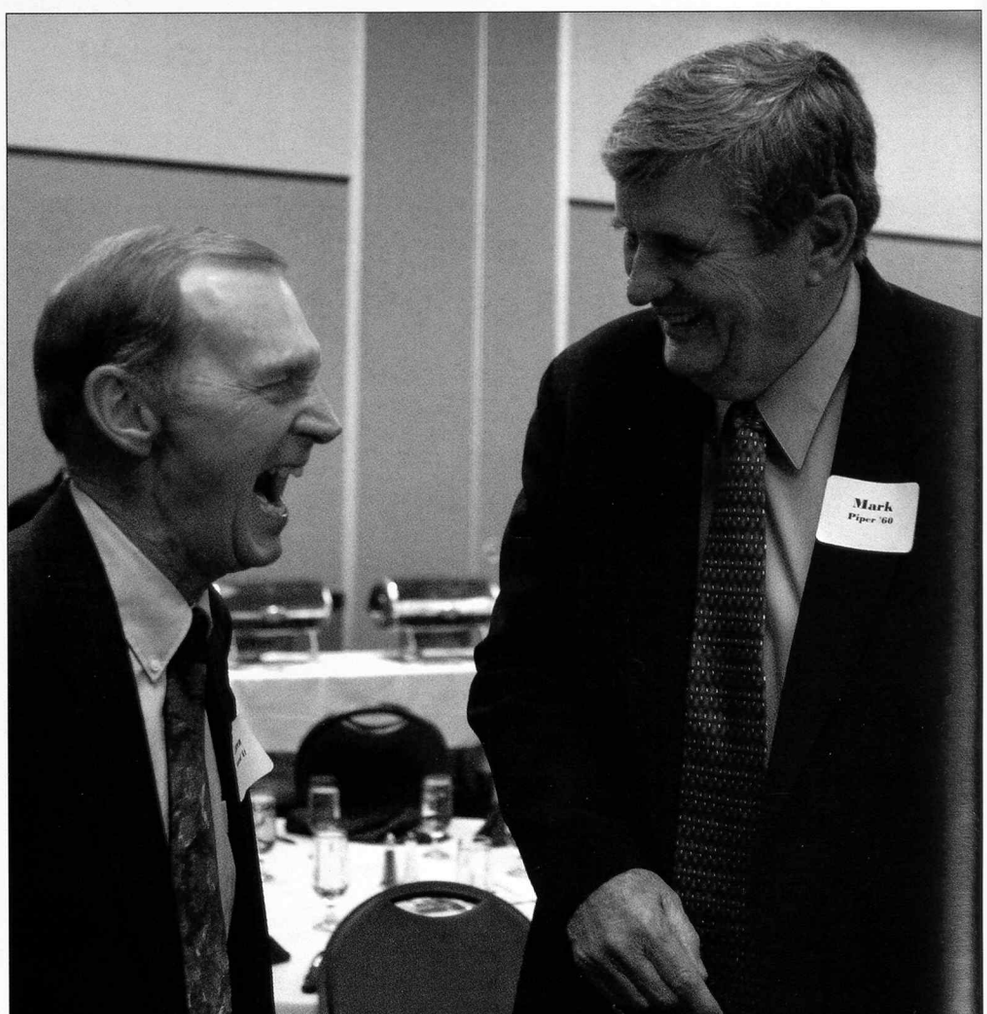
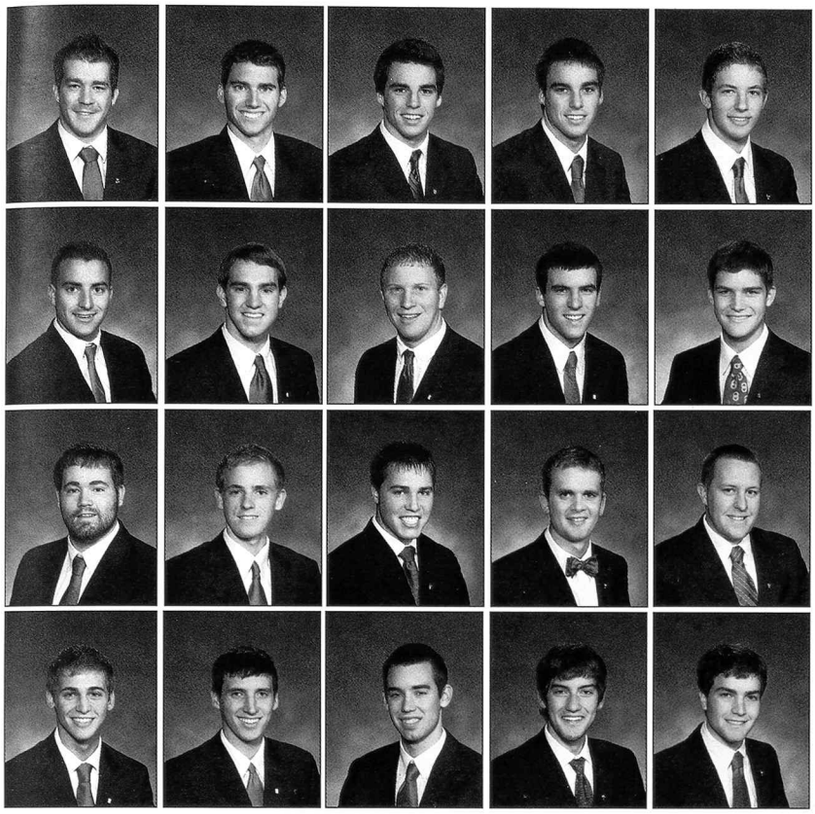




After being reunited at the Beta Theta Pi banquet, **Loren Conrad,** alumnus, and **Mark Piper**, alumnus, share a laugh while catching up on good times. Many changes took place since Conrad and Piper lived at Beta. **Cooper Mach**, alumni chair and junior in mass communications, said there were several changes to the house itself, such as "the pit," the previous living room, which had since been converted into a laundry room. "The most obvious thing that has changed has been the removal of hazing," Mach said. "Alums were not shy about sharing their stories of hazing, and it sounded pretty brutal."

Lisle Alderton



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Communication Studies • SO
Brian Rooney ..... Topeka
Business Administration • SO

Kevin Schuessler ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Todd Severson ..... Wichita
Computer Engineering • FR
Pete Smith ..... Pawnee Rock, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Robert Specht ..... Stilwell, Kan.
Computer Science • FR
Matthew Stecklein ..... **Wichita**
Marketing • SR

Dane Sylvester ..... Manhattan
Secondary Education • SO
Logan Sylvester ..... Manhattan
Architectural Engineering • FR
Matthew Tedman ..... **Sabetha, Kan.**
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Robert Tibbetts ..... **Liberal, Kan.**
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR
Lee Van Loenen ..... **Prairie View, Kan.**
Accounting • SR

Andrew Waldman ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • FR
Zach Weaver ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SO
Thomas Wessling ..... Olathe, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Alec Williams ..... **Anthony, Kan.**
Accounting • SR
Benjamin Yunk ..... Manhattan
Biology • JU

to share memories and create new ones.

"We said a few words about Beta and then handed out the prizes from the golf tournament," **Cooper Mach**, alumni chairman and junior in mass communications, said. "We are known as the singing fraternity, so we had a special duet of **Robert Hamilton** (freshman in music education) and his father sing a couple of Beta songs and then lead the whole room in a few more songs."

The banquet gave the men the opportunity to mingle with their brothers and hear stories about Beta from alumni.

"The most interesting person that I spoke to was **Phil Wright**," **Josh Parker**, president and senior in accounting, said. "He graduated in 1958 and it was amazing the stories that he told that demonstrated the changes in society in the past 50-plus years. Some of his stories also sounded eerily similar to stories that run around the house today."

With 85 registered alumni in town to spend time the men spent together, there was never a dull moment. It was also an opportunity for current Betas to learn about what it meant to be a Beta.

"I think that seeing 12 men from the pledge class of 1971 talking and laughing and telling stories really helped show our members that our mission for lifelong fraternal brotherhood exists and isn't just some empty claim," Mach said.

Brotherhood was certainly a big part of the weekend. They had the opportunity to see the different ways the fraternity had changed: from hazing rules to class divisions and the house itself. Ultimately, the time was about reuniting and being together.

"My best memory was probably right after the banquet," Mach said. "I had multiple alumni come up to me and thank me for organizing the event. It wasn't the praise that makes it my best memory; it was the fact that they appreciated the opportunity to reunite with their brothers and share memories with each other along the lines of a shared bond. It really reminded me of the camaraderie that fraternities promote."

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Cooper Mach, alumni chairman and junior in mass communications



Graduates listen to the closing comments at their graduation ceremony in McCain Auditorium. "K-State has helped me bridge the gap to a full-time job because I've had two jobs at K-State," **Christopher Linnick**, senior in mechanical engineering, said. "Those jobs helped me make the transition from the books to the industry. They helped me with that transition and I was able to apply what I learned in class to my job. My classes prepared me for going out into the industry."
Chelsy Lueth

"It's really hard to make the transition from graduation to a full-time job. Taking finals after graduation means it's hard to grasp that you're going on to the real world. But walking during graduation really puts that in perspective."

Christopher Linnick, senior in mechanical engineering

Cones for a Cause

by Stephanie Mikuls

On Sept. 30, the Chi Omegas helped Acacia run a snow cone stand to raise money for Operation Military Children. The Chi Os tried different methods to get customers to come to the stand by the K-State Student Union, including calling out students walking by and asking them to buy a snow cone and donate money to military children whose parents were overseas.

"My favorite part has been using the megaphone and calling people over," Courtney Fox, sophomore in apparel and textiles, said. "We're trying to be excited and get other people excited about Operation Military Children too."

Chi Os rotated shifts from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in two locations: one stand in Bosco Student Plaza and another at Chi Omega.

"This made it more convenient so people could just drive over to the house and get it in their car," Fox said.

The men of Acacia ran the snow cone stands with the Chi Os. Everyone working the stand wore brightly colored



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Business Administration • FR
Caitlin Admire ..... Evergreen, Colo.
Landscape Architecture • SR
Tara Allen ..... Olathe, Kan.
Mass Communications • SR
Kathryn Baker ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Victoria Behnen ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Sarah Bell ..... Louisburg, Kan.
Veterinary Medicine • JU
Mica Bengtson ..... Olathe, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Amanda Bisnett ..... Meriden, Kan.
Business Management • SR
Lindsey Bjerg ..... Lake Quivira, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SO
Emily Boardman ..... McPherson, Kan.
Public Health Nutrition • JU
Lauren Boos ..... Salina, Kan.
Finance • JU
Lizzy Boyarski ..... Wichita
Life Sciences • JU
Laney Brightbill ..... Salina, Kan.
Early Childhood Education • JU
Mattie Brown ..... Louisburg, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Julia Brunner ..... St. Joseph, Mo.
Milling Science and Management • JU
Kelly Burkhart ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Jenna Butterfield ..... Centennial, Colo.
Finance • JU
Brooke Campbell ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Rachel Carroll ..... Olathe, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Kelsey Castanon ..... Stillwell, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Melissa Chastain ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Management • SR
Callie Coglizer ..... Olathe, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Morgan Combs ..... Olathe, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SO
Sydney Currier ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • FR

shirts they tye-dyed together as a function. They also sold the shirts to the public.

"It's nice knowing that the money is going to a good cause and seeing the K-State community come together and participate," **Ali Kindelsparger**, senior in elementary education, said. "It also shows they support us."

Although this was the first time Chi O had done the snow cone stand, they said they were pleased with its success, even in the chilly fall weather. Chalking on campus and using the megaphone were the main methods of advertising.

"Chi O has a lot of girls that are involved in volunteering, so it's fun for us all to volunteer together," **Amanda Bisnett**, senior in management, said. "It's a great way to promote doing service."



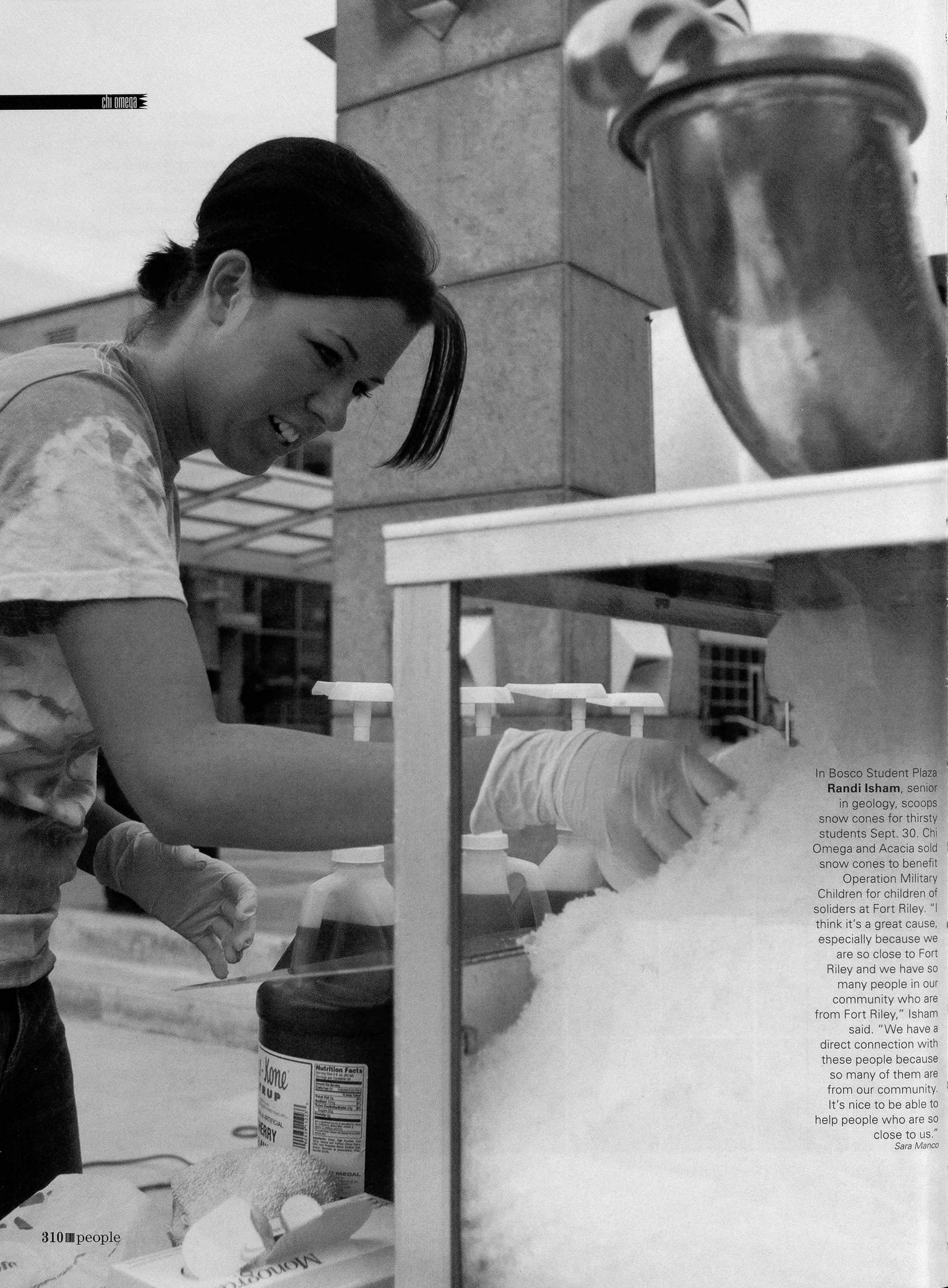
With their posters and hands held high girls from Chi Omega promote their snow-cone stand. All the money they raised went to Operation Military Children for the children of Fort Riley soldiers.
Matt Binter

Andrea Damas ..... Olathe, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Katie DeBacco ..... Leawood, Kan.
Pubic Health Nutrition • JU
Kaitlyn Dechant ..... Garden City, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Mackenzie Dikeman ..... Topeka
Psychology • SR
Mika Domsch ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Allie Dubek ..... Flower Mound, Texas
Elementary Education • SO
Krista Dunleavy ..... Stilwell, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Emily Egger ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Jeni Elkins ..... Leawood, Kan.
Mass Communications • SR
Lucy Erickson ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Social Work • FR
Becky Ernst ..... Olathe, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Jamie Ernst ..... Olathe, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Lauren Everett ..... Wamego
Nutritional Sciences • FR
Anna Falls ..... Olathe, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR
Alissah Ferris ..... Louisburg, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Caitlin Ford ..... Omaha, Neb.
Elementary Education • JU
Courtney Fox ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Nichole Fox ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Leslie Francis ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Accounting • SR
Catie Furman ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Cristin Furman ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JU
Victoria Gable ..... Wichita
Business Administration • FR
Jenna Garcia ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Ashley Garren ..... Topeka
Family Studies and Human Services • JU





Hayley George ..... Minneapolis, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Gretchen Gosch ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Social Work • JU
Ashley R. Green ..... Topeka
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Shannon Green ..... Abilene, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Sarah Gregory ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Morgan Griffin ..... Olathe, Kan.
Interior Design • SR
Madeline Haas ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Kaley Hagermann ..... Olathe, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Emily Hays ..... Herington, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • JU
Kelsey Hedlund ..... Hays, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Shelly Heinz ..... San Diego
Theatre • SO
Chelsea Henning ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR
Christa Henning ..... Sedgwick, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Rachael Heslop ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Art • SR
Amanda Hinkley ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Kacie Hoctor ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Jaime Hofmeister ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Morgan Hofmeister ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Heather Houchen ..... Olathe, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Lindsey Hubert ..... Oakley, Kan.
Life Sciences • SR
Shaina Hunt ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Randi Isham ..... Spring Hill, Kan.
Geology • SR
Brittany Jacob ..... Valley Center, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Andrea Jahde ..... Lincoln, Neb.
Interior Architecture and Product Design • SR
Brianne Johnson ..... Topeka
Biology • SO
Taren Johnson ..... Grandview, Texas
Secondary Education • SR
Natalie Jordan ..... Topeka
Biology • SO
Melanie Katz ..... Manhattan
Biochemistry • SR
Logan Keasling ..... Lawrence
Open Option • SO
Jordan Keller ..... Olathe, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Andrea Kingsbury ..... Smith Center, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Kayleigh Koster ..... Leawood, Kan.
Public Health Nutrition • JU
Kathleen Kramer ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR
Brooke Kueser ..... Francis, Utah
Secondary Education • JU
Sarah Kuhlmann ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Kelsey Kupish ..... Olathe, Kan.
Interior Design • FR
Devin Lally ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Alexandra Lathrop ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Brooke Lechtenberg ..... Oakland, Neb.
Kinesiology • SO
Paige Lechtenberg ..... Oakland, Neb.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Brooke Lennington ..... Syracuse, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Kylie Less ..... Olathe, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Christina Lewis ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Interior Design • SR
Jordan Louis ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Kate Macholan ..... Omaha, Neb.
Apparel and Textile Marketing • SO
Merrill Marine ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Lindy Marks ..... Wellsville, Kan.
Psychology • SR
Molly Martin ..... Salina, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Deidra Mason ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Melissa May ..... Ballwin, Mo.
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Keely McKernan ..... Seneca, Kan.
Kinesiology • JU
Laura Megee ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Bailey Meier ..... Topeka
Open Option • FR
Brenna T. Meyers ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU



In Bosco Student Plaza **Randi Isham**, senior in geology, scoops snow cones for thirsty students Sept. 30. Chi Omega and Acacia sold snow cones to benefit Operation Military Children for children of soliders at Fort Riley. "I think it's a great cause, especially because we are so close to Fort Riley and we have so many people in our community who are from Fort Riley," Isham said. "We have a direct connection with these people because so many of them are from our community. It's nice to be able to help people who are so close to us."

Sara Manco



Heather J. Miller ..... Lawrence
Life Sciences • FR
Sarah Miller ..... Leawood, Kan.
Biology • SO
Brenna Mitchell ..... Leawood, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Kristen Mitts ..... Belton, Mo.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Kelsey Moore ..... Wichita
Open Option • FR
Rachel Mustain ..... Olathe, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR

Kaitlin Myers ..... Olathe, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Jordi Palmer ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JU
Kristin Pappas ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Katie Parker ..... Plano, Texas
Elementary Education • JU
Chelsy Parsons ..... Holyrood, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Lindsey Patterson ..... Omaha, Neb.
Psychology • SR
Melanie Peele ..... Olathe, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Lauren Pistotnik ..... Wichita
Life Sciences • SO
Emily Pohölsky ..... Lawrence
Biology • SO
Alexandria Ponchur ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR
Erin Prendergast ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Psychology • SR
Kelsey Price ..... Olathe, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Kyla Reinhardt ..... Russell, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Morgan Riederer ..... Holton, Kan.
Nutritional Sciences • SO
Sarah Rowe ..... Wichita
Interior Design • FR
Katherine Sakaguchi ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Horticulture • SO
Jentry Samuelson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Emily Schrader ..... Manhattan
Elementary Education • SR
Hannah Scrivner ..... Olathe, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Lyndsey Seck ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Sadie Sexton ..... Abilene, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Merritt Sizemore ..... Leawood, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Lauren Skinner ..... Leawood, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Katie Speer ..... Manhattan
Life Sciences • SO
Haley Splan ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Interior Design • JU
Becca Stack ..... Lawrence
Accounting • JU
Kirsten Stack ..... Lawrence
Marketing • SR
Samantha Stalcup ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Public Health Nutrition • JU
Rachel Stark ..... Wichita
Open Option • FR
Sarah Stark ..... Wichita
Management • SR
Meagan Stauffer ..... Andover, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Paige Steele ..... Washington, Iowa
Economics • SO
Lauren Stitt ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Adrienne Struble ..... Lawrence
Psychology • SR
Liz Sullivan ..... Leawood, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Nicole Sullivan ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • SO
Rebecca M. Sullivan ..... Leawood, Kan.
Bakery Science and Management • JU
Sarah Taphorn ..... Omaha, Neb.
Life Sciences • SR
Natalie Tarbutton ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • SR
Julie Thimesch ..... Wichita
Elementary Education • JU
Lainey Uphoff ..... Manhattan
Kinesiology • SO
Ashton Watt ..... Clearwater, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Lexi L. Wheeler ..... Olathe, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Mollie Winter ..... Manhattan
Mass Communications • JU
Sarah Works ..... Humboldt, Kan.
Human Ecology • SO

Leadership

lifted toward
support system drives ambassador

by Anna Kearns

As the university's female ambassador, **Stephanie Larson**, Delta Delta Delta and junior in elementary education, said she always gave the same advice to prospective students: get involved on campus, go to class and sit in the first 15 rows and have fun.

Before being named ambassador, Larson had to go through three rounds of interviews, including a final presentation to a faculty and alumni panel about the homecoming theme, "Wildcat Frontier." Larson said the most stressful part of this process was waiting for the invitation to participate in the next round after each interview. Though she was named ambassador in October, her stint began in January and lasted for one calendar year.

Larson said the biggest part of her job, which she shared with **Ryan Wilkerson**, male ambassador and senior in finance, was to visit with alumni and prospective students.

Kelly Albrecht ..... **Shawnee, Kan.**
Social Work • SR
Megan Allegri ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Fine Arts • JU
Christine Anjard ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Interior Design • FR
Quinn Ayres ..... Eastborough, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Logan Barefoot ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • FR

Shae Bartek ..... Olathe, Kan.
Public Health Nutrition • JU
Hayley Black ..... Stanley, Kan.
Psychology • SO
Becky Boeger ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Jessica Boesche ..... Olathe, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Bailey Borck ..... Manhattan
Marketing • JU

Courtney Bothwell ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Kinesiology • FR
Becky Brennan ..... **Smithville, Mo.**
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Hannah Brooks ..... Leroy, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Morgan Buchholz ..... Iola, Kan.
Athletic Training • SO
Jessica Busey ..... Olathe, Kan.
Apparel and Textile Design • SO





portrait by Erin Poppe

"I like to reassure our alumni that our university is just as passionate about our students and our family as it was when they were here," Larson said, "and that we're continuing to develop our university and our students."

Larson and Wilkerson also traveled to visit with high school juniors to give them an idea of what campus life is like. Larson said she encouraged prospective students to visit campus before they made a decision, because she thought once they saw the beauty of campus and met the people they would be hooked.

Her inspiration for becoming the ambassador came purely out of a passion for the university.

"I just personally wanted to be a part of something that's meant so much to me and that's been representative of the student body," she said. "That way, it would give me the opportunity to let prospective students know why I love K-State and how I came to love K-State and to encourage them to love it just as much as I did."

Larson said her main support came from her

Rachel Calovich ..... Olathe, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Jackie Capite ..... Jenks, Okla.
Psychology • SO
Courtney Cohen ..... Maryville, Mo.
Elementary Education • SO
Mollie Colpitt ..... Collinsville, Okla.
Dietetics • SO
Bridget Cooper ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Kasey Crostarosa ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Annie Davis ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Theatre • SO
Michelle Davis ..... Topeka
Interior Design • JU
Erin Dirks ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Athletic Training • FR
Megan Dirks ..... Hutchison, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Marie Dondlinger ..... Wichita
Accounting • SR
Allison Douville ..... Leawood, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • FR
Megan Drangines ..... Lake Villa, Ill.
Interior Design • FR
Lauren Dreesen ..... Chanhassen, Minn.
Kinesiology • SO
Courtney Dubbert ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Lisa Erbe ..... Independence, Kan.
Theatre • SR
Tara Farley ..... Larned, Kan.
Family and Consumer Science Education • SR
Kylee Francis ..... Manhattan
Elementary Education • SO
Whitney Francis ..... Manhattan
Mass Communications • SR
Christine Freed ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Ashley Frerking ..... Manhattan
Marketing • SR
Erica Geist ..... Topeka
Business Administration • SO
Shelby George ..... Salina, Kan.
Nutritional Sciences • SO
Alyse Glesmann ..... Papillion, Neb.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR
Abigail Gloe ..... Mission Hills, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Shayna Gonzales ..... Olathe, Kan.
Modern Languages • JU
Dominika Guerra ..... Orland Park, Ill.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR
Gabriela Guzman ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Molly Haddock ..... Manhattan
Music Education • FR
Megan Hansel ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Sociology • FR
Katie M. Harrison ..... Overland Park, Kan,
Mass Communications • JU
Megan Hathaway ..... Olathe, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Malerie Heinz ..... Dodge City, Kan.
Nutritional Sciences • FR
Riley Hicks ..... Derby, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Tiffany Hoskins ..... Liberty, Mo.
Biology • JU
Emma Houlik ..... Wichita
Apparel and Textiles • FR



fellow Tri-Delts.

"They were my go-to girls, and while I couldn't campaign, and neither could they, it was nice to know I had 140 women behind me the entire time no matter what," she said. "No matter what happened at the end of the day, those 140 women were behind me the entire way."

In addition to support every day, her sisters were present at Wildcat Request Live, Pant the Chant and the homecoming game. At each of these events, ambassador candidates were interviewed in front of the crowd. Larson said she was always screamed for the loudest when the candidates were presented.

After all the interviews, events and waiting, Larson said her support system was what made it all worth it.

"After it was all said and done, the support of the people around me and just knowing that I have a year of opportunities ahead of me and a support system that goes on for days and days (were the most rewarding parts)."



Jill Huber ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Haley Hutchison ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Megan Jaeger ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Joanie Jaklevic ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Psychology • FR
Lindsay Johnson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Jane Keehn ..... Wichita
Elementary Education • JU
Kristen Kennally ..... Sabetha, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • JU
Rachel Kennally ..... Sabetha, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Emily Kilies ..... Indianapolis, Ind.
Open Option • FR
Meredith Kogler ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Heather Kuhn ..... San Antonio
Architecture • JU
Emily Kunz ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Stephanie Kunz ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Public Health Nutrition • JU
Megan Kupchin ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Lauren Kupersmith ..... Olathe, Kan.
Public Health Nutrition • FR
Ashley Laas ..... Salina, Kan.
Family and Consumer Science • FR
Stephanie Larson ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Shauna Lawrence ..... Olathe, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • SR
Katelyn Lee ..... Andover, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Chloe Lewis ..... Wichita
Interior Architecture and Product Design • JU
Jacquie Lewis ..... Pembroke Pines, Fla.
Elementary Education • JU
Morgan Lewis ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Lauren Lickteig ..... Olathe, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Lauren Lydon ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Psychology • SR
Alisha Lyon ..... Emporia, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • JU
Morgan Mackey ..... Bucyrus, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Mallorey Marek ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Alex R. Martin ..... Leawood, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Whitney Mathewson ..... Hiawatha, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Taylor Mattingly ..... Winfield, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Bryn Mayfield ..... Texico, N.M.
Industrial Engineering • SO
Lauren Melcher ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Anna Miller ..... Council Grove, Kan.
Accounting • SR
Christina M. Miller ..... Council Grove, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Hunter Molencamp ..... Olathe, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SO
Jessica Motz ..... Wildwood, Mo.
Interior Architecture and Product Design • JU

Shauna Muehlbach ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Ashley Mueller ..... Hiawatha, Kan.
Bakery Science and Management • JU
Lindsey Mueller ..... Hiawatha, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • JU
Jillian Murphy ..... Olathe, Kan.
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Melissa Murphy ..... Leawood, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Molly Murphy ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Political Science • FR

Hannah Nemechek ..... Quinter, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Katie Newman ..... Leawood, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Brooke Nolte ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SR
Michelle O'Campo ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Alyssa Parker ..... Springfield, Mo.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Shannon Payne ..... Salina, Kan.
Athletic Training • JU
Laura Picicci ..... Lawrence
Marketing • SR
Lizzy Piehler ..... Mission Hills, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Ashley Pruett ..... Atchison, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Kelsey Pulley ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Sara Ragan ..... Wichita, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Ashley Rager ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • FR

Molly Randall ..... Manhattan
Marketing • SR
Regan Regnier ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Laurel Richardson ..... Wichita
Accounting • SO
Ginny Robinson ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Interior Design • SO
Chelsea Rooney ..... Topeka
Elementary Education • SR
Madeline Sapyta ..... Highlands Ranch, Colo.
Interior Design • FR

Jane Saragusa ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Alexandrea Schaible ..... Jefferson, S.D.
Apparel and Textiles • JU
Kristen Schaper ..... Olathe, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Heather Scott ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Art • FR
Haley Shelley ..... Topeka
Marketing • JU
Sara Sorensen ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JU

Samantha Southerland ..... Stilwell, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Kayla Sparks ..... Arkansas City, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Ashlynn Stuhlman ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Dietetics • FR
Sydney Sutherland ..... Parker, Colo.
Marketing • JU
Rachel Tate ..... Stilwell, Kan.
Bakery Science and Management • SO
Melissa N. Taylor ..... Chanute, Kan.
Mass Communications • SR
Rebecca Lynne Taylor ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Art • SR
Felicia Teichgraeber ..... Eureka, Kan.
Psychology • SO
Mischa Teichgraeber ..... Eureka, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Riley Trowbridge ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • FR
Jeanette Valdez ..... Leavenworth, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • FR
Mallory Vielock ..... Olathe, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR

Kelley Wade ..... Lake Lotawana, Mo.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Taylor Wallace ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Secondary Education • FR
Brittany Wands ..... Naperville, Ill.
Agriculture Communications and Journalism • JU
Whitney Weixelman ..... Wichita
Microbiology • SR
Laura R. White ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SR
Brenda Wilson ..... Colby, Kan.
Business Administration • JU

Haley Wilson ..... Centerville, Kan.
Interior Architecture and Product Design • SR
Hannah Wilson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • JU
Jessica Wingfield ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Mallory Woods ..... Madison, Wis.
Open Option • FR





"(Bike polo) is really hard, it takes a lot of coordination. It looks really slow while you're watching but while you're playing you feel like the game goes super fast."

Tyler Harper, sophomore in open option

While trying to keep his balance, Tyler Harper, sophomore in open option, strains to shuffle the ball and peddle down court to the goal during a game of bike polo. Bike polo was played with two teams of three on an enclosed rectangular area (ex. parking lots, tennis courts, basketball courts, etc.).
Nathaniel LaRue

a contagious desire to LEAD

by Colleen Quinn

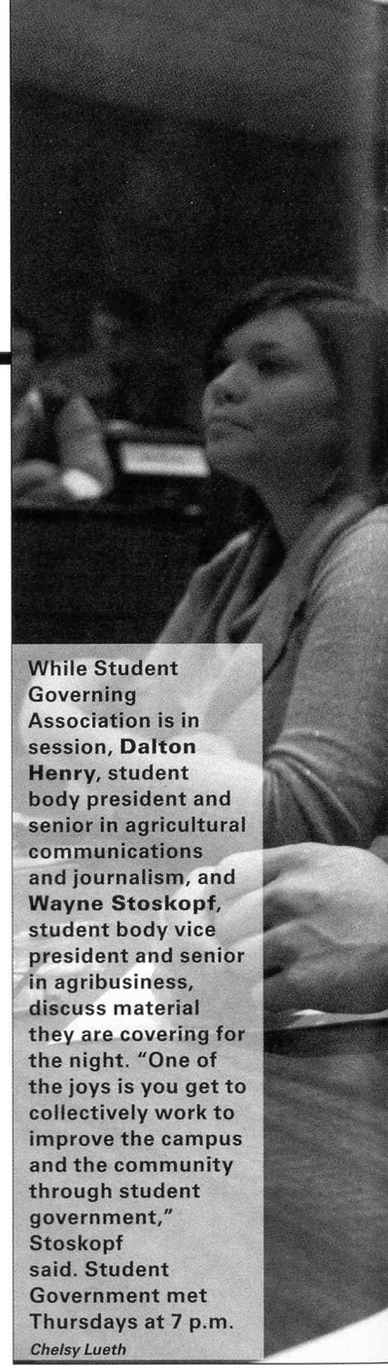
With 10 members in the Student Governing Association, Delta Sigma Phi had the most active members of any other fraternity at one time. Members like **Adam Tank**, SGA attorney general and senior in microbiology, said he never felt pressured or persuaded to join SGA, but it was a great way to get involved on campus.

"When I came in a lot of older guys were involved, and I was encouraged to do something," Tank said. "I saw other guys getting involved and decided to go for it."

Delta Sigs held a position on each branch, which included judicial, legislative and executive.

"We like to have a presence with the things that can make a difference on campus," **Ryan Willcott**, student senator and sophomore in business administration, said. "It's not like we just say we need Delta Sigs on Senate. It carries over from high school."

The upperclassmen wanted to get the new Delta Sigs excited to join activities and organizations throughout the community.



While Student Governing Association is in session, Dalton Henry, student body president and senior in agricultural communications and journalism, and Wayne Stoskopf, student body vice president and senior in agribusiness, discuss material they are covering for the night. "One of the joys is you get to collectively work to improve the campus and the community through student government," Stoskopf said. Student Government met Thursdays at 7 p.m.

Chelsy Lueth

Michael S. Anderson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Biology • JU

Nicholas J. Atwater ..... Wichita
English • SR

Michael Bennett ..... Lawrence
Environmental Design • SO

Jordan Bluhm ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Interior Architecture and Product Design • SO

Michael Boeck ..... Omaha, Neb.
Open Option • SO

Kyle Boomer ..... Leawood, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SO

Nathaniel Bozarth ..... Olathe, Kan.
Agronomy • SO

Russell Buchanan ..... Lansing, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO

Kevin Bultongez ..... Plano, Texas
Mechanical Engineering • FR

Brent Campbell ..... Johnson, Kan.
Geology • SR

Blaine Cash ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR

Matt Castro ..... Houston
Journalism and Mass Communications • SR

Chase Cole ..... Olathe, Kan.
Art • SO

Matt Conway ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR

Steven Cooper ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Business Administration • SO

Joshua Davis ..... Manhattan
Psychology • SR

Allen Devlin ..... Manhattan
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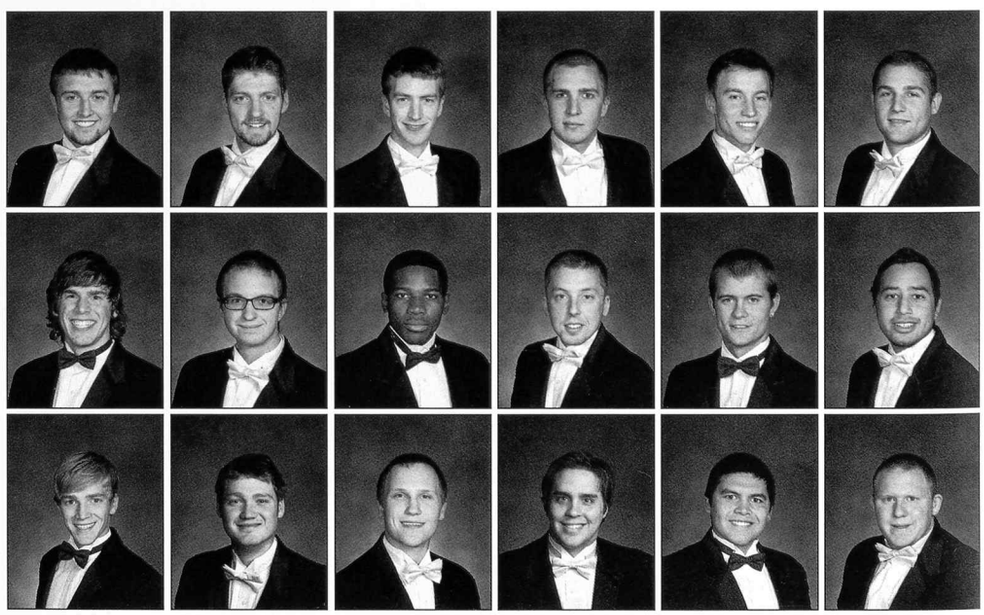
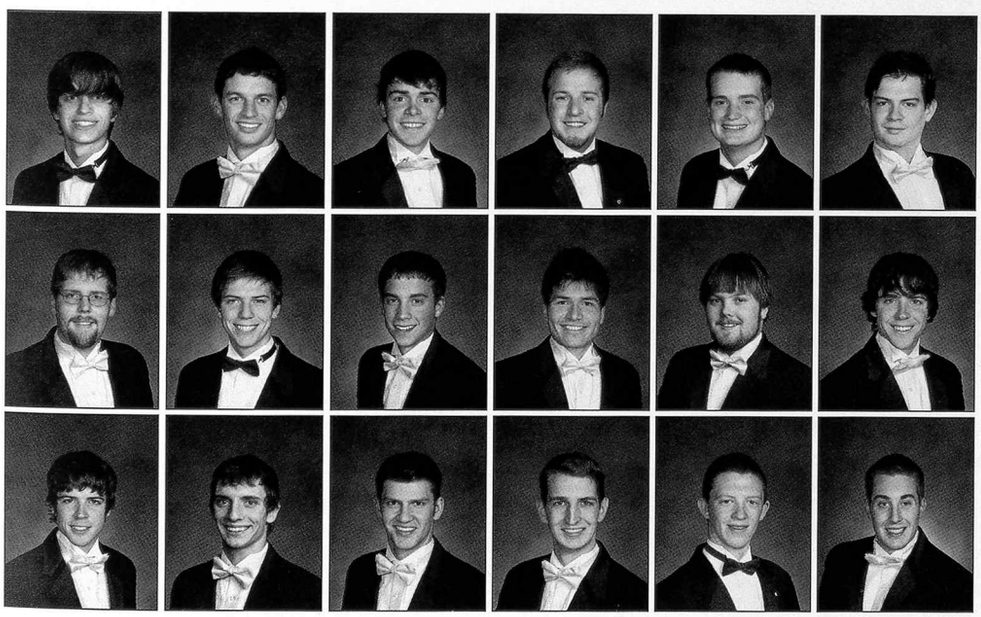
Graham Donals ..... Winfield, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • FR







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Biochemistry • SO
Casey Dwyer ..... Lyons, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Alex Edwards ..... Olathe, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • JU
Joseph Falter ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Ryan M. Flynn ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Maxwell D.C. Gabel ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Psychology • SO
Joshua Goertz ..... Newton, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • JU
Luke Gogolski ..... Osage City, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • FR
Cole Grieves ..... Auburn, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Donnie Hampton ..... Leavenworth, Kan.
Management Information Systems • SR
David Harris ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Finance • JU
Connor Hartpence ..... Eudora, Kan.
Microbiology • SO
Logan Hartpence ..... Eudora, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SO
Darrin Hicks ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Paul Jarvis ..... Manchester, Mo.
Interior Architecture and Product Design • SR
Travis Jennings ..... Leavenworth, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • SR
Joseph Johnson ..... Wichita
Mechanical Engineering • FR
Christopher W. Jones ..... Derby, Kan.
Biochemistry • SR

Paul Kauffman ..... **Amarillo, Texas**
Social Science • SR
Marcus Kidd ..... Manhattan
Secondary Education • FR
Ryan Koci ..... Wichita
Architectural Engineering • FR
Garrett Kostbar ..... Tecumseh, Kan.
Fine Arts • SO
Benjamin Kretzer ..... Wichita
Open Option • JU
John Kurtz ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Mass Communications • SR
Quintin S. Liberty ..... Leawood, Kan.
Engineering • SO
Greg Lies ..... Mount Hope, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Matt Marchesini ..... Loudonville, N.Y.
Finance • JU
Kyle Martinek ..... **Papillion, Neb.**
English • SR
Garrett McBride ..... Hugoton, Kan.
Geography • SO
Conner McGowan ..... **Crete, Neb.**
Architecture • SR
Matthew Meinking ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Political Science • SO
Paden Meyer ..... **El Dorado, Kan.**
Geography • SR
Paul J. Mintner ..... **Higginsville, Mo.**
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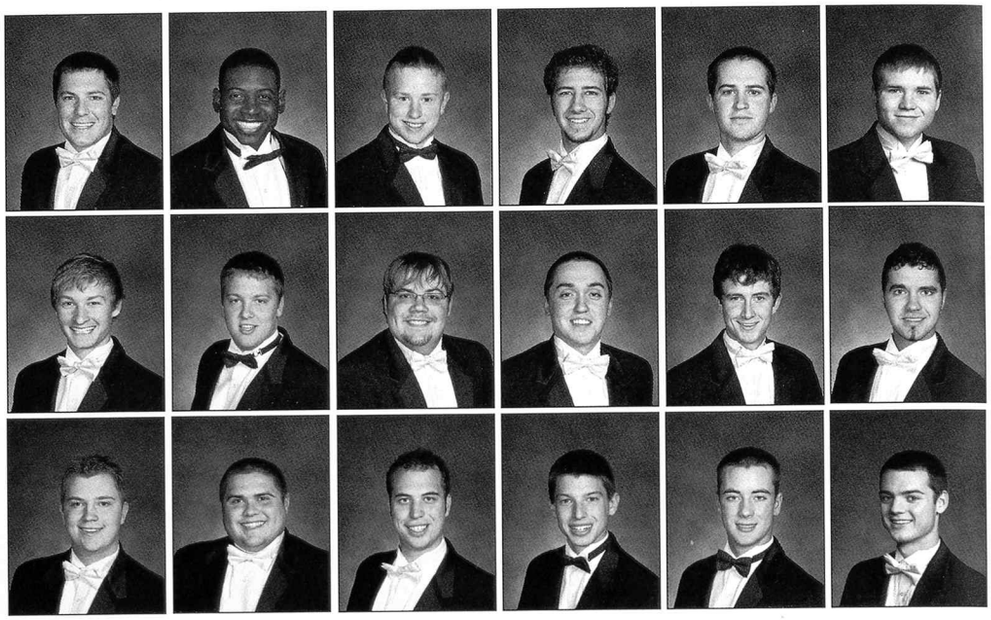
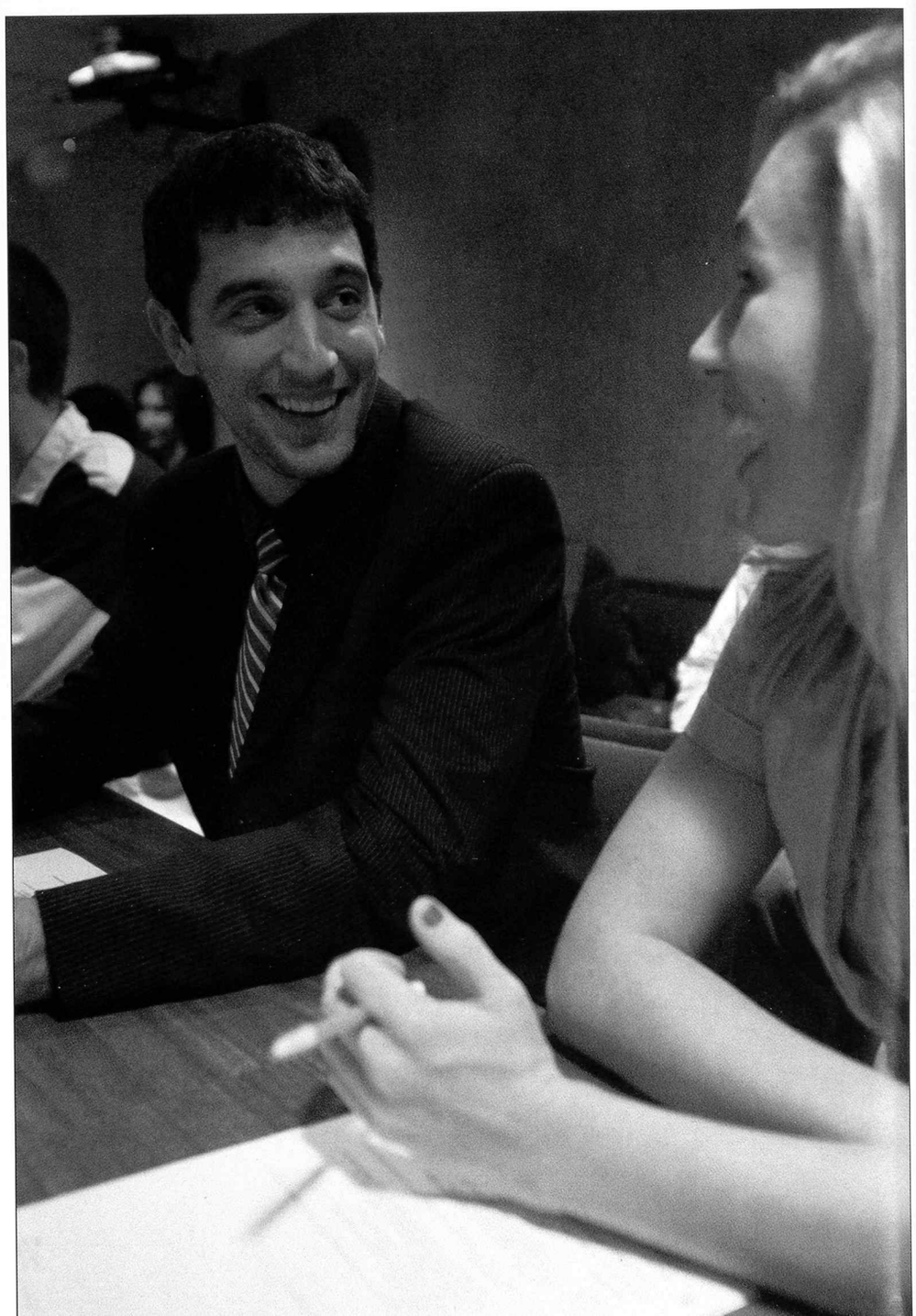
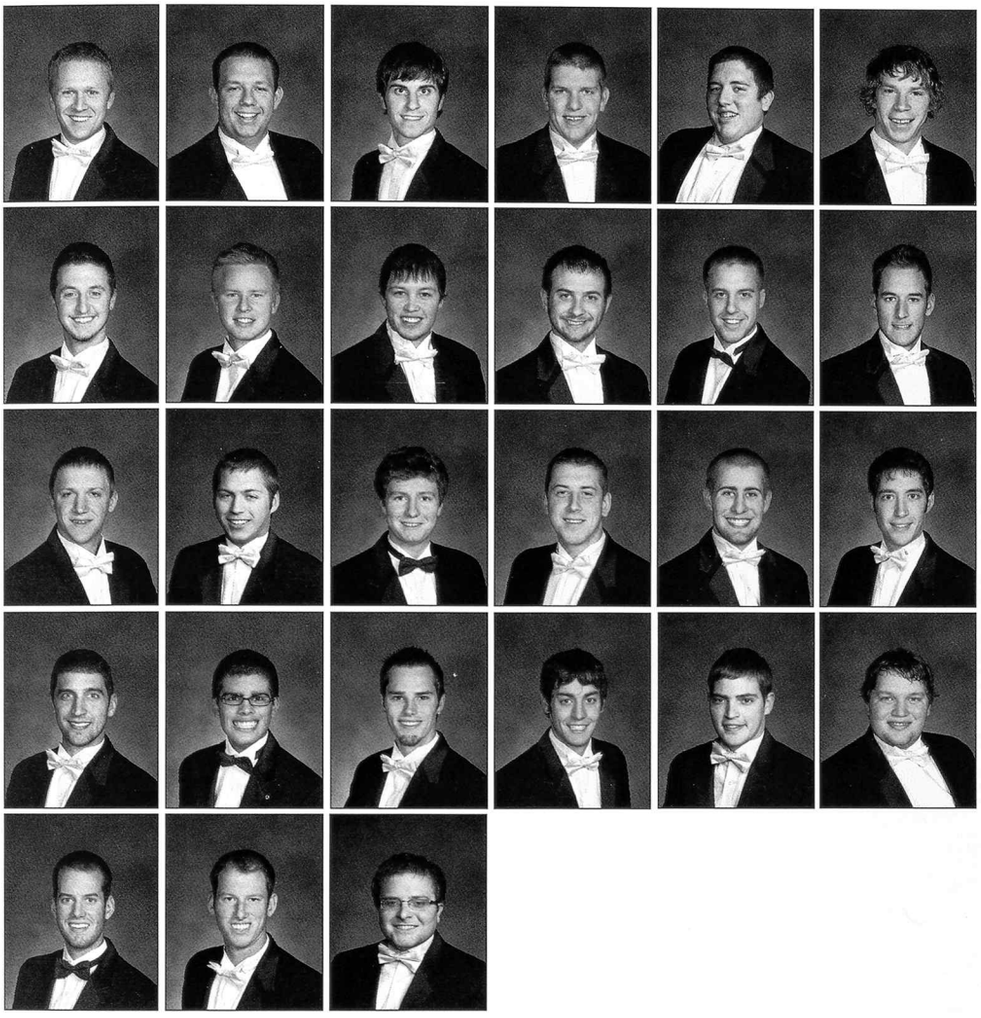
Management • SR



Before the Student Governing Association meeting begins Dec. 3, **Adam Tank**, SGA attorney general and senior in microbiology, and **Megan Deforce**, privilege fee committee senator and junior in secondary education, chat. "Delta Sigs are involved everywhere on campus," Tank said, "even more than in just student senate. Even more important, though, is our brotherhood. So even while we're very involved, we have that very strong brotherhood back home."
Chelsy Lueth





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Todd Riedel....Broken Arrow, Okla.
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Parker Runyon....Overland Park, Kan.
Park Management and Conservation • SO
Powell Runyon....Overland Park, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Gabe Ryan....Wichita
Business Administration • SO
Brandon Sabiston....Olathe, Kan.
Sociology • JU
Calder Sagen....Bucyrus, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Zachary Salazar....Silver Lake, Kan.
Kinesiology • JU
Charlie Shinogle....Weatherby Lake, Mo.
Business Administration • JU
Hazen Short....Manhattan
Biology • SO
Cameron Smith....Leawood, Kan.
Park Management and Conservation • JU
Kevin Smith....Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Wayne Stoskopf....Hoisington, Kan.
Agribusiness • SR
Wesley Strouts....Manhattan
Biological Systems Engineering • SO
Travis C. Stuewe....Maple Hill, Kan.
Economics • SR
Jordan Swoyer....Shawnee, Kan.
Civil Engineering • JU
Eric Tabaka....Leawood, Kan.
Political Science • SR
Adam Tank....Overland Park, Kan.
Microbiology • SR
Bobby Torres....Chula Vista, Calif.
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Aaron Vernon....Abilene, Texas
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Andrew N. Wagner....El Dorado, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Michael Westhoff....Lincoln, Neb.
Social Sciences • SR
Justin Wiemer....Utica, Neb.
Mechanical Engineering • JU
Kyle Willcott....Leavenworth, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • FR
Ryan Willcott....Leavenworth, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Andrew Yarnell....Overland Park, Kan.
Interior Architecture and Product Design • SR

"The week before school we have work week," Tank said. "During that week, the guys get to see what we're involved in. They look up to the older guys and want to be involved."

Even though they looked up to Delta Sig alumni and each other, they were involved because they were determined and passionate about what they did.

"We're very humble about our positions," **Wayne Stoskopf**, SGA vice president and senior in agribusiness, said. "We have the support of Delta Sig, but we're not doing it for Delta Sig but for the leadership roles. We have alumni on campus, like **Dr. Pat Bosco**, vice president of student life, and we aspire to meet those expectations."

Along with being involved and enjoying what they were doing for the campus, Delta Sigs said they felt proud to be part of the decision-making process on behalf of the student body.

"We're proud of who we are," Tank said. "We're also proud of the K-State community. We're proud that we have a strong house. I feel that our brotherhood is the most important in building those lasting relationships with the people you live with."

> "We want to better ourselves, but we also want to better the campus. Just the presence shows leadership. It's a lot more than just being there — we're getting more involved. We want to build relationships with other houses and people in residence halls."
>
> *Adam Tank, SGA attorney general and senior in microbiology*

holiday HEROES

fraternity brothers serve as role models for youth at Topeka group home

by Amanda Lunn

Delta Upsilon made their annual journey, Dec. 13, to the Villages, a group home for children from foster care and the juvenile justice system in Topeka. Founded in 1964, going to the home was still a long-standing DU tradition for many years.

Each year DUs got together to make the trek to visit children living at the Villages around the holidays. **Tyler Sharp**, secretary and senior in mass communications, said this was his first time going on the trip.

"We got up there and, in a number of different ways, interacted with the kids that were there," he said. "There were guys playing football, playing video games and watching football with some kids as well. It was pretty cool because you could tell they were appreciating it."

The Villages was a center for predominately male youth in need; however, girls could stay there as well.

DUs not only spent the day hanging out and playing games with the children, but they also bought gifts and handed them out during the visit. Sharp said it made him happy to see that such programs existed.

"The kids that may not be in the greatest situations have a place that they can go and stay and have guidance," he said, "and occasionally people like members of our fraternity go and hang out with them and have a good time."

Caleb Jones, president and senior in construction science and management, said the experience was a culture shock. He said it helped put people back in reality and reminded them of where they came from.

"It definitely shows us why we should be thankful for what we have," he said. "A lot of people that are in fraternities are probably more well off and probably have better opportunities, so it's easy to forget about their good fortune. I think it means a lot to the guys to go up there and help out, and they

TC Alex ..... Olathe, Kan.
Animal Science and Industry • SO
Stephen Andersen ..... Wichita
Business Administration • SO
Philip Anderson ..... El Dorado, Kan.
Park Management and Conservation • JU
Joel Aschbrenner ..... Wichita
Mass Communication • SR
Seth Auld ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Finance • JU
Ryan D. Baker ..... Long Lake, Minn.
Milling Science and Management • JU
Bates Bauer ..... Arkansas City, Kan.
Finance • SR
Reid Bauer ..... Arkansas City, Kan.
Economics • JU
Christopher Bell ..... Topeka
Chemistry • SR
Ryan Biedron ..... Manhattan
Mathematics • SR
DJ Bolerjack ..... Sandy, Utah
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Elementary Education • FR
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Andrew Brownback ..... Topeka
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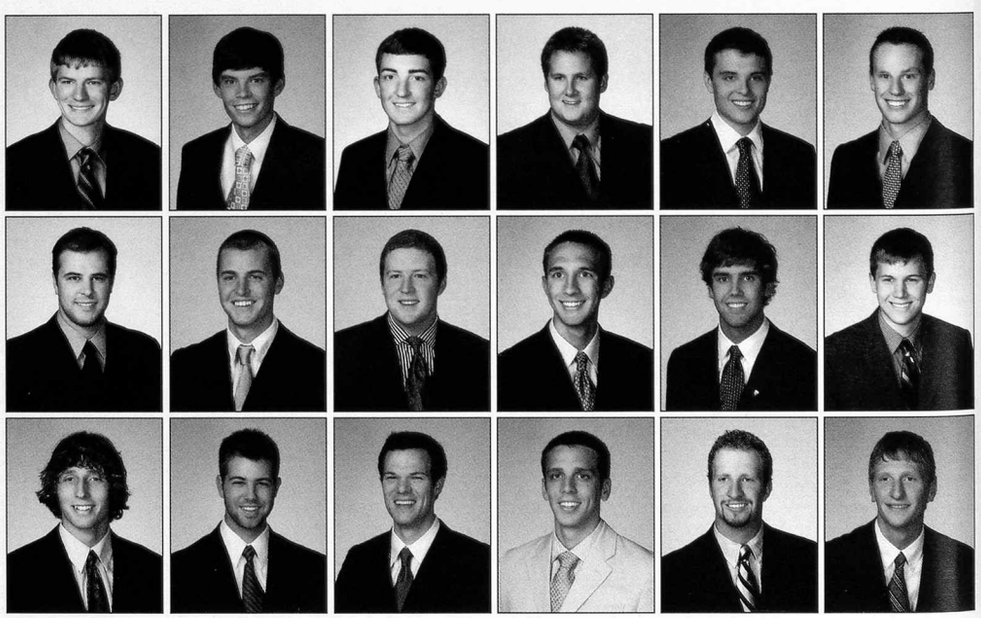



While visiting children at the Villages, a group home based in Topeka, **Steve Seiler**, sophomore in chemical engineering, lifts **Allie Jack-Parks**, a child living there, during a game of basketball. Delta Upsilons traveled to spend the day with the children playing games and just hanging out. Seiler said his favorite part was getting to play with the children. "I just liked being around them," he said, "and getting to know them a little bit."
Chelsy Lueth

"You could tell, some of the guys that were playing football, coming off the field with grass stains on their jeans and everything, obviously showing that they had had a really great time doing it. It was pretty cool to see such a thing happen."

Tyler Sharp, secretary and senior in mass communication

Cody Campfield ..... Pomona, Kan.
Agronomy • JU
Gordy Chang ..... Manhattan
Business Administration • SO
Jantzen Chase ..... Derby, Kan.
Kinesiology • FR
Brandon Christian ..... Mulvane, Kan.
Environmental Design • FR
Blake Cornell ..... Orland Park, Ill.
Construction Science and Management • FR
Bradley Craig ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Finance • JU
Tyler Crosby ..... Rockford, Ill.
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Gautama Dandu ..... Salina, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SR
Corey Dean ..... Olathe, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Zach Debauche ..... Fairbury, Neb.
Marketing • SR
Zachary Degner ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Biology • JU
Alex Delimont ..... Wichita
Construction Science and Management • SR
Josh Dohrmann ..... South Hutchinson, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SO
Brian Drees ..... Garden City, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • SR
Britton Drown ..... Highland Village, Texas
Mass Communication • JU
David Drown ..... Highland Village, Texas
Mass Communication • FR
Ryan Dry ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SO
Kyle Durflinger ..... Belleville, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Jordan Edwards ..... Salina, Kan.
Statistics • SR
Michael P. Ellis ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Biology • JU
Kurt Engle ..... Belleville, Kan.
Athletic Training • FR
Robby Flack ..... Riley, Kan.
Political Science • SR
Bill Foster ..... Leawood, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • FR
David Gibbens ..... Wichita
Marketing • SO
Steven Godlewski ..... Olathe, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SO
Ben Gordon ..... Marysville, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
John Grice ..... Manhattan
Political Science • JU
Chris Hansen ..... Leavenworth, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Michael Hermreck ..... Coolwich, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Greyson Honaker ..... Topeka, Kan.
Philosophy • JU
Quentin Hoover ..... Winfield, Kan.
Finance • JU
Mark Howell ..... Marysville, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Ryan Joerger ..... Lenexa, Kan.
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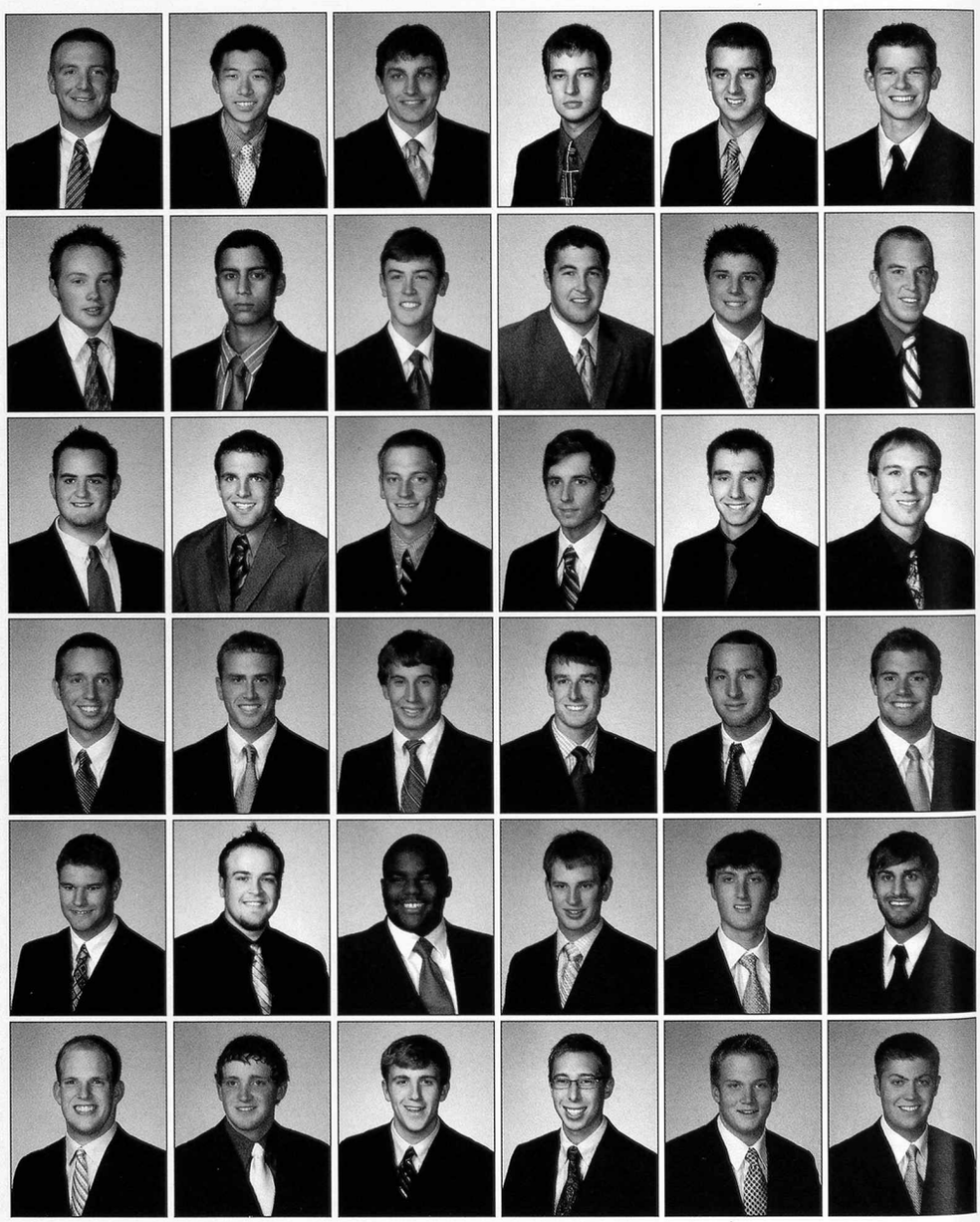

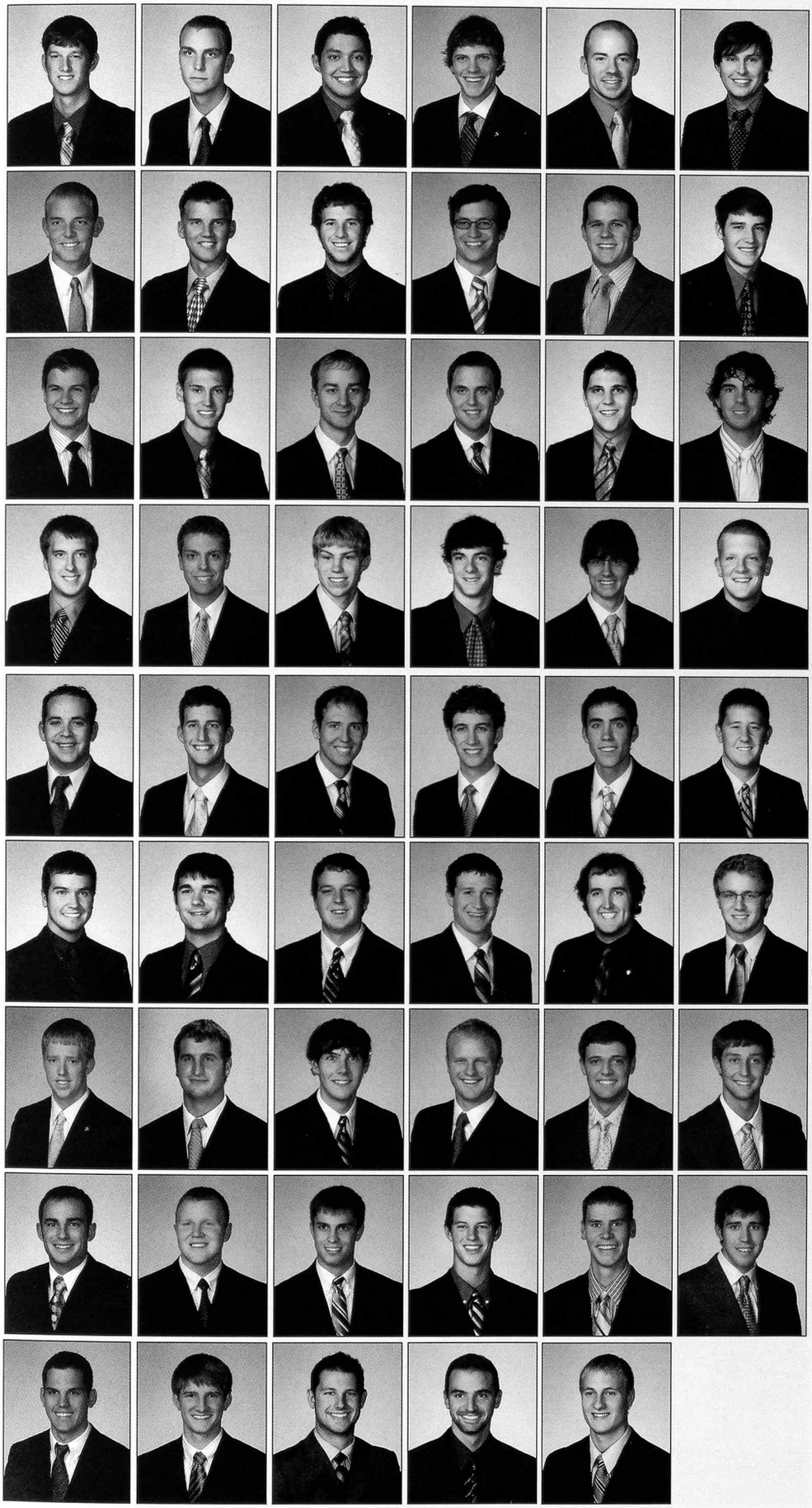

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Biological and Agricultural Engineering • SR

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Joey B. Kinney ..... Albuquerque, N.M.
Finance • SR

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Kyle Krueger ..... Satanta, Kan.
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Nathan Lane ..... Leawood, Kan.
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History • SO

Cole Lilly ..... Mentor, Kan.
Business Administration • SO

Mitchell Loeb ..... Leawood, Kan.
Biochemistry • JU

Chris Lund ..... Cummings, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • FR

Derek L. McKinney ..... Weskan, Kan.
Agricultural Technology • SO

Abram Mertz ..... Wamego
Agribusiness • JU

David Mertz ..... Manhattan
Industrial Engineering • JU

Cale Miller ..... Dwight, Kan.
Agronomy • SR

Ethan Miller ..... Dwight, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • JU

Brian D. Moore ..... Westmoreland, Kan.
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Kirk Nelson ..... Lindsborg, Kan.
Business Administration • FR

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Boone Ott ..... Coffeyville, Kan.
General Agriculture • FR

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Marketing • JU

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Microbiology • SR

Nelson Ruelle ..... Tecumseh, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO

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Marketing • JU

Keith Schmidtberger ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SR

Kent Schmidtberger ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • JU

Brad Seiler ..... Colwich, Kan.
Business Administration • FR

Steve Seiler ..... Mount Hope, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • JU

Tyler Sharp ..... Ottawa, Kan.
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Jacob Spexarth ..... Manhattan
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Tony Stowe ..... Salina, Kan.
Sociology • JU

Cory Strunk ..... Colwich, Kan.
Business Administration • SO

Robert Swift ..... Lindsborg, Kan.
Political Science • SR

Chris Swope ..... Topeka
Accounting • SR

Tyler Swope ..... Topeka
Business Administration • FR

Wes Sylvester ..... Ottawa, Kan.
Accounting • SR

Evan Talbott ..... Marquette, Kan.
Anthropology • SR

Nick Theimer ..... Topeka
Architectural Engineering • SO

Keaton Vander Hart ..... Topeka
Secondary Education • FR

Todd Visser ..... Riley, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communication • JU

Nick L. Ward ..... Plano, Texas
Business Administration • SO

Geoff West ..... Platte City, Mo.
Business Administration • FR

Ryan Wilkerson ..... Columbia, Mo.
Finance • SR

Kyle D. Williams ..... Topeka
Marketing • SR

Tyler York ..... Ashland, Kan.
Horticulture • SR

Ben Zuk ..... Bonner Springs, Kan.
Open Option • FR

farmers can cook

by Eric Brown

On Dec. 1, FarmHouse opened its doors to put on a breakfast for the Wildcat volleyball team to show appreciation for how hard the team worked throughout the season. This was the second year the fraternity hosted the event. They also put on a benefit breakfast for the womens' team last spring.

"It is always cool when we are able to hang out with the volleyball team," **Drew Goering**, junior in park management and conservation, said. "It feels good to be able to show that we support all that they do, both on and off of the court."

The link between the volleyball team and the Farmers stemmed from the fraternity's contract with the athletic department that required them to shag balls at each of the home volleyball games.

"We will all sign up to go shag a few weeks before each game," Goering said. "That's usually a lot of fun, but the breakfast is even more fun because we get to see and talk to all of the girls on more of a personal level."

The morning of the breakfast, the players also toured the house.

"To kind of complete the morning, some of the guys gave the players a tour of the house," **Tim Hadachek**, president and senior in political science, said. "They let us get to know them personally, so we just wanted to do the same by letting them see our living quarters."

The Farmers ate a hot breakfast each morning at their house, so this was nothing new to them, but they made the breakfast special because they had guests.

"We definitely prepare a lot more when we invite people over," **Keith Kerschen**, senior in secondary education, said. "We put tablecloths on each of the tables and the dishes we use are a lot nicer. It's just all-around more formal than our typical breakfasts."

The breakfast was something special the Farmers said they enjoyed putting on. It started out just as something the fraternity did to honor the volleyball team, but it evolved into something Hadachek said they planned on doing for years to come.

"This is an event that we can do every year," Hadachek said. "Everyone has had a lot of fun with it the past two years, so there is no reason that we should stop."

Jesse Bailey ..... Riley, Kan.
Computer Science • SO
Jesse Baker ..... Protection, Kan.
Open Options • FR
Luke Baker ..... Protection, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • SR
Cody Barilla ..... Preston, Kan.
Agronomy • JU
Brian Begnoche ..... Moundridge, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Kellen Begnoche ..... Moundridge, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Quinton Berggren ..... Topeka
Mechanical Engineering • FR
Kevin Bohling ..... Manhattan
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Tate Bowman ..... Clearwater, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Billy E. Brown ..... Westmoreland, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Eric Brunkow ..... Ponca City, Okla.
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Paul Carnahan ..... Topeka
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Cody Cooper ..... Wichita
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Collin Cooper ..... Wichita
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Matthew Ebert ..... Rossville, Kan.
Computer Engineering • SR
Seth Ediger ..... Inman, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Tyler Ediger ..... Inman, Kan.
Fine Arts • SR
AJ Eilert ..... Jewell, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Kramer Farney ..... Sterling, Kan.
Agribusiness • SO
Grant Gardiner ..... Ashland, Kan.
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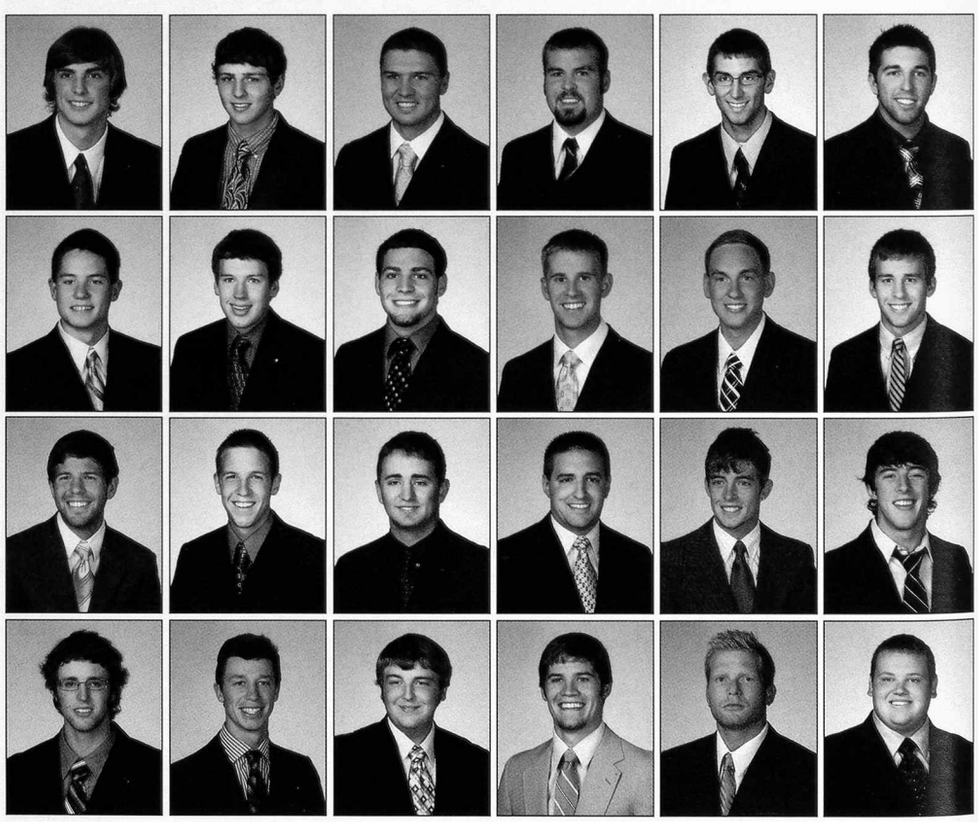
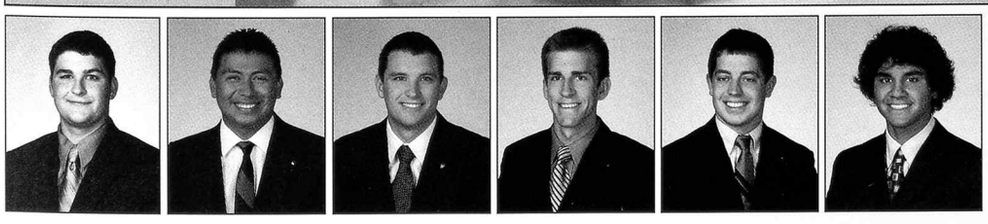


Over the annual Farmhouse breakfast put on for the volleyball team, **Tyler Ediger**, senior in fine arts, jokes with **Caitlyn Donahue**, freshman defensive specialist. The breakfast was held Dec. 1 and included fresh fruit and breakfast pizza. "It's not something we normally get to do," Ediger said. "It was a special occasion to have *them over.*"
Chelsy Lueth



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Dakota Holtgrieve..... **Waterloo, Ill.**
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Isaac Honer.....Shawnee, Kan.
Sociology • SO
James Hudson.....**Macksville, Kan.**
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Cody Hullman.....Pratt, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
John Huston..... **Hutchinson, Kan.**
Management • SR
Jacob Jensen..... **Manhattan**
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Craig M. Johnson..... **Topeka**
Computer Science • SR
Brett Keller.....Sharon Springs, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Keith Kerschen.....**Garden Plain, Kan.**
Secondary Education • SR
Matt Kiehl.....Horton, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Kyler Knobbe..... **Sharon Springs, Kan.**
Life Scences • SR
Jared Kohls.....Clearwater, Kan.
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Bryce Krehbiel.....Pratt, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
David Krehbiel.....**Pratt, Kan.**
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Drew Ladd.....Atlantic, Iowa
Bakery Science and Management • SO
Luke Lear.....Garden City, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Nathan Linin.....**Goodland, Kan.**
Management • SR
Mark Little..... **Wichita**
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Andrew Mense..... **Grinnell, Kan.**
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Steven Mense..... Grinnell, Kan.
Finance • SO
Matthew Morford..... Hillsboro, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • JU
Jace Mosbarger.....Goodland, Kan.
Agricultural Technology Management • SO
John Mosbarger.....**Goodland, Kan.**
Agricultural Economics • SR
Jake New.....Overland Park, Kan.
Food Science and Industry • SO
Kurt Olson.....Oberlin, Kan.
Agronomy • JU
Morgan Parker.....**Limon, Colo.**
Agricultural Economics • SR
Andy Patton.....**Prairie Village, Kan.**
Biology • SR
Jeremy Pelton.....Ulysses, Kan.
Mass Communications • SO
Jonathan Pike..... **Great Bend, Kan.**
Biology • SR
Tyler Rayl..... **Hutchinson, Kan.**
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Nathan Reynolds.....Salina, Kan.
Sociology • SO
Eli Schooley.....Clay Center, Kan.
Microbiology • FR
Kyle Smothers.....Clearwater, Kan.
Food Science and Industry • SO
Trevor Smothers.....Clearwater, Kan.
Sociology • JU
Daniel Snell.....**Ellinwood, Kan.**
Computer Engineering • SR
Andrew Spare..... St. John, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • FR
Benjamin Spare..... St. John, Kan.
Agricultural Technology and Management • JU
J.P. Stambaugh.....**Louisburg, Kan.**
Food Science and Industry • SR
Derek Stockebrand..... Yates Center, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • JU
Derek Tjaden.....Clearwater, Kan.
Agronomy • SO
Kirk Tjaden..... **Clearwater, Kan.**
Secondary Education • SR
Heath Vincent..... Norton, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • JU
Jacob Wagner..... Manhattan
Mechanical Engineering • SO
Lucas Wagner..... Manhattan
Computer Engineering • FR
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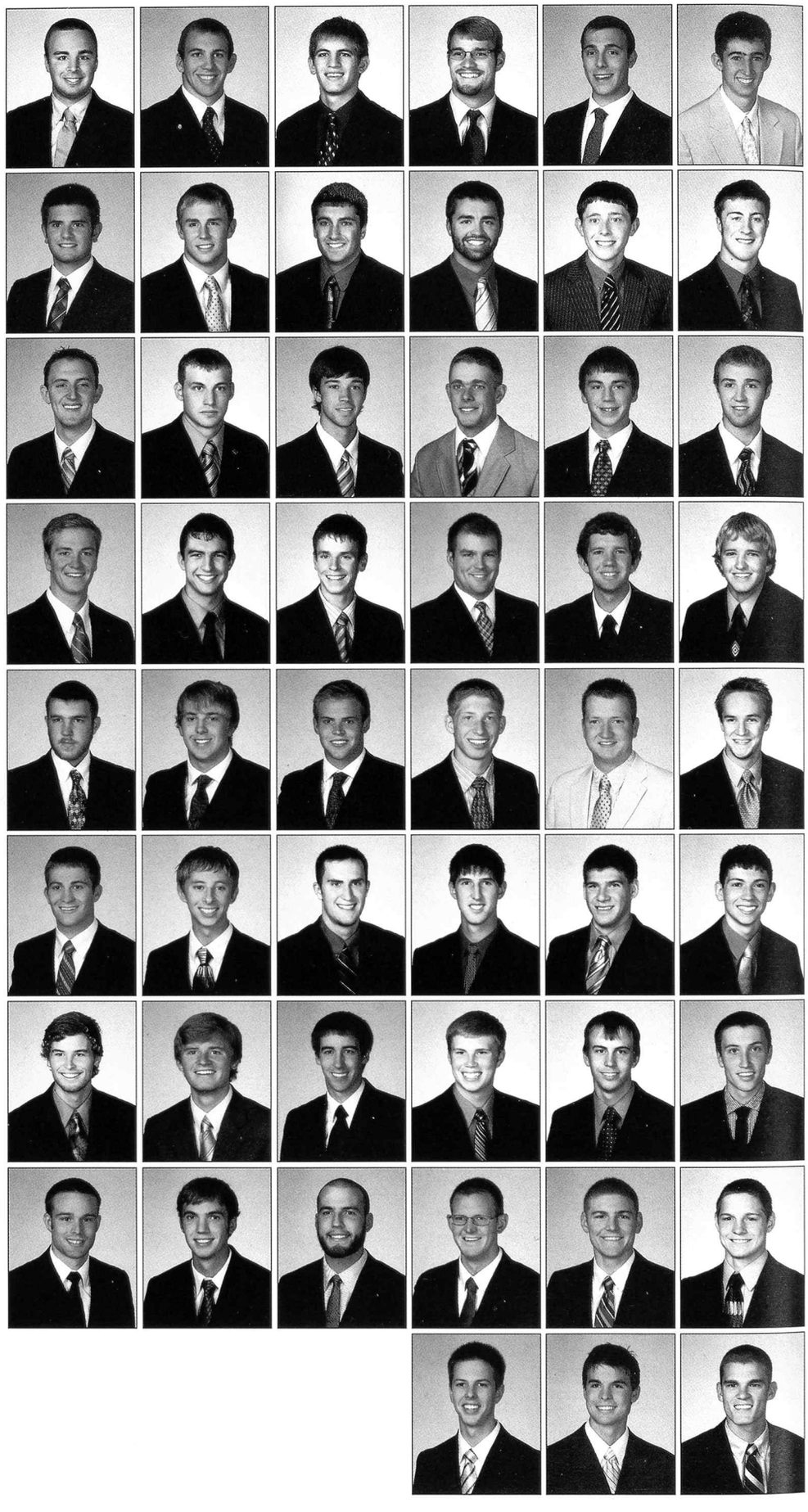
Fine Arts • SO





As the dark clouds roll in, **Nick Stueve**, sophomore in electrical engineering, jumps off a ramp at the skate area of CiCo Park in early September. "(Skateboarding) is a means of transportation and it's a way to have fun," Stueve said. "My favorite trick is a kick flip."
Matt Binter

"(Representing K-State pride) is very heartening. It gives you a sense of purpose. It makes you feel appreciated. You know all your hard work is going for something. What's really fun, is at the K-State versus (University of Kansas) games, when both bands play, you can tell how much support the band gets regardless of what's on the score board."

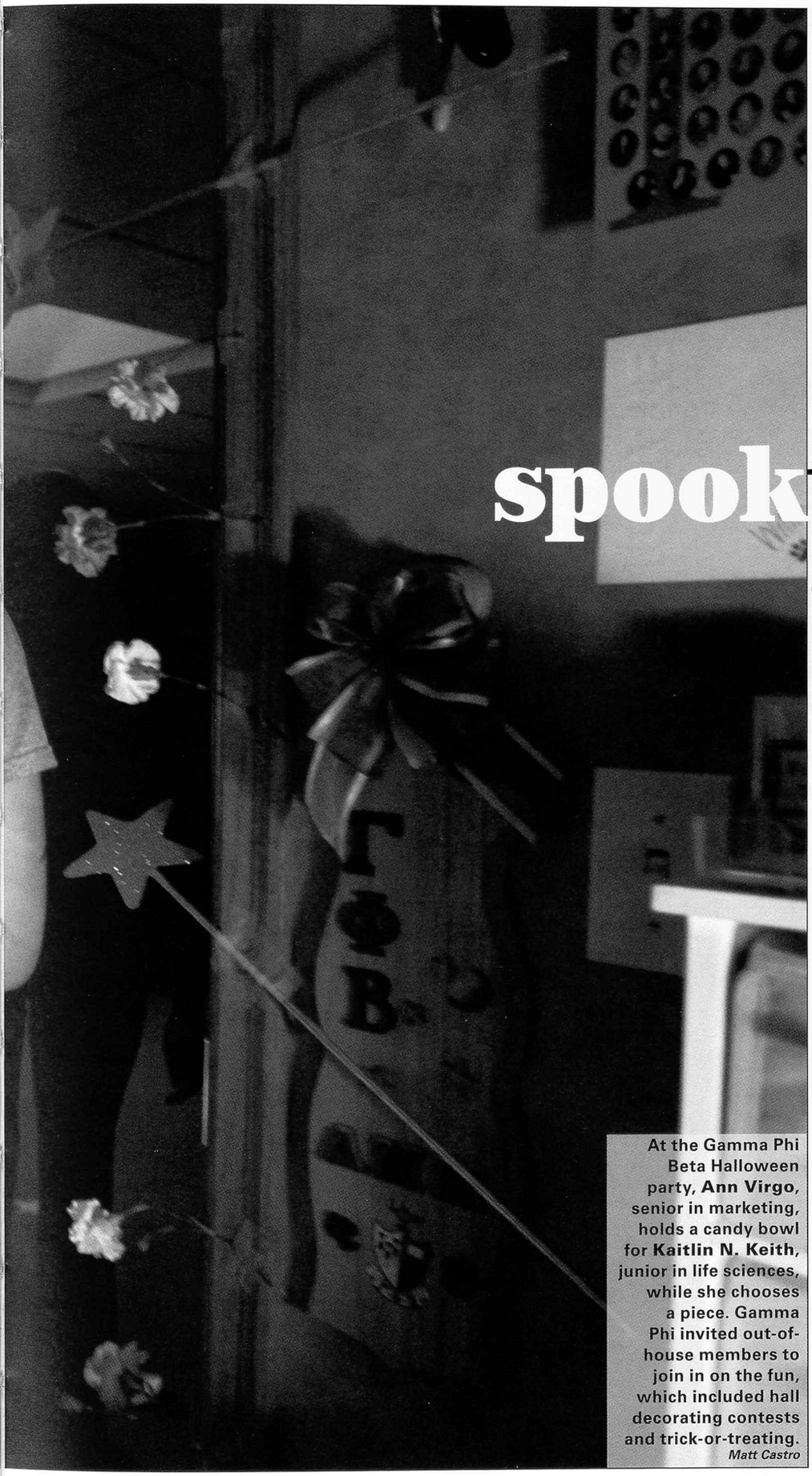
Michele Kerns, biology in pre-veterinary medicine



At the end of band camp, the Pride of Wildcat Land band performs in Aggieville for a Band Appreciation Day, Aug. 22. **Michele Kerns**, senior in pre-veterinary medicine, plays her piccolo in front of Rusty's Last Chance. "(Band Appreciation Day) is very eye opening in a way that you get to see how much of an impact the band has on the student body and how excited everyone is for the beginning of the school year," Kerns said. "Everyone is happy and laid back. It's all fun and games."
Chelsy Lueth







At the Gamma Phi Beta Halloween party, **Ann Virgo**, senior in marketing, holds a candy bowl for **Kaitlin N. Keith**, junior in life sciences, while she chooses a piece. Gamma Phi invited out-of-house members to join in on the fun, which included hall decorating contests and trick-or-treating. *Matt Castro*

spooktacular sisterhood

by Colleen Quinn

A headless horseman, an overweight personal trainer and a 'scary nerd,' chatted in the entryway of Gamma Phi Beta, anxiously awaiting the night's festivities.

"I helped our hallway plan a theme," **Angie Katterhenry**, senior in biology, said. "We did silly jokes and dressed up geeky. The jokes are equivalent to a Laffy Taffy joke."

The night began with the women sitting at the round tables in the dining room, sipping hot apple cider and munching on sliced apples with caramel drizzled over them. Then, they were off to trick-or-treat throughout the house.

"We wanted to do more sisterhood events, and we thought it would be fun to dress up and do something as a house," **Kelsey Willingham**, vice president of public relations and junior in marketing, said. "We wanted to get the new girls involved."

The Gamma Phis agreed having this event at the house was a great way to get



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Agricultural Economics • SR
Kaitlin Adair ..... **Kansas City, Mo.**
Economics • SR
Jamie Allan ..... Ottawa, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Taylor Allan ..... Ottawa, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Taylor M. Allen ..... Atchison, Kan.
Nutritional Sciences • JU
Lacey Altwegg ..... **Chapman, Kan.**
Agricultural Communications and Journalism • SR
Alex Ballinger ..... **Garden City, Kan.**
Mass Communications • SR
Abbey Bannister ..... Caldwell, Kan.
Biology • SO
Chelsea Basler ..... Olathe, Kan.
Secondary Education • FR
Lauren Beeman ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Lauren Benton ..... **Wichita**
Marketing • SR
Emily Bergeson ..... Salina, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Jamie L. Bergner ..... **Pratt, Kan.**
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Jill Berry ..... Olathe, Kan.
Fisheries, Wildlife and Conservation Biology • JU
Jordan Bever ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • JU
Lauren Boan ..... **Spring Hill, Kan.**
Speech • SR
Staci Brand ..... Colwich, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Briana Brewer ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Allison R. Brown ..... **Piper, Kan.**
Elementary Education • SR
Bridget Brown ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Athletic Training • SO
Chloe Browne ..... Wichita
Sociology • SO
Sarah Bruner ..... Topeka
Finance • SO
Krista Bunker ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Biology • JU
Kelly Bukovac ..... **Shawnee, Kan.**
Management • SR





new members involved and for everyone to get to know one another better.

"This is a chance to all come together as a house," Katterhenry said. "Chapter is usually like business, but this is a fun way for all the classes to come together."

Spreading the word to members who do not live in the house was the biggest challenge, Willingham said. It helped that the Gamma Phis who lived in-house informed the freshmen who were new to the sorority.

"Sisterhood means with the bond you have between the new girls, you will always have somebody to call or talk to," **Cheryl Yacenda**, freshman in business, said.

After the festivities took place, some of the girls took off their costumes and did homework, some went out for the night and others settled in to watch what some would call a classic Halloween movie, "Hocus Pocus."

Gamma Phi Betas gather around a table of treats at their Halloween party. **Katie Lucas**, junior in marketing, said the party was different from other sisterhood events Gamma Phi hosted. "This was the first time we did an event around a holiday," Lucas said. "For sisterhood events, we usually go to different places. For this one though, it was different because we decorated the house for everyone to come over and we had fun."
Matt Castro

> "Usually dressing up is a big deal. We have a closet called the 'crescent cutie closet,' that we keep our costumes in. We like to dress up and be goofy."
>
> *Kelsey Willingham, junior in marketing*



Breann Bullock ..... Wichita
Apparel and Textiles • FR
Emily Bullington ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Elementary Education • FR
Jessica Burden ..... Topeka
Accounting • JU
Kristen Burton ..... El Dorado, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Bethany Caldwell ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Psychology • JU
Lacee Carl ..... Leavenworth, Kan.
Apparel Marketing and Design • SR
Sydney Case ..... Wichita
Business Administration • SO
Mariah Charland ..... Manhattan
Kinesiology • SO
Kaitlin Chipman ..... Olathe, Kan.
Accounting • SR
Chelsey Cook ..... Berryton, Kan.
Social Sciences • SR
Claire Cody ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Dietetics • SR
Crystal Colgan ..... Roeland Park, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Kate Conway ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Tracy Cook ..... Wichita
Elementary Education • JU
Katelin Cooper ..... Garnett, Kan.
Political Sciences • SR
Shannon Curry ..... Leawood, Kan.
Pre-Nursing • SO
Rachel Day ..... De Soto, Kan.
Mass Communications • SR
Tiffany Defebaugh ..... Chanute, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Melanie Delimont ..... Wichita
Communication Sciences and Disorders • JU
Danielle Devlin ..... Manhattan
Accounting • SR
Alyssa Dickerson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Kelsey Donahue ..... Olathe, Kan.
Mass Communications • SR
Sophia Dongilli ..... Lincoln. Neb.
Open Option • FR
Meaghan Doran ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Finance • SR

Rachel Dorsey ..... **Emporia, Kan.**
Secondary Education • SR
Sarah Dorsey ..... Emporia, Kan.
Biology • FR
Kelly Downes ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Kelsi Drummond ..... **Spring Hill, Kan.**
Biology • SR
Larissa Dunn ..... Haysville, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Christina Farmer ..... Olathe, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • FR
Kayla Fearing ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Nellie Feehan ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR
Mindy Fischer ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Courtney Fiser ..... Shawnee Mission, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Kelsey Flickner ..... **Wichita**
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Cassidy Fowles ..... Manhattan
Open Option • JU
Chantel Frager ..... **Morrowville, Kan.**
Life Sciences • SR
Lindsay Francis ..... Manhattan
Hotel and Restaurant Management • FR
Courtney Frantz ..... Derby, Kan.
History • FR
Sara Fultz ..... **Topeka**
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SR
Megan Garden ..... **Hutchinson, Kan.**
Journalism and Mass Communications • SR
Brooke Garlow ..... **Salina, Kan.**
Biology • SR
Elizabeth Gittemeier ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Caitlin Graham ..... Manhattan
Elementary Education • SO
Elizabeth Goldsberry ..... **Meade, Kan.**
Elementary Education • SR
Breanne Greever ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Rebecca Hands ..... Garden City, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JU
Jaylee Henkle ..... Spring Hill, Kan.
Communication Studies • SO
Kristen Henriksen ..... **Courtland, Kan.**
Interior Design • SR
Michelle Hirsch ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Lauren Horst ..... Olathe, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • JU
Andrea Howard ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Marketing • SR
Samantha Johansen ..... Olathe, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Kelsey Johnson ..... **Shawnee, Kan.**
Interior Design • SR
Angie Katterhenry ..... **Lenexa, Kan.**
Biology • SR
Laci Keating ..... Chapman, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Amanda Keith ..... Morland, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Katelyn N. Keith ..... Penokee, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Meghan Kempf ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • FR
Hannah Kjos ..... Manhattan
Kinesiology • FR
Kjersti Kjos ..... **Manhattan**
Microbiology • SR
Jennifer Kucharo ..... Wichita
Open Option • SO
Brooke Larson ..... Scandia, Kan.
Finance • JU
Megan Lazzo ..... **Wichita**
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Tisha Lee ..... Ardmore, Okla.
Life Sciences • JU
Ellie Long ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communication • SO
Cassiday Love ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Environmental Design • SO
Katie Lucas ..... Osawatomie, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Tess Ludwick ..... Lawrence
Food Science and Industry • GR
Rebecca Lutz ..... Andover, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Maleri Malekyar ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Fine Arts • SO
Ali C. Martin ..... Topeka
Life Sciences • SO
Annie McBee ..... Leawood, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • FR
Erin McCluskey ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Biology • SO
Jessica McGovern ..... **Leawood, Kan.**
Elementary Education • SR
Kelli McMurphy ..... **Topeka**
Finance • SR
Amelia Meyers ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Molly Michal ..... Manhattan
Life Sciences • FR





Carly Mikuls ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • FR
Stephanie Mikuls ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Fine Arts • SO
Rachael Miller ..... Olathe, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Caitlin Mulvany ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Abby Norman ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • FR
Christina Navickas ..... Leawood, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Molly O'Malley ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Speech • SR
Laura Oxler ..... Wichita
Open Option • FR
Laneah Petitjean ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Communication Studies • SR
Kelsey Purvis ..... Berryton, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Kolbi Redding ..... Olsburg, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Kristen Richards ..... Olathe, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Sammie Riehl ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Holly Robben ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • JU
Rachael Robben ..... Lenexa, Kan.
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Life Sciences • SO
Sara Savidge ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Kinesiology • JU
Megan Schippers ..... Salina, Kan.
Biology • SR
Erin Schuberth ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Music Education • SO
Rebeka Scott ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Mathematics • JU
Allison Seiler ..... Lee's Summit, Mo.
Life Sciences • FR
Allison Sherbert ..... Junction City
Secondary Education • JU
Breann Sherbert ..... Junction City
Biology • JU
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Industrial Engineering • SR
Lauren Swirbul ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Lauren Trussell ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Shaley Van Loenen ..... Prairie View, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Katie Van Saun ..... Lake Quiveria, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Ann Virgo ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Mindy Von Elling ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Public Relations • SR
Amy Vu ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Agronomy • JU
Shelby Wagnon ..... Coldwater, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • FR
Julia Wallis ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Justine Wallis ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Rachel A. Weber ..... Derby, Kan.
Fine Arts • JU
Kelsey White ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Art • JU
Laura Wilbert ..... Olathe, Kan.
Social Work • SO
Kelsey Willingham ..... Louisburg, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Catherine Wixson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Dietetics • SO
Emily Wolfe ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Jena Wullschleger ..... Frankfort, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Cheryl Yacenda ..... Andover, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Caroline Zimmerman ..... Grinnell, Kan.
Agribusiness • JU

sisterACTS

monthly activities connect girls and strengthen chapter

by Amanda Lunn



Once a month Kappa Alpha Thetas met, not for chapter dinners or philanthropy events, but solely for the purpose of bonding. Sisterhood activities occurred four times in each semester and brought the sisters of the house closer each time.

"We do a variety of activities," said **Torie Reilly**, vice president of development and senior in agricultural education. "We've played Bingo before, and in the past they've decorated cookies. Last month, we decorated cups. Going green, everyone got their own cup and decorated it, and they used that instead of using plastic cups."

Sisterhood activities were not mandatory, but they were offered to all the women in the house. With 140 members, the Thetas did not always know or have time to get to know each other, which Reilly said was the purpose of the activities.

Jordan Albers ..... Oakley, Kan.
Environmental Design • FR
Paige J. Alexander ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Lauren T. Allen ..... Olathe, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Laura Anderson ..... Wellington, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JR
Erin Angles ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR
Jackie Baker ..... Plano, Texas
Mass Communications • SO
Anne Barkman ..... Leawood, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Katherine Bartram ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Megan Battig ..... Manhattan
Chemical Engineering • SR
Joanne Bauer ..... Leawood, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Gloria Belton ..... Tampa, Kan.
Agricultural Education • SR
Taylor Berggren ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Nutritional Sciences • JU
Lauren Bever ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Rachel Birkenmeier ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Audrey Bloomer ..... Wichita
Accounting • JU
Amy Boeshaar ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Interior Design • SR
Danielle Boggs ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Management • SR
Ashley Bohnenblust ..... Clay Center, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU



In the Kappa Alpha Theta house Nov. 22, **Mary Brauer**, sophomore in pre-nursing, and **Abbey Heikes**, senior in bakery science and management, hang tinsel on the door frames of the dining room. As part of their December sisterhood activity, the Thetas put up several trees, made ornaments and decorated.
Chelsy Lueth



Bailey Bokelman ..... Washington, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • JU
Grace Bokelman ..... Washington, Kan.
Feed Science and Management • SO
Mary Brauer ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Pre-Nursing • SO
Becca Brown ..... Satanta, Kan.
Agriculture Communications and Journalism • SR
Samantha Carlson ..... Rose Hill, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • FR
Kailey Castleberry ..... Herington, Kan.
Architecture • SR
Stephani Chaffin ..... Olathe, Kan.
Environmental Design • FR
Courtney Chavey ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Shawna Cikanek ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Pre-Veterinary Medicine • JU
Kyla Clawson ..... Satanta, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Katie Clifford ..... Valparaiso, Neb.
Agricultural Economics • SO
Courtney Cogan ..... El Dorado, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Leslie Collinge ..... Hamilton, Kan.
Business Management • JU
Caitlin Conley ..... Gypsum, Kan.
Family and Consumer Sciences Education • FR
Libby Coulter ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR
Chailyn Cummings ..... Wellsville, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SO
Kasey Dassel ..... Rose Hill, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Lauren K. Davis ..... Abilene, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU

Sadie Davis ..... Kincaid, Kan.
Agricultural Education • FR
Whitney Davis ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Jaclyn Devries ..... Syracuse, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Jacquelyn Dewbre ..... Buhler, Kan.
Finance • SR
Sierra Dickson ..... Lawrence
Industrial Engineering • FR
Alyssa Dietterich ..... Andover, Kan.
Communications Science and Disorders • SR
Ashley Dohrmann ..... South Hutchinson, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SR
Alyssa Dold ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Fine Arts • SO
Allison Dorau ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Kelsey Drake ..... Topeka
Business Administration • SO
Ashley Eisenbarth ..... Hoyt, Kan.
Biology • SO
Nichole Ely ..... Inman, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Erica Enlow ..... Manhattan
Business Administration • SO
Andrea Everhart ..... Gypsum, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Briana Finch ..... Ottawa, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Nichole Finke ..... St. Charles, Mo.
Environmental Design • FR
Emily Frasier ..... Limon, Colo.
Horticulture • JU
Abby Freese ..... Hiawatha, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Ashley Frey ..... Wichita
Mass Communications • SR
Heather Frisch ..... Wichita
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Caitlin Frohberg ..... Waterville, Kan.
Fine Arts • FR
Hilary Funk ..... Freeman, Mo.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Jessi Geiken ..... Topeka
Elementary Education • JU
Lacey George ..... Uniontown, Kan.
Agricultural Education • SR



"A lot of times we get caught up in our own lives, and we don't take time to stop and see what all of our sisters are doing." said **Shawna Cikanek**, intramural chairperson and sophomore in pre-veterinary medicine. "The (sisterhood activities) I've gone to, I've taken things away from it and gotten to know my sisters better. They're definitely worth the time."

Erica Volker, senior in geography, said when she was a freshman living in the dorms, she found it difficult to connect with the girls in the house, so as a senior she participated in the sisterhood activities to meet more of her sisters.

"When you get the freshmen involved, they feel like they're part of the house more and they feel more included, and that helps everyone out," Volker said. "It gives the upperclassmen a chance to talk to the younger girls, see what they would like to happen with the house, get to know them better and make more friends, which is always fun."

Not only did the activities benefit the Thetas and their relationships with their sisters, they helped the sorority as a whole.

"The closer you are to the sisters in the house, the better the chapter's going to be," Cikanek said. "The more involved the whole chapter's going to be and the more pride you're going to have. How much pride a house has is going to show on campus."

"They're just a great way to meet upperclassmen and get to know them better, because as a freshman I didn't know very many people. It just brings together people and I love that and usually they're pretty fun."

Erica Volker, senior in geography



To decorate the stairs of Theta, **Allison Pfeifer**, junior in management, wraps the banister with tinsel. "We have 140 girls in the house, and not everyone knows each other or has had the opportunity to get to know each other," Reilly said. "Sisterhood activity really allows time for all of us to get to know each other. It's not mandatory; you don't have to be here. It's just for fun."
Chelsy Lueth



Megan Glynn ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Marketing • SR
Rebecca Goltry ..... Wichita
Human Ecology • FR
Allison Gouldie ..... Garden City, Kan.
Dietetics • SO
Katie Govert ..... **Cunningham, Kan.**
Kinesiology • SR
Elizabeth Gray ..... Olathe, Kan.
Open Options • FR
Hannah Greene ..... **Lincoln, Neb.**
Life Sciences • SR
Christal Hannigan ..... Topeka
Social Work • SO
Courtney Harrington ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Fine Arts • SO
Annarose Hart ..... Paola, Kan.
Agriculture Education • JU
Erika Hawley ..... Andover, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Abbey Heikes ..... **Shawano, Wis.**
Bakery Science and Management • SR
Sydney Hendrick ..... Leawood, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Jordan Henning ..... **Wichita**
Public Health Nutrition • SR
Hayley Henry ..... Andover, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • JU
Lynsey Hergott ..... Belleville, Kan.
Chemistry • FR
Shelby Hill ..... Satanta, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • SO
Lisa Hillstock ..... Manhattan
Biological Systems Engineering • SO
Amanda Holmberg ..... Topeka
Accounting • SO
Amy Hunt ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Madeline Intfen ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Tracy Jackson ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Laura Kearns ..... **Kansas City, Mo.**
Architectural Engineering • SR
Hillary Keller ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Anne Kelly ..... **Salina, Kan.**
Accounting • SR
Lana Keltner ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Architecture • SO
Randi King ..... **Derby, Kan.**
Animal Science and Industry • SR
Kelsie Kremer ..... Jeffereson City, Mo.
Architecture • SO
Kyla Krissek ..... Wichita
Pre-Veterinary Medicine • JU
Caroline Kroeger ..... Omaha, Neb.
Architecture • JU
Mallory Kupchin ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JU

Elaine Lamm ..... **Colby, Kan.**
Civil Engineering • SR
Amy Lietzow ..... Olathe, Kan.
Psychology • JU
Madeline Logan ..... Salina, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Tess Lyons ..... Baldwin, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Stephanie Mars ..... Ottawa, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Elyse McBride ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • FR
Darcy McDonough ..... Lee's Summit, Mo.
Interior Architecture and Product Design • SO
Monica McFadden ..... Andale, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Mallorie Mendell ..... Ottawa, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Samantha Miles ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Katie Mire ..... Houston
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Suzanna Morin ..... Houston
English • SO
Caroline Morrand ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • FR
Chelsey Mueller ..... **Assaria, Kan.**
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Jamie Nelson ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
April Newby ..... **Shawnee, Kan.**
Mass Communications • SR
Grace O'Connor ..... **Houston**
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Kaylee Oberzan ..... Lawrence
Mass Communications • JU
Allison Penner ..... Clay Center, Kan.
Microbiology • FR
Allison Pfeifer ..... Wichita
Management • JU
Tiffany Poet ..... **Flagler, Colo.**
Agricultural Education • SR
Erin Poppe ..... Burlington, Wash.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Lindsey Potter ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Mandy Prather ..... Lake Quivira, Kan.
Business and Administration • FR
Libby Queen ..... Lawrence
Business Administration • SO
Abby Ramsey ..... Andale, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Torie Reilly ..... **Cherryvale, Kan.**
Agricultural Education • SR
Katie Reusch ..... Ottawa, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Kristen Rock ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Melissa Ross ..... Highlands Ranch, Colo.
Interior Design • JU
Robyn Russell ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Athletic Training • SR
Sydney Sander ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Madelyn Satterfield ..... El Dorado, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Megan Sauber ..... Salina, Kan.
Family and Consumer Science • FR
Katelyn Schleicher ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Samantha Schmitt ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Aimee Schumacher ..... Wichita
Hotel and Restaurant Management • JU
Sarah Seiler ..... **Inman, Kan.**
Accounting • SR
Stephanie Seiler ..... **Colwich, Kan.**
Life Sciences • SR
Caitlin Sherlock ..... Washington, Kan.
Biology • FR
Jamie Shmalberg ..... **Lawrence**
Elementary Education • SR
Olivia Sieck ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Theatre • FR
Michelle Smith ..... Lawrence
Mass Communications • JU
Ashlyn Smith ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Education • SR
MacKenzie Snow ..... Wichita
Political Science • JU
Savanna Stevens ..... **Dodge City, Kan.**
Life Sciences • SR
Jessalyn Stone ..... **Wichita**
Athletic Training • SR
Richelle Stone ..... Andale, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Brooke Swercinski ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Architecture • SR
Brianna Symmonds ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Apparel and Textiles • FR
Christi Thompson ..... **Wayzata, Minn.**
Architecture • SR
Danielle Tolle ..... Newon, Kan.
Business and Administration • FR
Katelyn Travers ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Dietetics • JU
Taylor Trieschman ..... Wichita
English • JU





Whitney Vaughn ..... Salina, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JU
Taylor Veh ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Microbiology • JU
Erica Volker ..... Stafford, Kan.
Geography • SR
Anne Wasson ..... Seldon, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Brittani Weber ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Interior Design • SO

Rachel M. Weber ..... Wichita
Interior Design • SO
Stephanie Werner ..... Pittsburg, Kan.
Accounting • SR
Kristin Willhite ..... Leon, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Kourtney Willkie ..... Ballwin, Mo.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Katie Wilson ..... Washington, Kan.
Marketing • JU

Jessica Wise ..... Wichita
Open Option • FR
Laura Woner ..... Topeka
Political Science • FR
Jaimie Zellner ..... Howard, Kan.
Fine Arts • SR

November's bonding activity is to decorate the house. **Mary Brauer**, sophomore in pre-nursing, and **Lindsey Potter**, junior in life sciences, decorated one of the Christmas trees at Theta. "I am big on Christmas," **Shawna Cikanek**, intramural chairperson and sophomore in pre-veterinary medicine, said. "I'm at my happiest, so I love when we decorate the house."
Chelsy Lueth

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"I really like being in this sorority because of all of its traditions and also because of all the friends you make while being in it. I really feel like I've made friends that I will have for the rest of my life."

Molly Wichman
freshman in biology

Sorority Name:

• Kappa Delta

Address:

• 1220 Centennial Drive

Philanthropies:

• The Sigma Gamma chapter of Kappa Delta had a Shamrock golf tournament. Twenty percent of the money raised was donated to the national Prevent Child Abuse America organization, and the other 80 percent went to Women's Crisis Center in Manhattan.

History:

• The Kappa Delta sorority was founded Oct. 23, 1897, by found friends who attended the State Female Normal School in Farmville, Va. Lencra Blackiston, Julia Wilson, Sara White and Mary Hendrick would all gather in their dorm rooms to talk about life. They decided to form a sorority to encourage young women to be a part of a sisterhood.

Other Facts:

•Flower: white rose
•Colors: olive green and pearl white
•Jewels: emerald, diamond, pearl
•Mascot: teddy bear
•Symbols: nautilus shell, dagger, katydid
•137 active chapters
•More than 200,000 Kappa Deltas worldwide
•Notable Kappa Deltas: Georgia O'Keeffe, artist, and Joan Lowery Nixon, children's book author

Bonnie Bailey ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Madison Barnes ..... WIchita
Life Sciences • SO
Molly Barnicle ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Family and Consumer Sciences Education • SR
Tricia Bastine ..... Highlands Ranch, Colo.
Business Administration • SO
Maggie Baumann ..... **Omaha, Neb.**
Sociology • SR
Veronica Baus ..... **Alexander, Kan.**
Marketing • SR
Stacee Bearden ..... Fenton, Mo.
Elementary Education • JU
Kinsey Bellamy ..... Sharon Springs, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Krista Bennett ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Psychology • SR
Kristen Betts ..... **Topeka**
Marketing • SR
Abby Beuerlein ..... **Topeka**
Geography • SR
Kaylee Billinger ..... Goodland, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Jessica Blasi ..... **Manhattan**
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Rachel Botten ..... Dodge City, Kan.
Environmental Design • FR
Kelsey A. Brown ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Music • JU
Tasia Bruggeman ..... **Shawnee, Kan.**
Agribusiness • SR
Christy Buenger ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Amanda Bures ..... Richmond, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Susan Butkus ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Fine Arts • JU
Leah Cairo ..... Lake Villa, Ill.
Early Childhood Education • JU
Kari Christensen ..... Wichita
Interior Design • SO
Kristie Clark ..... McPherson, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Jessica Clarke ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • JU
Nathalia Coello ..... Kearney, Neb.
Art • SO
Alison Coulman ..... Leavenworth, Kan.
Veterinary Medicine • FR
Kaitlin Curran ..... **Tulsa, Okla.**
Biology • SR
Megan DeForce ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Jenna Dennis ..... Bucyrus, Kan.
General Agriculture • JU
Karsen Dolliver ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Art • SO
Mary Dolliver ..... **Prairie Village, Kan.**
Interior Design • SR
Stephanie Dudley ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Music Education • SO
Brenna Duffy ..... Topeka
Theatre • SO
Erin Duffy ..... **Topeka**
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Allie Easley ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • JU
Kaylene Ehresman ..... Derby, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Megan Ekedahl ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • FR





Kristen Ellison ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Erin Fain ..... Leavenworth, Kan.
Agribusiness • FR
Stephanie Farrand ..... Manhattan
Open Option • FR
Shannon Feehan ..... Olathe, Kan.
Early Childhood Education • JU
Rachel Fountaine ..... Arkansas City, Kan.
Social Work • JU
Haley Funk ..... Concordia, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Allegra Gigstad ..... Nortonville, Kan.
Nutritional Sciences • SO
Jessica Glaser ..... Derby, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Katie Gorham ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Economics • SR
Samantha Green ..... Scott City, Kan.
Human Ecology • FR
Dani Hall ..... Blair, Neb.
Marketing • JU
Carolyn Harris ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Katelyn C. Harrison ..... Topeka
Marketing • SO
Hannah Hauber ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Women's Studies • JU
Jill Hedberg ..... Marquette, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Jesslyn Heide ..... Buhler, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Brittany Hernandez ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Emilie Hess ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Public Health Nutrition • SR



Andrea Hiesberger ..... Leawood, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR
Samantha Hodge ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Kat Holzmeister ..... Charlotte, N.C.
Open Option • SO
Emily Horrell ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Psychology • SR
Lacey Hudson ..... Wichita
Business Administration • SO
Melissa Hughes ..... Tonganoxie, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Autumn Hurt ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Danielle Huskey ..... Sunrise Beach, Mo.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Ashley Joerger ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Katie Joyce ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Biology • SO
Katie Kaliff ..... York, Neb.
Apparel and Textiles • FR
Megan Kaltenberger ..... Lincoln, Neb.
Architecture • FR
Hanna Kemble ..... Herrington, Kan.
Fine Arts • SO
Kelly Kidwell ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Sociology • JU
Kaitlin Kilgore ..... Gladstone, Mo.
Business Administration • SR
Kate Killingsworth ..... Manhattan
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Megan Klassen ..... Hesston, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR
Kira Klein ..... St. Louis
Architectural Engineering • JU
Courtney Kohler ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Geography • SO
Alyssa Kracht ..... Marysville, Kan.
Management • SR
Sarah Kranick ..... Wichita
Business Administration • FR
Chelsea Kratzer ..... Geneseo, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Nicole Kratzer ..... Geneseo, Kan.
History • JU
Kelsey Lahey ..... Wichita
Life Sciences • SO
Joanna Leach ..... Lawrence
Elementary Education • SO
Ellesha LeCluyse ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Biology • JU
Stephanie Loyd ..... Sedgwick, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • SR
Devan Lysen ..... Andover, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Kathryn Mahoney ..... Salina, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Diana Maki ..... Goddard, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • JU
Haley Malone ..... Ulysses, Kan.
Life Sciences • SR
Allie Marks ..... Norcross, Minn.
Agronomy • JU
Madison Martley ..... Stilwell, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Brooke Mease ..... Nashville, Kan.
Psychology • JU
Madison Moyd ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Kate Muckenthaler ..... McKinney, Texas
Biology • FR

Miranda Munds ..... Wichita
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Melissa Newman ..... Olathe, Kan.
Modern Languages • SO
Aimee Niedenthal ..... Lawrence
Chemistry • FR
Lauren Nutter ..... Parsons, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Devon Parks ..... McPherson, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • FR
Lauren Patterson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Landscape Architecture • SO
Laura Pavelka ..... Topeka
Business Administration • SO
Kristen Payne ..... McPherson, Kan.
Public Health Nutrition • JU
Michelle Pflughoeft ..... McPherson, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Danielle Power ..... Grantville, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Nicki Power ..... Topeka
Industrial Engineering • SO
Amanda Prolago ..... Olathe, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Carolyn Putman ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Dietetics • FR
Brennan Randel ..... Frankfort, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Melissa Ranney ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Bailey Redmond ..... Basehor, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Karalie Richards ..... Tecumseh, Kan.
Public Health Nutrition • SR
Kaitlyn Rodee ..... Wichita
Open Option • FR
Courtney Schmitz ..... Olathe, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • FR
Jennifer Shoemaker ..... Holton, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Melanie Shoemaker ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Fine Arts • SO
Christie Shofler ..... Wichita
Kinesiology • JU
Kylee Siegrist ..... Highlands Ranch, Colo.
Open Option • FR
Caitlyn Sleconich ..... Wichita
Elementary Education • SO
Danielle Smith ..... Eureka, Mo.
Architecture • JU
Kristin Smith ..... Hesston, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Tana Smith ..... Paola, Kan.
Anthropology • SR
Sarah Staggenborg ..... Manhattan
Life Sciences • FR
Kelsey Stanbrough ..... Bonner Springs, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Stacia Stover ..... Arkansas City, Kan.
Public Health Nutrition • SR
Kelsey Struckhoff ..... Ft. Collins, Colo.
Secondary Education • SO
Chelsey Stryker ..... Topeka
Business Administration • FR
Kylie Swan ..... Dallas
Business Administration • SO
Ann Swanson ..... Olathe, Kan.
Public Health Nutrition • JU
Shelby Swartz ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR
Jessica Taylor ..... Louisburg, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Shelby Taylor ..... Auburn, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Brittany Topliff ..... Manhattan
Interior Design • FR
Rachel Trumpy ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • JU
Katie Turner ..... Lawrence
Business Administration • SO
Lindsay Unruh ..... Wichita
Open Option • FR
Kayla Vecchiarelli ..... Kingman, Kan.
Apparel Marketing • SR
Erin Vetter ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Engineering • FR
Kalynn Vibbert ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Engineering • FR
Kelsey Vusich ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Architecture • SO
Megan Weigel ..... Berryton, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Stephanie Weir ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • SR
Molly Wichman ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Biology • FR
Sarah Williams ..... Derby, Kan.
Secondary Education • FR
Lindsey Wilson ..... Amoret, Mo.
Agribusiness • SO
Rochelle Wilson ..... Breckenridge, Colo.
Elementary Education • JU
Danielle Worthen ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Mass Communication • JU



better to give than to receive

by Tara Cowley

A projection screen showed a flickering fireplace, Santa Claus read stories to the children, the stockings hung over the projector screen with care and snacks were out for anyone's enjoyment. The Kappa Kappa Gammas' holiday party welcomed current Kappas, alumnae and their children Dec. 9.

"We had Christmas dinner and made cookies to start off the night," **Jessica Everhart**, junior in accounting, said. "Later, we split into groups and adopted families for the holiday."

Kappas formed small groups and chose a family to buy Christmas dinner and gifts for the adopt-a-family activity. The women chose to adopt a family rather than participate in the typical white elephant gift exchange.

"It should be a fun experience to go shopping for little kids," **Sadie Roesner**, freshman in open option, said. "(It) makes you feel special that you are helping people."

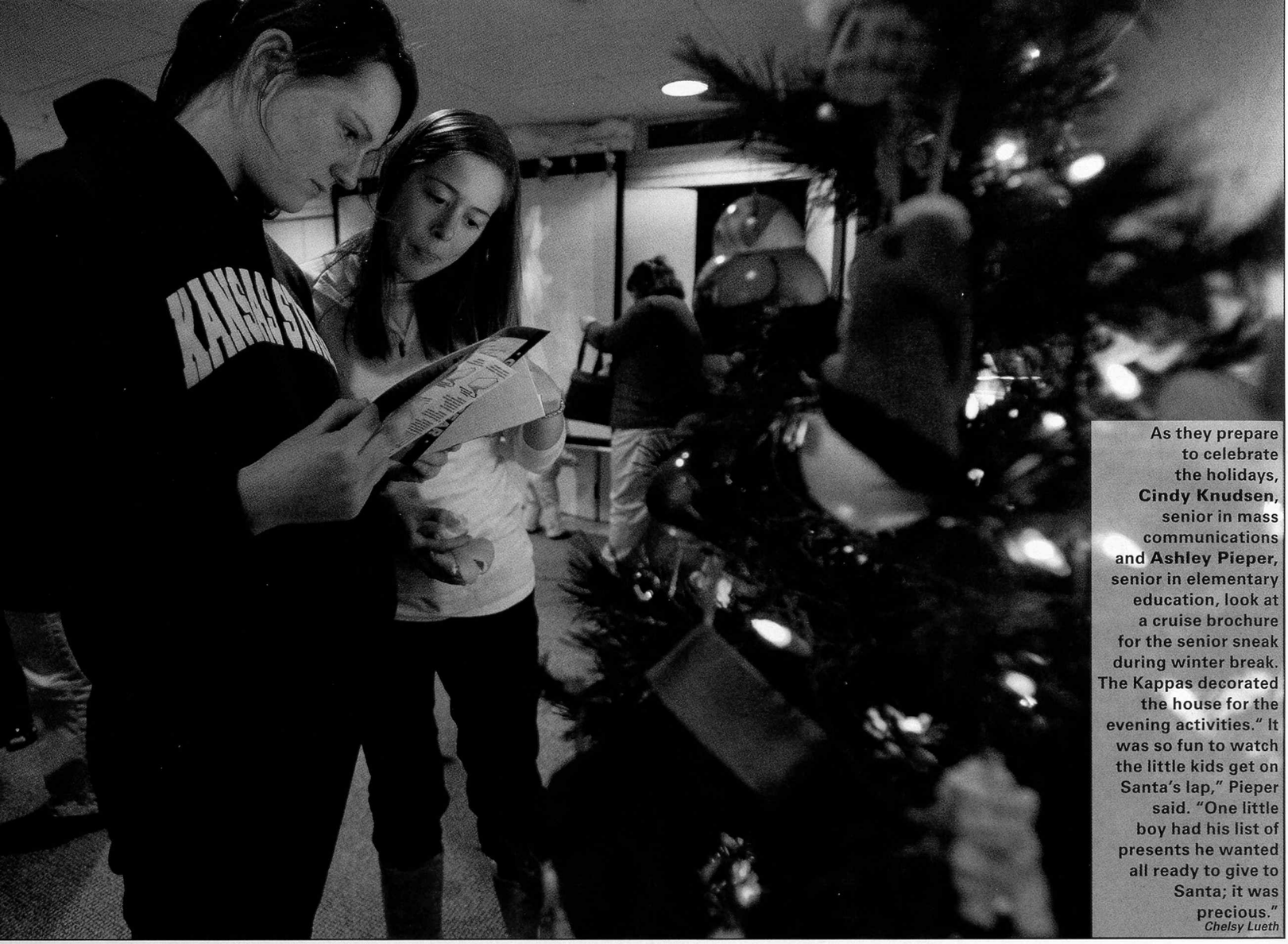
The Kappas said they enjoyed adopting families together because it also brought them together.

"I feel like I can be friends with every girl in the house," **Sarah Anderson**, sophomore in animal sciences and industry, said.

With children of all ages running around the house, laughing among friends and the quiet crackling of the fireplace program on the projector, the Kappa holiday party came to an end.



On Dec. 9, **Rachael Leisy**, senior in family studies, and **McKenzie Grace**, senior in biology, embrace at the Kappa Kappa Gamma holiday celebration. "The adopt-a-family was new this year, and it's a cool thing to do for Christmas," Grace said. "Our house is so big, even though we could only donate a little each, it added up to a lot for this family."
Chelsy Lueth



As they prepare to celebrate the holidays, **Cindy Knudsen**, senior in mass communications and **Ashley Pieper**, senior in elementary education, look at a cruise brochure for the senior sneak during winter break. The Kappas decorated the house for the evening activities." It was so fun to watch the little kids get on Santa's lap," Pieper said. "One little boy had his list of presents he wanted all ready to give to Santa; it was precious."
Chelsy Lueth

"(Sororities are) more than just living in a house with 50 girls, these are the girls I'm going to stay in contact with for the rest of my life."

Cindy Knudsen, senior in mass communications

Jessica Adams.....**Wichita**
Mass Communications • SR
Morgan Aldridge.....Lenexa, Kan.
Biology • SO
Emily Anderson.....Leawood, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Sarah Anderson.....Leawood, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SO
Shelby Anderson.....Auburn, Kan.
Psychology • SO
Kylie Ankerholz.....**Topeka**
Secondary Education • SR
Caroline Bacon.....Haven, Kan.
Bakery Science and Management • JU
Megan Barrett.....Breckenridge, Colo.
Psychology • JU
Rachel Bettis.....Great Bend, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • JU
Natalie Birzir.....Leawood, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Leah Blanshan.....Lenexa, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Brittany Boddicker.....Overland Park, Kan.
Communications Sciences and Disorders • JU
Brittany Boyers.....Olathe, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Shelley Burgess.....**Lyons, Kan.**
Biology • SR
Amy Burns.....Olathe, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Rebecca Cantlon.....Leavenworth, Kan.
Biology • SO
Jordan Carney.....Wichita
Apparel and Textiles • JU
Haley Caughron.....Woodbury, Minn.
Communications Sciences and Disorders • JU

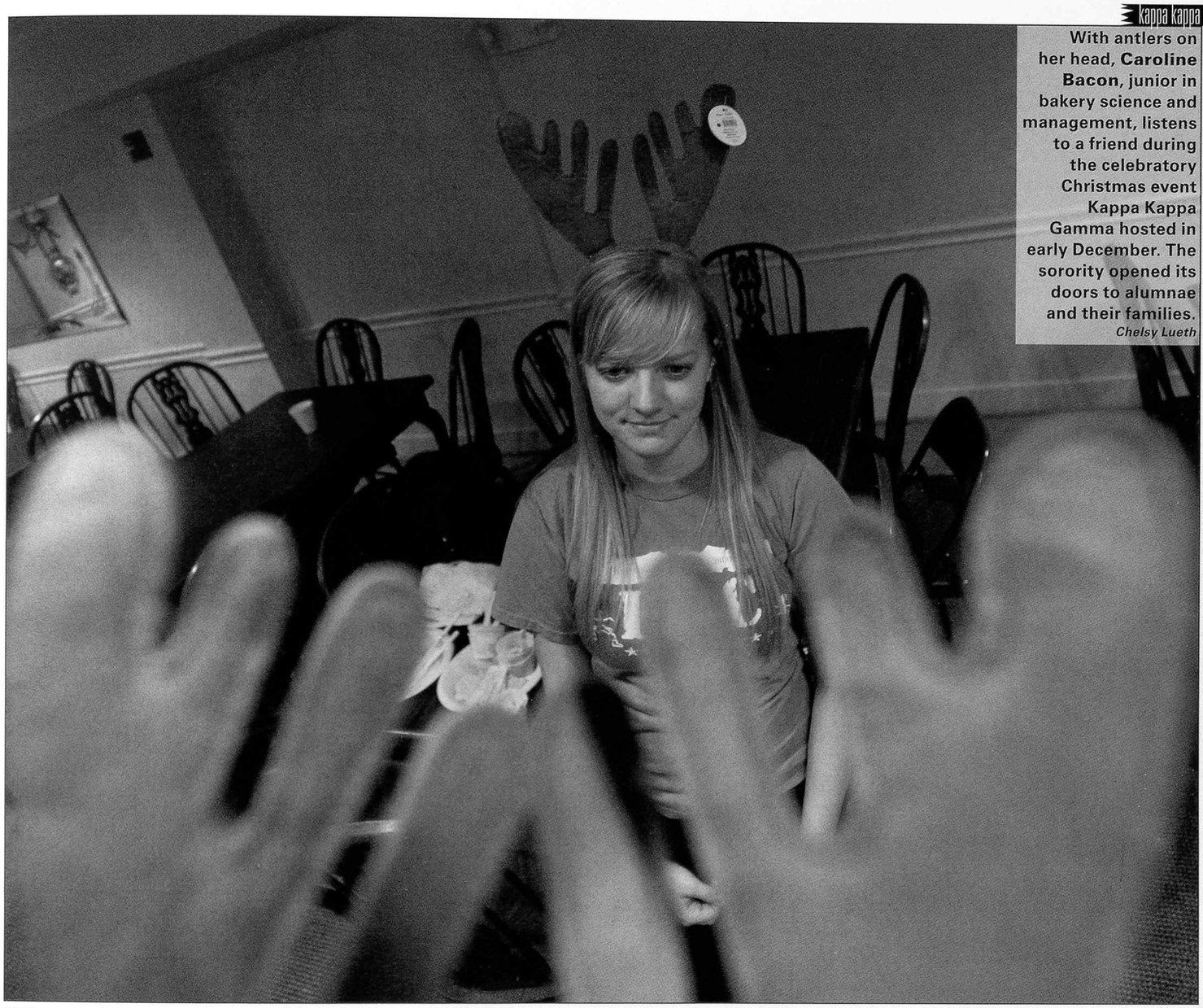




Mara Cavallaro ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Silvia Chatterton ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SO
Katelin Christianer ..... Leawood, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Abby Clark ..... **Olathe, Kan**
Elementary Education • SR
Nicole Clark ..... Wichita
Journalism and Mass Communication • FR
Ann Clawson ..... Englewood, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Carrie Cowan ..... Belton, Mo.
Animal Sciences and Industry • JU
Briana Craemer ..... **Leawood, Kan.**
Mass Communications • SR
Callie Craig ..... Baldwin City, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Sarah Craig ..... Yorkville, Ill.
Landscape Architecture • SO
Kirsten Crandall ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Elizabeth Dale ..... Topeka
Communication Sciences and Disorders • JU
Caroline Davis ..... Kapolei, Hawaii
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Mallory Davis ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Elementary Education • SR
Jordan Delaney ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Biology • FR
Susan Dolan ..... **Wichita**
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Christine Dowling ..... Hays, Kan.
Biology • SO
Kelsey Duck ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Secondary Education • FR
Betsy Dunlap ..... **Leawood, Kan.**
Chemical Engineering • SR
Lauren Eberting ..... Leawood, Kan.
Psychology • SO
Karen Edwards ..... Olathe, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Kate Ehmke ..... Frisco, Texas
Secondary Education • SO
Katie Erker ..... Olathe, Kan.
Finance • JU
Jessica Everhart ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Anna Ewing ..... Olathe, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Catherine Fink ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Sidney Foster ..... Wichita
Theatre • FR
Kelli Friedel ..... Wichita
Psychology • FR
Katelyn Galyardt ..... **Lawrence**
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Samantha Galyardt ..... Lawrence
Secondary Education • FR
Brittany Ganzer ..... **Wichita**
Nutritional Sciences • SR
Elizabeth Gienger ..... St. Francis, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Molly Glenn ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
McKenzie Grace ..... **St. Francis, Kan.**
Biology • SR
Katie Griffith ..... Wichita
Marketing • JU
Lisa Grundy ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Kinesiology • SR
Teagan Hamblin ..... Andover, Kan.
Bakery Science and Management • SO
Whitney Hanzlicek ..... Frisco, Texas
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Maggie Herman ..... Topeka
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Lauren Hills ..... Sedan, Kan.
Apparel Marketing • JU
Aimee Hoffman ..... **Manhattan**
Sociology • SR
Paige Hoyt ..... Manhattan
Biological Systems Engineering • FR
Chelsea Jacobsen ..... Olathe, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Jennifer Jacobson ..... Leawood, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Ashley James ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SO
Rachel James ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Taylor Johnston ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Lora Joyce ..... Leawood, Kan.
Biochemistry • JU
Gina Kirkwood ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Cindy Knudsen ..... **Lincoln, Neb.**
Life Sciences • SR
Jill Kuckelman ..... **Scott City, Kan.**
Business Administration • SR
Amber Kuckleman ..... Scott City, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Sarah Kuykendall ..... Weskan, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Krista Langley ..... **Salina, Kan.**
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR

Katie Lear ..... **Great Bend, Kan.**
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SR
Katherine Lee ..... Roeland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Jennifer Legino ..... Topeka
Biology • FR
Blake Leonard ..... Wichita
Accounting • SO
Candice Lewis ..... **Wichita**
Secondary Education • SR
Helena Lickteig ..... **Portland, Ore.**
Interior Architecture and Product Design • SR
Brooke Lindell ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Jessica R. Long ..... **Wichita**
Marketing • SR
Lauren Lund ..... **Hutchison, Kan.**
Accounting • SR
Haley Marceau ..... **Wichita**
Anthropology • SR
Anne McClain ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Lauren McClelland ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Art • SR
Shannon McKee ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Ali McKiearnan ..... Lacygne, Kan.
Pre-Veterinary Medicine • FR
Hollie McKinney ..... Weskan, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Melissa McKinney ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Spanish • SR
Jessica Melvin ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Ali Meyer ..... West Des Moines, Iowa
Nutritional Sciences • SO
Hannah K. Miller ..... Peabody, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Allison Minea ..... Leawood, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Alex Moran ..... Hays, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SO
Kelsey Moran ..... **Hays, Kan.**
Political Science • SR
Kathryn Morris ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Modern Languages • SR
Claire Mullender ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Music Education • FR
Michele Murphy ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Elementary Education • SR
Liz Myers ..... Augusta, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Stevie Nitschke ..... Manhattan
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Kati Oddo ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Modern Languages • SR
Emily Orndoff ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Architectural Engineering • FR
Presley Pacholick ..... Grapevine, Texas
Psychology • SO
Emily Patton ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Psychology • JU
Courtney Pennington ..... Fairway, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Lindsey Peterson ..... McPherson, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Rebecca Pickel ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Environmental Design • SO
Ashley Pieper ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Elementary Education • SR
Laura Preston ..... Manhattan
Elementary Education • JU
Ashley Reed ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Life Sciences • SR
Daley Reed ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Elementary Education • SR
Lindsay Reed ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • FR
Rochelle Reinert ..... **Hiawatha, Kan.**
Accounting • SR
Hannah Reusser ..... Wichita
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Tricia Robben ..... **Leawood, Kan.**
Mass Communications • SR
Sadie Roesner ..... Salina, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Anna Salas ..... Council Grove, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Shelbi Sasse ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Sarah Satterlee ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Brooke Schultz ..... **Haviland, Kan.**
Horticulture • SR
Natalie Scott ..... **Hutchinson, Kan.**
English • SR
Regan Scott ..... South Hutchinson, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Shannon Scott ..... **Manhattan**
Kinesiology • SR
Amy Shandy ..... Salina, Kan.
Horticulture • FR
Kristina Sims ..... **Maize, Kan.**
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Allison Skoog ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Abbie Smith ..... Wichita
Fine Arts • FR





With antlers on her head, Caroline Bacon, junior in bakery science and management, listens to a friend during the celebratory Christmas event Kappa Kappa Gamma hosted in early December. The sorority opened its doors to alumnae and their families.
Chelsy Lueth



Laura Smith ..... Norman, Okla.
Geography • FR
Sydney Smolecki ..... Olathe, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Shelby Storrie ..... McKinney, Texas
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Kaitlyn Teagardin ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Environmental Design • SO
Claire Thiessen ..... Beloit, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • FR
Kayla Thompson ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Emily Thurlow ..... Wakefield
Elementary Education • SO
Megan Thyfault ..... Hays, Kan.
Bakery Science and Management • JU
Talia Timler ..... Leawood, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Erin Toughey ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Modern Languages • JU
Erin Tuttle ..... Wichita
Open Option • FR
Shannon Underwood ..... Topeka
Management • SR
Ashley Wagner ..... Leoti, Kan.
Psychology • JU
Carrie Waide ..... Mason, Ohio
Women's Studies • SR
Ashley R. Walker ..... McPherson, Kan.
Mathematics • SR
Erin K. White ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Laura Wiens ..... Inman, Kan.
Bakery Science and Management • JU
Danielle Young ..... Ulysses, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SR

pledge class reinstates tradition

by Anna Kearns

Four years ago, Kappa Sigma had twice as many members, but as pledge numbers fell, so did traditions. In an effort to revamp the house, the pledge class raised money to bring back the Red Dog date party — a party hosted by the pledge class for the active members with roots reaching into the 1920s.

"I'm a big fan of traditions," **Austin Conrady**, pledge class president and sophomore in civil engineering, said. "To bring back the tradition of a pledge class bringing a date party to the fraternity is good. (Traditions) get everybody together and really help build a bond between people."

The 11 members of the pledge class cleaned up after football and basketball games and helped alumni with tasks like chopping wood and hauling leaves to raise money for the January date party.

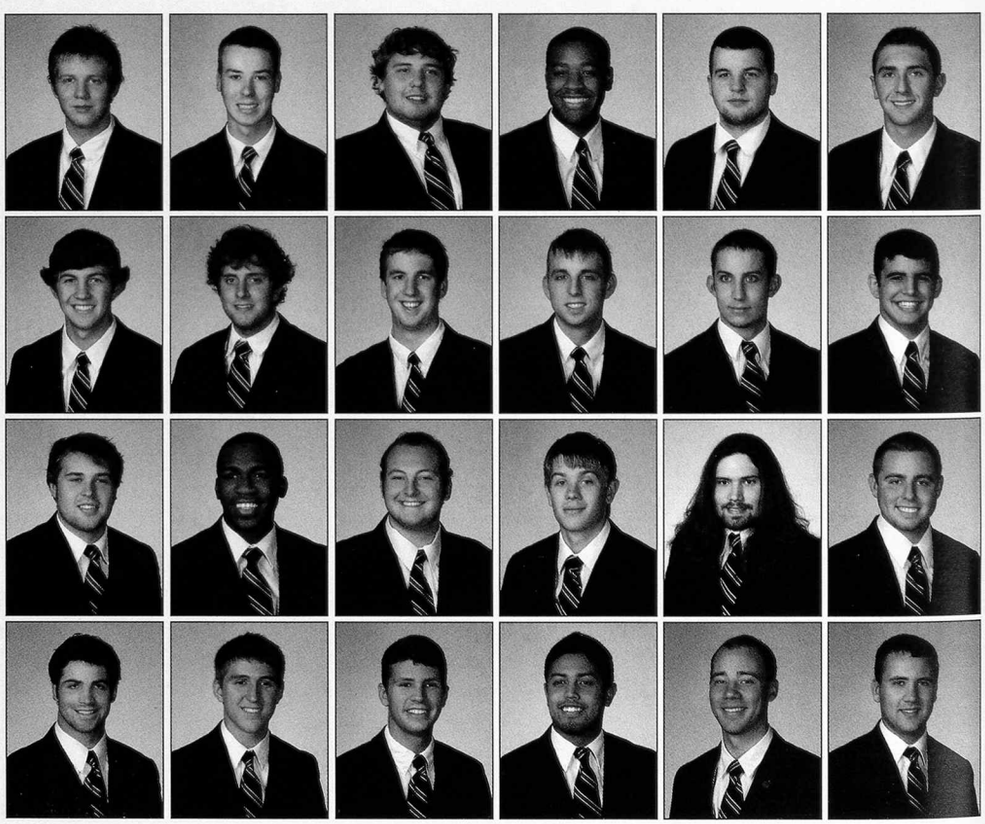
"Traditionally, it's a two-part deal," **J.P. Holley**, recruitment chair and freshman in business administration, said. "In the morning the house goes out to a bar for breakfast. For instance this year we're going to the Purple Pig. And then, after that, they normally go out to a barn and have a party, have a deejay come out. That's the main event."

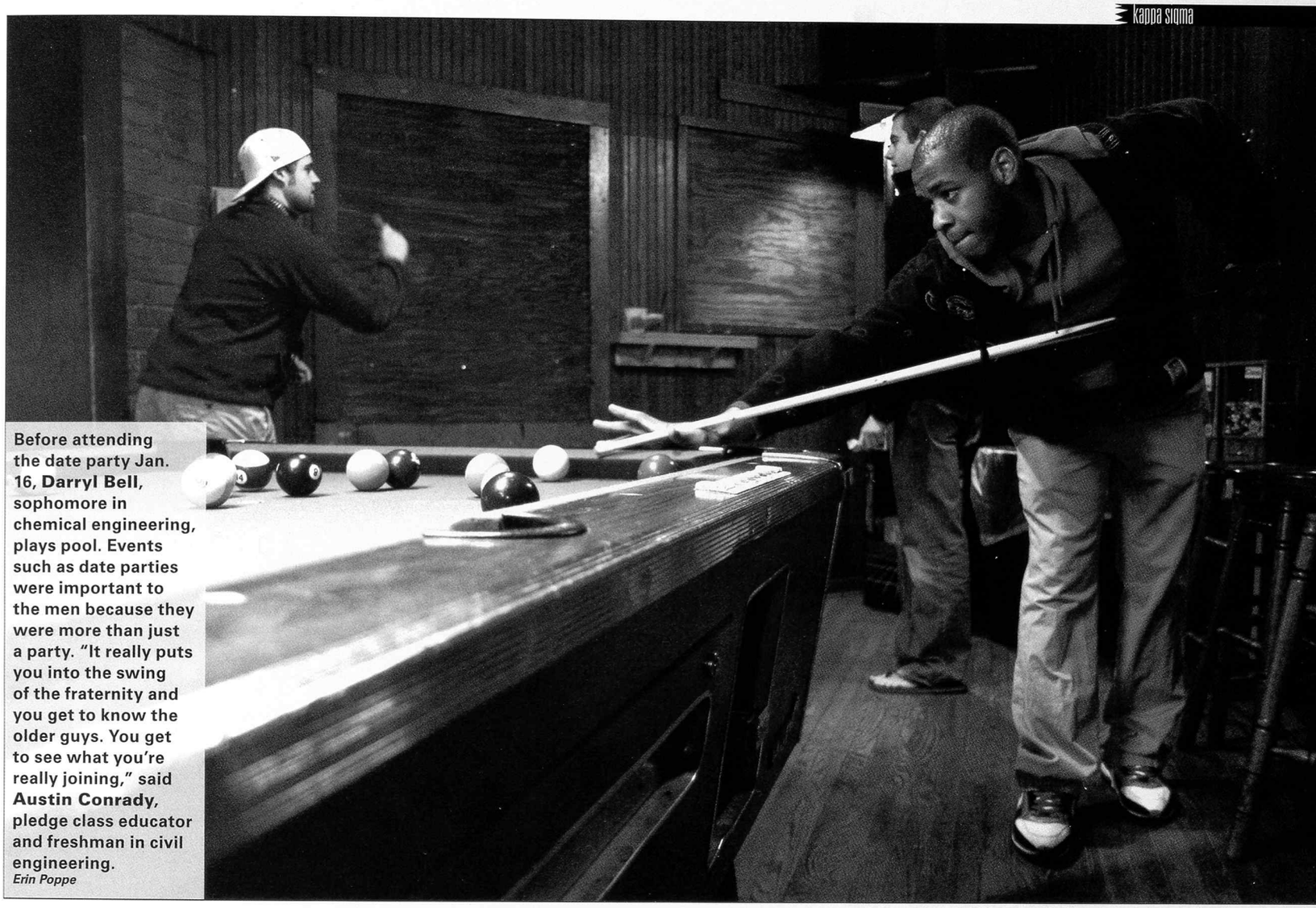
The pledge class served breakfast to the active members on the morning of the party.

Bringing the date party back gave more purpose to his place in the house, **Derek Miller**, pledge educator and sophomore in business administration, said.

"It does feel really good to know that we're bringing it back," he said. "Because it went away for a while, so it feels good to be able to help the house out other than me just being there."

Danny Anderson ..... Olathe, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Stewart Anderson ..... Steamboat Springs, Colo.
Finance • JU
Brent Baca ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Open Option • SO
Darryl Bell ..... Lee's Summit, Mo.
Chemical Engineering • SO
Ben Blunt ..... Olathe, Kan.
Information Systems • FR
Adam Bubak ..... Omaha, Neb.
Architecture • SO
Austin Conrady ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Civil Engineering • SO
Spencer Crook ..... Lee's Summit, Mo.
Food Science and Industry • FR
Michael Durkin ..... St. Louis
Open Option • FR
Justin Fowler ..... Manhattan
Architectural Engineering • JU
Philip Fox ..... Manhattan
Kinesiology • SO
Nathaniel Gardner ..... Burr Oak, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SR
Nicholas Gormly ..... Leawood, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Jerome Hamilton ..... St. Louis
Business Administration • SR
Oliver Herzog ..... Houston
Park Management and Conservation • FR
J.P. Holley III ..... Bonner Springs, Kan.
Business • FR
Alex Inman ..... St. Paul, Neb.
Social Sciences • SR
Cody Jensen ..... Manhattan
Biology • SR
Kenton Kloster ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Aleks Lange ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Park Management and Conservation • SR
Andrew Maness ..... Wichita
Mathematics • SR
Tim Mena ..... St. Louis
Open Option • SO
Dane Miller ..... Conway Springs, Kan.
Political Science • SR
Derek Miller ..... Conway Springs, Kan.
Business Administration • SO

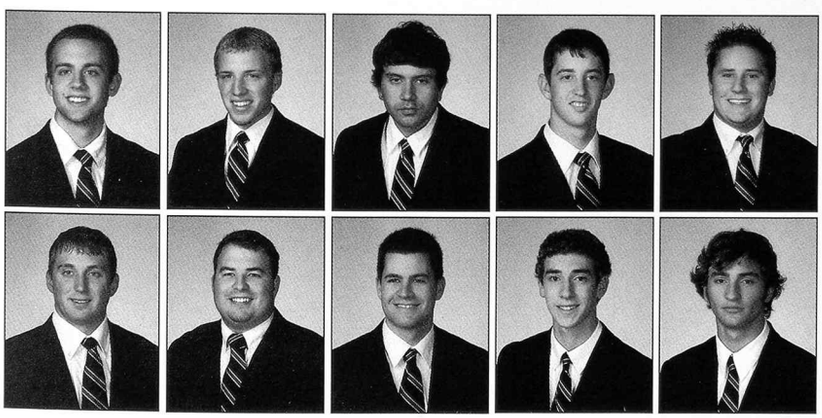




Before attending the date party Jan. 16, Darryl Bell, sophomore in chemical engineering, plays pool. Events such as date parties were important to the men because they were more than just a party. "It really puts you into the swing of the fraternity and you get to know the older guys. You get to see what you're really joining," said Austin Conrady, pledge class educator and freshman in civil engineering.
Erin Poppe

"It's just been a long tradition that's been in the fraternity for I don't know how long. It stopped because the house numbers had gotten so low and I believe the last one was two or three years ago. So in the last two or three years they've been really focused on getting the house back to where it needs to be."

Derek Miller, pledge educator and sophomore in business administration



Travis Miller ..... Wichita
Mechanical Engineering • FR
Robert Noller ..... Wichita
Horticulture • SO
Daniel Palacio ..... Wichita
History • FR
Drew Rogers ..... Stilwell, Kan.
Marketing • SO
Thomas Sheik ..... Bern, Kan.
Accounting • SR

Aaron Terhune ..... Maple Hill, Kan.
Park Management and Conservation • SR
Erik Thorsell ..... Chanute, Kan.
Biological Agricultural Engineering • SR
Braden Turner ..... Overland Park
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Clint Useldinger ..... Olathe, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • SO
Kevin Wansa ..... Overland Park, Kansas
Fine Arts • FR

short on votes but not on optimism

by Colleen Quinn

Signs covered the green grass with posters for Student Governing Association president and vice president candidates, and students walked through campus wearing T-shirts supporting the team they voted for. Candidates **Andrew Huschka**, senior in industrial engineering, and **Laura R. White**, junior in civil engineering, had the support of many students but fell short of their competition.

"It was a lot different of a process," Husckha said. "The competition was more involved and knew the process. We did our own thing that was new and had never been done. There was a ton of politics, and it was cutthroat."

Huschka knew they would have to try something new and exciting to stand out.

"A lot of the things we did got people involved," he said. "We tried to reach out to other groups not involved. We held rallies at bars, and they were so packed we didn't have any more room. So many students were behind us and donated time and money."

Huschka and White made it past the preliminaries but lost by 400 votes in the final voting. Although the Husckha-White duo did not come out on top, Huschka said he was never sad or disappointed.

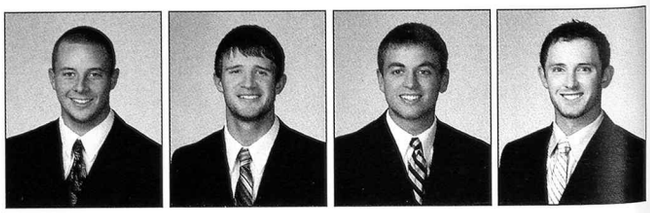
> "The best thing I got out of the entire election last year was the people I met and the connections I made. Just the support we had from the people in general was incredible."
>
> *Andrew Huschka, senior in industrial engineering*

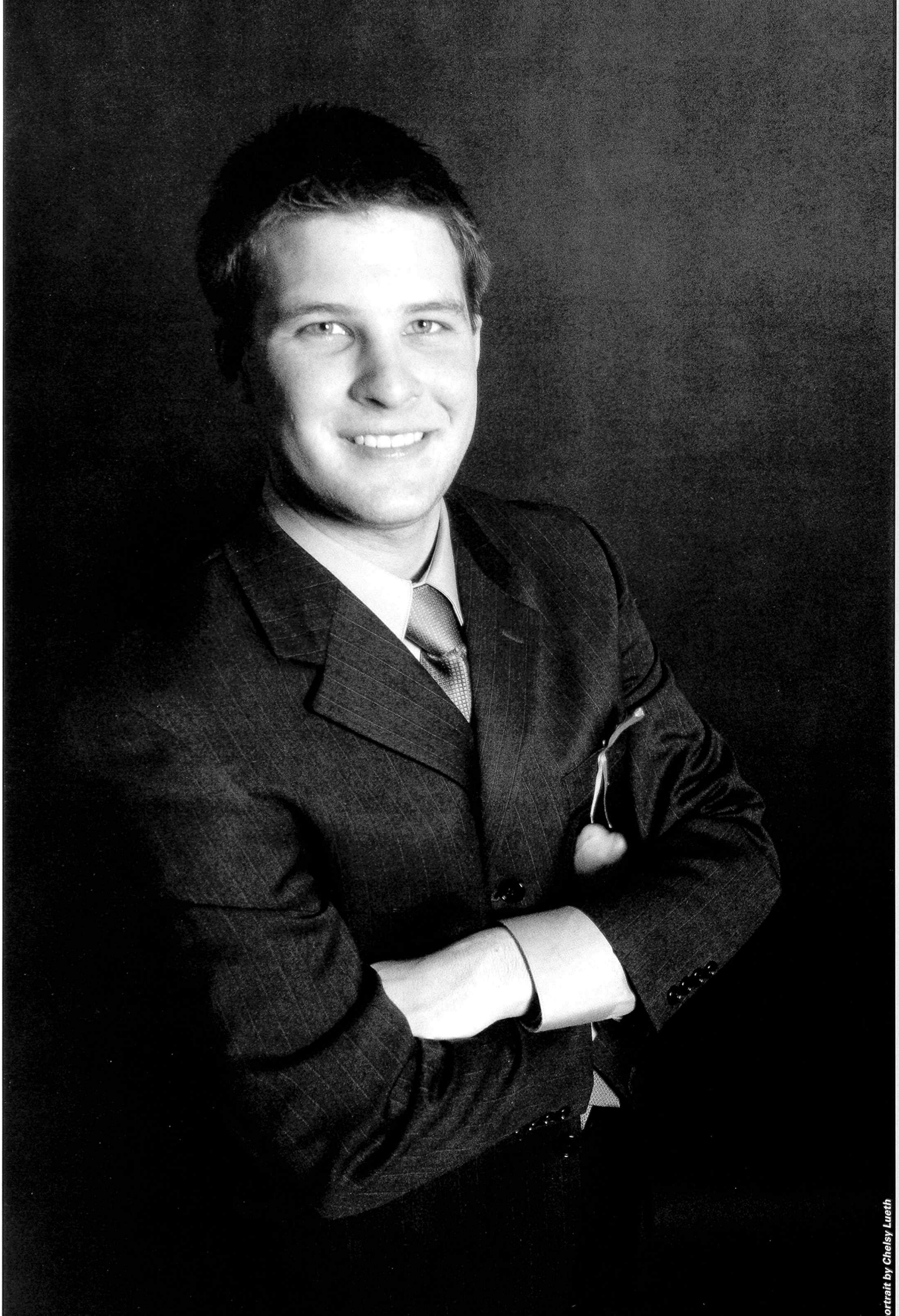
"It was awesome to get where I ended up," he said. "We were the underdogs and to make it where we did took others by surprise. It was a little disappointing to not implement our ideas and work on everything, but I never regretted it."

Husckha remained involved in student government in the College of Engineering as a senator and played an active role in Lambda Chi Alpha by organizing and overseeing the social events within the fraternity.

"The guys that I've met are a great group that I've gotten to know," Huschka said. "I feel like I owe it to them."

Blake Adams ..... Stephens City, Va.
Milling Science and Management • FR
Quentin Adams ..... Garden City, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Darren Allison ..... Lyons, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Weston Arbogast ..... Dodge City, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • SR





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Breck Arnberger....Colby, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • FR
Ryan Blake....Salina, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR
Ryan Blefko....Olathe, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Ben Bode....Overland Park, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Craig Bollig....Wakeeney, Kan.
Biology • SR
Luke Bones....Ottawa, Kan.
Horticulture • SR
Kevin Bowen....Garden City, Kan.
Psychology • SR
Chase Bretches....Overland Park, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • FR
Curtis Bryant....Leawood, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SO
Jeff Bryant....Leawood, Kan.
Biology • SO
Logan Burns....Great Bend, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Robert Cashman....Shawnee, Kan.
Food Science and Industry • FR
Reed Cody....Overland Park, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • FR
Steven Coen....Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Todd Coen....Wellsville, Kan.
General Agriculture • FR
Brad Craemer....Leawood, Kan.
Life Sciences • SR
Joshua Davidson....Overland Park, Kan.
Psychology • FR
Colton Debes....Great Bend, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Aaron Deeds....Goodland, Kan.
Biology • JU
Gabe Dinkel....Garden City, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • JU
Aaron Douglas....Ottawa, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Jake Dull....Leawood, Kan.
Civil Engineering • JU
Frank Emert....Mission, Kan.
Accounting • GR
Eric Engelland....Sterling, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Austin English....Augusta, Kan.
Athletic Training • SO
Luke Fanshier....Great Bend, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Ben Gasper....Horton, Kan.
Civil Engineering • FR
Sean Hafferty....Atlanta, Ga.
Computer and Information Sciences • SR
John M. Harrington....Shawnee, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SR
Jeff Heine....Stilwell, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Brad Heise....Ottawa, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Brett Higgins....Lyons, Kan.
Finance • SR
Luke Hirschler....Wichita
Mechanical Engineering • FR
Chaston Hoeme....Scott City, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Brad Holt....Great Bend, KS
Business Administration • SO
Nolan Howlett....Shawnee, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • JU
Wes Howlett....Olathe, Kan.
Engineering • SO
Andrew Huschka....Ottawa, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SR
Justin Huschka....Ottawa, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Chad Jackson....Manhattan
Adult, Occupational, Continued Education • GR
Daniel E. Johnson....Omaha, Neb.
Business Administration • SO
Nathan Karlin....Shawnee, Kan.
Economics • JU
David Kaufman....Topeka
Mass Communications • SR
Justin Keller....Hesston, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Jake Kiefer....Boonton, N.J.
Animal Science and Industry • JU
Quentin Kliethermes....Linn, Mo.
Architectural Engineering • JU
Nick Klug....Olathe, Kan.
Finance • SR
Brian Kramer....Marysville, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Kyle Landau....Leawood, Kan.
Finance • SR
Dominic LaRocca....Kansas City, Mo.
Civil Engineering • FR
Brian M. Lauer....Overland Park, Kan.
Biological Systems Engineering • SO
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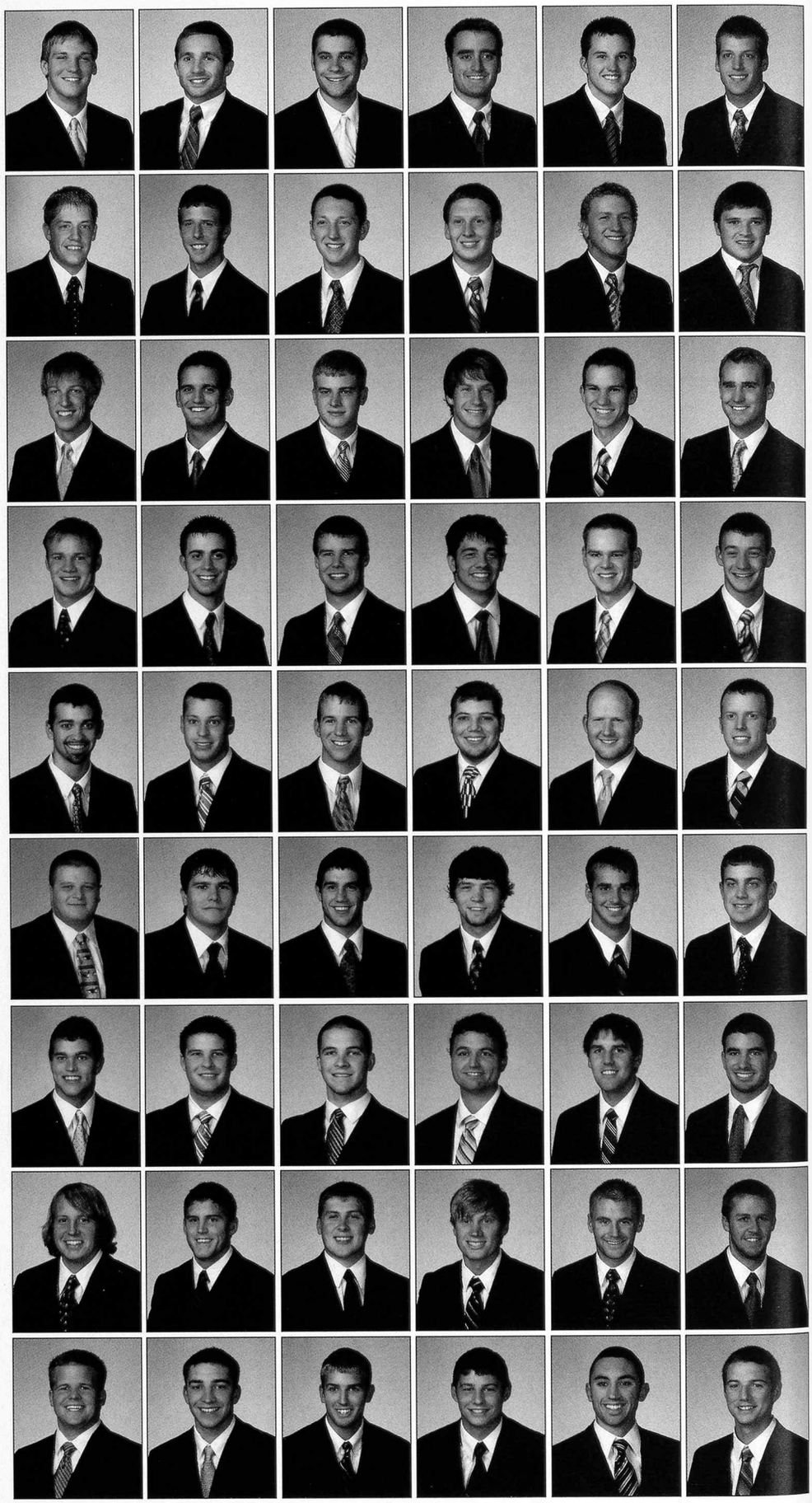
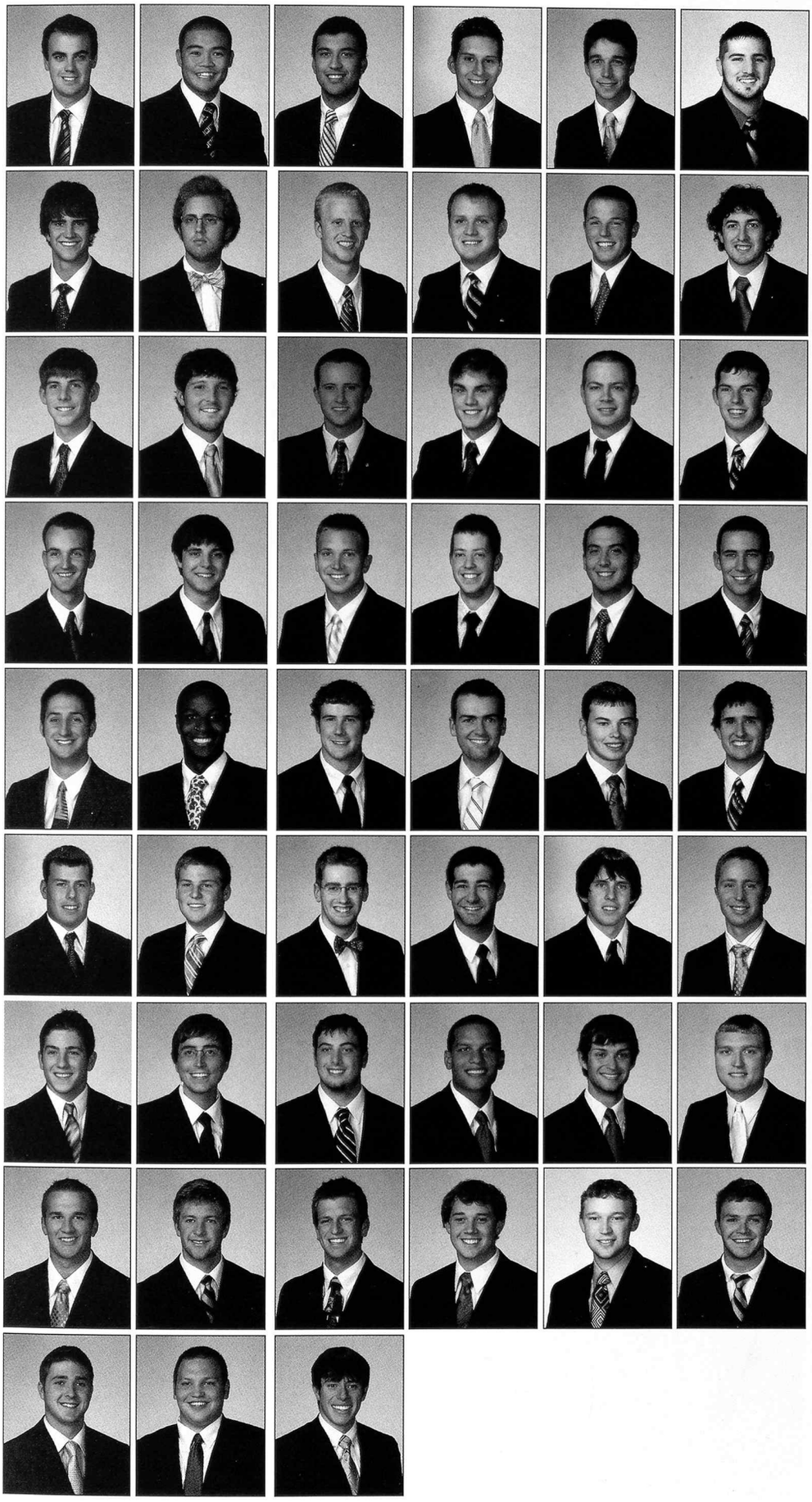
Architectural Engineering • FR





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Nghia Mai....Garden City, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Alexander Marquez....Prairie Village, Kan.
Environmental Design • SO
Andrew Marquez....Prairie Village, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Alan Martens....Overland Park, Kan.
Music Education • JU
Daniel A. Martin....Louisburg, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Todd May....Stratton, Colo.
Accounting • JU
Benson Mcglone....San Antonio, Texas
Anthropology • SR
Sam Mcglone....San Antonio, Texas
Architecture • SR
Danny McGrail....Jefferson City, Mo.
Architectural Engineering • FR
Patrick Mellard....Overland Park, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • FR
Addison Miller....Ottawa, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SR
Chase Moore....Ottawa, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Kevin P. Murphy....Overland Park, Kan.
Finance • JU
Adam Neth....Liberty, Mo.
Architectural Engineering • SO
Kurt Nichols....Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Ben O'Hare....Yates Center, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Colin O'Leary....Norman, Okla.
Civil Engineering • FR
Jeremy Page....Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • SR
Michael Perbeck....Kansas City, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Kelly Porter....Wichita
Marketing • SR
Austin Rice....Lenexa, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Tyler Richard....Garden City, Kan.
Biology • SR
Kevin Ritz....Overland Park, Kan.
Engineering • FR
Jason Schulz....Leawood, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Kenny Scott....Overland Park, Kan.
Sociology • JU
Ryan Scott....Overland Park, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SO
Sam Scott....Eudora, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • SR
Steven Spalsbury....Overland Park, Kan.
Nuclear Engineering • SR
Jordan Spencer....Lenexa, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Matthew Stalcup....Great Bend, Kan.
Finance • SR
Alex Stehl....Leawood, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Spencer Stephens....Lenexa, Kan.
Business Administration • SR
Jeff Stolper....Overland Park, Kan.
Accounting • GR
Brent Swart....Marysville, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Gregory Tanquary....Lenexa, Kan.
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Cole Thomas....Washington, Iowa
Open Option • FR
John Tompkins....Olathe, Kan.
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Ryan Unruh....Gypsum, Kan.
Athletic Training • JU
Bucky Watts....Lenexa, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
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Biology • SO
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Psychology • SO
Erik Wray....Ottawa, Kan.
Social Sciences • SO
Mark Wray....Ottawa, Kan.
Agronomy • SR
John Yingling....Liberty, Mo.
Biology • SR
Scott Yingling....Liberty, Mo.
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Athletic Training • FR
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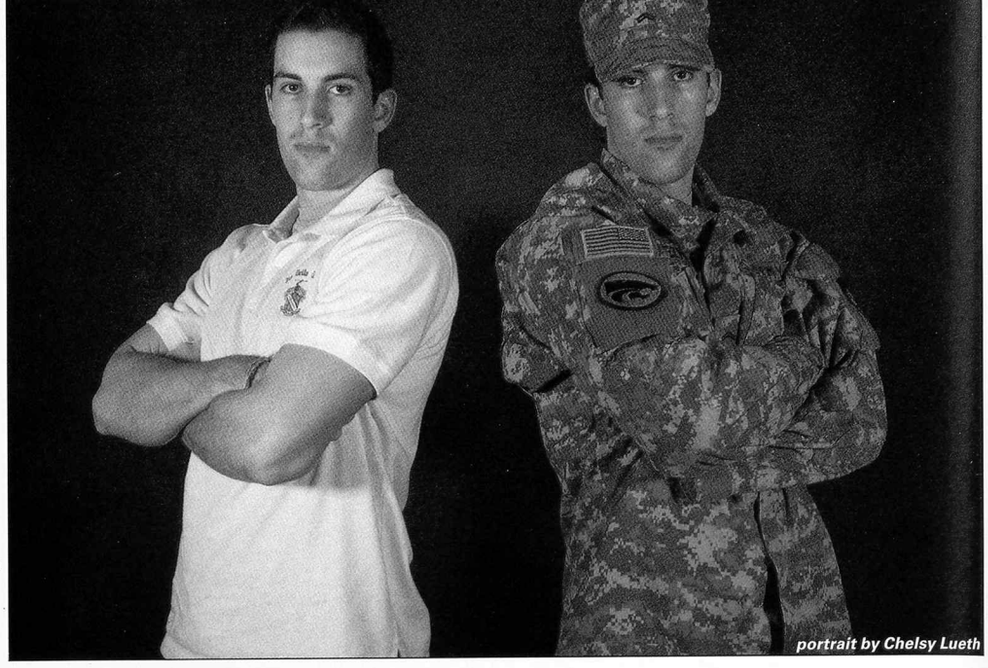
Biology • JU

an adjusted FLIGHT PLAN

by Tara Cowley



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From the sunny beaches of California to the wind and snow of Manhattan, **Adam Rezner**, Phi Delta Theta president and sophomore in geography, came to the university after thinking he was not going to attend college.

Rezner said he was planning on going into a program called High School to Flight School instead of college, but in January 2008 he learned he was not accepted into the program.

The news had Rezner looking at colleges. He heard about a Web site called The U, and the university came up as a match to what he was looking for.

"I had never thought of moving to Kansas, but I saw K-State had a good ROTC program," Rezner said. "My first trip to K-State was April 18, 2008."

He had been talking to Phi Delt and while on his visit to Kansas, **Brad Richardson**, former president and senior in mechanical engineering, let him stay in the Phi Delt house for three days. Rezner started attending that year, then joined Phi Delt, and the next year became president.

"I first thought of running for president because I had really been taking an active role in the house," he said. "I felt we needed to get our name out there with a more positive reputation."

Rezner's plans for the fraternity included helping the community, counteracting negative publicity and making people more excited about Phi Delt.

"If I hadn't joined Phi Delt, I wouldn't have met my girlfriend, and I feel it has made me more responsible," Rezner said. "Phi Delt has really accelerated my development."

Though before coming to the university his focus was only on flying and ROTC, Rezner said he felt everything happened for the best.

"I am just trying to do as much as I can in both (ROTC and Phi Delt)," he said. "Being a president will give me a lot of leadership which will help in the Army."

Logan Appel ..... **Manhattan**
Management Information Systems • SR
Marcus Appleby ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Environmental Design • SO
Joseph Aube ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Joshua Bellamy ..... Manhattan
Mechanical Engineering • FR
Paul Bird ..... Auburn, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Ben Brabec ..... Manhattan
Civil Engineering • JU
Bryce Cathcart ..... **Lake Jackson, Texas**
Political Science • SR
Chris Coffey ..... **Manhattan**
Architectural Engineering • SR
Charlie Corwin ..... Hallsville, Mo.
Regional and Community Planning • GR
Bob Crews ..... Roeland Park, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • JU
Mike Dee ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • SO
Beau Dewbre ..... Buhler, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
John Diederich ..... Shawnee Mission, Kan.
Kinesiology • JU
Matthew Dodge ..... Topeka
Construction Science and Management • SO
Danny Dougherty ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • JU
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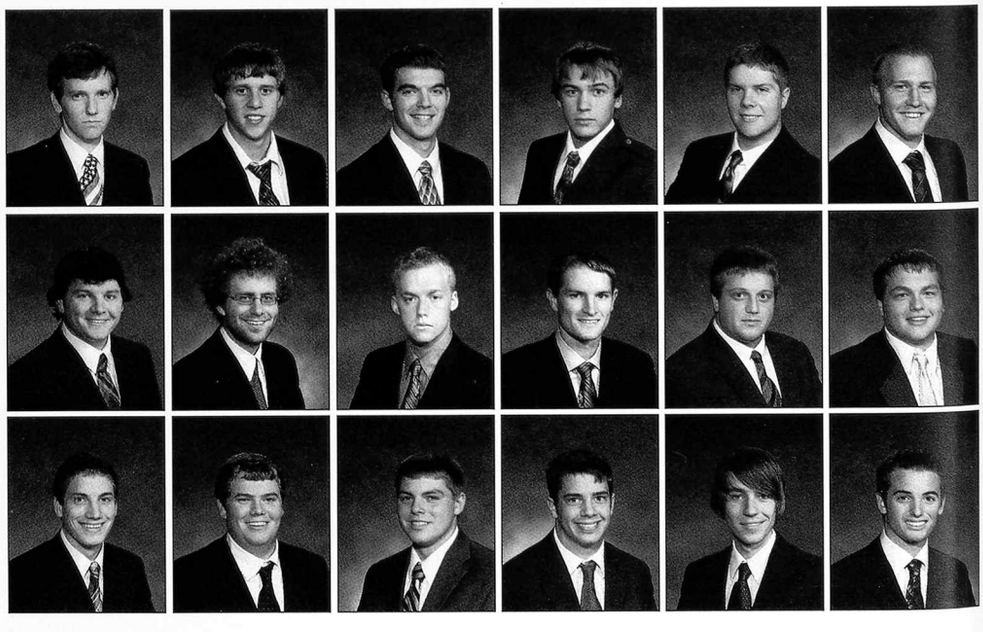
Park Management and Conservation • SR
Ryan Emley ..... Manhattan
Business Administration • FR





Kelly Essley ..... Riverton, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU

Nilo Fanska ..... Mission, Kan.
Horticulture • SR

Sam Farley ..... Wellington, Kan.
Psychology • SO

Weston Fox ..... Manhattan
Business Administration • SR

Cameron Frigon ..... Highlands Ranch, Colo.
Finance • SO

Kyle Flair ..... Manhattan
Construction Science and Management • JU

Jeffery Graham ..... St. Joseph, Mo.
Landscape Architecture • SR

Patrick Gregg ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • SO

Preston Griffith ..... Wichita
Business Administration • SR

Gavin Grisamore ..... Wichita
Computer Science • SR

Shea Hamid ..... Leawood, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR

Tommy Han ..... Seoul, South Korea
Business Administration • SR

Matt Hans ..... St. Charles, Ill.
Construction Science and Management • SO

Scott Harris ..... Andover, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR

Ryan Heathman ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Art • JU

Ryan Hill ..... Manhattan
Biochemistry • SR

Justin Hintz ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Business Administration • SO

Keane Horner ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Marketing • SR

Jared Hupp ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR

Kyle Jacobs ..... Paola, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SR

Michael Jasinski ..... Arlington Heights, Ill.
Psychology • SR

Samuel Jordan ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Economics • SO

Terry Jones ..... Manhattan
Social Sciences • SR

Tyler Keller ..... Stilwell, Kan.
Sociology • SR

Nick Kenney ..... Manhattan
Political Science • SR

Joshua Kirk ..... Olathe, Kan.
Business Administration • SO

Chris Lara ..... St. George, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR

Josh Lynch ..... Manhattan
Economics • SO

Brad Mascal ..... Mission, Kan.
Architecture • SR

Jordan McKinley ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Kinesiology • JU

Pearce McKinley ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • SR

Evan Mesh ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Biological Systems Engineering •SO

Austin Meyers ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • SR

Tom Mickelburgh ..... Wichita
Biochemistry • SO

Steve F. Murphy ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Finance • JU

Morgan Murray ..... Centennial, Colo.
Business Administration • FR

Nick Niemackl ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Kinesiology • JU

Nicholas Olivarez ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR

Harrison Poole ..... Leawood, Kan.
Civil Engineering • NG

Miguel Prieto ..... Wichita
Finance • SR

Jerrod Reddick ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • FR

Adam Rezner ..... Orange, Calif.
Geography • SO

Brad Richardson ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR

Drew Roach ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Biology • SO

Matt Ross ..... Council Grove, Kan.
Finance • JU

Skyler Schmitt ..... Glenwood, Iowa
Sociology • FR

Josh Sommerfeld ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Civil Engineering • JU

Jon Spicer ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SR

Jason Stanley ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Finance • SR

Brennan Trupka ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SO

Joshua Umscheid ..... Andover, Kan.
Biological and Agricultural Engineering • FR

Justin VanHecke ..... Roeland Park, Kan.
Finance • SR

Casey Walker ..... Wichita
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR

Kyle Ward ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Landscape Architecture • SR



While sitting under a blossoming berry tree, Heather Onnen, junior in information systems, checks her facebook before her Religion in Culture class taught by Professor Wesch Wednesday.
Chelsy Lueth



"I just like being outside because it is quiet mostly, but there is still that calming, ambient noise. I like when the snow melts and spring arrives. There's quite a few trees so that's nice and there aren't a lot of hills."

Heather Onnen, junior in information systems

Blue painter's tape? Check. Spray paint? Check. Vehicles a safe distance away? Check.

In 2006, **Aaron Hickey**, Phi Gamma Delta and senior in sociology, started a project that would last throughout his college career: painting the Fiji letters.

"The Fiji letters are basically like the Google sign," Hickey said. "They change, they appeal to the public. I know it catches everyone's eye because it's right there on the road. People always ask me, 'When are you going to change the letters?' and 'When are we going to see something new?' It's not just students, it's older people and locals, and they all think it's something fascinating to drive by."

The painting tradition began when Hickey's roommate suggested they do something with the letters. They began with simple seasonal designs.

"Celebrating Christmas, I'd paint the J like a candy cane or something, just to try to be creative," Hickey said. "October we'd do orange and black, and we tried doing a jack-o'-lantern face. Not every time they'd turn out right. We started off simple, with plain colors, and then as I got into it I got more confident in doing more daring things, like taping off things and new patterns, and now in between seasons I'm doing unique designs."

Hickey's favorite design was when he painted the letters each a neon color, taped over that in diagonal patterns and then covered that with black. When the tape was removed, the diagonal neon pattern showed through. He made it a point to take a photo of each design to prevent repeats.

The process took two hours, drying included. Once, Hickey had to repeat the process multiple times in a week.

"It was tampered with four times in one week," he said, "so I repainted it four times in one week, and then I gave up for a while because I got tired of it. I just knew someone would paint over it."

Tampering was a common issue.

"Sometimes sororities will pour sprinkles on them or paint them red." Hickey said. "But sometimes people will just pour black paint on them, just to ruin them. (If it's greek rivalry) I kind of look on it like they want me to change it, like they want to see something else."

Tampering aside, Hickey said painting the letters had become important to him.

"It's kind of fun to be creative like that, to be appreciated," he said.

Ace ..... House Dog

Lisle Alderton ..... Sedgwick, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • JU

Jon Baier ..... Chapman, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • JU

Eric Bartley ..... Abilene, Kan.
Business Administration • SO

Ross Bartley ..... Abilene, Kan.
Microbiology • SR

Mike Bazan ..... Garden City, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR

Josh Beck ..... Olathe, Kan.
Finance • SR

Mac Benavides ..... Allen, Texas
Secondary Education • JU

Ethan Britt ..... Hope, Kan.
Agricultural Technology Management • SO

Brian Campbell ..... El Dorado, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR

Bryan A. Clark ..... Iola, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR

Bret Crandall ..... Olathe, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR

Zachary Cruz ..... Garden City, Kan.
Finance • SR

Tyler Dodson ..... Olathe, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR

Seth Drees ..... Garden City, Kan.
English • FR

Toren Droge ..... Wichita
Construction Science and Management • SR

John W. Edwards ..... Paola, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO

Taylor Foster ..... Manhattan
Accounting • GR

Taylor Frazier ..... Buhler, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU

Ben Geiger ..... Abilene, Kan.
Business Administration • FR

Blake Gerwick ..... Derby, Kan.
Accounting • SO

Gabe Grant ..... Salina, Kan.
Information Systems • FR

Miles Grigsby-Roach ..... Olathe, Kan.
Athletic Training • FR

Tyler Gulledge ..... Leawood, Kan.
Finance • SR

Ryan Harp ..... Garden City, Kan.
Business Administration • FR

Aaron Hickey ..... Bucyrus, Kan.
Sociology • SR

Stephen Hill ..... Olathe, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • FR

Justin Howie ..... Abilene, Kan.
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Phillip Howie ..... Abilene, Kan.
Feed Science and Management • FR

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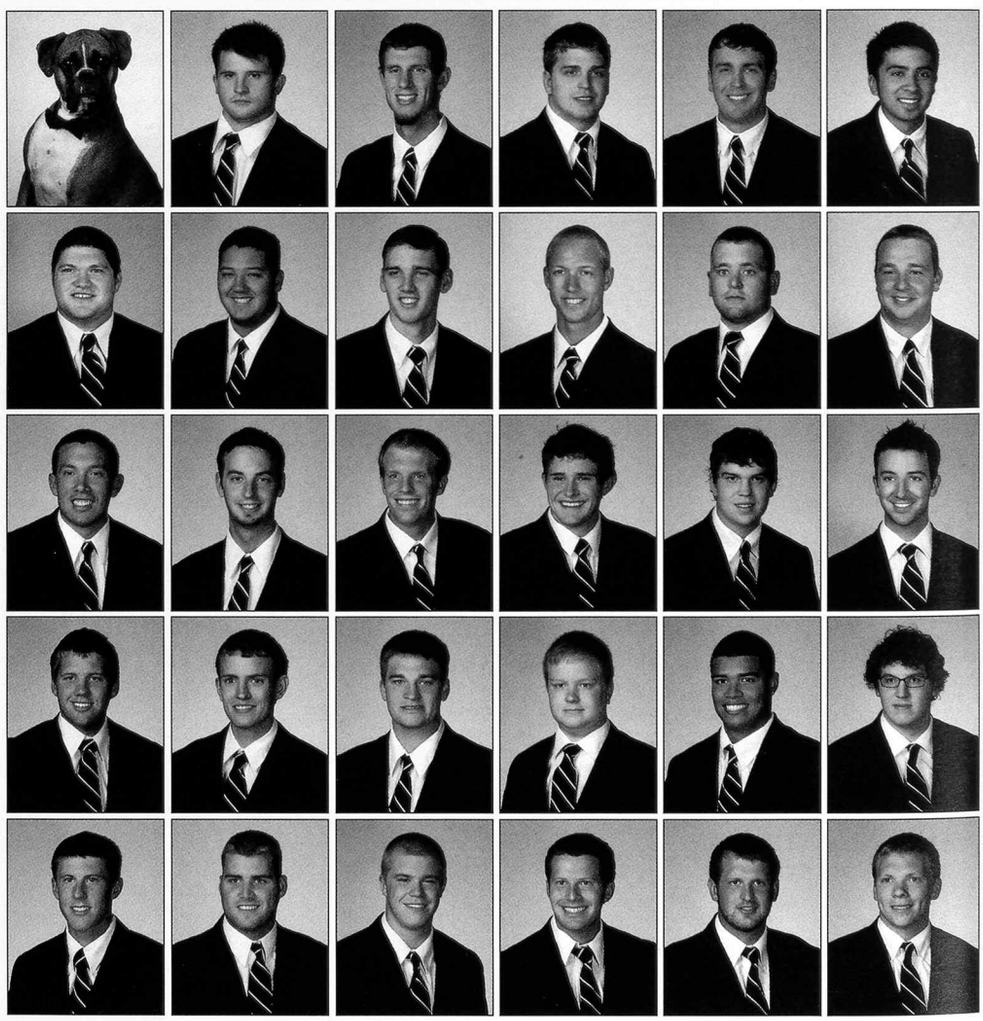
Electrical Engineering • JU



sign of creativity

by Anna Kearns



Portrait by Lisle Alderton



Dalton Johnson ..... Salina, Kan.
Sociology • JU
Zach Johnson ..... Olathe, Kan.
Secondary Education • FR
Jason Jones ..... Olathe, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Jason Joyce ..... Olathe, Kan.
Economics • SR
Chris Jung ..... St. Joseph, Mo.
Marketing • SR
Travis Kauffman ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Biology • SR
Mitchell Keating ..... Chapman, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Levi Kelley ..... Chapman, Kan.
Agricultural Technology Management • SO
Jake Kling ..... Goodland, Kan.
Sociology • JU
David Klotz ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Nick Kobilarscik ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Jared Law ..... Garden City, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • JU
Caleb Leslie ..... Iola, Kan.
Horticulture • SR
Blake Malcolm ..... Leawood, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • JU
Jordan May ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Andy G. Miller ..... Olathe, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • FR
Andrew North ..... Olathe, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Michael O'Rourke ..... Olathe, Kan.
Accounting • GR
Michael Poland ..... Junction City
Biological Systems Engineering • FR
Austin Roepe ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Michael Sadler ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Finance • SR
Andy Shorten ..... Stilwell, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Jon Stutz ..... Wildwood, Mo.
Architectural Engineering • SR
Mark Wagner ..... Olathe, Kan.
Psychology • SR
John M. Walter ..... Garden City, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Matt Weber ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Adam Wheaton ..... Lewis, Kan.
Business Management • JU
Matt Whitmore ..... St. Francis, Kan.
Philosophy • SO
Tyler Williams ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • JU
Christopher Wilson ..... Abilene, Kan.
Agronomy • SR
Jacob Wilson ..... Abilene, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Kelly Wilson ..... Abilene, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Tyler Wyatt ..... Garden City, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • FR

Phi Kappa Thetas grow a 'Mo' for men's health

by Tamara Salisbury

In November, Phi Kappa Thetas and other men around campus finally had a legitimate reason to grow a mustache — to raise awareness and funds for men's health issues such as prostate and testicular cancer. Phi Kapp led the campus Movember movement, the fundraising effort that began in Australia as a way to bring the mustache — 'mo' in Australia — back into fashion. Phi Kapps first heard about the fundraiser at their national convention.

"It's pretty much No-Shave November except just a mustache," **Ian Hartsig**, president and senior in architectural engineering, said. "What they have been trying to do… is make the mustache for men's health what the pink ribbon is for women's health, really make it a symbol where if you see a guy that's growing his mustache out in November, it's not just a weird thing to do — it's a statement."

For the international organization, donations were taken throughout the month as a way to recognize the efforts of all the participants. Half of all donations went to the Movember Foundation for research, and the other half went to Lance Armstrong's LIVESTRONG Foundation. However, the Phi Kapps did not raise any money because their efforts were not focused on fundraising, Hartsig said. Instead, they focused on getting the word out.

"People get really excited about this, and it doesn't involve much," **Evgeniy Shishkin**, junior in chemical engineering, said. "Basically, you just have to grow out your mustache. The hardest part would be getting people to be involved in talking about the purpose behind this."

Though the month-long event was focused on participation, **Eric Fiedler**, philanthropy chair and junior in architectural engineering, said he hoped for even more people.

"Since it is the first year, we didn't get as many people as we would have liked to, but a couple fraternities e-mailed me back and said they were participating, so I thought that was cool," he said. "I think we mainly just wanted to get it out there. The first year it's just a test run."

Hartsig said the Phi Kapps participated because of the good cause.

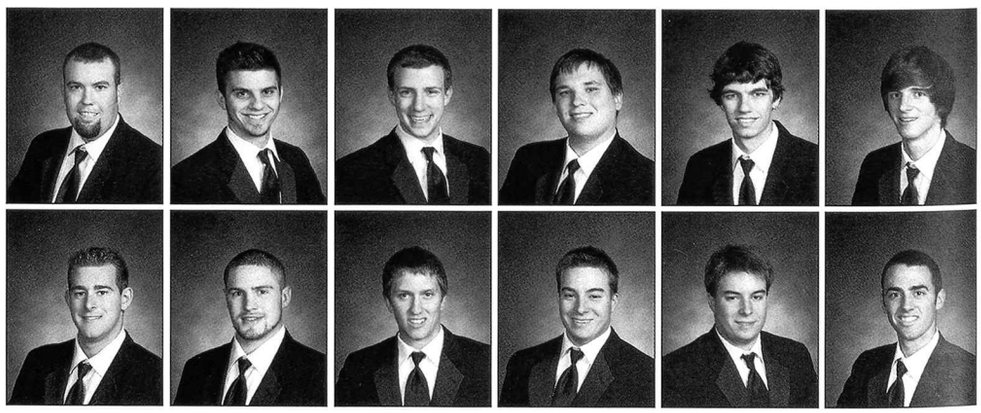
"Growing out a mustache doesn't exactly help the frat boy image," Hartsig said, "but it's actually a really legit cause, and it's something they're trying to get going to provide some help behind the men's health movement and raise awareness for things that people are very reluctant to talk about. I mean, prostate and testicular cancer are things people don't really like to hear about, but they're also things that one out of every six guys will experience, so it is a big deal."

For Shishkin, the biggest concern was getting men to pay attention to their health.

"There are foundations such as the breast cancer foundations (for women), but the men don't really have anything concerning men's health," Shishkin said.

Daniel Allen ..... **Ellsworth, Kan.**
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Grady Augustine ..... **Hutchinson, Kan.**
Art • SR
Patrick Bales ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Journalism and Mass Communications • SR
Brett Beier ..... Manhattan
Business Manangement and Marketing • SO
Dave Bockelman ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Secondary Education • SR
Nate Brewer ..... Olathe, Kan.
Business • FR

Kevin Collette ..... Palisade, Colo.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Patrick Cullinan ..... **Kansas City, Mo.**
Horticulture • SR
Adam Dressman ..... **Frankfort, Kan.**
Agriculture Economics • SR
Eric Fiedler ..... St. Louis, Mo.
Architecture Engineering • JU
Matt Fiedler ..... St. Louis, Mo.
Architecture Engineering • JU
Anthony Halling ..... **Lenexa, Kan.**
Biological and Agriculture Engineering • SR



In the bathroom at Phi Kappa Theta Dec. 2, **Kurt Zibell**, freshman in animal sciences and industry, and **Kevin Collette**, sophomore in construction science and management, shave after a month of growing mustaches.
Chelsy Lueth

"There is a high possibility for men to have prostate cancer or testicular cancer, and most of the time men just don't really care, don't find the time to see a doctor or care about their health enough."

Hartsig, Shishkin and Fiedler all said their involvement increased their own awareness and knowledge of men's health issues.

"The presentations and getting on the Web site and exploring it and reading about some of the ways it's impacted people helped (me learn)," Hartsig said. "I had no idea these issues were so widespread and that they were such prevalent things that have to be addressed for men. It's something that very few people learn about or talk about, but I learned a lot."



Ian Hartsig ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Architectural Engineering • SR
Shawn Hastert ..... **Osage City, Kan.**
Architectural Engineering • SR
Savik Howard ..... Lincolnville, Kan.
Geography • FR
Jordan Kreutzer ..... Leoti, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SO
Marc Meyer ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Chris Mullins ..... **Hutchinson, Kan.**
Park Management and Conservation • SR

Sean O'Grady ..... **Prairie Village, Kan.**
Social Science • SR
Matt Rosentreter ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Marketing and Management • SR
Dante Ruiz ..... **Prairie Village, Kan.**
Sociology • SR
Evgeniy Shishkin ..... **Dodge City, Kan.**
Chemical Engineering • SR
Zach Simon ..... Murdock, Kan.
Agronomy • JU
Matthew Spaniol ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Environmental Design • SO

Cody Wagner ..... Dwight, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • SO
Dan Weger ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • SO
Gregg Wertz ..... Lake Quivira, Kan.
Horticulture • JU
Kurt Zibell ..... Holton, Kan.
Animal Science and Industry • FR

Retention Rituals

by Melissa M. Taylor

The turkey was not even on the table, yet the seniors of Pi Beta Phi had boxes filled with green garland and sparkling, glittered, tree ornaments ready to hang. They unwrapped festive Christmas decorations and carefully placed them throughout the main level of the house. The Pi Phi seniors came together for four years of memories, and decorating while balancing on tabletops to adorn chandeliers with garland.

"It's really important for the younger members to see us decorate or doing anything as a group," **Katie Niederee**, president and senior in mass communications, said. "It's important they see that (the seniors) still care about Pi Phi and care about the house."

While Christmas music played in the parlor and decorating commenced throughout the main level of the house, the seniors said events like decorating for the holidays helped keep them connected. Most seniors were focused on graduate school applications and prospective job opportunities, but the night allowed them to leave behind the stress and enjoy the sisterhood that brought them together.

Jessica Anderson....Overland Park, Kan.
History • SO
Kelly Anderson....Leawood, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Jordan Argo....Parsons, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Annie Bachman....Wichita
Marketing • SR
Whitney Bachman....Centralia, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JU
Anne Berry....Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Courtney Beuttel....Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Erica Blackford....Overland Park, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SO
Melissa Blessen....Fairway, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Dani Bockus....Derby, Kan.
Finance • JU
Lauren Bode....Overland Park, Kan.
Social Work • FR
Lindsay Bolin....Overland Park, Kan.
Nutritional Sciences • SR
Meagan Boyett....Lenexa, Kan.
Management • SR
AnnRene Braun....Fort Scott, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Courtney Brown....Overland Park, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JU
Courtney Browne....Wichita, Kan.
Management • SR
Morgan Brulez....Lenexa, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Lyndsay Bruns....Lenexa, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Allison Budke....Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Jordan Burge....Shawnee, Kan.
Family and Consumer Sciences Education • FR
Ariel Burress....Augusta, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Kristin Campbell....Lenexa, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Sarah Chalupa....Overland Park, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Taylor Concannon....Hugoton, Kan.
Political Sciences • SR



As a part of being active in Pi Beta Phi, **Nicole Maupin**, non-degree graduate student, puts the angel on the tree. "It's nice to have these events to bring everyone together," **Clarissa Howley**, transition officer and senior in English, said. "Living in, you are used to knowing what people are doing, and living out we are all so busy."
Matt Castro



McKenzi Crow ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Family and Consumer Sciences • SR
Haylee Dancer ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Lexie Dancer ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Ariele Daniel ..... Olathe, Kan.
Physics • SO
Danielle Dickson ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Mass Communication • SR
Maggie Eagan ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Social Work • SO
Melissa Ebbert ..... **Shawnee, Kan.**
Marketing • SR
Valerie Edmondson ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Sophie Eisenhauer ..... Salina, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Molly Emert ..... Mission, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Callie Erickson ..... Papillion, Neb.
Speech • JU
Kelsey Fagan ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Interior Architecture and Product Design • JU
Ashlan Fischer ..... Leawood, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Allie Flaspohler ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Hannah Fort ..... **Happy, Texas**
Life Sciences • SR
Demi French ..... Osborne, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Kathryn Goddard ..... **Ellsworth, Kan.**
Food Science and Industry • SR
Alyssa Godfrey ..... Omaha, Neb.
Business Administration • JU
Brittany Grattan ..... Sedgwick, Kan.
Athletic Training • JU
Madison Grissom ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Megan Grossenbacher ..... Bern, Kan.
Political Sciences • SO
Whitney Grover ..... Wichita, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Sarah Guinane ..... **Omaha, Neb.**
Life Sciences • SR
Carolyn Haflich ..... Leawood, Kan.
Open Options • FR





To add to the tree, **Laura Crowe**, senior in early childhood education, hangs an ornament Nov. 22. "It's nice to be able to go back to the house and make it beautiful," she said. "It makes it feel more like an actual home, especially around finals week because you're missing home the most."
Matt Castro

Before beginning to decorate, **Mackinsey Hudson**, senior in social work, sorts through a box of ornaments. "The seniors and exec board all worked hard to make sure that we had everything we needed," Crowe said. "They really got everyone organized."
Matt Castro

Lauren Halsey ..... Coppell, Texas
Mass Communication • SO
Jennifer Hauser ..... Roeland Park, Kan.
Social Work • FR
Casey Hiller ..... Olathe, Kan.
Athletic Training • JU
Alexa Hodes ..... Rockaway, N.J.
Mass Communication • SR
Lindsey Hogan ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR
Kimmy Hogue ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Biology • FR
Carolyn Hollis ..... Junction City
Life Sciences • SO
Madison Horsch ..... Lecompton, Kan.
Food Science and Industry • JU
Clarissa Howley ..... Scandia, Kan.
English • SR
Mackinsey Hudson ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Social Work • SR
Maggie Hudson ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Open Options • FR
Jessica Jones ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Lacy Jones ..... Lindsborg, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Sarah Jones ..... Shawnee Mission, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communication • SO
Maggie Kain ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Open Options • FR
Kara Karst ..... Wichita
Business Administration • FR
Diana Klote ..... Leawood, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR
Cassie Kniebel ..... White City, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Emily Kruse ..... Andover, Kan.
Environmental Design • FR
Mackenzie Lee ..... Manhattan
Kinesiology • FR
Rosalyn Lewallen ..... Iola, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Jennifer Linville ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Accounting • SR
Hayley Lorenzini ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Kinesiology • FR
Hannah Manry ..... Topeka
Mathematics • SO





"Coming through college with my class has taught me that there are people from everywhere across the state and nation that have great attributes. They have taught me that they will each contribute to society in their own way."
Clarissa Howley, transition officer and senior in English

"A lot of times in greek chapters, seniors are so focused on their future careers," Niederee said. "They move out of the house, and they can get disconnected because a lot of things that are happening in greek houses don't seem relevant to them. It's great to get to see each other again, and it's a time for us to hang out, which we don't get to do as much as when we used to live together."

Pi Phi recognized that seniors' priorities did not always match up with the rest of the house, and it was one of the only sororities to establish a position to act as a liaison between seniors and the house. **Clarissa Howley**, transition officer and senior in English, said acting as the link for seniors to house activities was important because it kept seniors involved. Howley coordinated events like Christmas decorating, informative financial advice meetings and wine tasting parties to allow seniors to gain information they needed for life after graduation while still obtaining information about current house events.

"Seniors have other interests and have been around the block," Howley said. "We know how the house works and what works best. These events help us know what everyone is excited about, and it's great to see the girls together again and again."

They continued decorating, gently placing ornaments on the tree and laughing over the experiences the house had afforded them.

"Seniors stay connected because even though we don't live-in, it's still our house, and we miss it," **Laura Taylor**, senior in communication sciences and disorders, said. "The second you come back over here it feels like you never left. This house has done so much for us, given us so many opportunities. This is how we met, and even as alumni we will come back and take pride in the house."



Lindsey Markle ..... **Salina, Kan.**
Elementary Education • SR
Katie Martin ..... Leawood, Kan.
Open Options • FR
Mallori Martin ..... Leawood, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Nicole Maupin ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • NG
Alycia McClarty ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Amy McCue ..... **Lenexa, Kan.**
Accounting • SR
Victoria McKennan ..... Fort Collins, Colo.
Regional and Community Plan • GR
Maggie McNiel ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Fine Arts • JU
Kelsie Meier ..... Andover, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Allison Meyer ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Chemistry • SO
Sarah Meyers ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Kinesiology • JU
Taylor L. Montgomery ..... Sabetha, Kan.
Psychology • SO
Brianne Morgan ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Holly Myers ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Katie Niederee ..... **Great Bend, Kan.**
Life Sciences • SR
Regan Niehaus ..... Topeka
Elementary Education • JU
Kathleen Novosel ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Dietetics • FR
Maeve O'Brien ..... **Leawood, Kan.**
Marketing • SR
Jamie Oatman ..... Chanute, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Annie Oliver ..... **Prairie Village, Kan.**
Life Sciences • SR
Larissa Ost ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Kayley Otto ..... **Overland Park, Kan.**
Secondary Education • SR
Lisa Parker ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Open Options • FR
Kelby Polfer ..... Leawood, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JU

Kelsey Porter....Lenexa, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Kelley Price....Overland Park, Kan.
Mass Communication • JU
Hannah Quernheim....Waterloo, Ill.
Environmental Design • SO
Danielle Quigley....Manhattan
Chemical Engineering • SR
Madalyn Radetic....Lenexa, Kan.
Dietetics • FR
Natalie Rauth....Leawood, Kan.
Marketing • SO
Jamie Reichling....Woodbridge, Va.
Elementary Education • JU
Laura A. Rice....Liberal, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Kiley Rickabaugh....Chanute, Kan.
Biology • JU
Morgan Rose....Mission Hills, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Dani Row....Overland Park, Kan.
Mass Communication • SO
Dahnika Sachs....Topeka
Life Sciences • JU
Jodie Sager....Moran, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SR
Caylin Shankweiler....Manhattan
Life Science • FR
Kaydee Sapyta....Downers Grove, Ill.
Political Science • JU
Katherine Schlesinger....Omaha, Neb.
Mass Communication • JU
Emily Schlosser....Topeka
Kinesiology • SR
Ashley Schwemmer....Augusta, Kan.
Environmental Design • SO
Courtney Schwemmer....Augusta, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Kelli Settle....Overland Park, Kan.
Dietetics • SR
Mary Shadwick....Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Tiffany Shilling....Ulysses, Kan.
Management • SR
Lauren Simpson....Overland Park, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Catie Sinks....Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Karie Slickman....Overland Park, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Molly Smith....Leawood, Kan.
Interior Design • SR
Abbey Sporer....Oakley, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Lindsey Stiles....Prairie Village, Kan.
Finance • JU
Melissa Stone....Shawnee, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR
Kayleigh Strickler....Iola, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Anna Sturman....Olathe, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Jennifer Suppes....Lindsborg, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Taylor Svec....Overland Park, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Victoria Swearingen....Olathe, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Ellie Switzer....Alpharetta, Ga.
Business Administration • SO
Laura Taylor....Lenexa, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • SR
Kirby Thomas....Leawood, Kan.
Environmental Design • SO
Alex Thornton....Leawood, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Chelsea Townsend....Topeka
Elementary Education • SO
Emmie Vangel....Overland Park, Kan.
Open Options • FR
Taylor Von Elling....Lenexa, Kan.
Open Options • SO
Jordan Wadella....Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Mollie Wallace....Overland Park, Kan.
Human Ecology • SO
Laura Watkins....Lawrence
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Sarah Watkins....Emporia, Kan.
Psychology • SO
Paige Weinrich....Louisburg, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Amber Wells....Topeka
Life Sciences • SR
Amanda Whiteside....Overland Park, Kan.
Open Options • FR
Marissa Wiley....Wellington, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Ally Wood....Olathe, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Cindy Zara....Lee's Summit, Mo.
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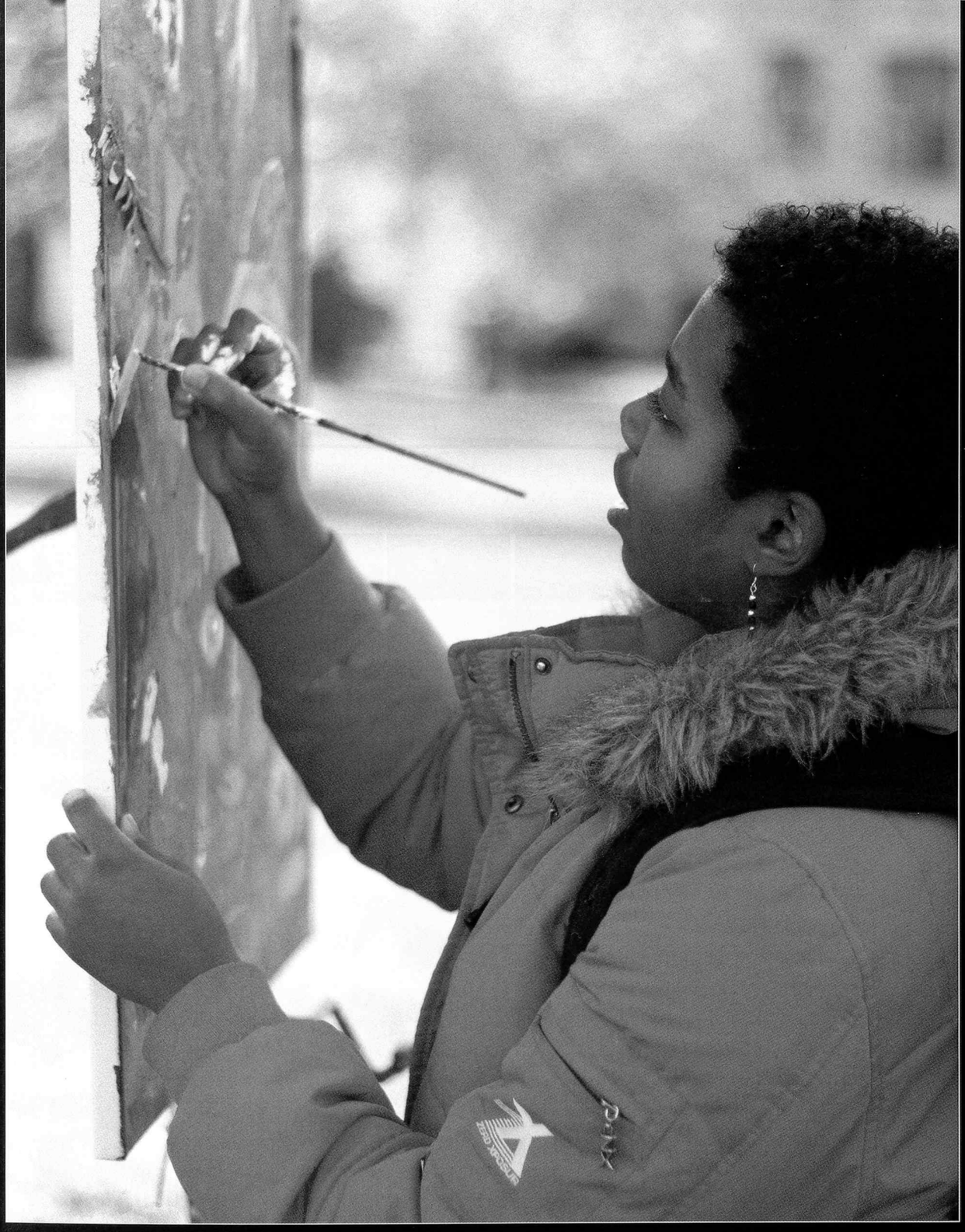
Nutritional Sciences • SR
Morgan Zwickel....Overland Park, Kan.
Interior Design • SR

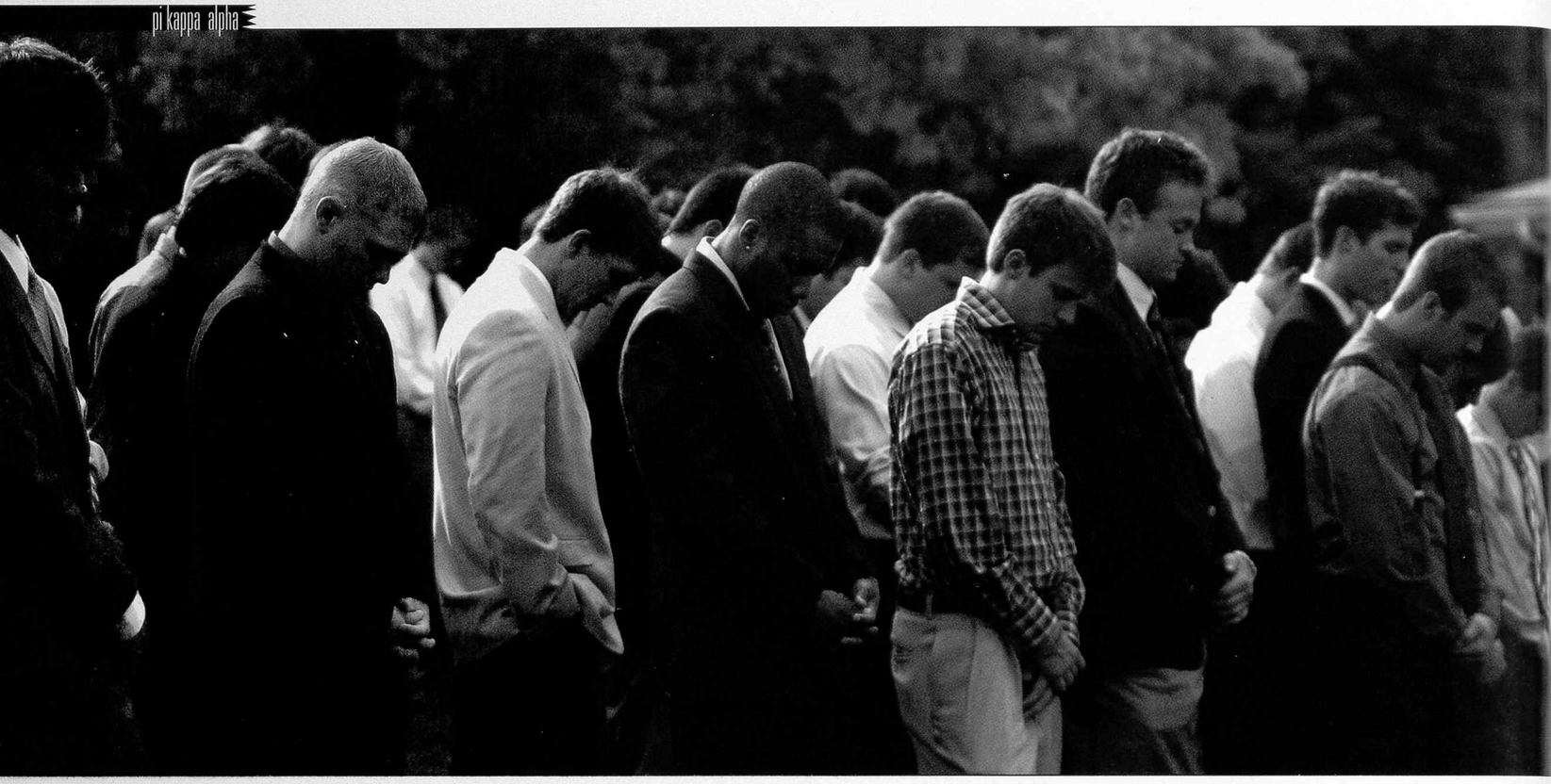




While walking through the quad, Keisha McAfee, junior in food science and industry, stopped to paint on one of the two canvases that members of the Beach Museum art club set out for students passing by to stop and express themselves. "I like painting because you are free to use your imagination and you can express your ideas freely, any way you want," McAfee said. "I had a lot of fun with it. I worked with the different ways to use different colors."
Tommy Theis

"I painted a cross with the word 'Hope' across it because that is what really describes me. I have hope through God and through Jesus's cross."

Keisha McAfee, junior in food science and industry



"We actually went to elementary school together. So, I don't really remember the very, very first time we ever met. We went to preschool together and like it goes all the way back. One of the first times I really remember of him, his father was my football coach. I rode the bench pretty hard, I wasn't good at all, and he was the quarterback. So, we just kept it real, you know? The rest is just history."

Justin Bastin, president and senior in psychology

Outside the Pike house early in September friend and family gather to remember **Chris Garlow**. "Don't take life for granted," **Paul Prather**, junior in finance said. "Anything we do as a house we appreciate more and treasure every moment."
Lisle Alderton

David S. Allen ..... Caldwell, Kan.
Open Option • JU
Rudy Amato ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Taylor Atwell ..... Salina, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
John Balsters ..... Topeka
Engineering • SR
Mark Barta ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Accounting • SR
Justin Bastin ..... Salina, Kan.
Psychology • SR
Josh Beverlin ..... Olathe, Kan.
Economics • SR
Brennan Birchler ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Architectural Engineering • JU
Logan Blunk ..... Caldwell, Kan.
Biology • SO
Jake Bourquin ..... Paola, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Justin Bridges ..... Manhattan
Political Science • SR
Jared Buffington ..... Mexico, Mo.
Landscape Architecture • SR
Andrew Chase ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Fine Arts • SR
Brayden Chase ..... Derby, Kan.
Finance • JU
Keith Cole ..... Salina, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
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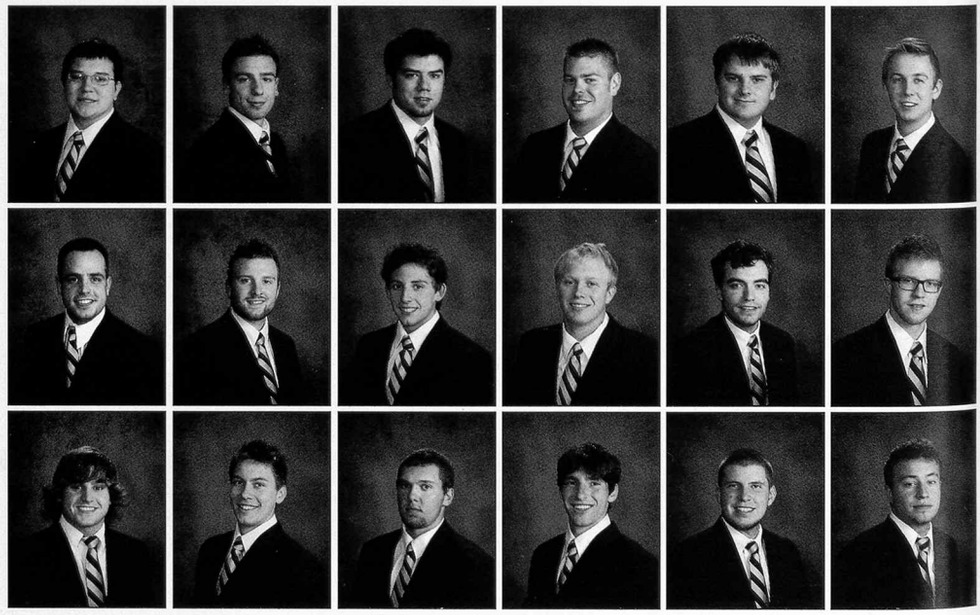
Mass Communications• SR



Oak Tree Gives Strength

by Caitlin M. Burns

Grief overcame feelings of disbelief as the Pi Kappa Alphas learned their brother, **Christopher Garlow**, senior in business administration, had passed away July 16. **Justin Bastin**, president and senior in psychology, received a call from the police, who were checking up on Garlow around 7 the following morning. The news came a few hours later.

"I got a call at about 10 o'clock from **Peter Taylor** (sophomore in open option) and that's when he told me that Chris passed away," Bastin said. "It was literally just a flood of calls after that. It was finally for sure at about 10:45 a.m. That's when I talked to a police officer who said, 'We haven't released that information yet, but yeah, it was him.'"

Garlow had just finished taking a few friends home and was tired, so he pulled over and fell asleep in a parking lot. The car overheated and caught fire, and the fumes killed him before the flames, Bastin said.

After the accident, the men found what Garlow's parents called "The Axioms of Life" in his room. He wrote about life lessons he had learned, the things he cherished the most and the type of person he wanted to be. Pike framed them and gave them to his parents. **Jade Provo**, Pike and university alumnus, read them at the funeral.



Joe D'Agostino ..... Leawood, Kan.
Construction Science • JU
Dallas ..... House Dog

Grant Damas ..... Olathe, Kan.
Electrical and Computer Engineering • SR
Lucas Davis ..... Salina, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • SR
Mark DeDonder ..... Emporia, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Michael DeDonder ..... Emporia, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Sean Donnelly ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Management • SR
Wade Ervin ..... Junction City
Management • SR
Robert Fields ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Kinesiology • JU
Bryce Gibbs ..... Olathe, Kan.
Finance • SR
Nick Gordon ..... Olathe, Kan.
Construction Science • SR
Chase Hamilton ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Economics • SR
Chad Harris ..... Parker, Colo.
Engineering • JU
Ben Heasty ..... Mayfield, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Brian Hentz ..... St. Louis, Mo.
Architectural Engineering • JU
Grant Hesse ..... Wichita
Open Option • JU
Hazem Hijleh ..... Manhattan
Management • SR
Loarn Hinkle ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Criminology • SO
Chris Hoffman ..... Olathe, Kan.
Construction Science Management • SR
Patrick Houlehan ..... Leawood, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Jared Johnson ..... Colorado Springs, Colo.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Jimmy Kelley ..... Lecompton, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • JU
Hunter Lageman ..... Olathe, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Jack Lennon ..... Salina, Kan.
Business Administration • SO

Brad Matthews ..... Lane, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Alex Meyer ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Nick V. Meyer ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • SO
Anthony Modica ..... Olathe, Kan.
Economics • SR
Jason Morgan ..... Olathe, Kan.
Fisheries, Wildlife and Conservation Biology • SR
Scott Morgan ..... Olathe, Kan.
Open Option • JU



The Pikes and others in the community gather to show their support at a memorial service for Christopher Garlow. The oak tree was planted in remembrance of him. *Lisle Alderton*

"It was really difficult," Provo said. "Chris has this personality, and I was reading his words. I found out 10 minutes before that I was reading them. It was emotional — probably the hardest thing I've done in my life."

After the funeral, Pike did several things to honor Garlow's life. They made rubber wristlets that said "In memory of CWG, our brother." They also followed through with a concert Garlow had been helping to plan.

"There was a concert at the beginning of the year called 'Christopher Garlow's Never Say Never Concert,'" Provo said. "It was in his honor, and his family was there. A couple of bands from Colorado were there. We dedicated it to him."

Garlow had most details set up, so it was easy for the men to tie up loose ends.

"All we had to do was sign the papers," Bastin said. "With the concert, we had a big-name band where MTV came out, and did a special on the band. His family came out and we all danced like crazy, did a little bump and grind. It was just great. It was something that was very special to remember him and honor his memory really well."

The Pikes also wanted to do something that would allow the fraternity to see and remember him more often. So, they dedicated an oak tree in his honor Sept. 12.

"A couple weeks before the accident, a big storm came through and knocked down the oak tree in our front yard, and the chapter felt and agreed that it would be really special to dedicate an oak tree in memory of him," Bastin said. "One huge symbol of Pike is the oak, which symbolized being strong, so that's why it was an oak tree. His father spoke at the dedication, which was really, really special.

Matt Murphy ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Finance • JU
Alex Nelson ..... Leawood, Kan.
Psychology • SR
Colt Nickell ..... Fontana, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Scott Pearson ..... Olathe, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Maurice Pelletier ..... Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Jacob Piscal ..... Fort Riley
Social Sciences • JU
John Plewa ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Paul Prather ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Accounting • JU
Brian Pulcher ..... Leawood, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Ryan Quinn ..... Bucyrus, Kan.
Fine Arts • SR
Mat Reifschneider ..... Olathe, Kan.
Sociology •SR
Max Remund ..... Olathe, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • SR
Ross Schaffer ..... Dodge City, Kan
Secondary Education • SR
Aaron Schmidt ..... Wichita
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Ryan Schmidt ..... Caldwell, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SO
Zac Schulte ..... Overland Park, Kan.
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Kolten Schulze ..... Kansas City, Mo.
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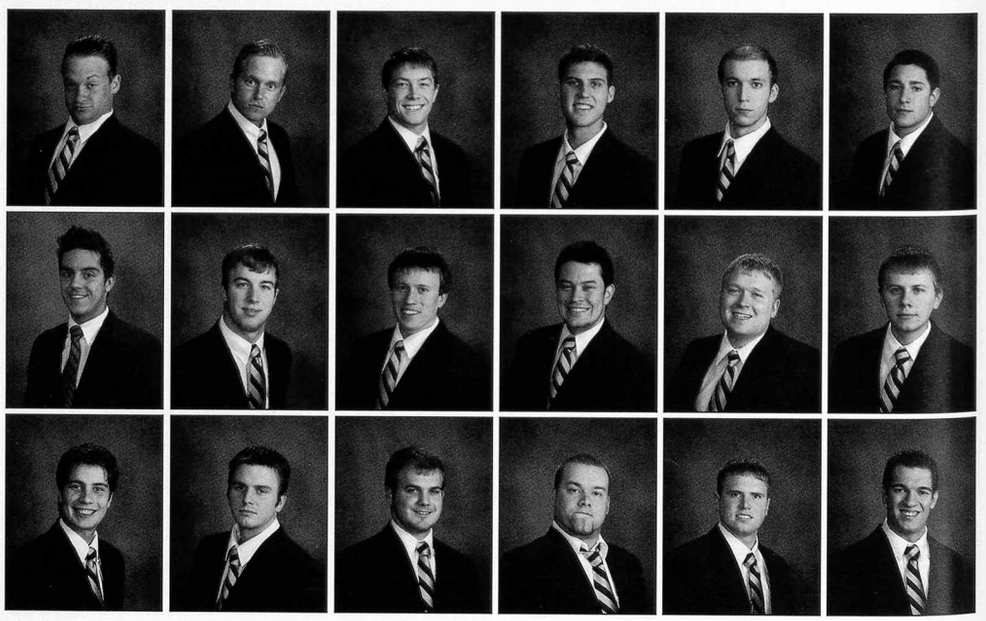
Marketing • SR



"Chris will never be forgotten. But there are times in life when you forget some of the memories since life gets so busy, but the tree will always be there to remind us of those days."

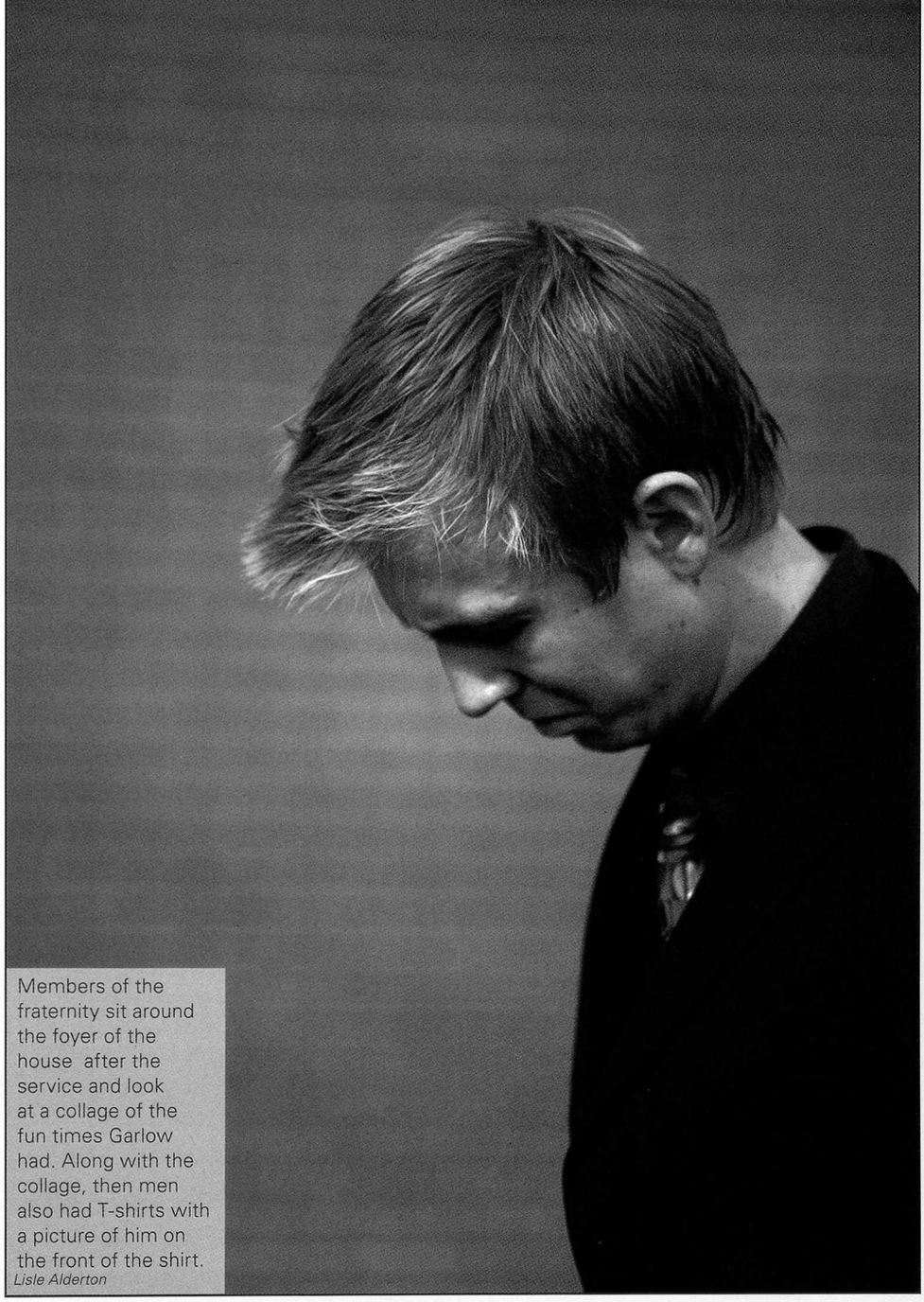
Kolten Schulze, sophomore in industrial engineering

Because we were his brothers, he gave us like a father/son talk about how special life is and not to take life for granted and other stuff like that. I think it gave everyone who showed up some closure."

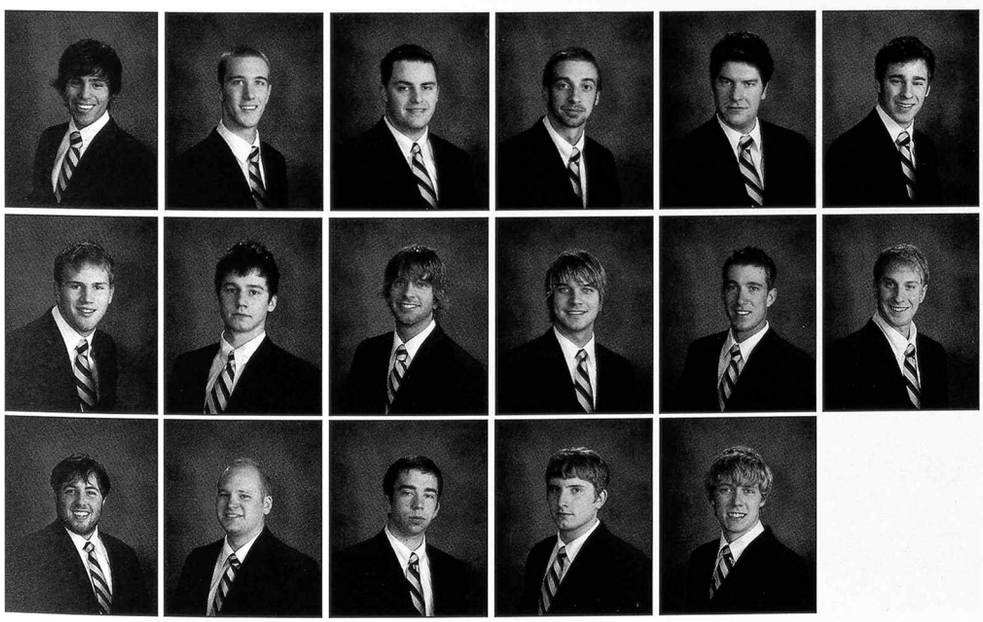
Garlow was an outgoing, social guy, who got along with everyone, as well as a good storyteller and an athlete, Bastin said.

"Chris was one of my best friends," Provo said. "He would stay and talk to you at night, whatever situation you were in. He was always there for you. He was a high-energy and a likable guy."

He will be missed, they said.



Members of the fraternity sit around the foyer of the house after the service and look at a collage of the fun times Garlow had. Along with the collage, then men also had T-shirts with a picture of him on the front of the shirt.
Lisle Alderton



Nick Simcox ..... **Blue Springs, Mo.**
Animal Science and Industry • SR
Sam Smythe ..... Leawood, Kan.
Kinesiology • JU
Zac Sobba ..... **Kansas City, Mo.**
Finance • SR
Ray Stanley ..... Genevieve, Mo.
Architecture • JU
Jacob Steilen ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Trevor Steinman ..... Olathe, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Brian Sullivan ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Peter Taylor ..... Salina, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Clayton Theleman ..... **Natoma, Kan.**
Biology • SR
Justin Theleman ..... Natoma, Kan.
Biology • JU
Jared Thornberg ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Finance • SR
Aaron Weick ..... Jonesboro, Ark.
Open Option • JU
Eric Wheeler ..... Roeland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Jake Wilson ..... Abilene, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Ike Woodruff ..... Stilwell, Kan.
Kinesiology • JU
Sean Young ..... Salina, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • JU
John Zuercher ..... Salina, Kan.
Psychology • SO

As **Alex Morris**, junior in secondary education, makes nachos, **Matt Baker**, philanthropy chair senior and in secondary education, takes inventory and **Reece Wright**, Manhattan resident, points to a candy bar he planned to purchase Oct. 9. "I liked doing it because you get a wide variety of kids who come up to buy from you," Baker said. "You have a lot of kids who like to be around older kids like us, and just want to come up and talk to us. As long as they're hanging out with good college students, and if the college students are acting appropriately, I think it can be a really good influence on them. They really look up to us."
Chelsy Lueth



Matthew Baker ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
Secondary Education • SR
Andrew Becker ..... Manhattan
Mechanical Engineering • JU
Tyler Becker ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Ethan Bezzek ..... **Brandon, Fla.**
History • SR
Nathan Buckner ..... **Wayzata, Minn.**
Accounting • SR
Corbin Calvert ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Christopher Coker ..... Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
English • SO
Derek Cook ..... Lawrence
Open Option • SO
Brad Cooper ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Douglas Donovan ..... Louisburg, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Robert Dulle II ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Matthew Fitzmaurice ..... **Lenexa, Kan.**
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Dane Forsberg ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Taolor Freeman ..... Goodland, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Derek Gant ..... Halstead, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • FR
Sam Gegen ..... **Colwich, Kan.**
Kinesiology • SR
Zach Goldstein ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Daniel Goodwin ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Engineering • FR
Will A. Hamilton ..... Sheboygan, Wis.
Open Option • SO
Ian Heusser ..... **Mill Creek, Wash.**
Construction Science and Management • SR
Daniel Howe ..... **Meriden, Kan.**
Interior Design • SR
Blake Hurd ..... Lexington, Ky.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU
Christopher Iszory ..... Leawood, Kan.
Mathematics • SO
Ethan Levine ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Nick Longhofer ..... **Manhattan**
Sociology • SR
Jonathan McCartin ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Psychology • FR
Alex Morris ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Matt A. Newman ..... **Olathe, Kan.**
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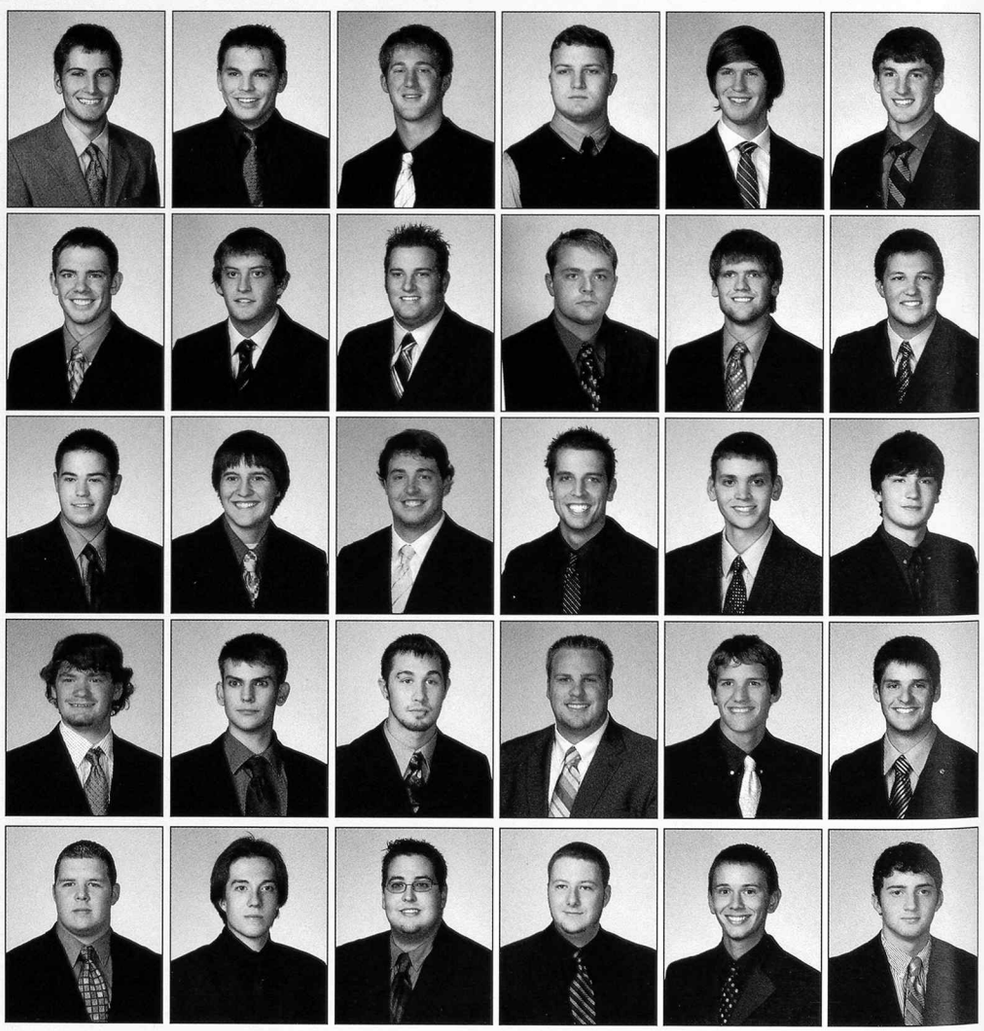


Concessions on the Side

by Stephanie Mikuls

Inside the gym at Eisenhower Middle School, seventh- and eighth-grade students participated in sports, while parents cheered them on. During the game, middle school students made their way through the chaotic gym toward the concession stand where a group of men towered a foot above them.

"We just show up and get all the candy out," said **Josh Wetzig**, social chair for Sigma Alpha Epsilon and senior in architectural engineering. "Then we sell it to parents and kids. I remember in grade school, the older people would come in and sell candy to us. So this is my way of giving back. Just pass it along."

When the SAEs were deciding how to do their community service hours, they looked no further than the middle school youth. The men ran the concession stands at all of the school's home football, volleyball and basketball games and tournaments.

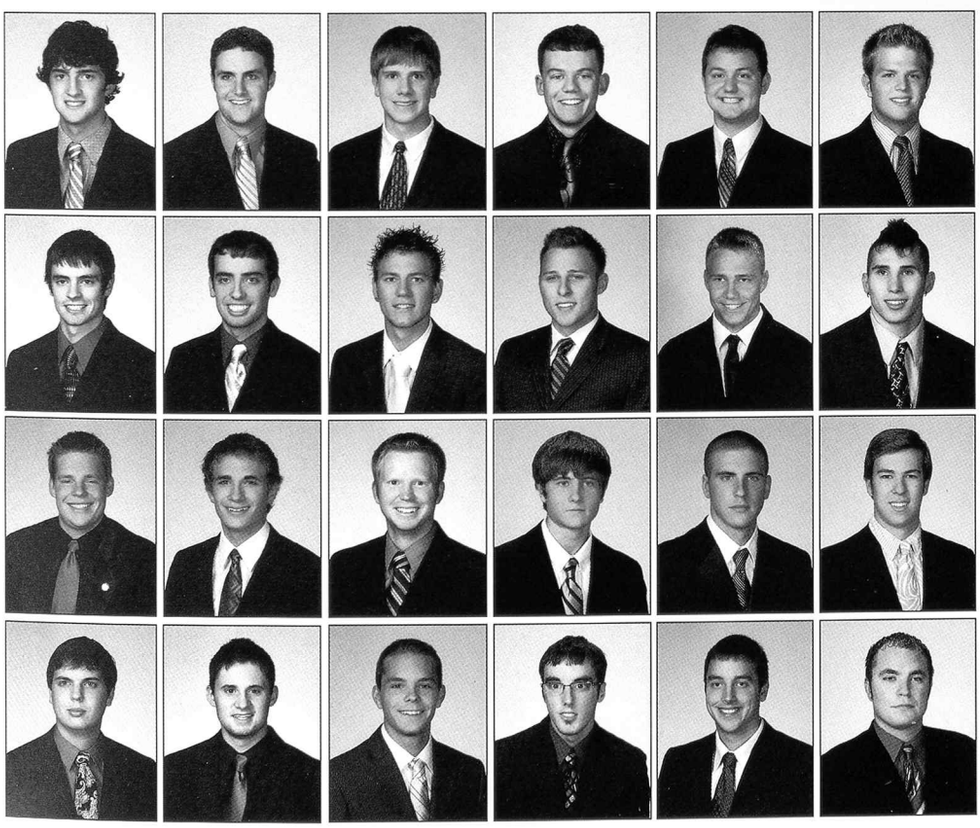
"Our philanthropy chair called around to the schools to see where they needed help," Wetzig said. "There's always something that needs to get done. So that's a good place for us to help out. It's one of our pillars to help out the community."

Each SAE worked at least three to four games, although some volunteered for more. The SAEs also volunteered to chaperone the school dances.

"We try to have each member get 10 hours," **Matt Baker**, philanthropy chair and senior in secondary education, said. "I make the schedule, and people have to go to their assigned time."

Although each member is required to work, some members enjoyed the community service and chose to work more hours.

"It started out as something we did for SAE, but now I like to do it because I am in secondary education, so I'll be working with that age group someday," **Alex Morris**, junior in secondary education, said. "I like talking to the kids. It's really fun."



Neil O'Brien ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Brady Ott ..... Evergreen, Colo.
Architectural Engineering • SR
Kyle Pfeifer ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SO
James Price ..... Fairway, Kan.
Finance • JU
Wyatt Redding ..... Wichita
Political Science • SO
Adam Reimer ..... Kalvesta, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • JU
Daniel Rhodes ..... Gardner, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Drew Rhodes ..... Gardener, Kan.
Management • SR
Dillon Robbins ..... Oskaloosa, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Josh Rodrock ..... Wichita
Business Administration • JU
Jacy Schmidt ..... Manhattan
Economics • SR
Joshua Smart ..... Mayetta, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • FR
Jonathon Stacks ..... Lee's Summit, Mo.
Computer Engineering • SO
Adrian Szumilo ..... Glenview, Ill.
Environmental Design • FR
Marshall Van Tuyl ..... Independence, Mo.
Architectural Engineering • SR
Alex VanSant ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Kevin Warnecke ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Sociology • SO
Edward Wayda Jr. ..... Mission, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Joshua Wetzig ..... Belleville, Ill.
Architectural Engineering • SR
Taylor Whiteside ..... Edmond, Okla.
Political Science • FR
Justin Wiezorek ..... Carbondale, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Mike Wilton ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Economics • SR
Hunter Wise ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Taylor Wulf ..... Cheney, Kan.
Finance • SR

MIXED up in music

by Colleen Quinn

For **Miles Morgan**, freshman in open option, playing a musical instrument was not enough. After a curiosity and interest in music struck him, he decided to mix his own music.

"I've been doing this for five years," Morgan said. "I was into music and I wanted to start creating music."

Morgan used a variety of hits he enjoyed listening to and created his own tune and beat.

"I started with a nice groove type beat and mixed it on my computer," Morgan said. "If I wanted to do remixes of a song I played an a cappella song over it. If I wanted to blend songs, I just mixed them."

He researched different programs when he first began to find the best way to make music. With the help of new programming software, he was able to accomplish just about anything, though it had a price.

"It's pretty expensive," he said. "The programming I use is around $600. I researched to see what the top line programs were, and the one I found I really liked."

When Morgan began college, he brought his devotion to music with him. He continued to mix beats and occasionally played them at parties.

"I took a sample of an Incubus song and mixed it with the vocals of 'Do in Time,' by Sublime," Morgan said. "When I felt like I've fine-tuned them I'll pull them out at parties."

With the help of some close friends, Morgan looked for new ways to display his talent. He said he that one day there would be viewers on YouTube that would appreciate his music.

"I've been trying to get together a project and get burnt copies and put them on YouTube," he said. "We have started to make music videos and put them on YouTube."

Morgan knew that after he completed his undergraduate studies, he would follow his passion for mixing music and try to take it to the next level.

"I'm waiting until after I graduate to go to Nashville and get into a graduate program to get more into the music," Morgan said.

Alex Abi-Mikhael.....**Overland Park, Kan.**
Marketing • SR
Sid Arguello.....Garden City, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Justin Bell.....Cameron, Mo.
Secondary Education • SO
Keith Bergkamp.....Pretty Prairie, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • JU
Andon Bervert.....Lenexa, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
BJ Bowlin.....Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Alex Breitenbach.....**Wichita**
Construction Science and Management • SR
Robert Cillessen.....**Wichita**
Finance • SR
Rob Constance.....Lenexa, Kan.
Secondary Education • FR
Sean Cullins.....Wichita
Marketing • JU
Andrew Desloge.....Wildwood, Mo.
Business Administration • SO
John Durrett.....Great Bend, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Brett Fearing.....Kansas City, Kan.
Civil Engineering • JU
Alex Gasper.....Tipton, Kan.
Horticulture • JU
John M. Graham.....Leawood, Kan.
Management • JU
Michael Graves.....Fairfax, Mo.
Agricultural Economics • JU
Garrett Heim.....Topeka
Business Administration • GR
Parker Huitt.....Pratt, Kan.
Geology • SO
Aaron B. Johnson.....Skokie, Ill.
Landscape Architecture • SO
Kenny Kuklenski.....Kansas City, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Shawn Lehecka.....Andover, Kan.
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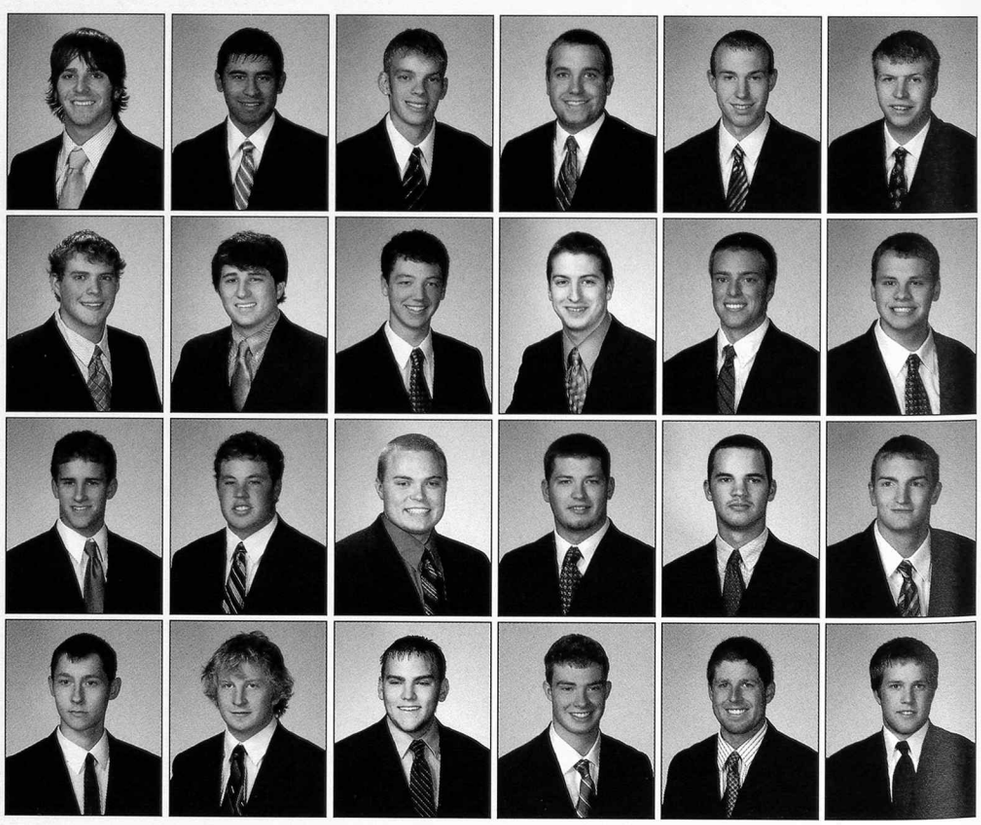



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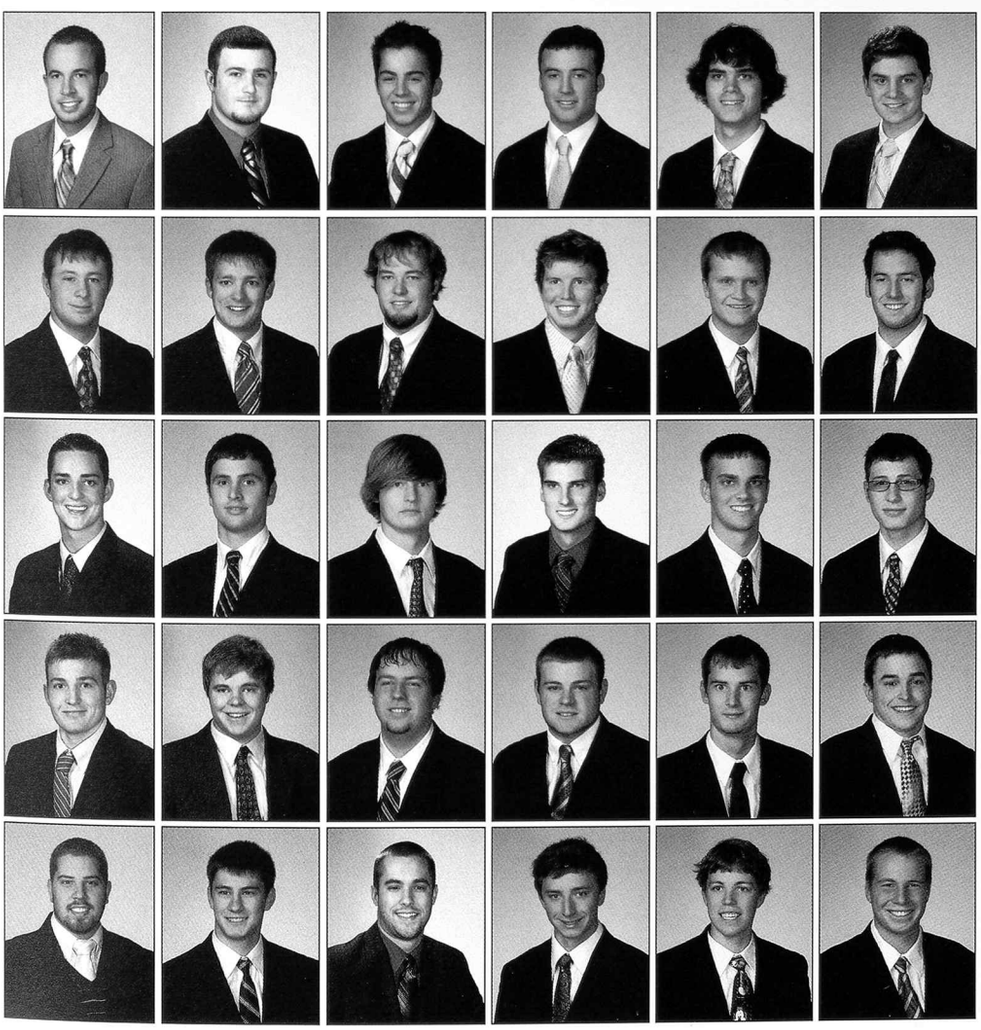

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Steven Matthews ..... **Topeka**
Athletic Training • SR
Miles Morgan ..... Wichita
Open Option • FR
Blake Moroney ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Horticulture • SO
Ryan Neiswender ..... Topeka
Sociology • JU
Michael O'Connor ..... Wichita
Marketing • JU

Jordan Ochsner ..... Topeka
Athletic Training • SO
Blaine Oliver ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Tyler Olsen ..... Topeka
Business Administration • SO
Neil Ostermann ..... **Abilene, Kan.**
Civil Engineering • SR
Bud Pflumm ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Sam Pierson ..... Olathe, Kan.
Art • SO
Aaron Proctor ..... **Manhattan**
Accounting • SR
Stephen Prudden ..... Eudora, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Brad Rea ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
John Rees ..... **Lincoln, Neb.**
Finance • SR
Jacob Renne ..... Manhattan
Business Administration • SO
Adam Rodriguez ..... Houston
Interior Architecture and Product Design • SO
Travis Simecka ..... Topeka
Construction Science and Management • JU
Andrew Southwick ..... **Leawood, Kan.**
Finance • SR
Talon Spittles ..... Council Grove, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Zach Stuber ..... Wichita
Construction Science and Management • FR
Dillon Supiran ..... Emporia, Kan.
Geography • FR
Carter Wands ..... Naperville, Ill.
Bakery Science and Management • FR
Corey Way ..... **Wichita**
Finance • SR
Winston Wolf ..... Defiance, Mo.
Architecture • SO
Ben Wolfington ..... **Wichita**
Physical Sciences • SR
Jared Wylan ..... Leawood, Kan.
Agronomy • FR
Luke Young ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Horticulture • SO
John Yuill ..... Jefferson City, Mo.
Horticulture • SO

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"Being a Sigma Kappa, to me, means finding the lifelong friendships and bonds. The experiences of the leadership roles I've been able to undertake in the house have been able to help me in school and in life in general. A big part of it's the women you meet and the time you get to spend with them. I've lived in the house for five semesters, and the time I've gotten to spend there, it's a lifelong experience."

Linsey Bolte, vice president and senior in accounting

Living Unit Name:

- **Sigma Kappa**

Address:

- **1525 Denison Ave.**

Philanthropies:

- **A Mudbowl benefited gerontology, with a focus on Alzheimer's disease research.**

History:

- **Sigma Kappa was founded at Colby College in Maine. The college was the first college to allow women admittance on equal terms with male students. In the first three years, five women entered, and they later founded the Sigma Kappa sorority. The university's Theta Tau chapter was chartered in 1991.**

Other Facts:

- **Colors: maroon and lavender**
- **Flower: wild purple violet**
- **Symbols: dove and heart**
- **Jewel: pearl**
- **Motto: "One Heart One Way"**
- **108 chapters in 36 states**
- **The house was built in 1993, and many design elements, such as bathroom cubbies and different styles of bedrooms, were suggested by Sigma Kappas.**

Mackenzie J. Adams ..... Cache, Okla.
Elementary Education • SO
Courtney Albracht ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Environmental Design • FR
Margaret Baer ..... Clay Center, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Alicia Bailey ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Apparel and Textiles • JU
Srna Begovic ..... Wichita
Sociology • SO
Meredith Bell ..... Leawood, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Kierston Beets ..... Paola, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Jennifer Birzer ..... Ottawa, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • FR
Kaleigh Blakley ..... St. Joseph, Mo.
Open Option • FR
Linsey Bolte ..... Assaria, Kan.
Accounting • SR
Colleen Boothe ..... Wichita
Open Option • FR
Amber Briggs ..... Manhattan
Business Administration • FR
Rachel Brustowicz ..... Monroe Township, N.J.
Elementary Education • FR
Courtney Bryson ..... Tucson, Ariz.
English • FR
Jessica Calhoun ..... Derby, Kan.
Dietetics • JU
Lauren Campbell ..... Olathe, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Jordan Carpenter ..... Olathe, Kan.
Fisheries, Wildlife and Conservation Biology • FR
Jennifer Cassells ..... Mound City, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SR





Alex Charbonneau ..... Greenwood, Mo.
Family Studies and Human Services • SO
Bailey Charland ..... Junction City
Modern Languages • SR
Sara Chew ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Katie Christensen ..... Plano, Texas
Athletic Training • SO
Cammie Christner ..... Augusta, Kan.
Landscape Architecture • JU
Lauren Clock ..... Winfield, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO

Kristen Collings ..... Manhattan
Sociology • SR
Adrienne Courtney ..... Joplin, Mo.
Elementary Education • SO
Beth Cox ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Fine Arts • JU
Katherine Crane ..... Aurora, Colo.
Industrial Engineering • SO
Allison Cushing ..... Mission, Kan.
Kinesiology • FR
Sarah R. Davis ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR

Gabriela Delgado ..... El Paso, Texas
Pre-Med • SO
Kayla Dodson ..... Lenexa
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Amy Donnelly ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Kara Douglas ..... Bonner Springs, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Amanda Dunlavy ..... Broomfield, Colo.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SO
Sandy Eaton ..... Wichita
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Laura Eckert ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Biology • FR
Elyse Ehlers ..... Olathe, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Chelsey Eimer ..... Manhattan
Theatre • JU
Elizabeth Emrick ..... Augusta, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Betsy Erickson ..... Wichita
Dietetics • JU
Laurel Evans ..... Leawood, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Bracey Fischer ..... Sharon Springs, Kan.
Management • SR
Erica Freeman ..... Bonner Springs, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Michaela Frehe ..... De Soto, Kan.
Fisheries, Wildlife and Conservation Biology • JU
Kristen Frey ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SO
Shelley Fritz ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Political Science • SR
Lauren Garten ..... Liberty Township, Ohio
Elementary Education • JU
Stefanie Glowisk ..... Manhattan
Business Administration • SO
Courtney Hallenbeck ..... Junction City
Sociology • SO
Julie Hansen ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • FR
Jessica Harney ..... Andover, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Heather Hart ..... Clearview City, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • JU
Amanda Hassman ..... Salina, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR
Ashley Hassman ..... Salina, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • FR
Amber Hauptman ..... Topeka
Mathematics • SR
Erica Heath ..... Olathe, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Anna Hoedl ..... Merriam, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Rachel Hutton ..... Topeka
Elementary Education • FR
Megan Ilaria ..... Olathe, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SR
Breann Johnson ..... Concordia, Kan.
Accounting • SR
Alex Jones ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Interior Design • FR
Samantha Kal ..... Denver, Colo.
Business Administration • SO
Jenna Karr ..... Wichita
Elementary Education • SR
Hayley Keener ..... Ellsworth, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Ann Kelley ..... Corpus Christi, Texas
Kinesiology • FR

Jordan Kelly ..... Topeka
Apparel and Textiles • FR
Kelsey Koczanowski ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Lisa Kranz ..... Leawood, Kan.
Theatre • SO
Denae Kraus ..... Maple Hill, Kan.
Biology • SR
Marilyn Leif ..... York, Neb.
Biology • FR
Brittany Lewis ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Apparel Marketing • SR

Students gaze through the window with telescopes to investigate the ability of a lens to magnify images. The experiment took place in an engineering physics lab in Cardwell Hall Dec. 2.
Lisle Alderton



Alex Lindstrom ..... Hiawatha, Kan.
Life Sciences • SO
Lisa Martel ..... Larned, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • FR
Kaitlain May ..... Wichita
Elementary Education • SO
Madelyn McCosh ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • FR
Lindsey McKown ..... Wichita
Apparel and Textiles • JU
Caitlin Meehan ..... Leawood, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR
Bailey Miller ..... Maple Hill, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR
Moraiah Mitchell ..... Olathe, Kan.
Art • FR
Tara Mitchell ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Kristen Mize ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
McKayla Moore ..... Manhattan
Marketing • SR
Megan S. Moore ..... Manhattan
Secondary Education • SR
Allison Mott ..... Lee's Summit, Mo.
Accounting • SR
Holly Neet ..... Olathe, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • JU
Ashton Neises ..... Winfield, Kan.
Pre-Nursing • SO
Melody Nichols ..... Lyons, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • SO
Kristina Nilsen ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Samantha Norman ..... Wellington, Kan.
Communication Sciences and Disorders • FR
Allison Olive ..... Derby, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Marissa Pope ..... Leawood, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • FR
Sarah Quaranta ..... Highlands Ranch, Colo.
Theatre • JU
Heidi Ricken ..... St. Louis
Management • JU
Samantha Rigsby ..... Milford, Kan.
Elementary Education • JU
Bobbie Rose ..... Manhattan
Accounting • JU
Melissa Rousseau ..... Derby, Kan.
Art • FR
Hayley Rudiger ..... Newton, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Annamarie Sacco ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Life Sciences • FR
Lucia Salazar ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • JU
Kristen Sanders ..... Wichita
Mass Communications • JU
Rebecca Savio ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Family Studies and Human Services • SR







Mollie Schaefer ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Sociology • FR
Christa Schmuck ..... O'Fallon, Mo.
Elementary Education • FR
Lindsey Schwartz ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Management • SR
Rachel Scott ..... Gladstone, Mo.
Accounting
Taylor Scott ..... Papillion, Neb.
Architectural Engineering • SR
Julie Sebby ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Fine Arts • JU
Macey Sevcik ..... Robins, Iowa
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Nicole Sharp ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Candy Showalter ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Accounting • SR
Keeley Smith ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Family Studies and Human Services • SR
Mindy Smith ..... Manhattan
Open Option • JU
Whitney Smith ..... Olathe, Kan.
Athletic Training • FR
Jennifer Solis ..... Wichita
Psychology • JU
Samantha Speake ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • JU
Andrea Stockwell ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Heather Stos ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Dana Stumpff ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Environmental Design • SO
Amber Terrell ..... Topeka
Hotel and Restaurant Management • FR
Lindsey M. Thompson ..... Lee's Summit, Mo.
Architectural Engineering • SO
Kaitlyn Tompkins ..... Olathe, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
McKenzie True ..... Lincoln, Neb.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR
Katie Turner ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Elementary Education • SO
Amber Vossen ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Apparel and Textiles • SO
Brittney Ward ..... Wellington, Kan.
Bakery Science and Management • SO
Allison Wegner ..... Wichita
Political Science • FR
Jamie Weiser ..... Lincoln, Neb.
Life Sciences • SO
Stephanie Weiss ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR
Holly Wetzel ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Theatre • FR
Tiffany Wilson ..... Andover, Kan.
Public Health Nutrition • FR
Ashley Zondca ..... Roeland Park, Kan.
Open Option • FR



After the fund raiser, **William Godsey**, sophomore in secondary education, and **Madison Barnes**, Kappa Delta and sophomore in life sciences, high-five after Barnes pied Godsey in the face. The event was something different the men of Sigma Nu wanted to try out. "It took a ton of collaboration to make the event work," **Ben Post**, philanthropy chair and sophomore in economics, said. "For instance, I assigned every single person a role. It was a unity and action type deal."

Chelsy Lueth

Jeff Ast ..... Garden Plain, Kan.
Secondary Education • FR

Devin Baer ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • FR

Samuel Barker ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Business Administration • FR

Matt Beemer ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU

Bo ..... House Dog

Dan Brogan ..... Leawood, Kan.
Psychology • JU

Theo Brooks ..... Wichita
Open Option • SR

Alex Cantu ..... Wichita
Mechanical Engineering • SO

Sean Carolan ..... Olathe, Kan.
Open Option • FR

Jordan B. Carpenter ..... Auburn, Kan.
Physical Sciences • SR

Kyle Cook ..... Wichita
Business Administration • SO

Todd Crippen ..... Owasso, Okla.
Journalism and Mass Communications • JU

Scott Davis ..... El Dorado, Kan.
Architecture • SR

Alexander Dreiling ..... Kansas City Mo.
Fine Arts • JU

Alex Flores ..... Wichita
English • SR

Dominic Francia ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SO

Ben Gloe ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Political Science • FR

Ned Godsey ..... Salina, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU

Eric Green ..... Richardson, Texas
Mechanical Engineering • JU

Joey Harper ..... Gardner, Kan.
Economics • JU

Brice Harrison ..... Prairie Village, Kan.
Business Administration • FR

Tanner Herbel ..... Springfield, Mo.
Construction Science and Management • SO

Tanner Hess ..... Gardner, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO

Stephen Hoag ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Business Administration • FR

Paul Holthaus ..... Topeka
Business Administration • FR

Joseph Houlik ..... Wichita
Biology • SR

Robert Kesler ..... Manhattan
Political Science • SR

Benjamin Kostroske ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO

Reid Lawler ..... Louisville, Ky.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR

Brad A. Martin ..... Topeka
Accounting • JU

Travis Meek ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Kinesiology • JU

Benard Meyer ..... Wichita
Open Option • SR

Christopher Meyers ..... Olathe, Kan.
Business Administration • SO

David Miles ..... Toronto, Ontario, Canada
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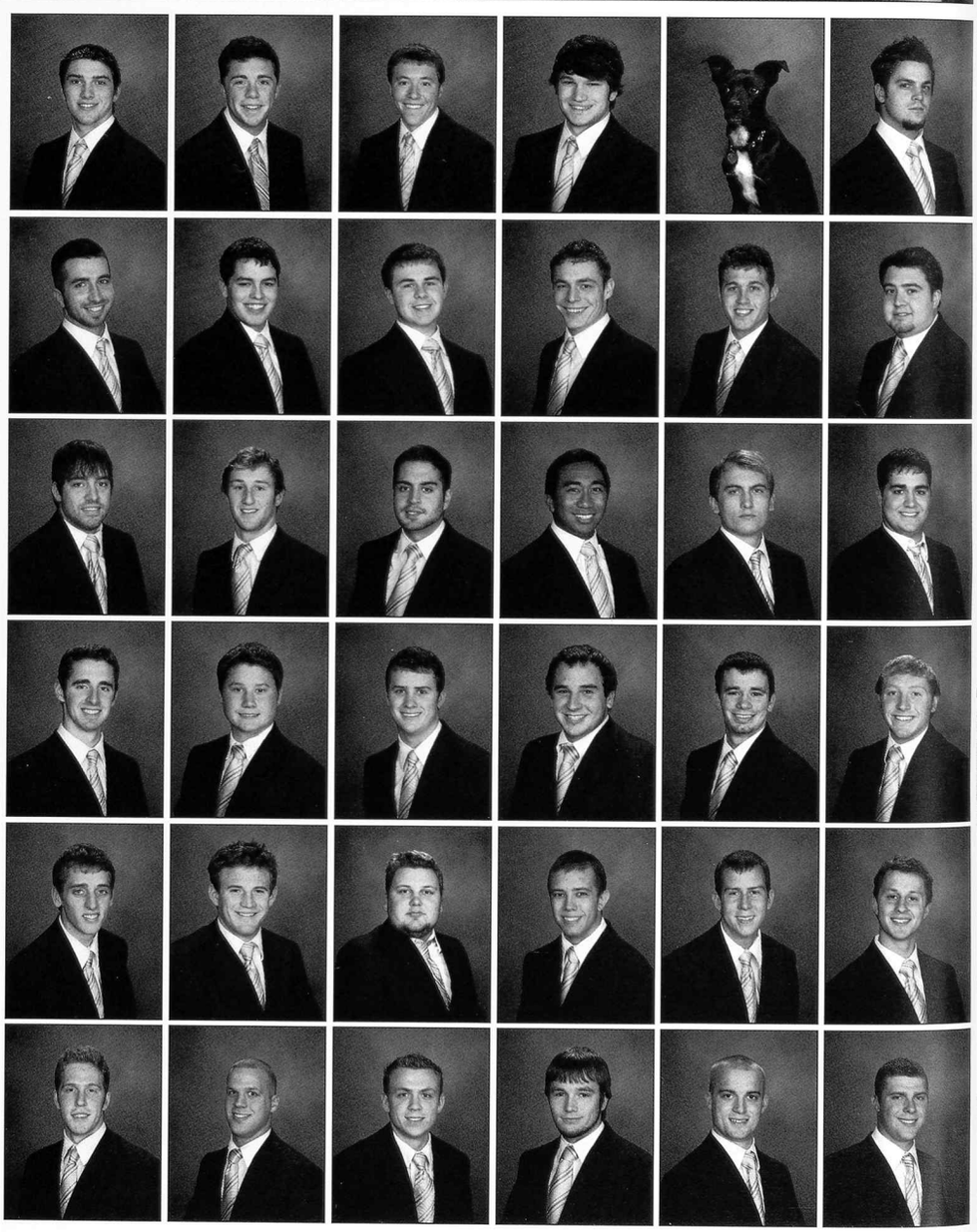
Scott Morris ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Sociology • JU

Norman Myers Jr. ..... Paola, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • SO



halloween harvest

by Amanda Lunn

Halloween: traditionally a time for trick-or-treating and dressing up in costumes. Sigma Nu changed that for six sororities by sponsoring a competition among them to see who would take home the first Pumpkin Trophy.

"It's for the Flint Hills Breadbasket of Kansas," **Ben Post**, philanthropy chair and sophomore in economics, said. "It's a sorority competition, and there are five total events, three going simultaneously."

Sigma Nu started Halloween Harvest as a new philanthropy involving sororities. Post said they knew they wanted to put on an event during the Halloween season, but planning the activities took time.

"It was mostly sitting down figuring out what we wanted to do, a lot of planning," **Michael Sullivan**, freshman in hotel and restaurant management, said. "Getting the materials and stuff, it wasn't hard. Just pumpkins and little things that we needed to get set up."

Sigma Nus coached Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Delta Pi, Chi Omega, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kappa Delta and Alpha Xi Delta in Halloween Harvest. Winning the Pumpkin Trophy, was not the only incentive to become involved in the event. The sorority that donated the most canned goods, bought the most T-shirts, had the loudest cheering and had the best turnout the activities won the Spirit Award.

The events, which ranged from pumpkin carving to bobbing for apples, created friendly competition among the sororities. For some, the drive to win came from a previous event.

"There's a lot of rivalry going on," **Madison Barnes**, Kappa Delta and sophomore in life sciences, said. "We lost Watermelon Bust, so we decided to come out here and try to win this."

Corn on the Bob, which included tossing candy corn into a teammates mouth and another teammate bobbing for apples then proceeding to throw a pie in their coach's faces, caught a lot of attention from spectators. **William Godsey**, freshman in secondary education, was the coach for the Alpha Xi Delta team. Godsey said he was happy with his team's performance.

"We did pretty well," Godsey said. "I'm very pleased with the pie smashing in the face that was a good time. They did all the other events and they did really well in those too."

Overall, the event raised $430 and 55 pounds of canned food for the Flint Hills Breadbasket.

Let the games begin

- Sigma Nu Scramble: obstacle course in which women carried soapy pumpkins, gave piggy-back rides, and dug for spider rings in the sand
- Pumpkin darts: three competitors each threw a pumpkin from above onto a large, painted target
- Corn on the bob: relay in which participants caught candy corn in their mouths, bobbed for apples and pied their coach in the face



Dillon Narcisi ..... Wichita
Biology • SO
Lexi ..... House dog
Michael Palikij ..... Wichita
History • SR
Benjamin Post ..... Wichita
Economics • SO
Philip Scheuerman ..... Leawood, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Andrew Schoonover ..... Olathe, Kan.
Milling Science and Management • SR

Scott Schurwanz ..... Wichita
Geology • FR
Sam Setter ..... Omaha, Neb.
Business Administration • FR
Nick Singer ..... Wichita
Business Administration • SO
Eric Smeltzer ..... Goddard, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • JU
James Soull ..... Olathe, Kan.
Finance • FR
Henry Specht ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
JD Steffen ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Finance • SO
Jordan Strecker ..... Topeka
Chemical Engineering • SO
Bobby Treece ..... Bixby, Okla.
Electrical Engineering • FR
Josh Westhusin ..... College Station, Texas
Engineering • SO
Mitchell J. Widener ..... Wichita
English • JU
Joe Yates ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • SO





Morgan Barcellona, freshman in pre-pharmacy, rests on her boyfriend's, **Baylor Batista,** freshman in chemical engineering, chest while he waits for the shuttle on a bench outside Bosco plaza Tuesday morning.
Matt Binter

"Thank you, Morgan, for being my right foot when I couldn't walk, for cheering me up when I was down, for the memories I will cherish, for all the good and the bad we have been through together and for the ones to come. I love you very much and I hope you write the book you will write."

Baylor Batista, freshman in chemical engineering

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"The relationships that you build from being in this fraternity are amazing. We all try to hang out with each other as much as we can. It' truly a brotherhood."

Rich Stromberg, junior in political science

Fraternity Name:

• Sigma Phi Epsilon

Address:

• 1015 Sunset Ave.

Philanthropies:

• Sleep Out for the Homeless raised money for local shelters.

History:

• The Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity was founded at Richmond College Nov. 1, 1901. The main goal of the fraternity was to help build balanced leaders in the communities of the world. The Kansas Beta chapter formed Feb. 23, 1918, formerly known as the Eureka club, which represented Eureka, Kan.

Other Facts:

•Flowers: violet and dark red rose
•Colors: purple and red
•Symbols: golden heart
•National Headquarters is in Richmond, Va.
•More than 14,000 Sig Eps in more than 250 chapters
Notable Sig Eps: Theodor Geisel (Dr. Seuss), children's book author, and John Goodman, actor

Kevin Ahrens ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Jonathan Baker ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Brandon Barrett ..... Garden City, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • SR
Andrew Beye ..... Stilwell, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO

Spencer Bontrager ..... Milford, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SO
Jeffrey Brownlee ..... Olathe, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Mike Burkhart ..... Dodge City, Kan.
Management • JU
Jeff Calovich ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Finance • SR

Matt Cavanaugh ..... Topeka
Finance • SR
Kirk Chonis ..... Parkville, Mo.
Architecture • SR
Steven Clark ..... Herington, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Kasey Coad ..... Wichita
Horticulture • SR

David Convy ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Calin Cooney ..... Fairway, Kan.
Mass Communications • SR
Austin Davis ..... Dodge City, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Ben Davis ..... Manhattan
Open Option • SO

Tyler Davison ..... Mulvane, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SO
Joe Dieker ..... Wichita
Computer Engineering • SR
Tommy Dyer ..... Olathe, Kan.
Art • SO
Brandon Eugster ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU

Steven Fankhauser ..... Sterling, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Jake Fenske ..... Louisburg, Kan.
Open Option • FR
AJ Frederes ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Kyle Freeman ..... Olathe, Kan.
Psychology • JU

David Ghormley ..... Benton, Kan.
Psychology • SR
John Gillam ..... Salina, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • JU
Matthew Goedken ..... Overland Park, Kan.
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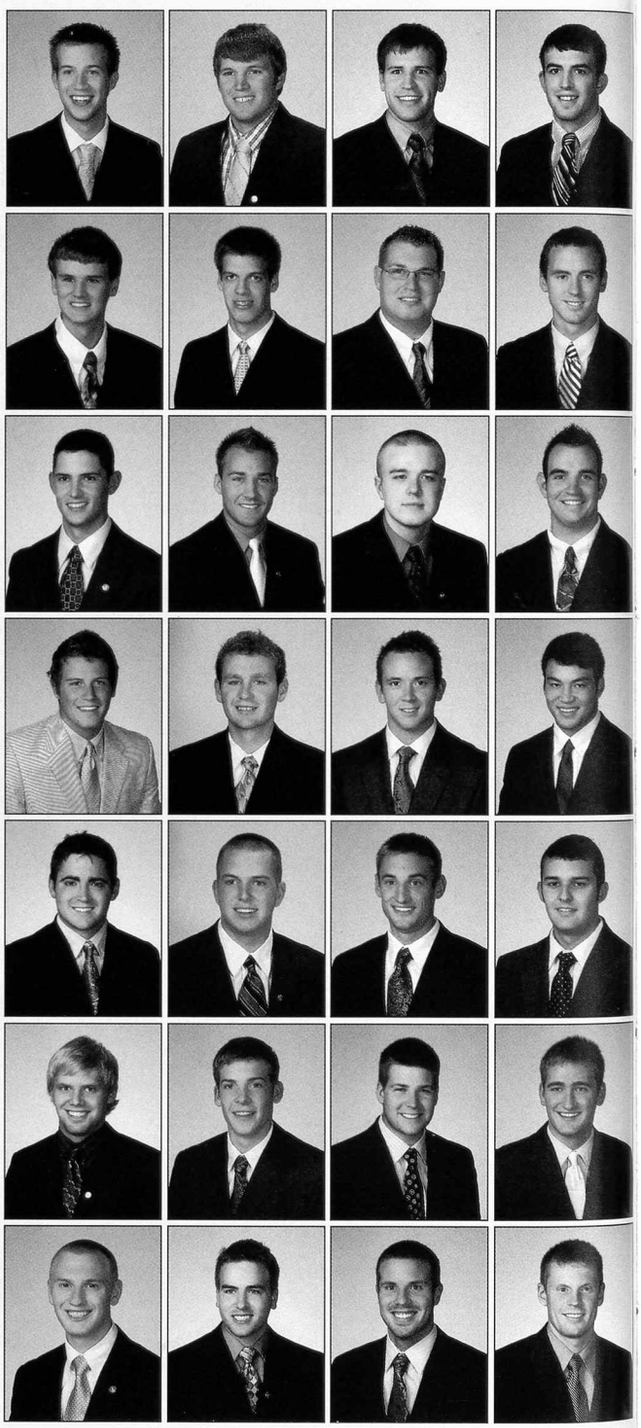
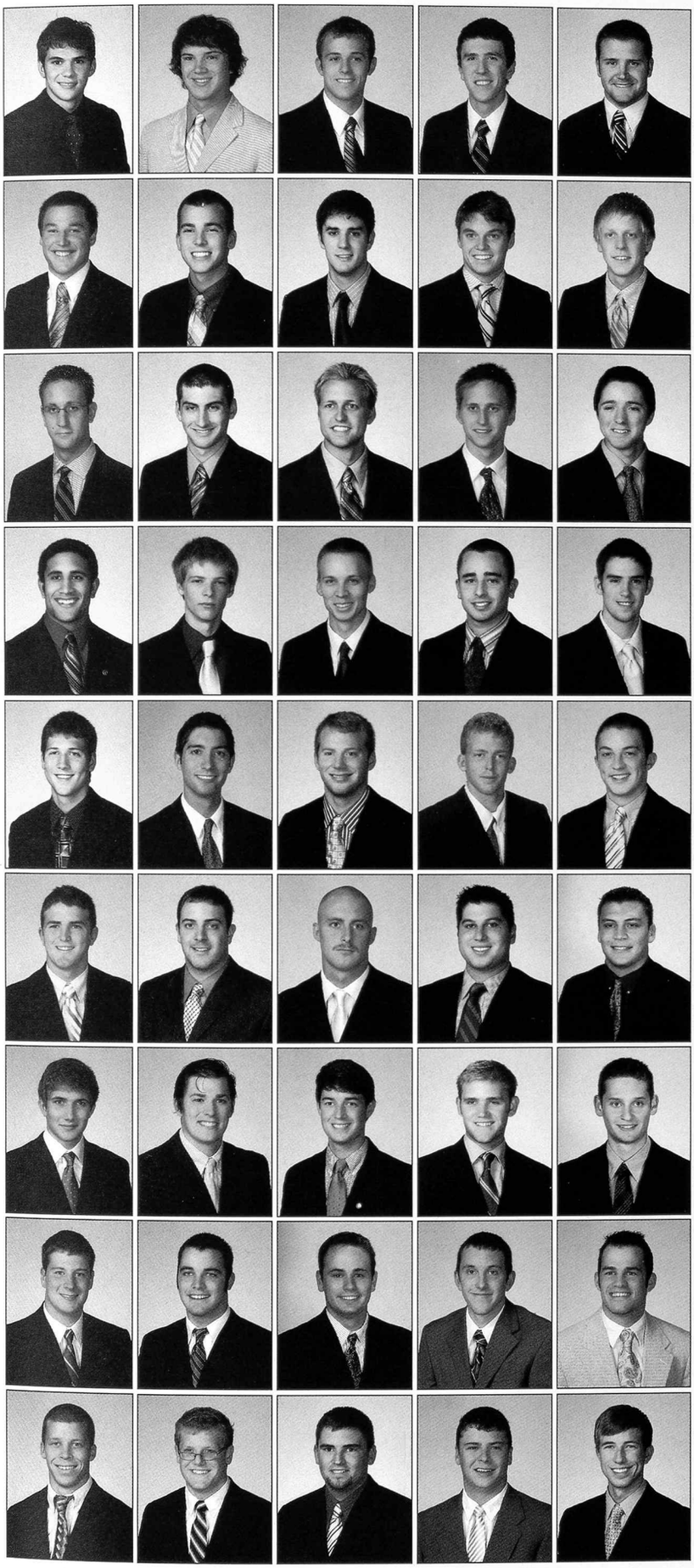
Michael Grant ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SO





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Electrical Engineering • FR
Tom Greer ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Civil Engineering • JU
Travis Grover ..... Wichita
Park Management and Conservation • FR
Jordan Haffener ..... Jenks, Okla.
Architectural Engineering • SO
Brendan Halpin ..... Lawrence
Construction Science and Management • SR

Zach Harmon ..... Manhattan
Management Information Systems • SR
Ben F. Harvey ..... Lawrence
Industrial Engineering • JU
Scott Hastings ..... Wichita
Business Administration • SO
CJ Heinz ..... Leawood, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Brad Hermreck ..... Wichita
Milling Science and Management • SO

Drew Herrmann ..... Dodge City, Kan.
Finance • SR
Kyle Heslop ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Political Science • SO
Terrell Hinds ..... Coppell, Texas
Management • SR
Will Hinds ..... Coppell, Texas
Bakery Science and Management • JU
Caleb Hopkins ..... Topeka
Architectural Engineering • SO

Matthew James ..... Clay Center, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SR
Alex Jarchow ..... Derby, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Pat Jarchow ..... Derby, Kan.
Accounting • SR
Dylan Kelling ..... Olathe, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Connor Kidd ..... Topeka
Business Administration • SO

Bob Klug ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Nutritional Sciences • SO
Stephen Lachky ..... Leawood, Kan.
Regional and Community Planning • SR
Phil Lafreniere ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Management • SR
Wes Lawler ..... Louisville, Ky.
Marketing • SR
Parker Liebl ..... Lawrence
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR

Danny Linder ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Joshua Long ..... Topeka
Construction Science and Management • SR
Charlie Loughman ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SR
Charles Martel III ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Joey Martinez ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Architectural Engineering • SR

JB Mason ..... Wichita
Business Administration • FR
Kyle Mathews ..... Olathe, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Drew McCart ..... Wamego, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Drew W. Miller III ..... Leawood, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Steven Morris ..... Olathe, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR

Ben Morrow ..... Wichita
Agronomy • SO
Anthony Nemec ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • FR
Matt Newman ..... Olathe, Kan.
Information Systems • SR
Doug Nickols ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Jake Norby ..... Derby, Kan.
Business Administration • SO

Jeff Nordt ..... Manhattan
Life Sciences • JU
Tyler Nordt ..... Manhattan
Business Administration • SO
Jay O'Dell ..... Bucyrus, Kan.
Civil Engineering • JU
Chad Pederson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Drew Peters ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Biology • SR

Good memories

"My favorite memory is probably the brotherhood event to a (Kansas City) Royals game last spring. Seventy of us boarded a coach bus for the two-hour trek to Kauffman Stadium with our wonderful driver Milton who had only two rules: no kegs and no glass. When we arrived we were very well hydrated; all but two people made it into the game. A strange sequence of events led to Logan (Thome, sophomore in open option) locking himself in the bus bathroom and being unable to release the locking mechanism. Milton later told us he thought he was going to break the door as Logan tried to find another way of getting out of the tiny bathroom, as he had been stuck in the bathroom for well over 30 minutes. Meanwhile, the rest of us were in the game cheering quite loudly when an anonymous brother then fell down several rows of seats. Security attempted to apprehend this member, but his brothers escorted him to a safer area. This safer area was found after several sleek maneuvers and ended with being escorted out of George Brett's exclusive bar after George himself decided to be a tattletale even though the brothers were on their best behavior. Needless to say Milton got a pretty large tip."

Robert Schmidt, sophomore in agribusiness

JT Peterson ..... Topeka
Milling Science and Management • SO
Frank Pizzuti ..... Olathe, Kan.
Management • SR
Alex Pope ..... Leawood, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • FR
Colin Quinn ..... Leawood, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR

Jason Ragan ..... Wichita
Architecture • GR
Justin Reeve ..... Garden City, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • SR
Craig Reschke ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Sean Richards ..... Manhattan
Speech • SR

Corey Rizzo ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Marketing • JU
Devin Rood ..... Wichita
Electrical Engineering • FR
Garrett Rood ..... Wichita
Electrical Engineering • SR
Ross Rupe ..... Wichita
Open Option • SO

Jared Schelp ..... Kansas City, Mo.
Secondary Education • JU
Robert Schmidt ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Agribusiness • SO
Austin Shankweiler ..... Manhattan
Entrepreneurship • SR
Taylor Shulse ..... Leawood, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • FR

Kevin Smart ..... Topeka
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SR
Kyle A. Smith ..... Overland Park, Kan.
International Business • JU
Taylor A. Smith ..... Topeka
Civil Engineering • FR
Matt Spahn ..... Wichita
Accounting • SR

Steven Stout ..... Topeka
Construction Science and Management • SR
Richard Stromberg ..... Sterling, Kan.
Political Science • JU
Matthew Sullivan ..... Wichita
Kinesiology • SO
Adam Summers ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Physics • SO

Andrew Sylvester ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Political Science • JU
Phil Sylvester ..... Ottawa, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SR
Jonathan Unruh ..... Wichita
Open Option • JU
Adam Vangel ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Marketing • SR

Kyle Wall ..... Manattan
Hotel and Restaurant Management • SO
Kent Wetzel ..... Offerle, Kan.
Agricultural Economics • JU
Michael Williamson ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Brent Winter ..... St. George, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • SR

Jess Wood ..... Topeka
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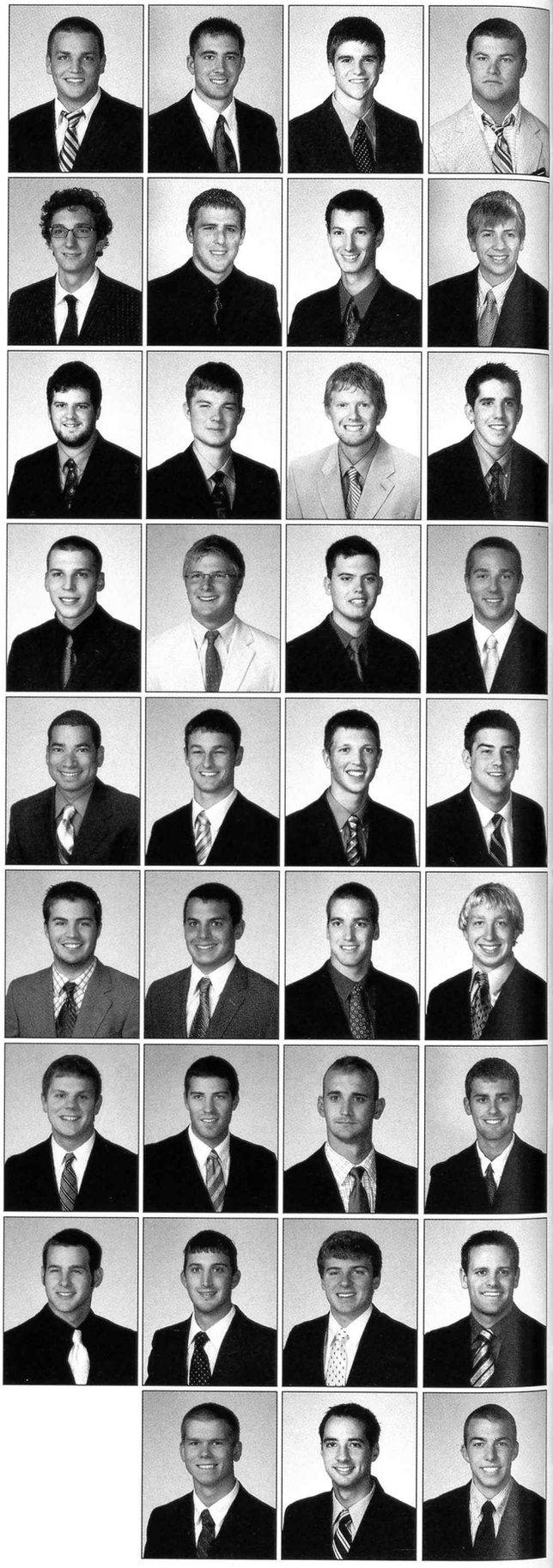

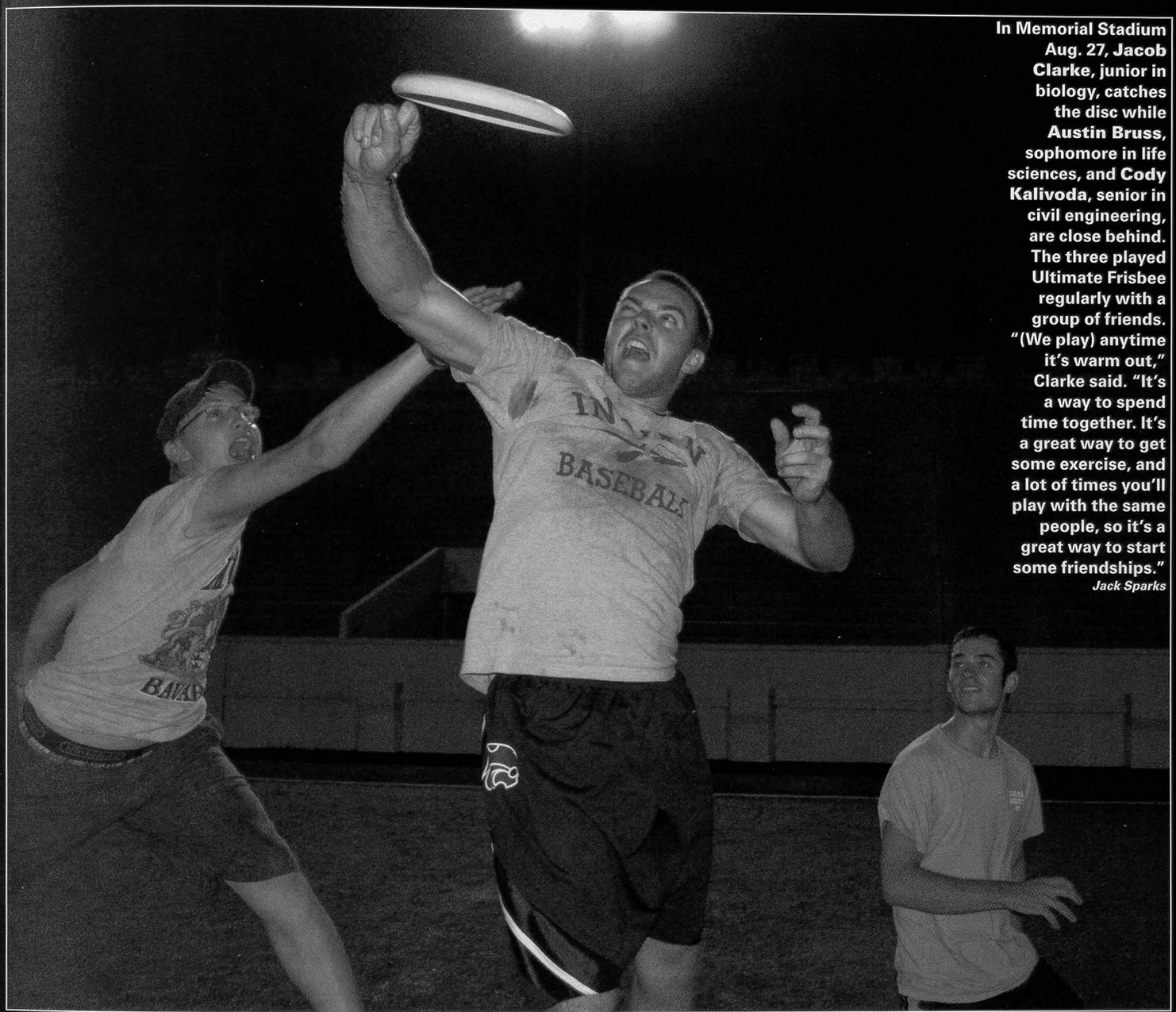

In Memorial Stadium Aug. 27, **Jacob Clarke**, junior in biology, catches the disc while **Austin Bruss**, sophomore in life sciences, and **Cody Kalivoda**, senior in civil engineering, are close behind. The three played Ultimate Frisbee regularly with a group of friends. "(We play) anytime it's warm out," Clarke said. "It's a way to spend time together. It's a great way to get some exercise, and a lot of times you'll play with the same people, so it's a great way to start some friendships."
Jack Sparks

"We just love exercising and spending time with other people. It's great for building relationships. Sports — especially frisbee, for me — and running around in general is great for stress release from school, and I really enjoy putting myself to the test."

Austin Bress, sophomore in life sciences

Aleksey Akoyev.....Manhattan
Political Science • JU
Sam Alsbrooks.....Paolo, Kan.
Sociology • JU
Brian Barackman.....Olathe, Kan.
Biology • SO
Corey Barragree.....Wichita
Business Administration • FR
Michael Basler.....Stilwell, Kan.
Political Science • JU
Brad Bauer.....Hiawatha, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Jeremy Bohn.....Manhattan
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Kris Boucher.....Overland Park, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
Kaid Calhoon.....Beloit, Kan.
Communication Studies • SR
Grant Campfield.....Weatherford, Texas
Marketing • JU
Cameron Castrop.....Lenexa, Kan.
Management • JU
Cameron Cooper.....Garnette, Kan.
Management • SR

Taylor Cox.....Overland Park, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
William Crooks.....Glandstone, Mo.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Chris Curtis.....Great Bend, Kan.
Architecture • SR
George De Veau.....Leawood, Kan.
Social Sciences • SR
Shaun Dobratz.....Great Bend, Kan.
Finance • JU
Anthony Dorrel.....Kansas City, Mo.
Environmental Design • FR

Tony Dowling.....Hays, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Jeremy Eitland.....Overland Park, Kan.
Open Option • SO
Tom Fredrickson.....Salina, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Brad Freeman.....Harrisonville, Mo.
Architectural Engineering • JU
Michael Friederich.....Ozarch, Mo.
Finance • JU
Benjamin Gatz.....Newton, Kan.
Business Administration • JU
Samuel Gatz.....Newton, Kan.
Management • SR
Kyle Gaunce.....Kansas City, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR
Dave Guerin.....Shawnee, Kan.
Architecture • JU
William Haden.....Lenexa, Kan.
Mass Communications • JU
Jared Hagedorn.....Sedalia, Mo.
Environmental Design • FR
Ryan Halford.....Kansas City, Mo.
Architecture • SR
Corbin Haughenberry.....Kansas City, Mo.
Athletic Training • FR
Connor Hickey.....Overland Park, Kan.
Golf Course Management • FR
Austin Hrencher.....Hiawatha, Kan.
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Jim Hund.....Wichita
Construction Science • SR
Brian Huston.....Overland Park, Kan.
Management • JU
Blake Isern.....Olathe, Kan.
Management • SR
Brogen Katzer.....Garnett, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Jeremy Keen.....Leavenworth, Kan.
Kinesiology • JU
Dane Kietzman.....Lenexa, Kan.
Park Management and Conservation • JU
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David Kinslow.....Plano, Texas
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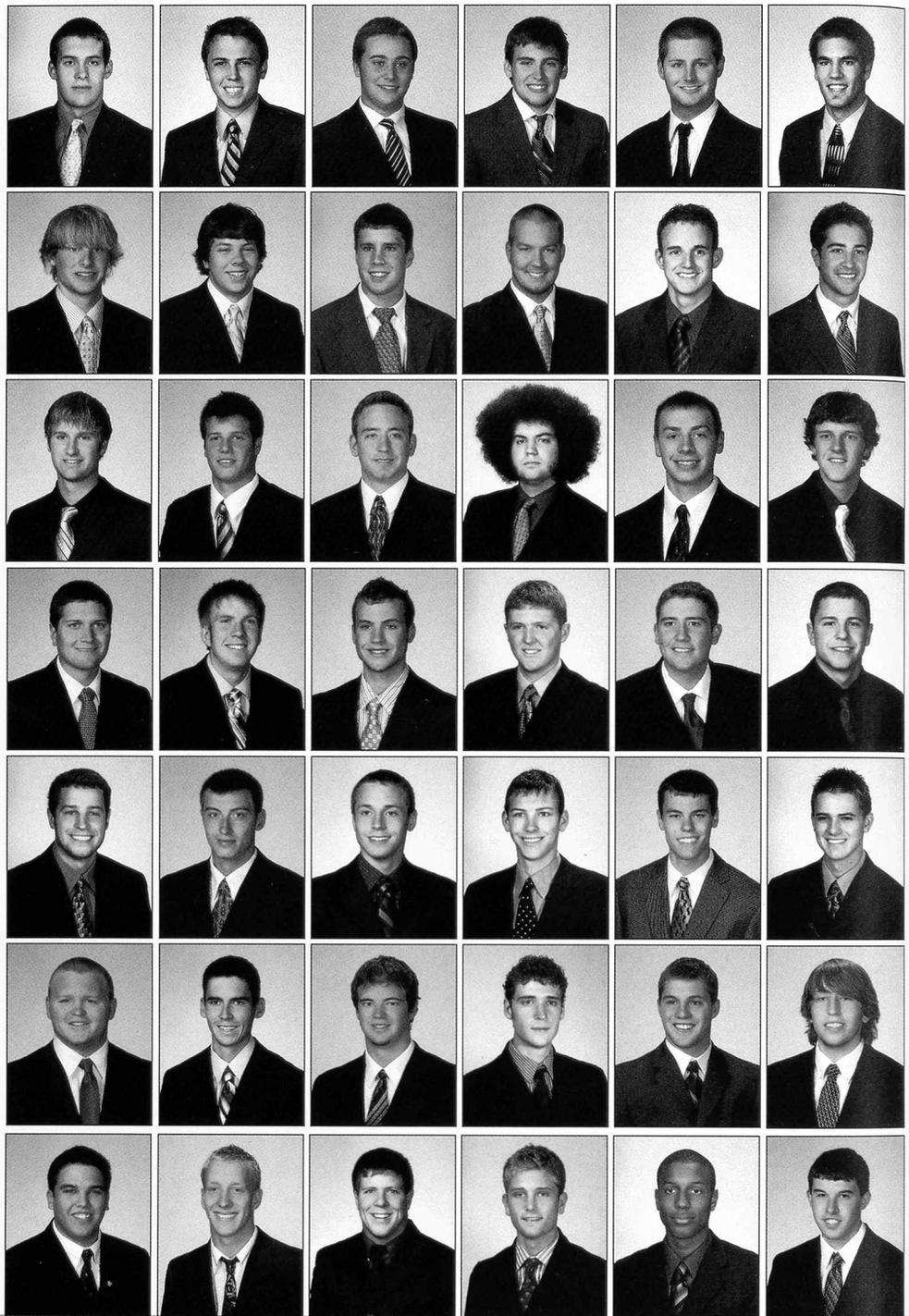
Business Adminstration • FR



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Fraternity Name:

Tau Kappa Epsilon

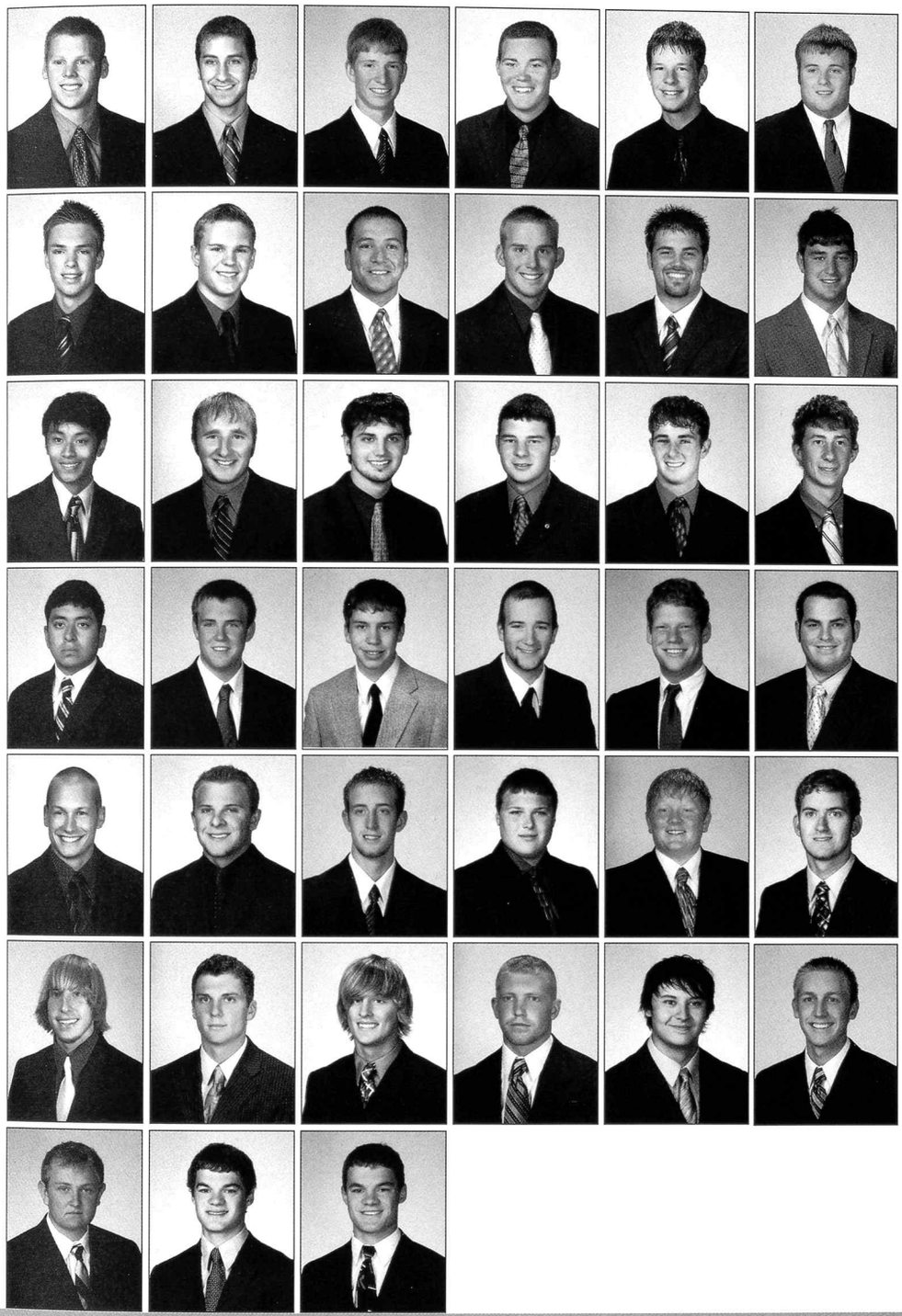
Address:

1516 N. Manhattan

Facts:

Symbol: equilateral triangle, equal-sided to represent the striving toward a full and equal development of the mind, body and heart
Colors: cherry and gray

"For the first time in Tau Kappa Epsilon history, we went undefeated in pool play for soccer," Devan Matthews, freshman in business administration, said. "It's the division that you play that seeds you for play offs."



Brett Koelzer ..... Kearney, Mo.
Kinesiology • SO
Jake Kupersmith ..... Olathe, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
James Ladner ..... Manhattan
Mechanical Engineering • FR
Craig Lamphear ..... Kansas City, Kan.
Industrial Engineering • SO
Andrew Lillie ..... Hiawatha, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Gus Lindstrom ..... Hiawatha, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO

Chance Lowe ..... Garnett, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Colton Lowe ..... Garnett, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Michael Marquez ..... Garden City, Kan.
Kinesiology • SR
Devan Mathews ..... Overland Park, Kan,
Business Administration • FR
Matt Mueller ..... Hiawatha, Kan.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR
Brett Newell ..... Stilwell, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
JJ Nicolas ..... Garnett, Kan.
Environmental Design • FR
Michael Oltjen ..... Robinson, Kan.
Agriculture • SR
Luke Ott ..... Hazelton, Kan.
Geology • SR
Austin Pacey ..... Lincoln, Kan.
Finance • SR
Kyle Powers ..... Leavenworth, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Ben Preston ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Biology • JU

Omar Ramirez ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Kinesiology • SO
Joe Rassette ..... Leawood, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Joey Rausch ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Luke Riebel ..... Iola, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Adam Rogers ..... Manhattan
Kinesiology • FR
Ben Rosen ..... Novi, Mich.
Kinesiology • SR
Cole Samuelson ..... Carthage, Mo.
Athletic Training • SR
Jason Sell ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Finance • JU
Russell Sellers ..... Salina, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Andrew Thomas Smith ..... Augusta, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • SO
Jace Smith ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Management • SR
Matt Sommers ..... Robinson, Kan
Agricultural Technology Management • JU
Jeff Stegeman ..... Olathe, Kan.
Marketing • SR
Grant Suderman ..... Garnett, Kan.
Horticulture • JU
Reese Vonderschmidt ..... Hiawatha, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • SO
Ryan Werneke ..... Manhattan
Sociology • SR
Devon Wesley ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • JU
Jonathan Whiteside ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SR
Nick R. Williams ..... Leawood, Kan.
Environmental Design • FR
Kevin Yoder ..... Welda, Kan.
Engineering • FR
Kurt Yoder ..... Welda, Kan.
Engineering • FR

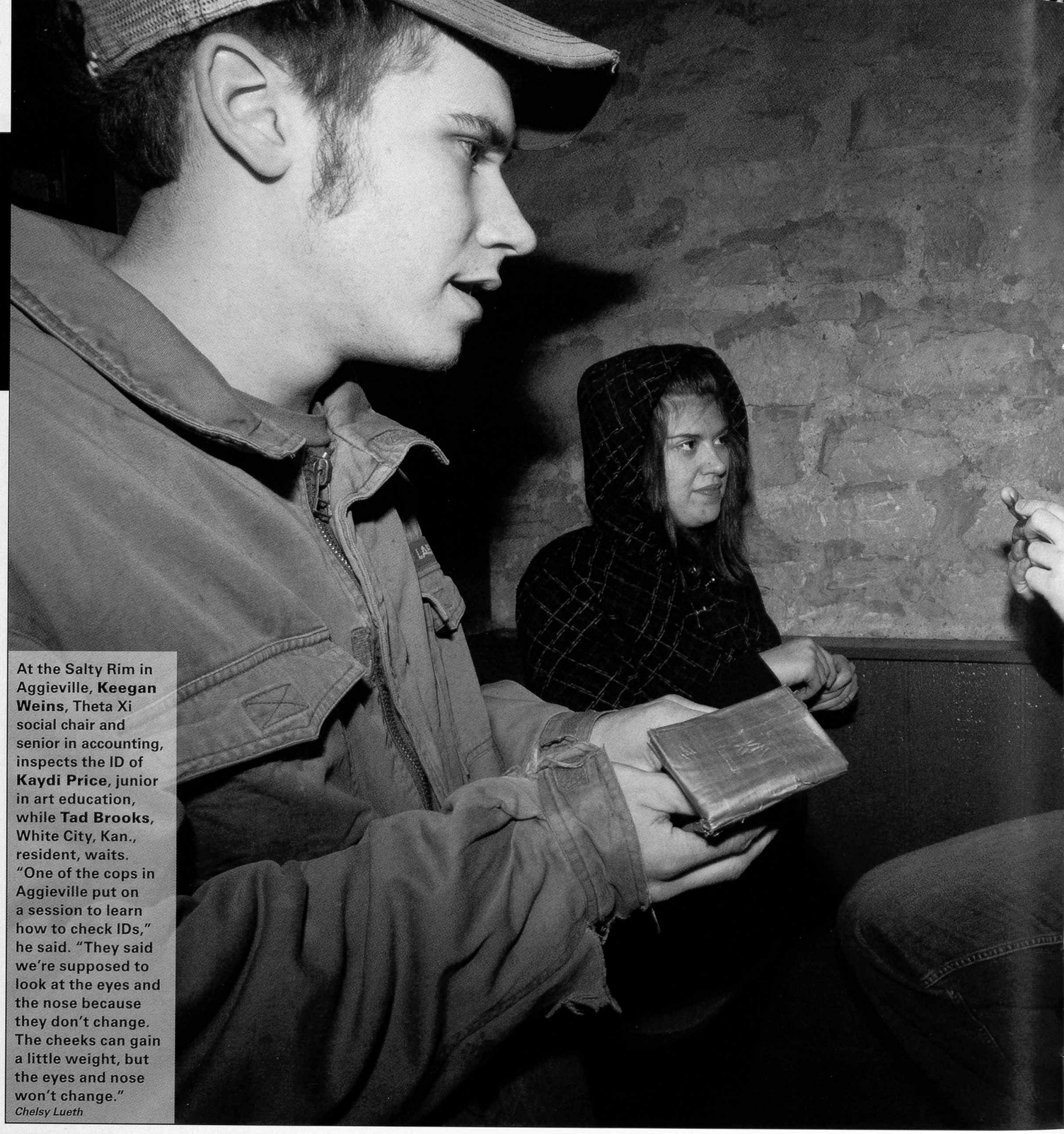
History:

Jan. 10, 1899, students of Illinois Wesleyan University discussed the organization of a new society on campus. Five students created the first set of regulations for the Knights of Classic Lore, who adopted the name Tau Kappa Epsilon in September 1902.

"We're really good at intramurals, and we put a lot into them," Shaun Dobratz, junior in finance, said. "We're all really competitive, so that's one of the main reasons I joined."

Other Facts:

•Flowers: red carnation
•National Headquarters is in Indianapolis, Ind.
•250,000 lifetime TKEs.
•Philanthropies: St. Jude Children's Hospital and the Alzheimer's Association.
•Notable Sig Eps: Former President Ronald Reagan and Supreme Court Justice Charles Whittaker



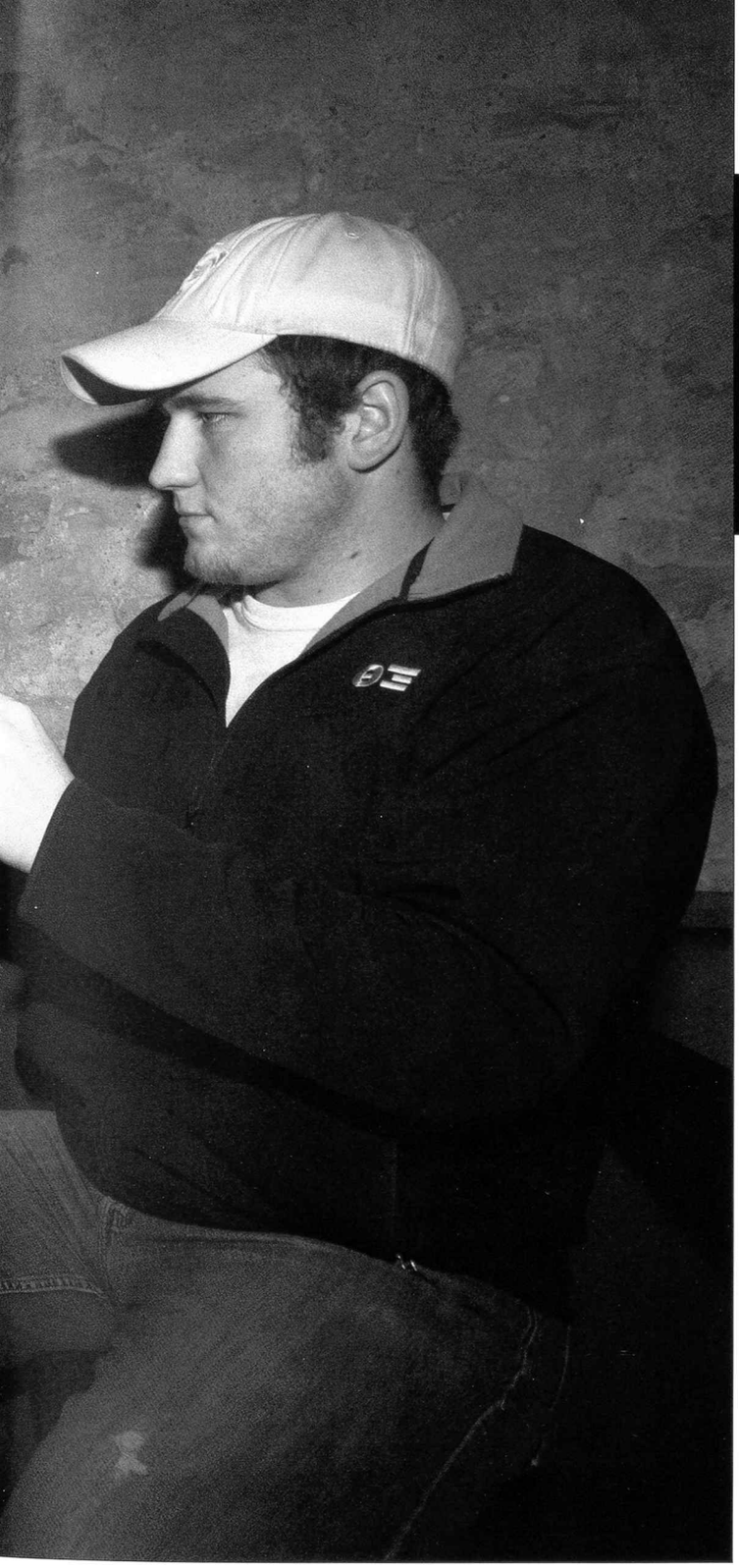
At the Salty Rim in Aggieville, **Keegan Weins**, Theta Xi social chair and senior in accounting, inspects the ID of **Kaydi Price**, junior in art education, while **Tad Brooks**, White City, Kan., resident, waits. "One of the cops in Aggieville put on a session to learn how to check IDs," he said. "They said we're supposed to look at the eyes and the nose because they don't change. The cheeks can gain a little weight, but the eyes and nose won't change."
Chelsy Lueth

Drew Adams ..... Council Grove, Kan.
Accounting • GR
Chris Allen ..... Marysville, Kan.
Management • SR
Mitchell Allen ..... Marysville, Kan.
Agribusiness • JU
Cody Best ..... Hoxie, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • JU
Nick Boeschling ..... Waterville, Kan.
Sociology • SR
Robert Daniels ..... Valley Center, Kan.
Chemical Engineering • SO
Nick Davis ..... Oskaloose, Iowa
Architectural Engineering • SR
Cody Dodd ..... Washington, Kan.
Management • JU
Tyson Fore ..... Council Grove, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • SO
Brent Fritzemeier ..... Stafford, Kan.
Mass Communications • SR
Tyler Hamilton ..... Topeka
Construction Science and Management • FR
Michael Hare ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Civil Engineering • SR



WITHIN THE LAW: at work and at home

by Caitlin M. Burns



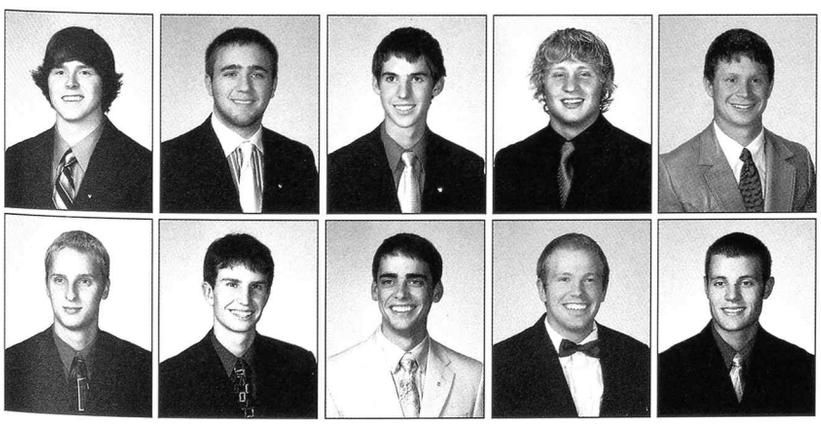
He was the guy underage students hated. He was the guy who kept them out of the bar. He was the bouncer at The Salty Rim in Aggieville.

Keegan Wiens, Theta Xi social chair and senior in accounting, started his job in May and worked a couple nights a week. Some days, like the day of the football game against the University of Kansas, were busier than others. But since he worked with people, he still had the opportunity to see his friends and fellow Theta Xis.

"Most of the time (my friends) come in early, like from 9 to 11 p.m. it's slower, and I can kind of hang out with them and do my job at the same time," Wiens said. "It does suck because I work a lot of weekends, which is when I would like to go out."

Allowing his friends to come socialize added some excitement to the evenings, but he still had to enforce the rules about not letting in his underage friends. He said he had seen many interesting fake IDs in his first eight months working there.

"Once or twice a night I'll either have someone who has an ID and it's real they're just underage, or I'll have an ID that isn't their face," he said. "They have those old Kansas IDs that are laminated cards



Chadd Harrison ..... Great Bend, Kan.
Open Option • FR
Adam Huff ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Biology • FR
Drew Kershner ..... Louisburg, Kan.
Secondary Education • FR
Bryan Kracht ..... Marysville, Kan.
Finance • SR
Robert Kreikemeier ..... West Point, Neb.
Animal Sciences and Industry • SR

Ashton Lackey ..... Leona, Kan.
Construction Science and Management • JU
Derek Low ..... Westwood, Kan.
Biochemistry • SR
Andrew Lykens ..... Fairway, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • FR
Harry Mcdonald ..... Olathe, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Mike McIntire ..... Topeka
Civil Engineering • SR

and the new one are more flexible, skinnier ones. Well, the best fake (situation) was, let's say his name was Luke. Luke came through with his new ID and then the exact same ID, just the old version, came in the very next person. It was Luke and then Luke. So I didn't let that guy in, because you have to try harder than that."

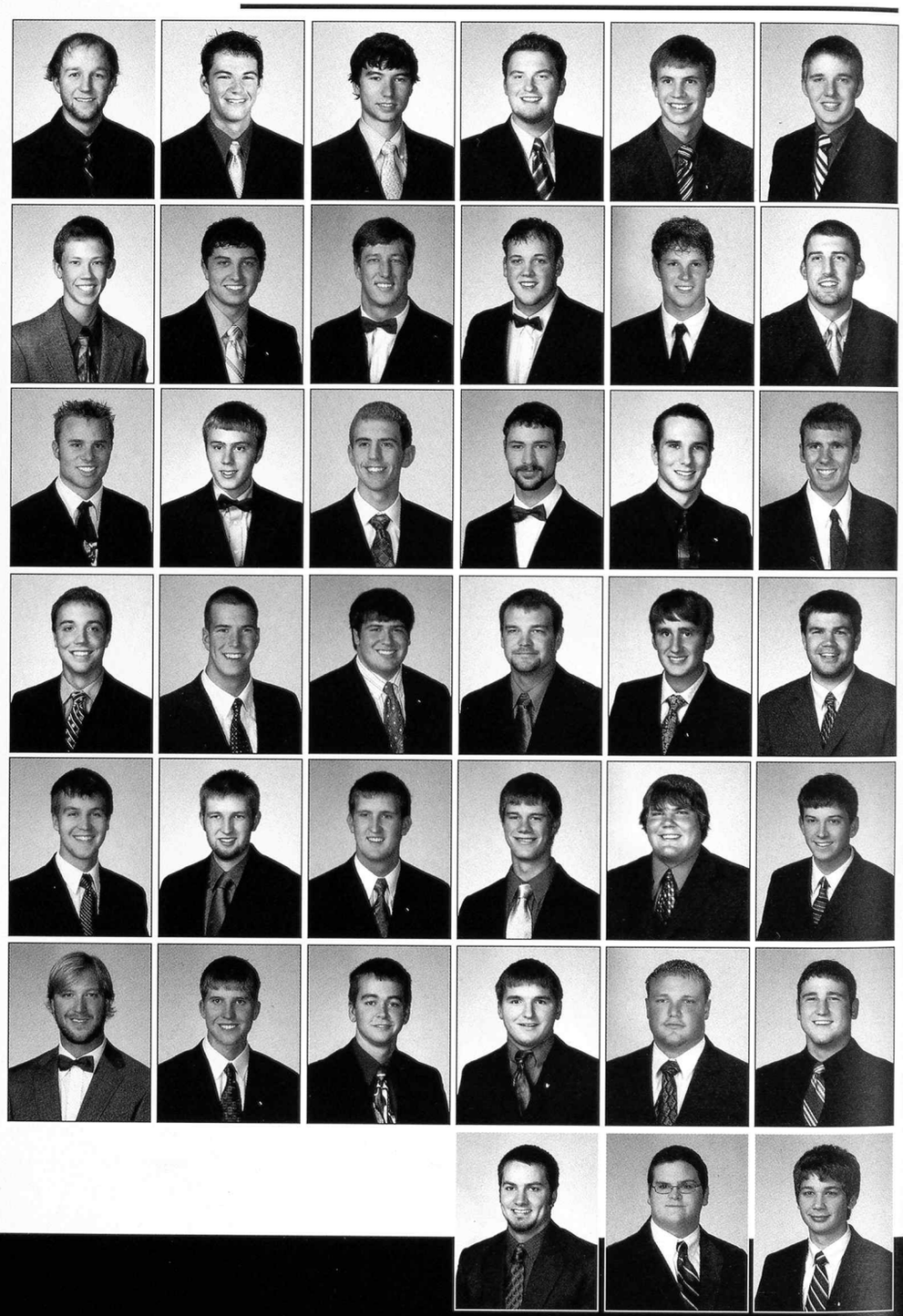
Aside from work, Wiens also spent time working for Theta Xi as the social chair. He planned events and made sure they were always within the regulations.

"I plan and organize any event that we have, like parties and functions," he said. "I have to be there to make sure it runs smoothly, and I jump through the hoops that (Interfraternity Council) wants us to do. They have certain guidelines they want us to follow, like we have to register with them so they know what we're doing."

Those events and his brothers created a supportive environment. When he needed someone to talk or study with, someone was always there.

"We can just all hang out," he said. "We have the more athletic people and the smarter people, but we're really all friends. We are all friends and brothers."

Ben Mense ..... Hoxie, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Ryan Mize ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Social Sciences • JU
Brandon Morin ..... Houston
Civil Engineering • SR
Justin Moss ..... Tonganoxie, Kan.
Life Sciences • JU
Jacob C. Mueller ..... Herington, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Dan Mulder ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • JU
John Munz ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Architectural Engineering • SO
Austin Neher ..... Topeka
Business Administration • FR
Ethan Noll ..... Hiawatha, Kan.
Agronomy • SR
Tegan Nusser ..... Lyons, Kan.
Secondary Education • SO
Kendall Pacey ..... Beloit, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Jake Pannbacker ..... Washington, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR
Michael Pyle ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Management • SR
Nick Reed ..... Lyons, Kan.
Electrical Engineering • SO
Jay Reimer ..... Beatrice, Neb.
Biology • SR
Anthony Ring ..... Marysville, Kan.
Agribusiness • SR
Jordan Rogers ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR
Kyle Rogler ..... Olathe, Kan.
Architecture • SR
John Rzeszut ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Management • SR
Spencer Schreiber ..... Omaha, Neb.
Architectural Engineering • SR
Justin Schroll ..... Manhattan, Kan.
Business Administration • SO
Chris Siebenmorgen ..... Hiawatha, Kan.
Biological and Agricultural Engineering • SR
Aaron Smith ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Psychology • FR
Andrew Sneed ..... St. Louis, Mo.
Architectural Engineering • SR
Scott Soptick ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Accounting • JU
Ben Swenson ..... Concordia, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR
Harrison Taylor ..... Olathe, Kan.
Secondary Education • FR
Gregory Thiessen ..... Beloit, Kan.
Agribusiness • JU
Tyler Thoreson ..... Marysville, Kan.
Accounting • SR
Patrick Toughey ..... Lenexa, Kan.
Business Administration • FR
James Ungerer ..... Manhattan
Construction Science and Management • JU
Jeremiah Ungerer ..... Manhattan
Business Administration • FR
Blaine Warden ..... Warrensburg, Mo.
Architectural Engineering • SO
Cody Weis ..... Hiawatha
General Agriculture • SO
Cody Wiens ..... Lyons, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR
Keegan Wiens ..... Lyons, Kan.
Accounting • SR
Wade Wilson ..... Waterville, Kan.
Computer Science • SR
Ben Woner ..... Topeka
Park Management and Conservation • JU
Trenton Yakle ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Social Sciences • SO





At the K-State Open House, Nellie Feehan, secretary of the Hospitality Management Society and senior in hotel and restaurant management, helps carve a block of ice into a pineapple. Feehan said the pineapple was a universal sign of hospitality, but she had no prior experience with ice carving. "In the beginning it was very fun," she said, "but then there was a period of frustration because I didn't know what I was doing. But then it was fun because you got to see the kids' reactions when it was finished. And it started to warm up throughout the day, so it was easier to chisel."
Chelsy Lueth

"Kansas State University has so many incredible majors and so much to offer students, and the alumni offers us so much. It's a wonderful thing to be able to give back to alumni and to showcase to incoming students what we do. Kansas State University is such a phenomenal family, and the hotel and restaurant management family, I think of it as such a family too. It's great we were able to come together as a hotel and restaurant management family to provide for past and future K-State families."

Nellie Feehan, senior in hotel and restaurant management

Johnny M. Bryant ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Geology • SO

Heather Emberry ..... New Orleans
Social Work • FR

Anna Gibson ..... Topeka
Psychology • SO

Brian Gordon ..... Salina, Kan.
Journalism and Mass Communications • FR

Lauren Hoobler ..... Olathe, Kan.
Dietetics • SO

Jay Jacela ..... Tayabas, Quezon, Philippines
Veterinary Pathobiology • GR

Sarah Karnowski ..... Emmett, Kan.
Early Childhood Education • SO

David Kilby ..... McPherson, Kan.
Psychology • JU

Sara Lynde ..... Urbandale, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • SR

Christopher J. Miller ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR

Heather Onnen ..... Topeka
Information Systems • JU

Chantelle Pritchett ..... Derby, Kan.
Secondary Education • SR

Alyssa Ramont ..... Modesto, Calif.
Hotel and Restaurant Management • JU

Mikel Regular ..... Wichita
Electrical Engineering • FR

Ivan Ross ..... Manhattan
Architecture • SO

Jamie Swan ..... Haysville, Kan.
Mechanical Engineering • SR

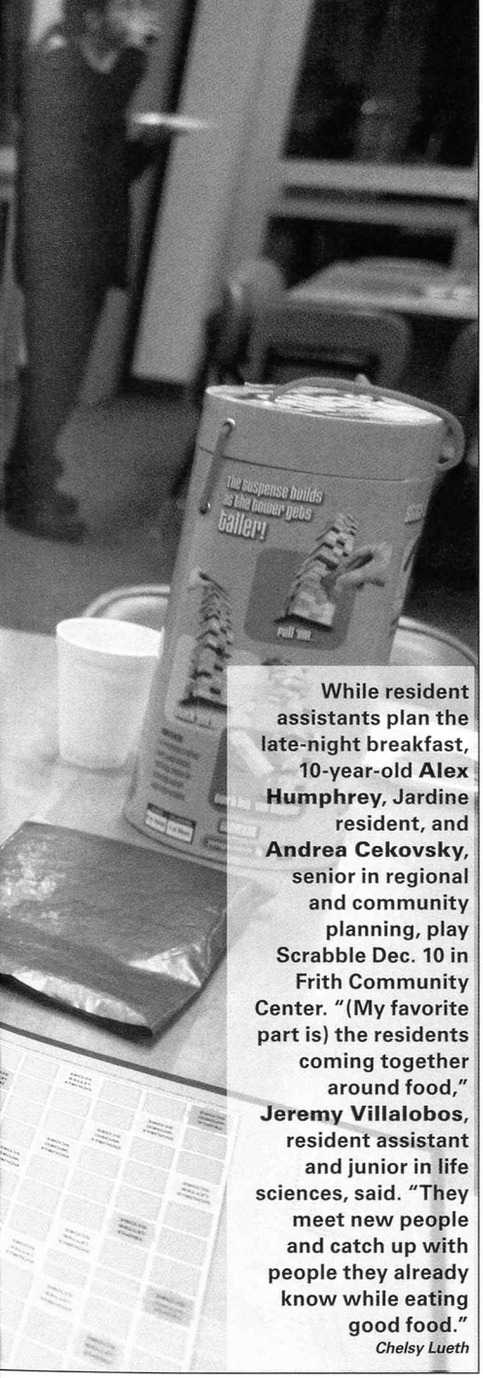
Luke VanSkike ..... Norton, Kan.
Fisheries, Wildlife and Conservation Biology • SO



from play dates to late night breakfasts

by Caitlin M. Burns

Jardine Aparment Complex has something for everyone



While resident assistants plan the late-night breakfast, 10-year-old Alex Humphrey, Jardine resident, and Andrea Cekovsky, senior in regional and community planning, play Scrabble Dec. 10 in Frith Community Center. "(My favorite part is) the residents coming together around food," Jeremy Villalobos, resident assistant and junior in life sciences, said. "They meet new people and catch up with people they already know while eating good food."
Chelsy Lueth

"I enjoy all of the different people you can meet Everyone is friendly. There are so many people in so many life perspectives. You get to hear their stories and hear where they're coming from. You learn from other people and their life experiences."

Elizabeth Devlin, resident assistant and senior in mass communications

Unlike the residence halls on campus, at the Jardine Apartment Complex, children played near the fountains, men and women could choose to live together and students in every walk of their college experience could find a place.

"I'm married and have a 2-year-old daughter named Maggie," **Jeremy Villalobos**, resident assistant and junior in life sciences, said. "(Residents) are always happy to see her. I understand what they go through with families and school. I've taken her with me to hand out journals, and we ended up setting play-dates. You go from your job to bonding with their family. Most residents will ask me about Maggie before asking about me."

The feeling of community was important to residents, whether they met because of classes, for a play/date or just passing on the street.

"Once you meet all the different people, they will always say hi," said **Andrew P. Werner**, assistant coordinator for community development and graduate student in counseling and student development. "There's a sense of family and camaraderie. It's unlike anything else on a college campus because you have grad students, international students, families and kids. Here you can meet a doctorate student and a 5-year-old."

The complex always provided the comfort of knowing people were there to help while still having the feel of what it was like to live in an apartment, Werner said.

Jardine had three neighborhoods: Denison, West End and Plaza. Each neighborhood had monthly programs. The goal was to get to know people who also lived in the neighborhood through activities like barbeques, bowling, movie nights, pumpkin carving, ice cream socials and late-night breakfasts.

"We try to do complex-wide rivalry, like the opening Olympics," said **Nick Lang**, assistant coordinator for apartment living and graduate student in counseling and student development. "We try to get people together. My favorite part is walking around at dinner. You can smell food from 45 different countries."

by Stephanie Mikuls

NOT CANDY JUST CANNED (FOOD)

For the Phi Delta Thetas at K-State at Salina, Halloween was much more than costumes and candy. Halloween marked the eighth annual gathering for their philanthropy Trick-or-Treat So Others Can Eat. They went door-to-door throughout the community to collect canned goods for the Salina Rescue Mission. To cover more ground, the Phi Delts teamed up with Alpha Delta Zeta and Alpha Theta Chi, sororities from Bethany College in Lindsborg, Kan., to make the rounds.

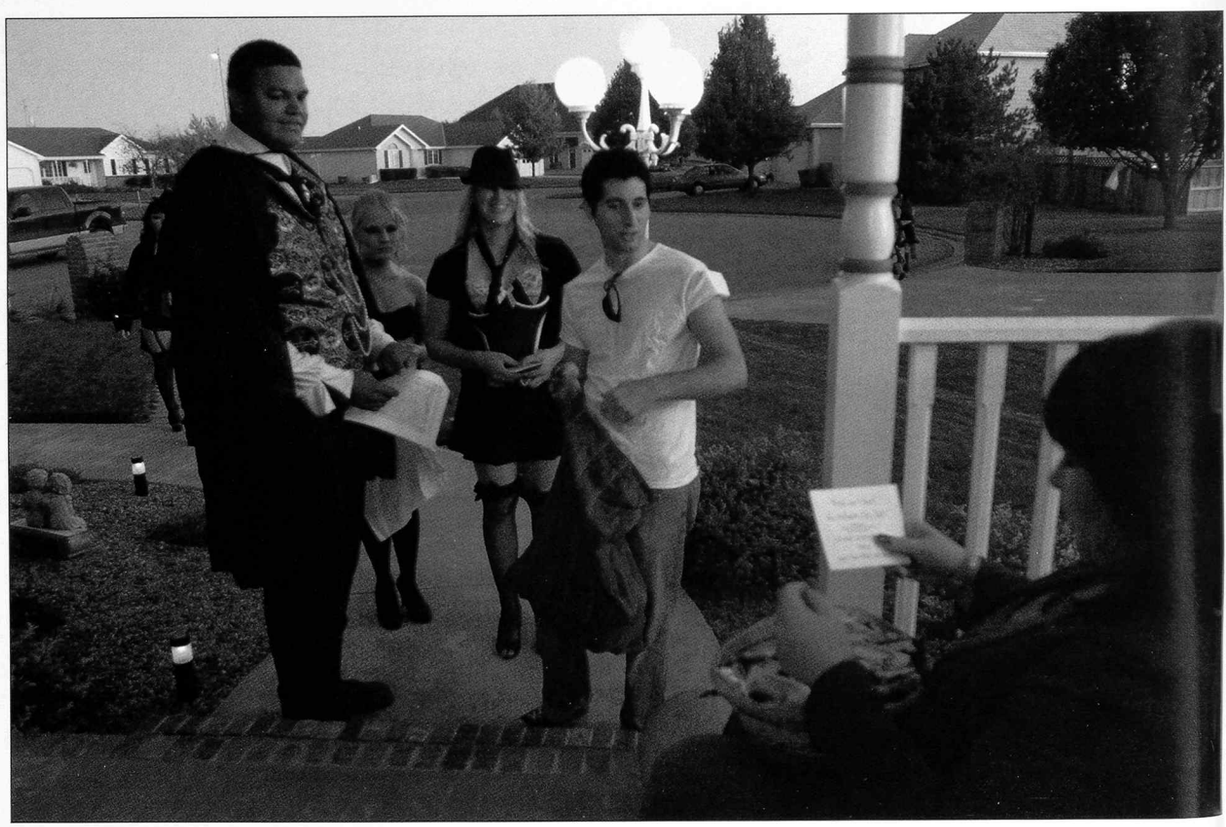
"I enjoyed building inter-campus relationships with Bethany College," **Scott M. Summers**, president and junior in engineering technology, said. "It was nice to pair up with another college and invite them to do something with us, so they can in turn invite us to do things."

The Sunrise Rotary Club supplied the funding for advertisements to run in the local paper to let people in the community know the Phi Delts would be coming to collect cans from 7 to 8:30 p.m..

"Some were expecting us and had bags ready to go for us," **Justin Schnieder**, junior in professional pilot, said. "We carried them in trash bags, and when they got full or too heavy we dropped them off at the car. Then we went back and got more."

The students went to all the houses in half a square mile, collecting 920 pounds of food.

"We enjoy doing this each year, and the rescue mission really appreciates it because we donate such a large chunk of food," Summers said.



In a Salina, Kan., neighborhood, **Antonio Hearn**, senior in computer systems engineering, **Rachel Bouza**, Bethany College student, **Emily Zimmerman**, Bethany College student, and **Keyvn Alquist**, junior in technology, wait for a resident to read a card that explains their trick-or-treating objective. Phi Delta Theta at K-State at Salina teamed up with sororities at Bethany College in Lindsborg, Kan., to gather canned foods for the Salina Rescue Mission. "Everyone knows you don't need candy," Alquist, who dressed up as a greaser, said, "but you're going around getting the same experience of trick-or-treating for a good cause. I think it's wonderful."

Chelsy Lueth



Morgan Allred ..... Salina, Kan.
Secondary Education • FR

Christopher Arpin ..... Salina, Kan.
Women's Studies • FR

Lance Bartel ..... Hillsboro, Kan.
Professional Pilot • SR

Paul Bentz ..... Lindsborg, Kan.
Engineering Technology • SR

Steven Colgrove ..... Washington, Kan.
Engineering Technology • FR

Ngamo Debo ..... Cem Karawa, Debo Ngamo, COD
Engineering Technology • SO

Eddie Deherrera ..... Salina, Kan.
Technology Management • JU

Alan Downie ..... Salina, Kan.
Engineering Technology • SO

Joshua Ebling ..... Wathena, Kan.
Professional Pilot • SO

Jeremy Fiest ..... Salina, Kan.
English • FR

Nicole Garrett ..... Salina, Kan.
Life Sciences • FR

Tefera Getahun ..... Salina, Kan.
Professional Pilot • JU

DJ Gilmore ..... Salina, Kan.
Social Work • FR

Rodney Gordon ..... Salina, Kan.
Computer Systems Technology • SO

Trista Gorrell ..... Centerville, Kan.
Engineering Technology • SO

Kenny Ham ..... Watauga, Texas
Engineering Technology • JU

Shawn Hastings ..... Berryton, Kan.
Professional Pilot • FR

Antonio Hearn ..... Larned, Kan.
Engineering Technology • SR

Megan Henderson ..... Topeka
Professional Pilot • FR

Jack Henry ..... Emporia, Kan.
Professional Pilot • FR

Merritt Hitchcock ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Professional Pilot • SR

Roger Holter ..... Salina, Kan.
Engineering Technology • SR

Darren Johnson ..... Lincoln, Kan.
Technology Management • JU

William Jones ..... Junction City
Technology Management • JU

Brett Knudsen ..... Kearney, Mo.
Technology Management • SR

Jake Linder ..... Enterprise, Kan.
Computer Systems Technology • FR

Kristen Lingg ..... Stockton, Kan.
Professional Pilot • JU

Kevin McCurdy ..... Ottawa, Kan.
Professional Pilot • JU

Jennifer McLean ..... Sleepy Hollow, N.Y.
Professional Pilot • FR

Teddy Mwachia ..... Olathe, Kan.
Professional Pilot • SO

Frank Nelson ..... McPherson, Kan.
Technology Management • SR

Caleb Normandin ..... Salina, Kan.
Applied Business • FR

Leah Norton ..... Salina, Kan.
Humanities • SR

Elizabeth Ourecky ..... Wilber, Neb.
Architectural Engineering • SR

Jonathan Peralta ..... Haysville, Kan.
Professional Pilot • FR

Matt Pianalto ..... Wichita
Professional Pilot • SR

Dawn Ramp ..... Ellsworth, Kan.
Business Administration • SR

Tyler Reed ..... Topeka
Engineering Technology • FR

Savannah Robeson ..... Concordia, Kan.
Business Administration • SR

Mildred Rodriguez ..... Salina, Kan.
Business Administration • FR

Iain Roskop ..... Olathe, Kan.
Professional Pilot • FR

Amy Ruddle ..... Galva, Kan.
Digital Media • SO

Sos Samuelson ..... Salina, Kan.
Applied Business • JU

Daniel Sheehy ..... Topeka
Professional Pilot • SR

Trey Smith ..... Concordia, Kan
Computer Science Technology • SO

Briana Smythe ..... Salina, Kan.
Family Studies and Human Services • JU

Josh Stacey ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
Professional Pilot • SR

Tanner Thompson ..... Phillipsburg, Kan.
Professional Pilot • FR

Skyler Tyler ..... Salina, Kan.
Elementary Education • FR

Bryan Valliere ..... Wichita
Professional Pilot • SO

Robert Willing ..... Yates Center, Kan.
Professional Pilot • SO

Brandon Williams ..... Sumter, S.C.
Business Administration • SO

Let the *Light* In

by Tamara Salisbury

A wall of windows, 12 feet high. Outside, headlights from cars on Sunset Avenue occasionally broke the darkness. Inside, soft light illuminated the faces of about 30 students gathered for Tuesday night worship at the K-State Wesley Center.

On Nov. 17, the night after the first snow, a fire glowed in the limestone fireplace. Following opening announcements, attendees greeted one another, and then the voices of **McKenna Hall**, worship leader and junior in English, and **Sarah Hodges**, senior in communication sciences and disorders, blended with the keyboard and drums in the opening song, "Prepare the Way."

Kyle E. Reynolds, worship design team leader and junior in finance, had been coming to worship for more than two years.

"It's really good to have a mid-week break," he said. "It's a chance to connect with your friends. It refreshes us. It's a retreat, relaxation, motivation to continue through (what is sometimes) the grind of college life."

Hall, as she shared in her opening prayer, recognized college could be busy, especially the weeks preceding Thanksgiving. Worship was her mandatory break from academics.

"It teaches me about priorities," she said. "I feel very busy, so when I feel required to come, it's a good reminder of where I need to be."

Tuesday night worship was one of the activities the Wesley Center had in the old Delta Tau Delta fraternity house, which was refurbished beginning in November 2008 and had the first event, Tuesday night worship, Jan. 20, 2009. Though the kitchen and dorm rooms still needed work, the **Rev. Mike Toluba**, Methodist campus minister, said he hoped students could move in fall 2010.

"Hopefully (the new building) will inspire a lot of growth," Hall said. "I think the Wesley is really adaptable to change, and I think it's a really good time in life for us to be learning that quality."

Change was something Reynolds said he also saw after the group moved into their new location.

"It's been a transformation from a shell of a building to something that's livable and functional," he said. "It's kind of been the same way with our group. We grow together in God and with each other, in our own place near campus."

Andrea Finley, senior in elementary education, had also been attending Tuesday night worship, among other activities, for two years. Finley said she

> "Tuesday night worship is a place to center your week at. You know on Tuesday nights you are going to be with people who love you and with God, and you're going to be feeling pretty good at the end of the night."
>
> *Andrea Finley, senior in elementary education*



Before Worship Nov. 17, **Shane Warta**, junior in park management and conservation, and **Sarah Hodges**, pianist and senior in communication sciences and disorders, rehearse. "Most importantly, I see God here, and I want to be where he's working," Hodges said. "So until he sends me away, this is where I'll stay."
Lisle Alderton

Carson Abrams ..... Arkansas City, Kan.
Veterinary Medicine • V1
Osamah Alhamdan .. Alahssa, Eastern Province, Saudi Arabia
Architecture • GR
Sivasai Balivada ..... Srikakulam, Andhra Pradesh, India
Biomedical Science • GR
David E. Bartlett ..... Hutchinson, Kan.
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Kate Bosch ..... Wichita
Construction Science and Management • JU
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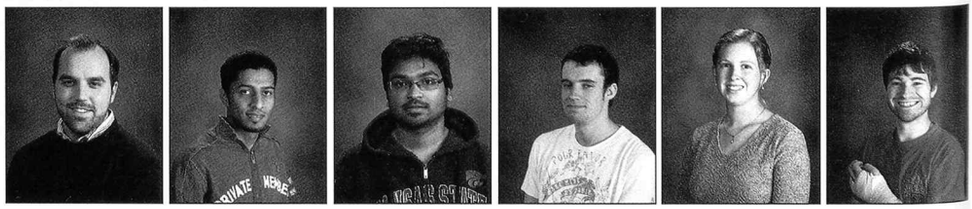




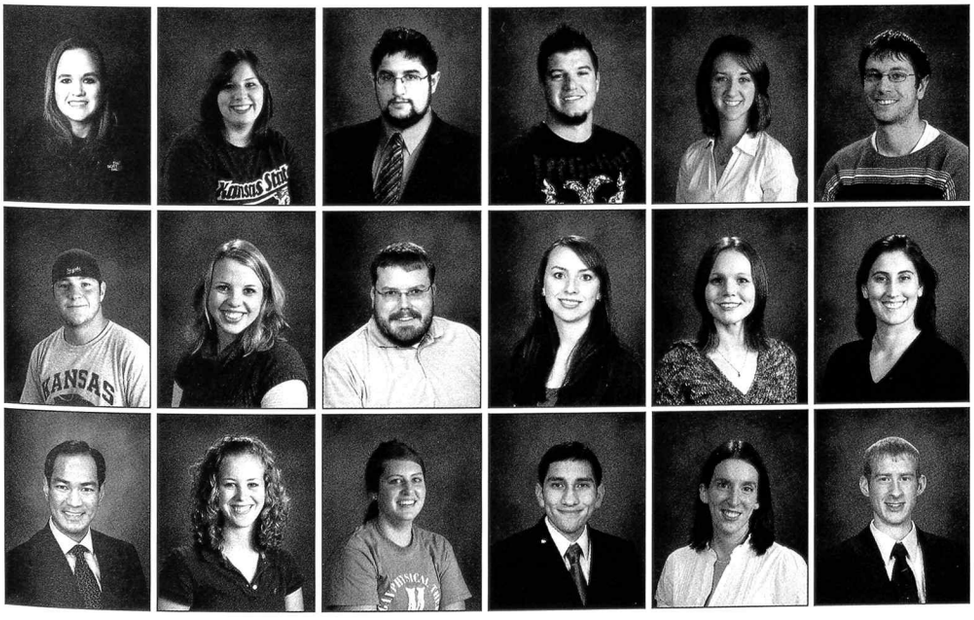
By a fireplace, **Travis McCoy,** junior in agricultural technology management, and **Chelsea Shrack**, alumna, bow their heads in prayer at Tuesday Night Worship. After three songs, **Mike Toluba**, Methodist campus minister, continued the meditation on holiness, focusing on scripture.
Lisle Alderton

saw the center as a place of support, rather than just a place to hold activities.

"For me, it means that there are places I can go and people I can trust to care about me and what's happening in my life," she said. "No matter what's going on or what time of day it is, I can call any of them up, and they will listen to me, or have money for hot chocolate or coffee."

As the service ended with a driving drum beat to "Came to the Rescue," the group raised their voices one last time in praise. The windows showed the world outside a group joined together for one purpose. For Hodges, that was exactly what Wesley represented.

"(We) have talked about the windows, about not being secluded from everyone else but reaching out," she said. "So we have these awesome windows for people to look on while we look out."



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Hotel and Restaurant Management • JU
Patricia Butler ..... Manhattan
Secondary Education • JU
David Cohen ..... Topeka
Business Administration • GR
Wade Cook ..... WaKeeney, Kan.
Business Administration • SR
Elizabeth DeBusk ..... Hays, Kan.
Fine Arts • SR
Adam Dieker ..... Manhattan
Kinesiology • JU
Ryan Dowell ..... Syracuse, Kan.
Geography • JU
Lindsay Drake ..... Rapid City, S.D.
Veterinary Medicine • V1
Shawn Dunbar ..... Manhattan
Political Science • JU
Amanda Elrod ..... Spring Hill, Kan.
Mass Communications • SR
Katelyn Fentimann ..... Monument, Colo.
Veterinary Medicine • V1
Jessica Francisco ..... Phillipsburg, N.J.
Veterinary Medicine • V4
John Gayle Banzon Garcia ..... Calgary, Alberta, Canada
Political Science • GR
Erin Gettler ..... Louisburg, Kan.
Biology • SR
Danielle Glynn ..... Lansing, Kan.
Secondary Education • JU
Robert Gomez ..... Shawnee, Kan.
Elementary Education • SR
Jennifer Gregory ..... Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Veterinary Medicine • V4
Sean Guild ..... Overland Park, Kan.
Computer Engineering • SR

RECRUIT, RECOLONIZE, *REVIVE*

by Stephanie Mikuls

After leaving in 2006, Delta Tau Delta returned to recolonize and reintegrate into the greek community.

"It's always really exciting when we start a new organization or even when we bring back an old one because it is a completely fresh start," **Michael Slaughter**, Delta Tau Delta nationals consultant, said. "It's all brand-new guys, and they have the full backing of a national organization and all the resources."

In order to receive chapter status, a colony had to meet the university's all-fraternity recruitment statistic — an average of 55 members. Although re-colonizing was a difficult process, the 29 founding fathers were up to the challenge.

"We were looking for outstanding men," **Nicholas Sardina**, president and sophomore in political science, said. "Guys who were willing to understand that this was a unique experience and that colonizing isn't something easy. It's not just going into a house that's already built and saying 'I want to be a member' and just getting a room. That's something that these gentlemen understood and they're willing to take that responsibility."

Chris A. Jordan, recruitment chair and sophomore in economics, said he believed that recruiting men was crucial at this stage in the colonization. Many of the men recruited by Delt had not had previous interest in the greek system until they received this opportunity.

"The vision is to break down the traditional greek stereotype," Jordan said. "You see fraternities as places where you can go and party. We understand the social aspect, but we want it to be more than that. We want it to be most of all a brotherhood."

The Delts faced many challenges, which included the difficulty of communication without living together. However, the colony had plans for future communal living.

"We're going to look for an apartment complex, possibly one that will hold maybe 40 members with hallways with the doors that go to the hallways there," Sardina said. "It will be just like a fraternity house, and I think it'll be very helpful to the organization as far as communication goes."

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In the K-State Student Union, Delta Lambda Phi pledges **Ben Deghand**, freshman in applied music, and **Charles Johnston**, graduate student in theater, inspect the next clue in their scavenger hunt. "Delta Lambda Phi should not be looked at as a weak fraternity because of members," Johnston said. "From my past experience with different schools, it's probably one of the more powerful fraternities I've run into in terms of influence on campus and community." Deghand discovered DLP at the fall Activities Carnival and Johnston learned about it at a drag show presented by DLP and Gamma Rho Lambda. *Chelsy Lueth*

'POWERHOUSE' progression

alternative fraternity grows

by Anna Kearns

A man in a toga with a yellow rose led two students to scavenger hunt checkpoints Dec. 6. At the end, **Ben Deghand**, freshman in applied music, and **Charles Johnston**, graduate student in theatre, discovered the site for their initiation into Delta Lambda Phi.

Ten members made DLP one of the smallest fraternities on campus, but they used events and alumni participation to make their name and mission as a progressive fraternity known.

"Obviously we're not going to be the biggest fraternity on campus, so support from our alumni is what really helps us make things happen," **Zach Ozbun**, senior in microbiology, said, "and I think it's come to a point where people are respecting us. This is the Kappa class, and with this class we're here to stay."

Ozbun said their progressive label meant more than might be expected.

"(It's) not just what people call 'the gay fraternity,'" he said. "That's not all it is. Most students don't see it like that, but 'progressive' means it's open to heterosexual men, bisexual, gay, all those things."

Deghand said even though his decision to pledge was rushed, he was happy with his decision.

"It was definitely one of those things where I've never felt so accepted," he said. "I feel this is my family. I am one of those men who doesn't have my family behind me 100 percent. So this year I haven't had my holidays with my family, I had my holidays with Delta Lambda Phi, and I wasn't depressed or anything. I was at home with them."

Johnston compared the progressive community to other universities.

"Delta Lambda Phi is the powerhouse behind the gay community in Manhattan," he said. "Being a master's student, I have a little bit different perspective than most of the brothers do, because at the school I went to there wasn't a hint of a progressive movement. It just didn't exist. And if you ask the older, gay community in Manhattan, they know Delta Lambda Phi because of some of the outreach events we do."

In addition to building a stronger chapter, the men said it was important for them to develop strong ties in the gay and straight communities through outreach events such as the pledge class' celebration of World AIDS Day in Aggieville.

"I think it's important to know that as a whole, Delta Lambda Phi is a friend to all," Ozbun said. "That's what we strive for and what we continue to do. In bringing in new men and new members, continuing to do outreach on campus and in the community, it's what we do. It's second nature now."

LGBT*Exclusive*

National precedent set in Midwest small town

by Stephanie Mikuls

Much like colleges all over the country, the university was home to a thriving greek community. With the chartering of Gamma Rho Lambda in November, the university became the first college in the nation to have both a progressive women's sorority and a progressive men's fraternity, Delta Lambda Phi.

"It's something we're really proud of," **Maria Snyder**, sophomore in anthropology, said. "To be in the middle of conservative Kansas, and somehow we made a welcome home for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered and progressive students. It gives us a place where we can support each other."

GRL was a sorority for LGBT women, but they welcomed all women who were interested in joining.

"As a nontraditional student, I didn't think there would be a home for me in greek life," Snyder said. "I saw the sidewalk chalking for GRL, specifically for LGBT and progressive students, and I attended an interest group meeting and I've been involved since then."

The chapter colonized after the women showed they could maintain sustainability and completed the paperwork, **Chelsey Fritch**, conference chair and senior in humanities, said.

"It shows we are making an attempt to be progressive, we offer a variety of minorities and different qualities on campus," Fritch said. "I think it's phenomenal especially being on such a conservative campus, it's amazing that it's in the Midwest, that our school can offer that."

GRL helped bring the Out and Greek conference to the university Nov. 19-22. Fritch and Snyder went to the Out and Greek Conference in Chicago last year and lobbied to bring it to the university, Snyder said.

"We applied for (the conference) and competed with three different schools to get it here," Fritch said. "We got it because we were the most organized and had the largest amount of budget cuts for the



conference — we saved the conference and our school a lot of money."

Students from California, Arizona, Oregon, Florida and Texas attended the conference. The conference educated students about how to create a more tolerant and conducive environment for LGBT students in the greek system. The conference brought several prominent figureheads from the LBGT community including **Shane Windmeyer**, cofounder and executive director of Campus Pride, an organization that works with students to make college a

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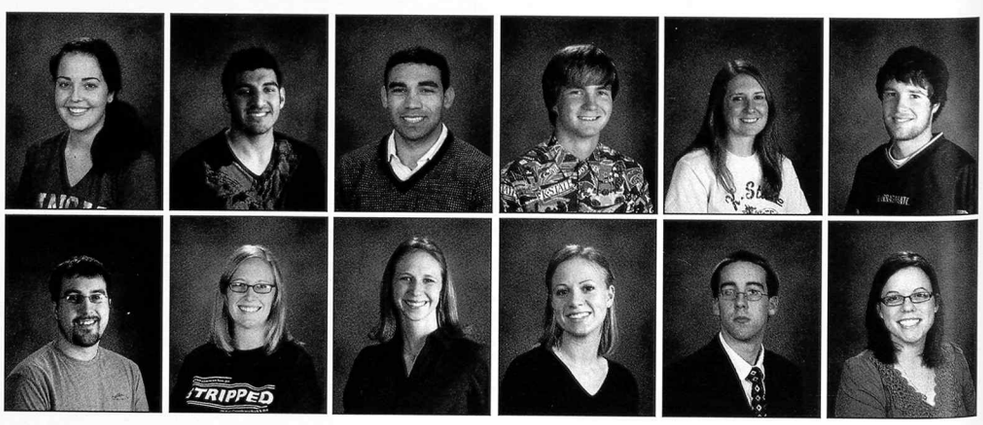



Campus Pride representative, **Shane Windmeyer**, speaks to **Will Frankenberger** of Millen University, and **Jefferson Em**, Delta Lambda Phi. He discussed issues dealing with sexual preferences in traditional greek organizations.
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With supporters present during a presentation for transgendered people, **Ryan Sallans,** a transgendered guest speaker, speaks to the audience about his transition from female to male which he started in 2005.
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At the Loft in Aggieville, **Dusty Garner**, senior in political science, recognizes the members of Gamma Rho Lambda at an event Nov. 21. Garner dressed as Monica Moree during the event which took place during a drag show.
Lisle Alderton



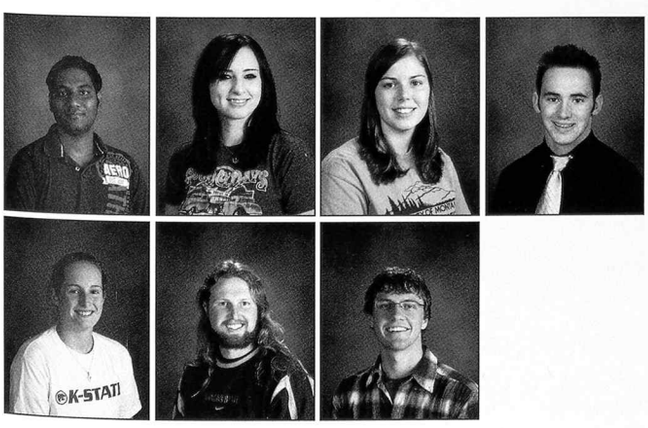
safe place for LBGT students; Andrea Gibson, poet and winner of the 2008 Women of the World Poetry Slam; and **Terrance Dean**, author of the best-selling memoir "Hiding in Hip Hop."

"(Having the conference here) was really exciting," **Stephanie Brandt**, senior in microbiology, said. "I think it really opened a lot of doors to people who weren't just part of campus, who wanted to know what K-State and other colleges were doing to be more accepting of LGBT people. I think it helped a lot of people."

notable events:

- Nov. 19 – 9 a.m. Drag Queen Bingo at the Loft
- Nov. 20 – 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. Being LGBT in today's college fraternity/sorority presentation by Shane Windmeyer
- Nov. 20 – 9:15 p.m. Andrea Gibson, spoken word artist, performance at the Loft
- Nov. 21 – 3:15-4:45 p.m. Black male identity, fraternity culture and masculinity in America presentation by Terrance Dean at the Alpha Chi Omega sorority House
- Nov. 21 – 10 p.m. Queer Dance Night at the Loft
- Nov. 21 – 11 p.m. Drag show, hosted by Monica Moree, drag diva of the Little Apple, at the loft
- Nov. 22 – 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Be the change presentation by Jessica Petitt at the Loft

> "It's a mixed message because it sends the message that Kansas is progressive but in reality the reason we needed this is because we're not supported. And finding that sense of community within ourselves was really important."
>
> *Maria Snyder, sophomore in anthropology*



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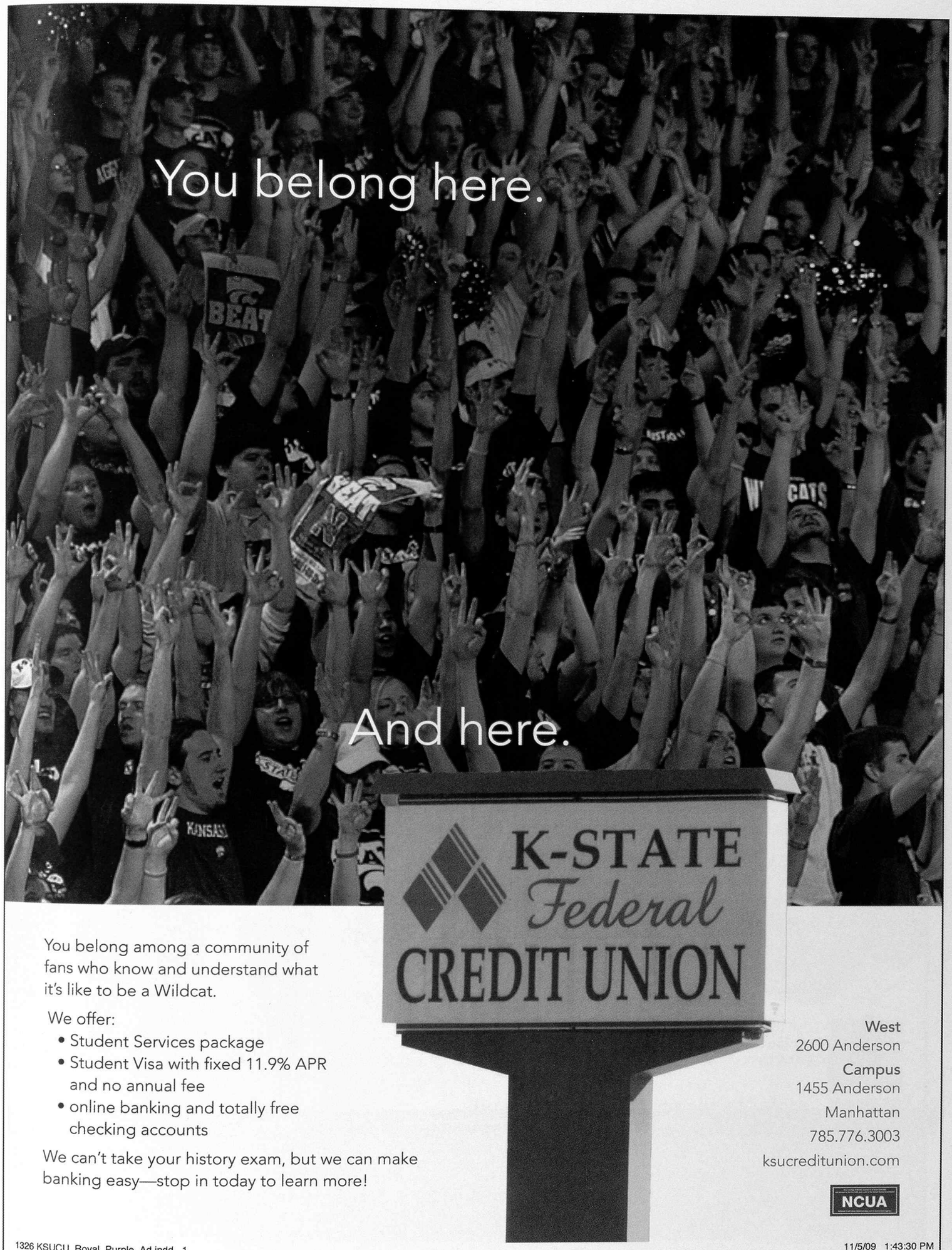

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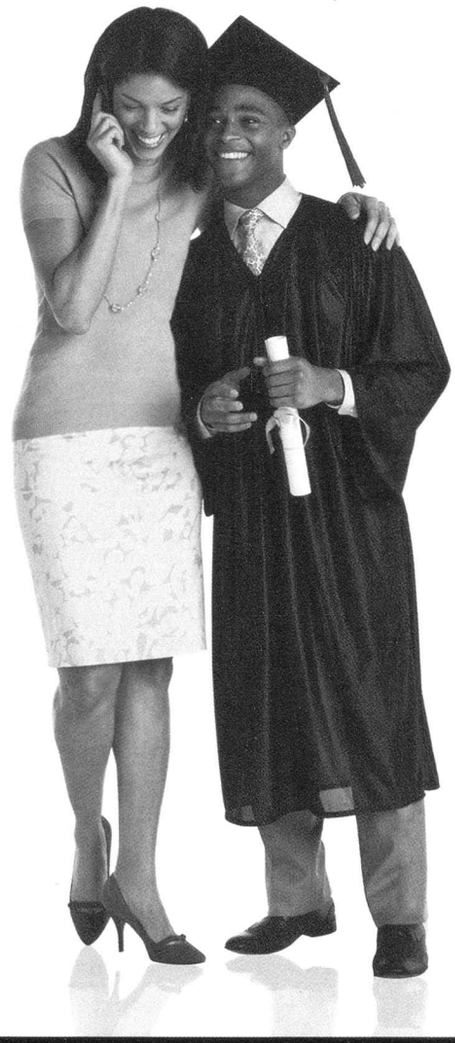

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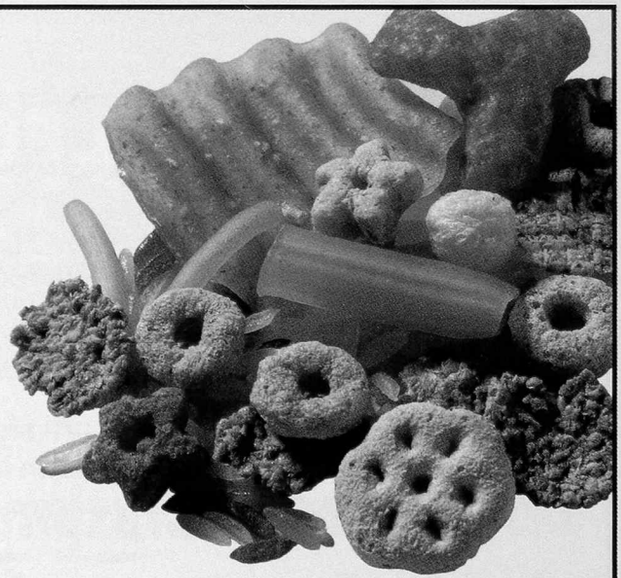

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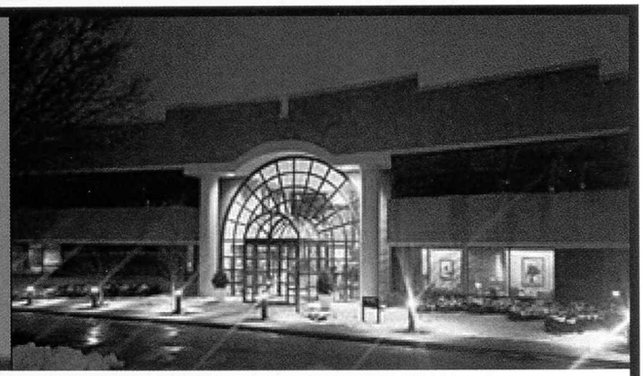

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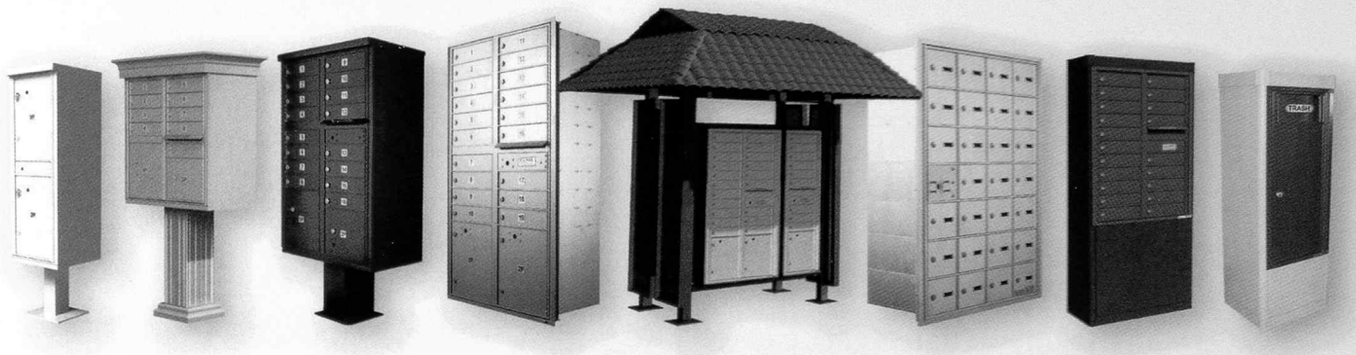



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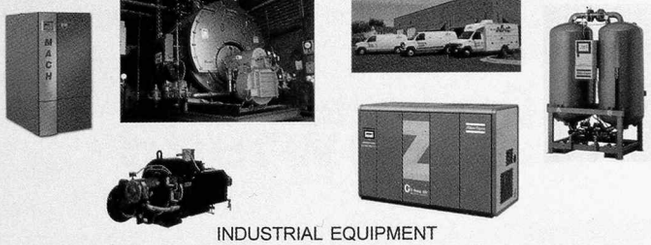

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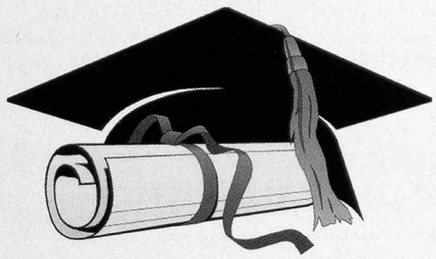

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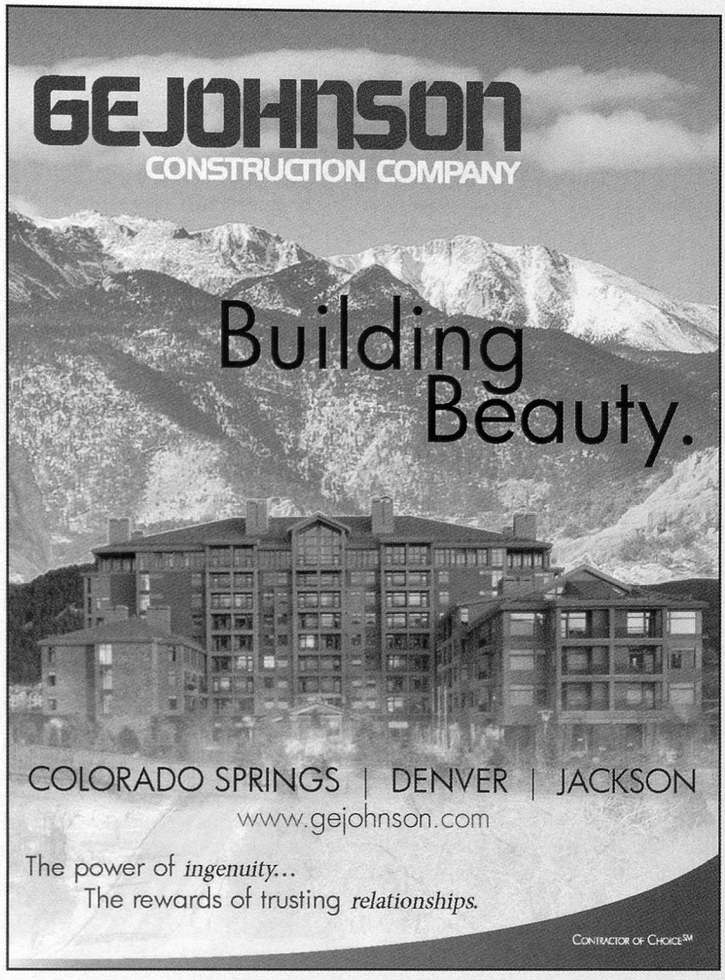

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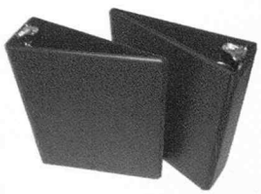

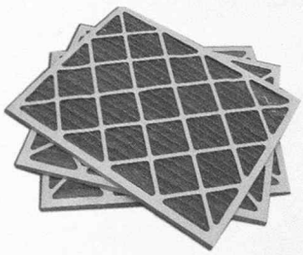

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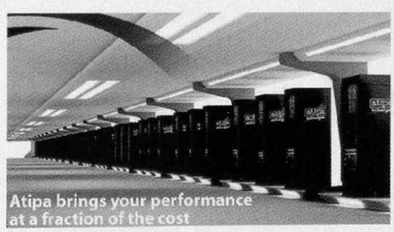

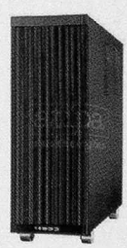





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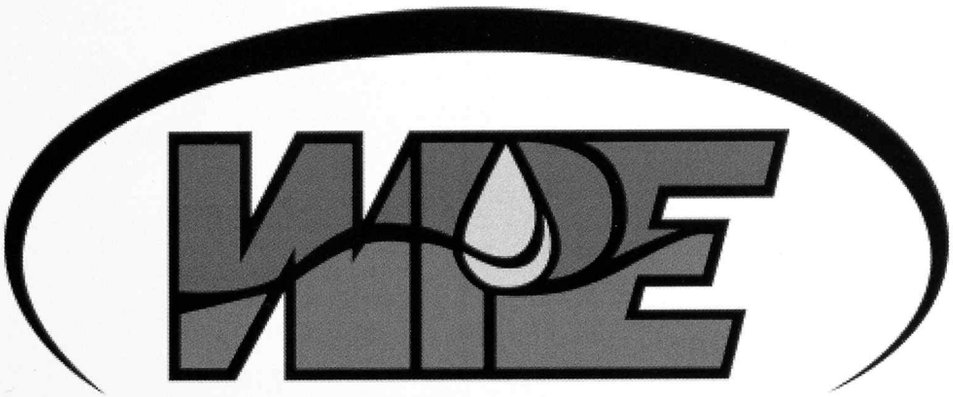

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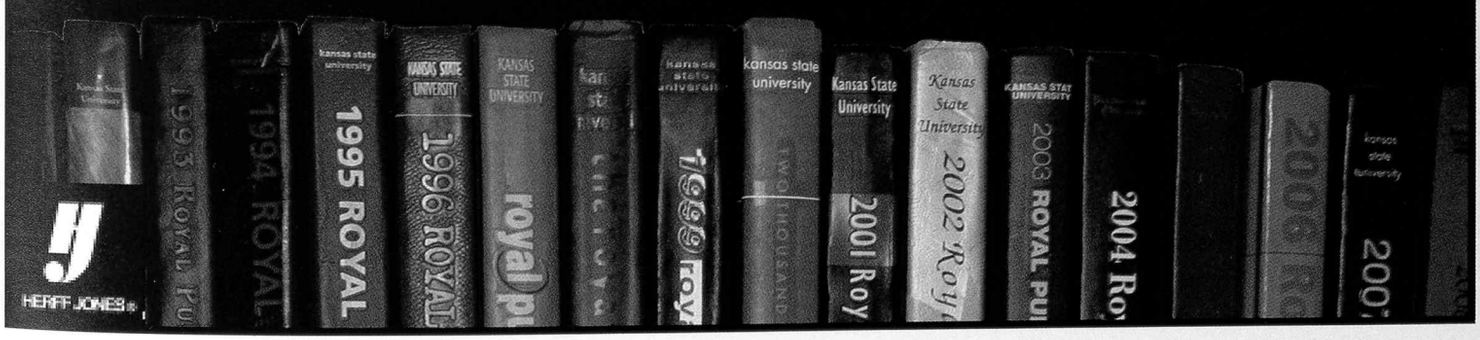

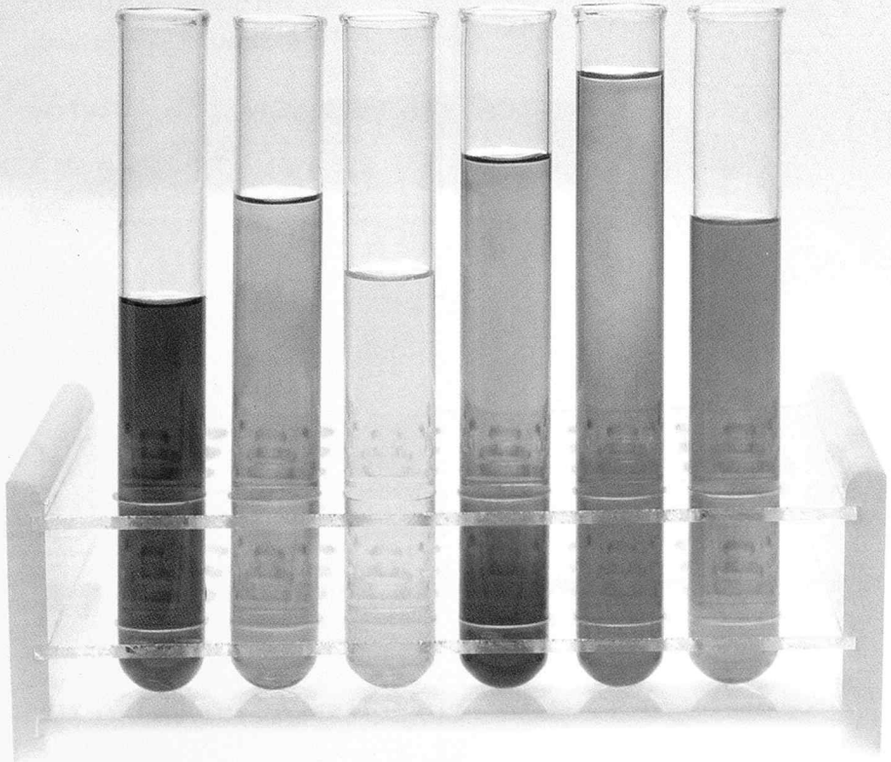

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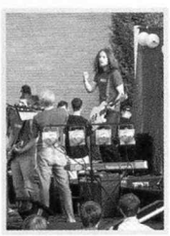



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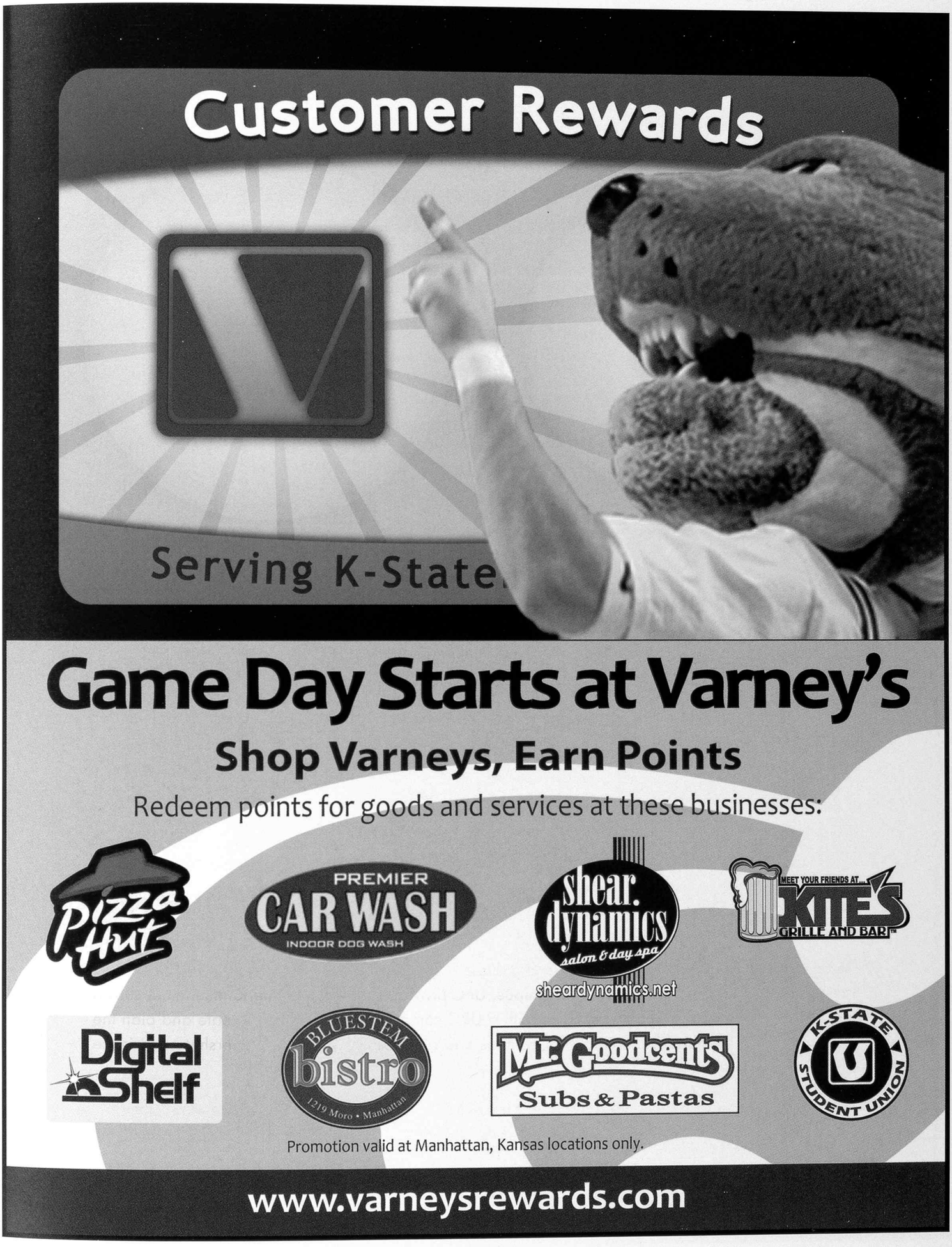
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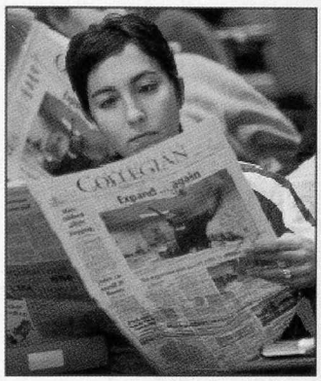

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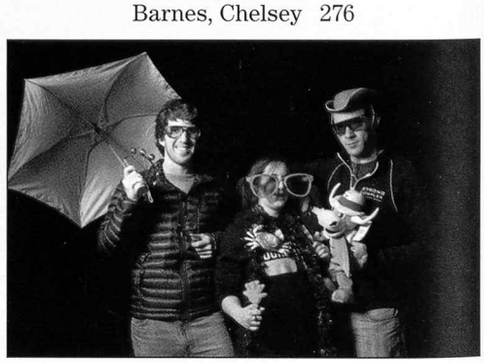

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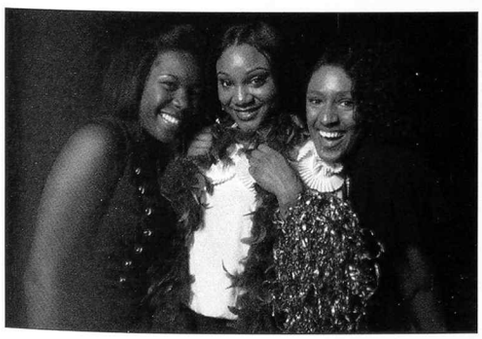

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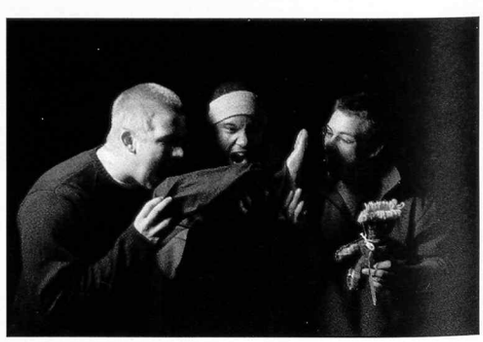

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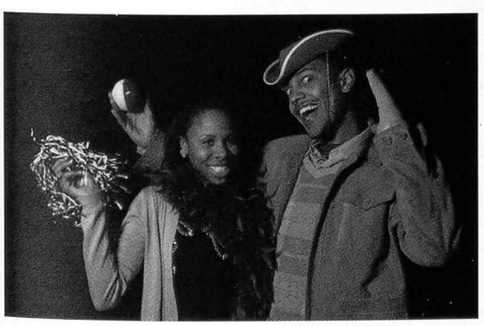

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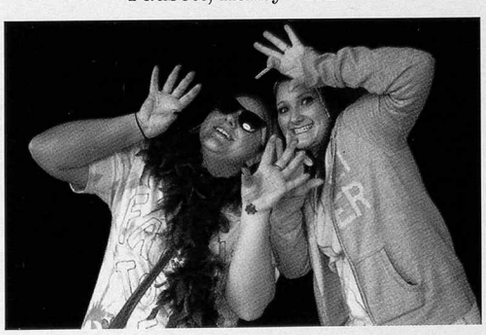

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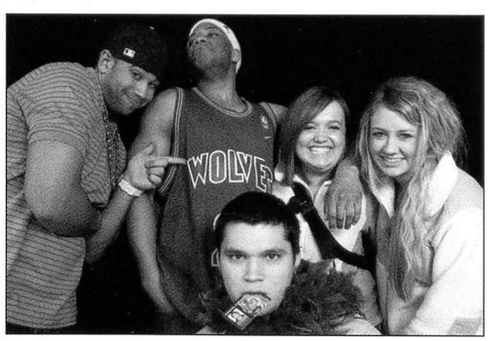

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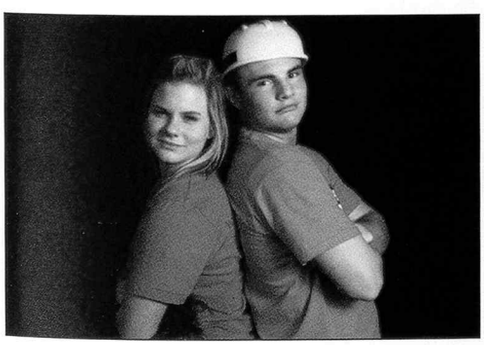

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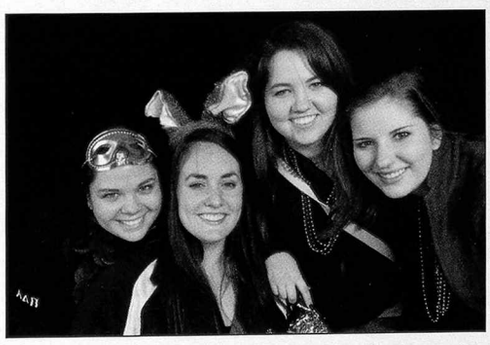

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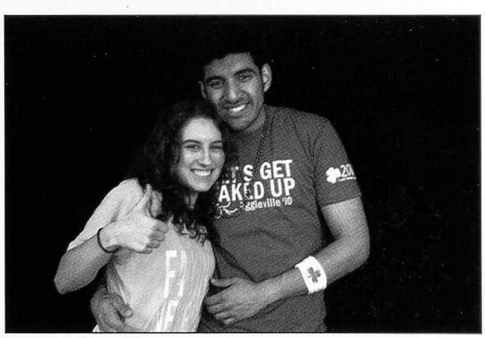

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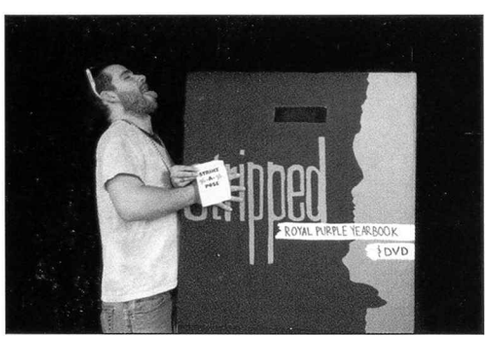

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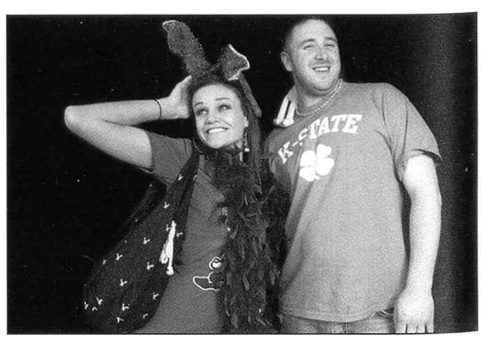

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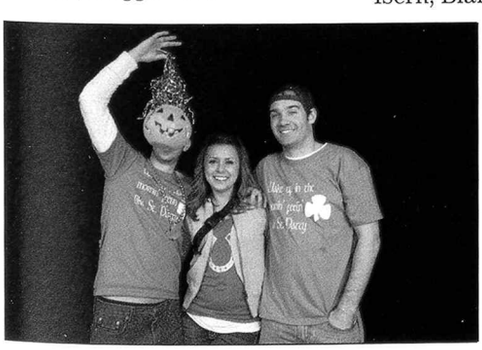

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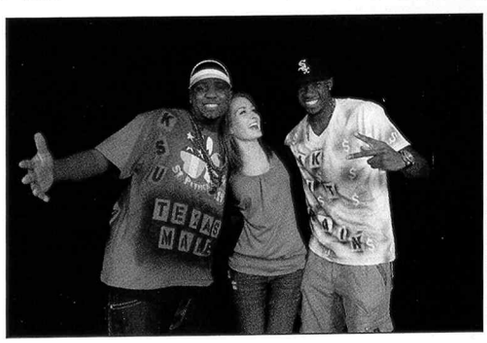

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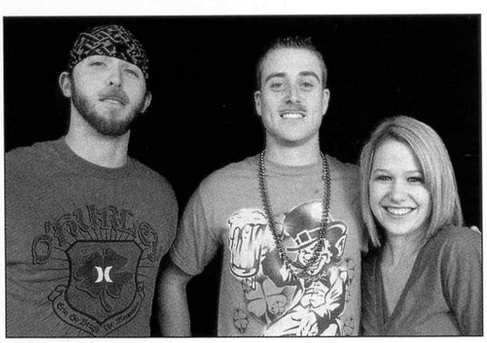

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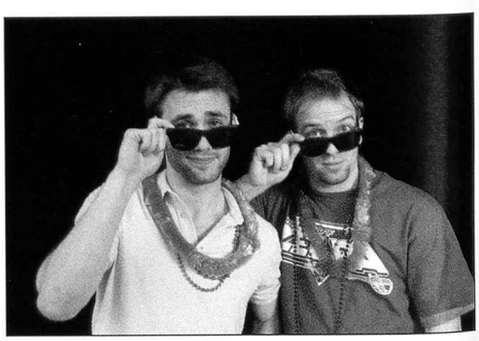

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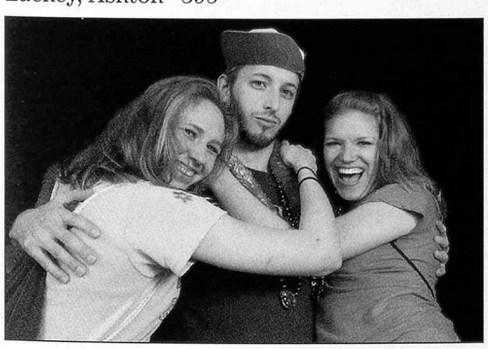

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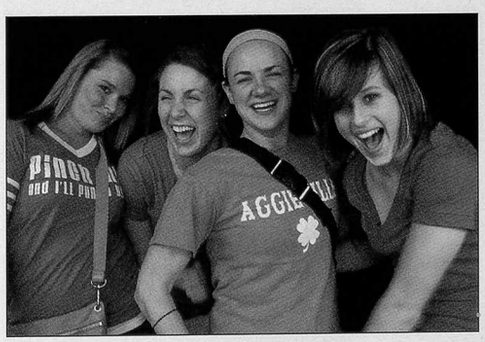

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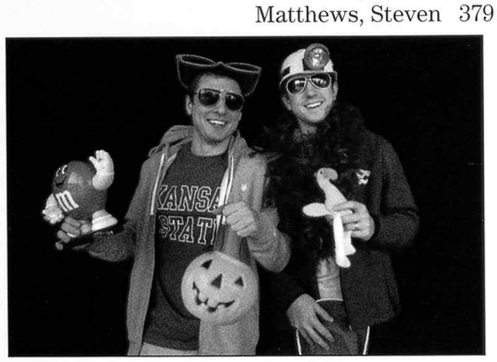

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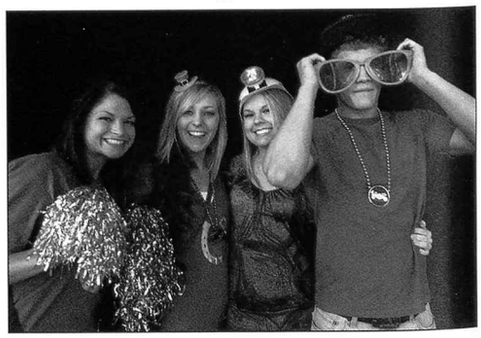

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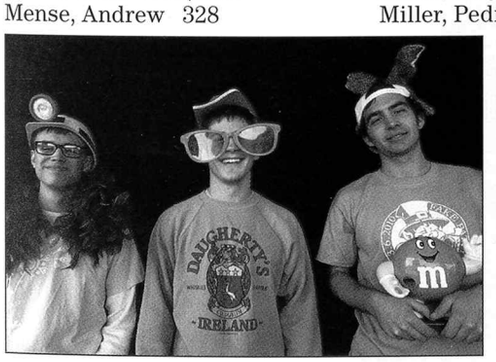

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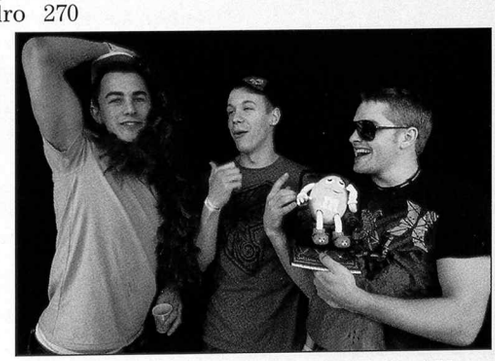

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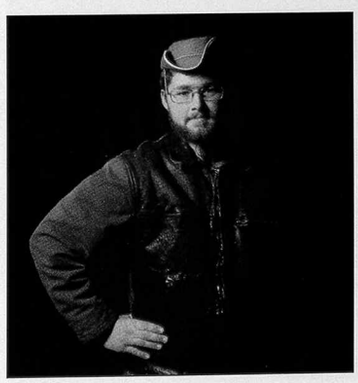

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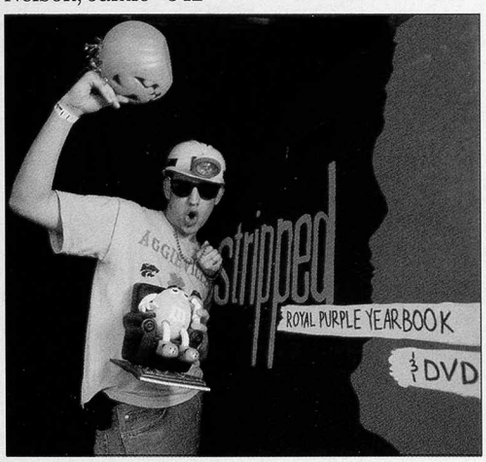

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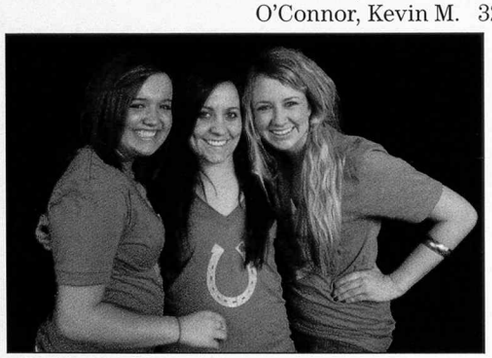
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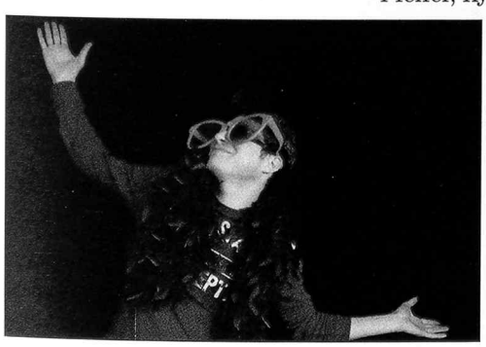

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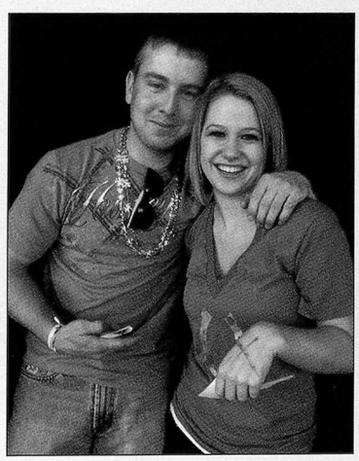

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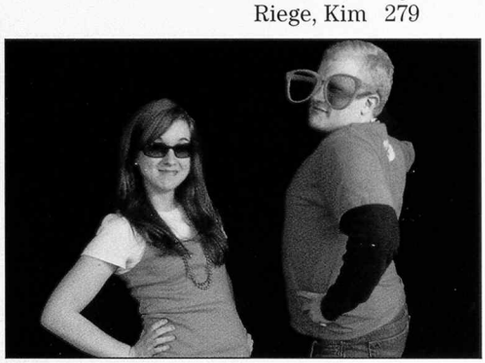

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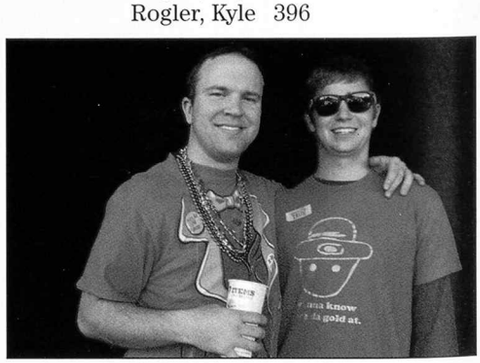

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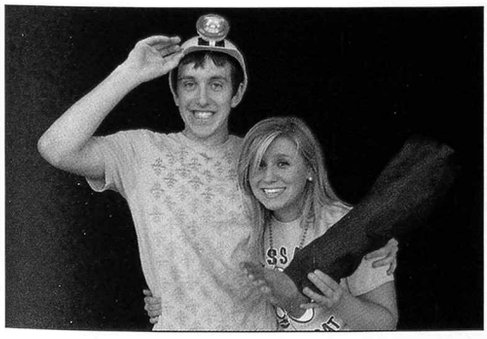

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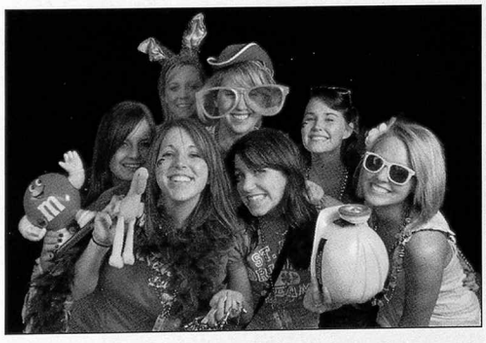

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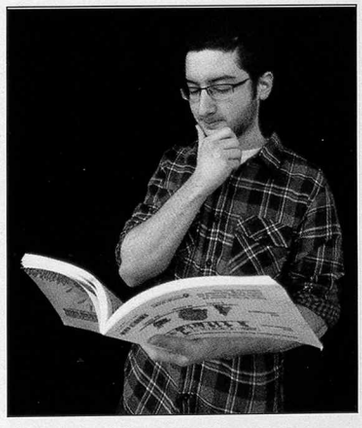

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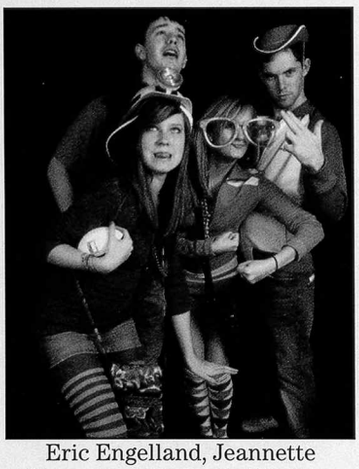

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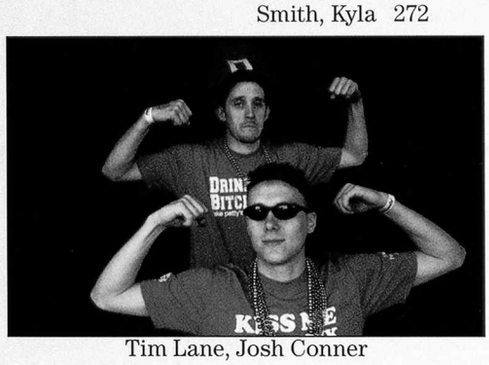

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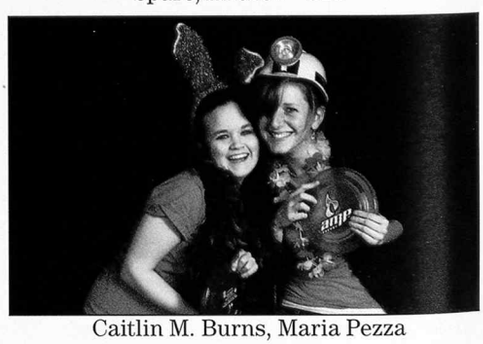

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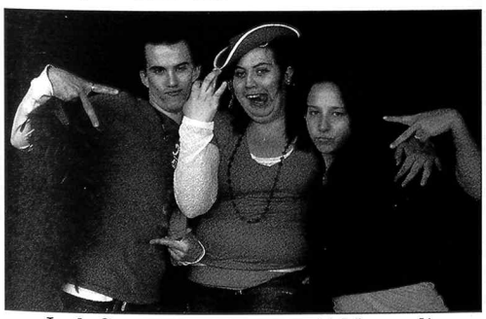

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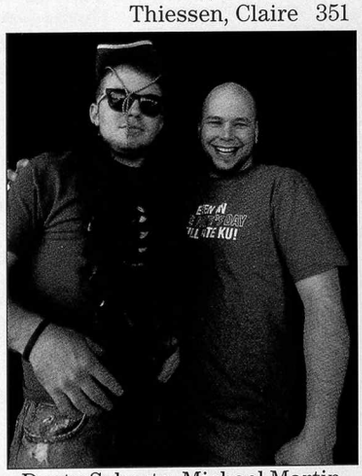

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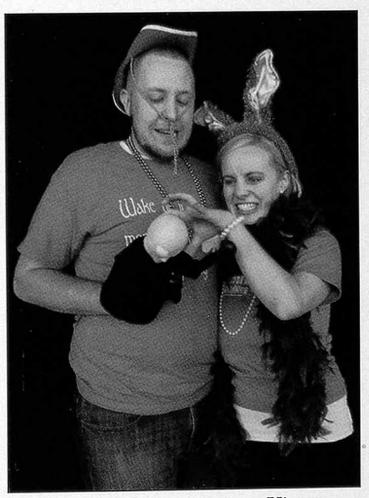

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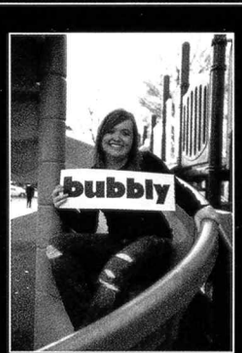







editor's note

I remember as I opened the door to Kedzie Hall 101, walked in the empty room and saw the large purple wall; I knew why I was here. I settled in and began taping blue nametags to each computer, and I knew with the help of the staff it was going to be a good year.

From the beginning, our journey was filled with laughs and learning. Thanks to Lauren on our way to a workshop in St. Louis we learned the real meaning of "Mutigers," which was written on several billboards and actually spelled "MU Tigers."

One month later at retreat, we quickly became close with a game that involved passing a spatula with a string through everyone's shirts (even though we didn't really know each other) and being the first team to have everyone attached. Retreat helped us get excited and passionate about the upcoming year, especially the theme: stripped. There were jokes about the theme, everything from the "strip bars" on the news pages to Willie pole dancing on our fake cover and wanting to use censor bars on our staff photo.

When we finally got down to work, an outside force temporarily stole several stories from Tamara. We call that force "the yearbook elves." One thing I loved about the stories we wrote this year was

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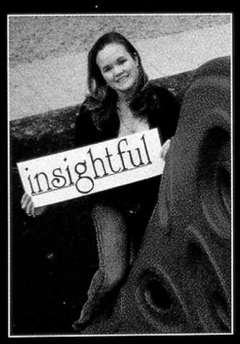

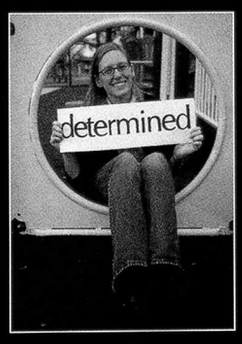



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they were inspired and showed a side of the university and the students you might miss if you were just passing by. The staff saw things from a different perspective (for Anna and Colleen during deadline five that was a different height in their chairs).

During deadline three, over winter break, we finished the largest number of pages with the least amount of sleep. We spent countless hours honing our professional stalking skills, but there was still time for Colleen, Stephanie and Tara to explore Kedzie and for Tamara to make an awkward phone call and accidentally ask a father if his daughter was really his.

From our time on staff, we established lifelong friendships and a K-State legacy people will care about now and in the future. By the end of the year, we were a family that was always there for each other.

Thank you to my wonderful staff for completing your work even though I was always in class, and for putting up with my Coca Cola addiction (thank goodness for recycling, and yes, I have one right now). I will miss the interpretive chair dancing to Celine Dion and friendly smiles when I walk in the door.

Working for the RP is more than a job — it's a passion. Now, the year is complete, but even though the door has closed, our memories will remain in the room with the royal purple wall.

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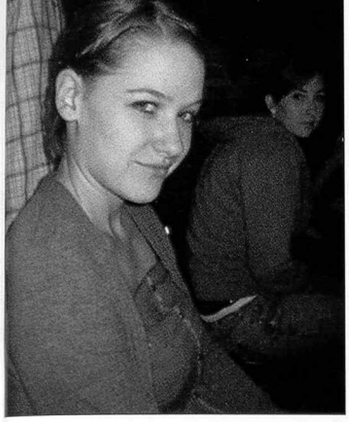

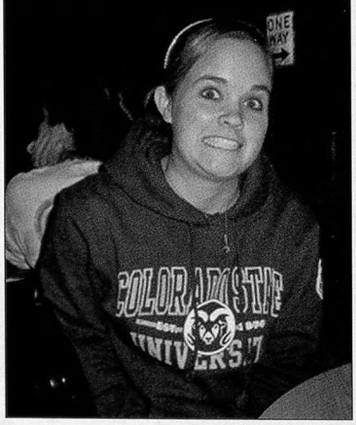
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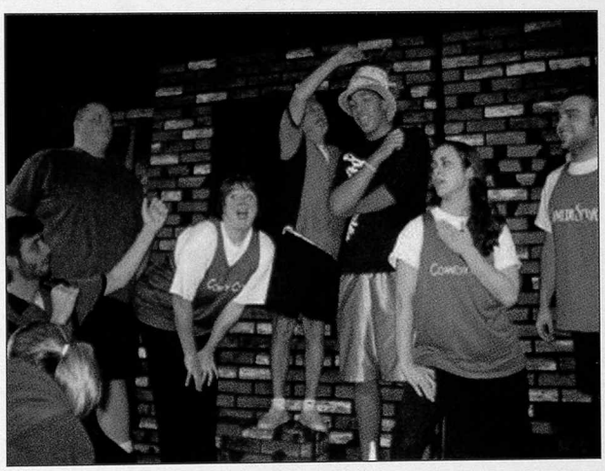

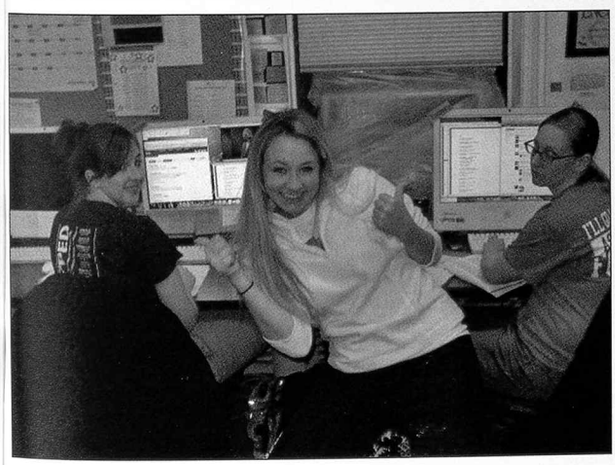





During a talent show sponsored by the Society for Appreciation of Bharatiya Heritage and Arts Feb. 27 in Forum Hall, Vijaya Iyer, graduate student in microbiology, performs a classical Indian dance called Bharatanatyam. "The dance form is a beautiful blend of expressions, music and rhythm," Iyer said. "I learned Bharatanatyam during my high school days and always wanted to perform and enjoy this dance form in front of an audience. SABHA gave me that opportunity, and so after a break of almost 13 years, I revisited this dance form. I thoroughly enjoyed it. I owe SABHA for making this wish of mine come true."
Chelsy Lueth

Dropping your masks isn't easy. After they fall, though, after you allow someone in to your most personal thoughts and feelings, there is freedom. And then, regardless of future involvement together, the memory lingers. You shared a moment, made a connection, and for that time, you were real.

The art of authenticity.

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In front of Umberger Hall March 5, **Lisa Erbe**, senior in theatre, and **Rebecca Taylor**, junior in fine arts, talk and enjoy the weather while snacking on some fruit. Though the pair had tried to climb other trees around campus, ants and bark surfaces proved to them that the tree outside Umberger was the best for climbing. "This is our home tree," Taylor said.
Chelsy Lueth







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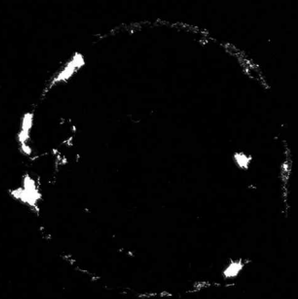

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