



GATHERING OF THE CLAN 2003

The Highland Community College Alumni Association met on Sunday, January 26, and finalized plans for the 34th annual alumni reunion and banquet. The date has been set for Saturday, **April 26, 2003**. The Class of 1953 will be honored beginning with a luncheon at 12:00 noon in the library hosted by HCC President David Reist and his wife Marci.

The HCC performing arts department will present the spring musical at 2:00 p.m. and campus tours will be available in the afternoon for those who would like to see campus improvements and the plans for future campus expansion.

The banquet will be served at 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. Alumni are asked to pick up

their tickets in the Library prior to the meal. The meal will be chicken breast with mushroom sauce, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, dessert, roll, and drink. Cost for the banquet will be \$10.00 per person in advance or \$12.00 if reservations are made after noon on Thursday, April 24.

Following the banquet, the alumni will be entertained with music selections by the HCC Music Department. The HCC Alumni Scholarships will be awarded, followed by the roll call of classes, and special introduction of the Classmates of 1953. A reception in the lobby will follow the singing of the Alma Mater. The Yost Art Gallery will remain open all day for viewing the student art honors exhibit.

Reservations may be made by filling out and returning the form on the back of this newsletter or by calling (785) 442-6018. The Class of 1978 is currently planning a special gathering for their 25th reunion. Doris Delzeit and Shari (Denton) Bauman have volunteered to coordinate their class's activities for the day. Any class wishing to hold an afternoon gathering may contact the alumni office and arrangements will be made. All classes are welcome.

In conjunction with the reunion, a silent auction will be held throughout the afternoon with final bids due prior to the banquet. The items will be available for bid in the HCC library. Proceeds support the HCC alumni scholarship fund. Anyone wishing to donate auction items may call Pat Koelliker at (785) 872-3182.

Class of 1953

Beryl (Smith) Blevins
 Robert Blunt
 Lois (Moser) Bowen
 Mary Lou (French) Colley
 Richard Cotton
 Betty (Estep) Dickerson
 Arnold & Dottie (Ukena)
 Dorrell
 Clark Hatch
 Charles Newlin
 Darlene (Redmond) Johnson
 Milan E. Kloepfer
 Wilma (Mellenbruch) KucK
 Norma Laha
 Clarence Lewis
 Raecarol Morgan
 Henritta Moser
 Deloris Ripple
 Harold Roesch
 Claude Schmille
 Betty (Lewis) Sharp
 Erma (Sharp) Snodgrass
 Bernice Stirton
 Paul Thornton
 Gerald Tinsley

Still Need Address:

Shirley Coleman
 Patricia Daub
 Jean Davis
 Deloris Hathhorn
 Bettie Higley
 Joy Jacobson
 Mrs. Margaret Marcell
 Bill Smith

Deceased

Donald Baker
 Donald Nold
 Charles Schmille
 George Twombly
 Norman Walton
 Bob Wykert

If you have information on any classmates of 1953, please contact the alumni office or call at (785) 442-6018. E-mail may be addressed to: mobryan@highlandcc.edu

T H A N K S

HCC Alumni Association Board President Pat Koelliker treated the on-campus faculty to homemade cookies and coffee at the beginning of the fall semester. Some of our faculty and staff (Virgil Hallauer, Tim Lucas, Jerod Pickerell, and Theresa Grossman) are HCC alumni as seen in the photo.



HCC CLASS OF 1952 REUNION

The day may have been cloudy and rainy, but the spirits of the class of 1952 were very bright. Those able to return enjoyed their time together with many memories and friendships rekindled. Following is a very brief bio of classmates who were able to share in the HCC 2002 Alumni Reunion.

Marilyn (Bingham) Ehram, Bern, married and has two daughters. She has remained active in her community and church. She owned and operated The Inn Shoppe, a women's clothing store. She and her husband enjoy traveling.

Patricia (Dittemore) Gigstad, Olathe, continued her education after HCC at K-State and then 20 years later at Iowa State. She has an elementary education degree and taught music at the Highland Grade School. She has four children and five grandchildren. She does volunteer work in civil air patrol where she was a wing commander for four years.

Robert F. Harter, Galloway, OH, served four years in the Air Force during the Korean conflict as a sergeant. He is married and has two sons and one daughter, and four grandchildren. He is now retired from Marathon Petroleum Company. He received the Meritorious Service Award 2001 from the Aladdin Shriners and was recognized by the HCC Athletic Hall of Fame as part of the 1950 football team. He enjoys gardening, hunting, travel, and displaying his vintage Mustangs (1964-1968).

Marietta Holden, Hiawatha, graduated from Westmar College with a major in Humanities. She then received a Master of Arts degree at the University of Iowa in Occupational Therapy. She worked as an occupational therapist in hospitals in Cherokee and Des Moines, IA, Omaha, Topeka, Kansas City, Lawrence, and Mission, KS. She was the Assistant Hospital Administrator at Sacred Heart Hospital in Wisconsin, Associate Professor at the College of Medicine at the University of Iowa and the College of Liberal Arts at the University of Kansas. She was the Administrative Consultant to the Occupational Therapy Department in the Midwest. She is now retired and volunteers at the Brown County Genealogical Society.

Paul E. Idol, Topeka, served in the Army in Korea. He then received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Emporia State University. He taught, coached, and was a principal for 11 years. He was recalled to the Army as a Captain in 1968 and released to the National Guard in 1976 as a Major. In 1985, he was promoted to full colonel and retired in 1990 with 38 years of service. He and wife Cloeva have two sons and two granddaughters.

David D. Johnson, Ph.D., Charleston, SC, received a B.S. and M.A. degree from the University of Kansas. He continued his

The cafeteria was filled as HCC alumni returned for the 2002 annual reunion. The honored class of 1952 had nine classmates return for a day of fun and reminiscing.



Seated: Patricia (Dittemore) Gigstad, Linette (Miller) Small, and Marilyn (Bingman) Ehram. Standing: Paul Idol, H.A. Smith, Benton Kuck, Gaylord Ukena, and Bob Harter. Marvin Kleppe not pictured.

education at the University of N. Carolina where he obtained his Ph.D. in Romance Languages and Lats. He married and has five children. He has taught in jr. high, jr. college, at K.U., UNC, University of South Carolina, and the Citadel. He is now retired. He was President of the S.C. Chapter of American Assoc. of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese and President of the Citadel Faculty Council. He served in the military and served in the Korean Conflict as a Sgt. He received rank of Colonel at the Citadel. He enjoys travel and is active with the Carolina Alliance for Fair Employment and the Charleston Branch of NAACP. He received Brachs President's Award in 2001. He has traveled to Mexico, Cuba, and Spain. He could not attend the reunion.

Charles Kuck, Council Bluffs, IA, married and has six children. He served in the U.S. Army and then continued his education at Peru State College receiving his M.S. in 1961. He has lived in Iowa since 1966 and was in education for 37 years. He retired in 1991.

Bonnie (Kuschell) Murphy Littlewood, Elwood, KS, at-

tended college at Maryville, MO. She married and they have five children, 19 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren. She taught school, worked for the City of Elwood, and now works part time in the cafeteria at Heartland Regional Medical Center. She had recently been ill and was unable to attend the reunion.

Walter Myers, Fairfax Station, VA, went on to Washburn to obtain his degree. He wrote that he had a great time while at HCC and was impressed at the degree of esteem in which HCC was held by other colleges. Because of conflicting plans, he was unable to attend, but had many fond memories of HCC.

Linette S. (Miller) Small, Horton, taught school in Atchison County for 5 years. She married Charles Small and they have 5 children. While her children were still young, she picked up a few college classes and did a little sub-teaching. After her husband died in 1984, she went to Vo-Tech and got a Nurse's Aid certificate. She then decided to finish college at Peru State, graduating in 1988 with her youngest son as a classmate. She is active in the Christian Church and 4-H clubs and raising Hereford cattle.

H.A. Smith, Jr, Larned, went on to graduate from Emporia State. He married Lovella Kuepker and they have three children. He taught history and government for 39 years, retiring in 1992. He is currently chairman of the Pawnee County Republican Party, a state delegate, and was a national delegate to the 2000 Republican convention. They have traveled extensively throughout the US, Western Europe, British Isles, Russia, Scandinavia, and China.

Gaylord Ukena, Topeka, continued his education at Emporia State, earning his BS in English and Social Sciences and MS in Theatre and English. He spent 38 years in Kansas schools. He was a Library Media Specialist in the Topeka Public School until retiring in 1992.

HCC ALUMNI GAMES HELD

The annual Alumni Games at Highland Community College were held on Saturday, August 24. This year, the Alumni Association Board of Directors started a new tradition of honoring student athletes from particular years. The initial honorees were the Scottie athletes from '86-87.



The HCC Alumni Games got underway with the Alum Run at 10:00 am, starting on the track of Kessinger Field. The baseball game pitted the Scottie varsity against a team of alums beginning at 11:00 am. At noon, the current and former Scottie cheer squads and Classy Lassies got together to practice for their evening performance at halftime of the football game.

Afternoon activities started with an open house for track and field alums at the home of coach Tim Schwegler. Volleyball alums took on the Scottie varsity at 2:00, the softball teams took the field at 3:00, and there was an open house for athletic trainer alums at 3:30. A new addition to the Games was an activity for kids -- a children's Moon Bounce -- available from 3:00 until 5:00 on the front lawn of the campus. Scottie dog face painting was also available for the kids.



That evening, the football game kicked off at 7:00. At halftime, the crowd was entertained by the drill team/cheerleader performance. There was also a halftime recognition of the 1986-87 Scottie athletes. Proceeds from the Games support the Alumni Association Scholarship Program.





CLASSNOTES



1932

Dean A. Dillon, Cincinnati, OH, celebrated his 90th birthday.

Jane (Reeves) Speerschneider is currently residing in Mountain Home, Arkansas.

1940

Byron H. and Mary (Ward) (41) Gilmore have moved to Lawrence. Byron is retired from the US Air Force.

1941

Warren Gladhart has recently moved to Wichita where he is active in church, exercising, social events of the Singles Organization, goes dancing three to four times a week, and also active in the YMCA three times a week.

1942

Alice (Sherman) Streib, Hiawatha, lives in Maple Grove Apartments where she serves on the House Committee.

1943

Katherine (Overfield) Lear has moved to Hiawatha, residing in Maple Grove Apartments.

1944

Margaret (Torkelson) Henby is retired and living in Decatur, Illinois.

1950

Cecil Davies is retired in Vancouver, WA, where he plays golf and is a board member and treasurer of a church-owned campground.

1951

Shirley Larson taught school, lived on a farm, and now has retired and moved to Concordia, KS.

1953

Arnold Dwayne Dorrell, St. Charles, MO, married his wife, Dottie (Ukena), in 1956, retired from McDonnell-Douglas in 1996, and has 3 children with 9 grandchildren.

1955

Marlene (Fuhrman) Dodd retired from teaching elementary school in 1995 and is living on her farm with her husband Don in Sabetha. They have three children and nine grandchildren.

1958

Norman Blakley received a masters degree in Criminal Justice from Michigan State and did further graduate work under an Air Force program at USC. He had a military career for 32 years. In 1985, he retired from the Air Force and worked 10 years for Boeing Helicopters in Quality America management. He retired once again in 1995. He now does a lot of traveling with his wife, Margaret, and their daughters.

1968

Joe Laukemper, is currently living in Mound City, MO where he owns and operates Laukemper Motor Company and an antique mall off of I-29. He enjoys hunting. He and his wife have three children.

1970

Ted Voelker, Rudolph, WI, teaches 7th and 8th grade reading and social studies at Immanuel Lutheran School in Rapids, Wisconsin. He is also involved in coaching at the local high school as the d-line football coach and at the junior high as the basketball and track coach. He and his wife are both active in the church and community as well as having a small farm where they raise livestock and a variety of crops.

Paul Crawford, Topeka, is the Director of Maintenance at USD 345.

1971

Sara Sanchez is living in Harlingen, Texas where she is a Special Education Teacher for Harlingen CISD.

1974

Richard Karnowski, Emmett, attended Kansas State University, obtaining a B.S. in accounting. He is now an accountant with his own tax service agency.

1975

Kathy (Ladd) Clark, Bendena, joined the staff at HCC in 1998 as the business officer manager.

1978

Shari Bauman, Wathena, attended Washburn University to receive her bachelor's degree in education. She is a teacher for Wathena 406 School District. shari seves on the HCC Alumni Board.

Vanetta Geiger, attended Kansas State University receiving her B.S. in Apparel Design. She lives in Denton and is employed by Highland Community College as an Admission Representative and the Cheerleading/ Dance Team Sponsor.

Marj (Finuf) Locker attended the University of Missouri-Kansas City where she got her master's in education. She resides in Luglow, MO where she is an art teacher.

1979

Jeanne (Chadwell) Dowell attended Kansas State University. She is a FACS teacher living in Olsburg, KS.

Rich Pettibon is a heavy equipment operator living in Bonner Springs, KS.

1980

Rhonda (Lewis) Bethe attended Bethany College, receiving her BA in accounting. She is an accountant living in Gypsum, KS.

1984

Pamela (Swart) Leihsing, Emporia, is a home day care provider. She and her husband Dwayne have three children, Ashley, Audrey and Thomas.

Helen Paden, is the owner of WebStarNet and works as a network consultant. She also does Website design. She lives in Overland Park, KS.

Tracy Price lives in Gardner, KS where she is a realtor for JD Reece. She and her husband Rodney have three children, Taylor, Carley, and Conner .

1985

Melissa (Frakes) Baity, is currently living in Manhattan, KS with her husband Jason. After leaving Highland, she worked at the K-State Research and Extension-Shawnee County office as a 4-H Program Assistant in Topeka. She is now a library clerk at the Manhattan Public Library.



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David Mannell and his wife are living in Topeka and have three children. David is a lab technician for UCB Cello.

Linda (Furhman) & Brian Young have two children, Crystal and Joshua. Linda is working as a US Bank customer's files manager. The two have recently started a new business and live in St. Paul, MN.

1986

Tim Evans is married and has two children. He is working for a large IT consulting/development firm. He enjoys playing in a regionally touring rock band. He lives in Des Moines, IA.

Laura (Klaus) Simpson attended Emporia State University, completing her degree in sociology. She is now residing in Troy with her husband John. They own and operate John's Market in Troy.

1987

Kim (Collins) Dishon, Horton, is an At-Risk Tutor for Horton Elementary.

Angie (Kinkead) Eberly attended Tarkio College, completing her degree in education. She is now the owner of Euphoria Fitness Center and works as a personal trainer in the Highland area where she resides.

Michelle (Odermatt) & Paul Sackett, moved to Hamden, CT where Paul is a Manager Professional in Union Relations at General Electric. They have three children.

Rosemary (Schock) Wilkerson, Holton, received her Master of Science from Kansas State University in December 2000. She is employed by Washburn Endowment Association as a Constituent Officer, College of Arts and Sciences. **Les Wilkerson '92**, is employed by Prostate Treatment Centers, Inc. as a TUMT Clinical Specialist. She is a member of the HCC Alumni Association Board of Directors.

1988

Mike Bartlett and his wife have two children, Jared and Ashley. They currently live in Gardner, KS where he is an account administrator for Transamerica.

Donna Berkley, Dexter, is currently a board clerk/bookkeeper at Dexter Schools. She has also been the assistant high school volleyball coach.

Allison Blanton attended Missouri Western State College to obtain her degree in education. She is a pre-school teacher in St. Joseph, MO.

Sarah (Williams) Burks attended Washburn University and Benedictine College, receiving her BED and MEA. She is residing in Wathena and is an Assistant Principle for the St. Joseph School District.

Colan Francis and his wife, Tami, have built a home in the Kansas City North area. They have a daughter, Krystin. Colan is a senior Microsoft software developer for G.A. Sullivan in Kansas City. He also serves as the President on the Board of Directors for Oak Hill Estates Association and is assisting in writing a book on VB.NET for Microsoft. He and his family split their time between their townhome in Cincinnati, OH and their home in Kansas City.

Deana (Thompson) Funk, Pittsburg, KS, is an Occupational Therapist for Mt. Carmel Regional Medical Center and has four children.

John Lavin, Rockville, MD, is a senior analyst and programmer for ABT Consulting, Washington, DC.

Barb (Lape) Sailors is currently living in Falls City, NE and is working in office management.

Marcie (Allen) Steinberg attended Emporia State University and is currently living in Overland Park, KS.

Jeff Summers attended Washburn University receiving a degree in accounting. He is currently a postmaster at St. Marys.

Darryl Wagner, Atchison, is employed by Midwest Grain and farms on the side. He and his wife Tina, have three daughters, Sarah Marie, Grace Marie, and Deni Marie.

Elly Wilbur attended Pittsburg State University and KU Med to get her degree in physical therapy. She is a physical therapist and lives in Pittsburg, KS.

1989

Paul Greer attended Devry and received his BS in Computer Science. He is a web developer living in Shawnee, KS.

Doug Wareham, Holton, has been promoted to Senior Vice President of the Kansas Grain and Feed Association.

1990

Bill Clark is a teacher in the USD 330 school district. He lives in Harveyville, KS.

Jeff McMahan, Lenexa, is employed by Informix Software as an Advanced Support Engineer. He plays roller hockey in his spare time.

Mike Ploeger is currently living in Troy where he works for an insurance company as a casualty adjustor.

John Schock, Topeka, is a logistics coordinator for UCB films.

Ryan Sink lives in Ottawa with his wife, Lori and their son Tanner John.

1991

Chris Diedrick, Tescott, is in the cattle and farming business.

Evette Edmondson, received her B.A. in Social Science from the University of North Dakota and is now working part-time at Big K-Mart in Grand Forks, ND.

Eric Keim, is currently a Missouri State Trooper living in Platte City, MO.

Elaine (Cochran) Parker, Topeka, became a parole officer for the state of Kansas in 2001. In April 2002, she married Norman Joshua Parker II.

1992

Valorie Blanton graduated from the University of Kansas in May 2002.

Michele Dugan attended Rockhurst University where she obtained her master's in physical therapy. She currently lives in Manhattan, KS and is employed by Mercy Health Center as a physical therapist.



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Misty Miller, Atchison, is employed by Atchison Public School District.

Jason Swift attended Emporia State University. He is a teacher, living in Overland Park, KS.

1993

Becky (Glynn) & Mike Feuerbacher, had twin girls on December 23, 2001, Amy and Laura. Prior to their arrival, Becky was a paralegal for a law firm in Independence, MO, and Mike has finished his Chief Residency at Truman Medical Center in Lee's Summit, MO. The family now resides in Maryville, MO where Mike began his medical practice.

Suann (Bartholemew) Lawson, Morrill, was promoted to Senior Branch Office Administrator for Edward Jones in '99. She accepted a limited partnership with Edward Jones in 2000, and is also employed by HCC teaching ABE/GED courses at the Sabetha Center. She also enjoys designing wedding, graduation, and other invitation cards by computer design.

Jeffery Massey is a mortgage broker living in Kansas City, MO.

David Petefish does customer processing for Yellow Transportation. He is currently living in Topeka, KS.

Bryan Roelfs is employed at Great Plains MFG. out of Salina, KS.

Ray Smith, St. Joseph, MO, is an artist for Hallmark Cards.

Sarah (Bell) Thompson and her husband Mike, are both employed at Binghamton University where Sarah teaches fitness and aerobics. They have one daughter, Kelly.

Brenda (Huber) Adkins, Holton, works for KPERS in Topeka and will graduate with her Masters Degree May 2003 from Washburn University.

1994

Angela (Moore) & Lee Ahlvers currently live in Shawnee, KS and have two children. She is employed in marketing by Cookbook Publishers, Inc. Lee is employed by Union Pacific Rail Road.

Shawn Marney resides in Memphis, TN with his wife Kimberly and two children. He is a business systems analyst.

Marta (McKee) McClung attended Truman State University where she received her M.A.E. in Special Education and her B.S. Psychology. She is currently a Special Education teacher in Independence, MO.

Jody Mitchell is living in Topeka, Kansas where he owns Higgins Monuments.

Brandan Sigrist, attended the University of Kansas, receiving his B.S.E. in 1997. He then attended the University of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Sciences in Des Moines, IA, receiving his B.S for a Physicians Assistant Certificate. He resides in Atchison, KS working for Atchison Orthopaedics and Sports as a Physician Assistant and Athletic Trainer.

1995

Marcie (Israel) & Chad Adcock are currently residing in Netawaka. Chad is a territory sales manager for O'Reilly Auto Parts and Marcie is a stay at home mom for their daughters, Danielle Elizabeth and Michaela Grace.

Kourtney Allen attended Washington State. He is currently a Rail Road Conductor living in Lee's Summit, MO.

Alicia (Roberts) Deters attended Ottawa University where she received her B.A. She now resides in Hiawatha and worked at Highland Community College as the Coordinator of Activities. She is finishing her student teaching this spring.

Jeremy Thomas is a pharmaceutical representative living in Topeka, KS.

1996

Joy Huber attended Peru State College, receiving her Bachelor of Science degree. She lives in Lincoln, NE and is employed by Westfield Shopping Town where she is the Director of Marketing.

Mike Miano has been working as an admissions representative for a nationwide proprietary college for the past three years, but plans to become a high school teacher and coach this next fall. He played football

at Southwest Missouri State University and for the Chicago Bears.

1997

Angela Allenbrand is currently residing in Wamego. She traveled to China to adopt her daughter Elizabeth Rose in 2000. She is employed by Kansas Farm Bureau Services as an Administrative Assistant.

David Batchelder is working at Nortel Networks in Telecommunications. He is living in Overland Park, KS.

Jason Belveal was promoted to a loan officer at Kendall State Bank. He has a bachelor's degree in business administration with a minor in economics from Emporia State University.

Collen Callahan is currently residing in Kansas City, KS where she is a promotions assistant for 99.7 KY Entercom Radio.

Rachel Fulkerson is a student at Emporia State University working through graduate school. She received her B.S.E. in K-12 PE.

Sally Leatherman attended Fort Hays State University and received her BFA in graphic design in 2000. She now works for a ministry called "Focus on the Family" as a graphic designer.

Linda (Levret) & Douglas Miller currently reside in Hiawatha. Linda received her B.S. in art education in May 2000, and a Master of Science in education in August of 2001 from Peru State College. She is a teacher in Wathena. Doug received his B.S. in Business also from Peru State in December 2001. He is a researcher for the University of Nebraska's Horticulture Department.

1998

Jenny (Charbonneau) Beenken is currently living in Wichita with her husband Nathan. She is working as a lead teacher for Via Christi Health Systems Child Development Center.

Nick Dowell is a teacher and coach in Queen City, MO.



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Bradley Ledu attended Fort Hays State University. He is an Art teacher living in McLouth, KS.

Mandy Munding is residing in McPherson. She graduated in May of 2000 from Southwestern College and is working for Abbott Laboratories as a chemist.

Trevor Webster attended Northwest Missouri State University completing his B.S. in corporate recreation and wellness. He is currently living in Topeka, KS.

John Chartier graduated in December 2000 with a BS in agronomy from Kansas State University. He is residing in Luverne, MN with his wife Amy where he is a district sales manager for JC Robinson Seed Co.

1999

Randee Brunner received her nursing pin from Northeast Kansas Area Technical College.

Jason Tilley is a help desk analyst living in Manhattan, KS.

Kevin Tilley, Hiawatha, works in human resources at the Golden Eagle Casino.

Clint Windmeyer attended Kansas State where he received his B.S. and is now a Juvenile Accountability Officer residing in Highland.

2000

Meghan Bergman is currently attending Bethany College.

Shane Catron is a slot specialist at Harrah's Casino, living in Topeka.

Trendi Emerson attended Baker University. She is now a customer support representative at Hills Pet Nutrition in Topeka.

John Hill III attended Baker University and is residing in Lawrence, KS.

Kipp Lamberson works construction and is currently living in Holton.

Dustin "Gus" Lee, Kearney, NE is currently attending Northwest Missouri State.

Renee (Steinlage) Mueting, Olathe, graduated from Pittsburg State University in May of 2002, married her husband Mike, August 4, 2002, and is now teaching at Gardner-Edgerton High School.

Enoch Smith is a starting senior defensive end and a fulltime student at Southwest Missouri State with his wife, Talisha. He has 3 children, Simone, Enoch Jr., and Trevon. Living with the Smith family are Talisha's brothers, Darius and David. Enoch and his wife are majoring in criminal justice. Enoch will be graduating next spring and going into law enforcement, eventually joining the FBI and Talisha graduated this December and she plans to be a prosecutor.

Derek Wohlgemuth attended Emporia State University and graduated in December 2002. He is living in Atchison.

2001

Keith Aubert is attending Fort Hays State University.

Andrea Collins is currently attending Northwest Missouri State University.

Garet Havel attended Fort Hays State University. He is now an agronomist for Crop Quest. He is living in Hays.

Dylan Moore is a fork-lift operator living in Kansas City, MO.

Sarah (Akin) Renyer is currently attending Peru State College. She received the Peru State College Foundation scholarship and the Farmer to Farmer Scholarship.

Corrine Robins is attending Washburn University and is a physical therapy aide at St. Francis Hospital.

Jessica Schafer is attending Emporia State University.

Tara Sauer is currently attending Washburn University.

2002

Walter Backus is attending Southwest Missouri State and playing football.

Jake Brooke is attending Fort Hays State University.

Brenda (Cobb) Diveley, Severance, received her clerical certificate and worked as a medical transcriptionist for 8 years. In 1998, she returned to HCC to obtain her Associate in Arts degree for special education, where she became the President of the Non-Traditional Student Organization and the treasurer for KNEA-SP. She is now attending Peru State University.

Rebecca Corkins attended Missouri Western State College and Northwest Missouri State University. She is now residing in Agency, MO.

Jessica Dye is attending Texas A&M, working on her Bachelor of Industrial Engineering.

Derick Hargrave is currently in landscaping, living in Manhattan, KS.

Mindy Meyer is a student at Emporia State University, pursuing a degree in marketing.

Allan Singletary attended Park University and is continuing his baseball career.

Blake Thompson is currently a landscaping supervisor living in Kansas City.

Miranda Thompson is attending Washburn University.

Sarah Toyne is attending Kansas State University, and is working at HCC's Wamego Center.

Stacey Trunecek is currently attending Emporia State University where she is completing her degree in health promotion.

Kirk Turpin is attending Park University, continuing his baseball career and residing in Parkville, MO.

Lynn Windmeyer is currently attending Kansas University.

Melissa Wollenman is a student at Northwest Missouri State University and lives in Gladstone, MO.

WEDDINGS

Sara Hawk-Noll (71) to Daniel Sanchez on July 20, 2002.

Diane Shaw (80) to Samuel Jenkins on April 27, 2002.

Brenda Gordon(80) to Steven Younger on September 21, 2002.

Melinda Harwood to **Mark Esslinger (81)** on July 20, 2002.

Regina Boyland to **David Kepple (85)** on October 5, 2002.

Carrie LaMar to **Dennis Blevins (89)** on February 23, 2002.

Katyepson to **Colby Collins (92)** on June 5, 2002.

Denise Wenger to **Dr. Gregory O'Bryan (93)** on August 30, 2002.

Lisa Levsen to **Brian Davis (94)** on October 19, 2002.

Nancy Loyd (94) to Paul Leffingwell on July 27, 2002.

Amanda Crouse to **Eric Hartman (94)** on May 11, 2002.

Natalie Sechler to **Douglas Brammer (96)** on July 6, 2002.

Charisse Hewins (96) to Scott Deschenes on December 28, 2002.

Angela Ricklefs (96) to Paul Ingram on August 24, 2002.

Angela Aue (97) to Dennis McGuire on June 22, 2002.

Karin Stirton to **Chris Behrnes (97)** on April 27, 2002.

Sara Hartman (97) to Brent Schultz on October 5, 2002.

Jenny Charbonneau (98) to Nathan Beenken on April 13, 2002.

Jennifer Studer (98) to **Joshua Christopher (97)** on September 29, 2001.

Michelle Studdard to **Jay Gormley (98)** on June 8, 2002.

Rachel Craig to **Travis Jenkins (98)** on July 7, 2001.

Staci Schultz (98) to Toby Prawl on September 7, 2002.

Sara Liggett (99) to David Haupt on April 27, 2002.

Karla Smith (99) to **Christopher Cohorst (99)** on August 17, 2002.

Melissa Yarnell to **Rodney Elam (99)** on April 12, 2002.

Andrea Flowers to **Andrew Bramlage (00)** on May 25, 2002.

Beth Harrington to **Jeff Brown (00)** on October 20, 2001.

Angela Wright (00) to Joshua Springs on July 6, 2002.

Christina Benzel (02) to **Peter Blanton (01)** on January 4, 2003.

Rhonda Ptacek (02) to **James Panches (02)** on August 3, 2002

Rebecca Twombly (02) to Paul Glaser on June 1, 2002.

ANNIVERSARIES

Crystal and **Jim Potts (63)** celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on December 26, 2001.

Vicki and **Steve Tate** celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on March 11, 2002.

Lavon and **Ernie Keehn (61)** celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on May 26, 2002.

Barbra and **Charles Wegener (43)** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 1, 2002.

Susan and **Steve Erickson (72)** celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on July 16, 2002.

Betty and **Jack Denton (54)** celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary on June 23, 2002.

Cathy and **Steve Christ (66)** celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on July 22, 2002.

Jeanette (Rush) and Jerry Aller (74) celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on September 24, 2002.

Bettie and **George (56) Karn** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on November 15, 2002.

BIRTHS

A daughter, Teagan Cassidy, was born December 22, 2001, to **Sherri (Francis) (90)** and Ken Maxwell of Atchison.

A daughter, Taygen Rayne, was born February 6, 2002, to Kristi and **Darin Altenburg (95)** of Topeka, KS.

A son, Noah William, was born February 17, 2002, to **Sandy (Moore) (86)** and **John Hefty(85)** of Valley Falls.

A son, Alexander Earl, was born April 13, 2002, to **Amanda Liechti (00)** of Wathena, KS.

A daughter, Kaitlin Suzanne, was born April 23, 2002, to Susan and **Mark Larson (77)** of Eudora, KS.

A son, Walker Robert, was born May 21, 2002, to Amy and **Matt Lowdermilk (94)** of Hiawatha, KS.

A son, Brayden James, was born on June 2, 2002 to **Kim (Streib)(96)** and Brett Kelley of Hiawatha, KS.

A son, James Steven, was born on June 10, 2002 to Rosanna and **Russell Schaefer (89)** of Lenexa, KS.

A daughter, Alexis Taylor, was born on June 21, 2002 to **Kari (Holzhey) (89)** and Shane Studer of Wathena, KS.

A son, Mason Monroe, was born on June 12, 2002 to **Diane (Albertson) (91)** and **Jim Ward (90)** of Hiawatha, KS.

A daughter, August Leigh, was born June 19, 2002 to Rachel and **Michael Koerperich (95)** of Hiawatha, KS. T

Twin boys, Gage and Gunnar, were born on September 17, 2002 to Brooke and **Justin Koontz (98)** of Hiawatha, KS.

A daughter, Kaylen Marie, was born October 29, 2002 to **Kylee (Schuetz) (01)** and Adam Bunck of Overland Park, KS.

DEATHS

Grace E. Scalapino ('33) of Everest, KS - September 16, 2002.

Rachael Goodwin ('34) of Arlington Heights, Ill. - April 3, 2002.

Jessie M. (Cowhick) Byers ('37) of Topeka, KS - October 18, 2002.

Kenneth Dean Henry ('38) of North Kansas City, MO - January 10, 2002.

Jean L. (Fraser) Zimmerman ('38) of Troy, KS - December 5, 2002.

Anna Mae (Kern) Mapes ('39) of Horton, KS - October 22, 2002.

Lois J. (Courtin) Wells ('40) of Hutchinson, KS - April 8, 2002.

Harry Montgomery Green ('40) of White Cloud, KS - November 20, 2002.

Lorene (Albers) Roberts ('42) of Denton, KS - November 12, 2002.

Helen J. (Wardin) McConnaughey ('44) of Atchison, KS - March 18, 2002.

Donald Holland ('47) of Littleton, CO - September 30, 2002.

Erma L. (Cogdill) Disque ('48) of Hutchinson, KS - May 27, 2002.

Doris I. (Keebler) Lutes ('48) of Highland, KS - July 26, 2002.

Rev. Harold R. Wolf ('51) of Hiawatha, KS - June 11, 2002.

Donna Dorothy (King) Goforth ('52) of Troy, KS - February 21, 2002.

Stephen Herbert Schrader ('63) of Columbia, MD - April 24, 2002.

Dennis Rosenberger ('67) of White Cloud, KS - December 2, 2002.

Carl L. Nichols ('69) of Nortonville, KS - September 9, 2002.

Daniel J. Chatman ('74) of Atchison, KS - December 11, 2002.

Rochell S. Henry ('86) of Falls City, NE - October 23, 2002.

Stacy Nichole (Meyer) Griffith ('96) of Sabetha, KS - December 24, 2001.

Laura Denise (Key) Piper of Topeka, KS - October 15, 2002.

W. Keith Weltmer of Salina, KS - October 14, 2002.

Mark Your Calendar !

The 34th Annual Alumni Reunion

Saturday April 26, 2003

Class of 1953
Honored Golden Grads

Golden Grad Luncheon
11:30 a.m. - Library

Entertainment
2:00 p.m. - HCC Musical

Banquet
6:00 p.m. - Cafeteria

Program
8:00 p.m. - Culbertson Auditorium
Reception following

ALL Alumni are invited to attend the reunion and enjoy the celebration.

Simply return the form on the back of this newsletter or make your reservations by calling (785) 442-6018.

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Highland Community College Classmates of 1952 enjoy their day together reminiscing

Stadium Center at HCC

YOUR FAMILY NAME CAN BE PART OF THE NEW STADIUM CENTER

Just imagine your family name prominently displayed on this new facility, viewed throughout the year by thousands of people attending athletic and social events at the College. As the major donor for the new Stadium Center, your family name will be highly visible as the College continues to grow and hosts a variety of College, community, and service area events.

The Stadium Center is part of the HCC Campus Master Plan. Its completion will start the domino effect inherent in that Plan: new coaches' offices are needed and locating them in the Stadium Center will free up space in Irvin Hall for another phase of the Plan.

The current facility is cramped and in need of repair. The small concession stand is a separate facility accessible over a ditch or bridge.

The pressbox area of the Stadium Center needs to be elevated for clear viewing by broadcasters and game/meet personnel. A second floor requires both a stairway on each end of the facility and an elevator for access by those with disabilities.

The new Stadium Center will be the hub of activity on game/meet day and will be utilized throughout the year as an office center for the football and track coaches and needed classroom space. The second floor of the Stadium Center will house the coaches' offices and serve as the media center on game/meet day. The field side of the facility will accommodate game/meet personnel, media, and broadcasters, with coaches' offices on each end. There will also be outside deck space for filming. During the week, the media area can be used for meeting space. Assistant coaches' offices will be located on the opposite side of the second floor.

Ground floor areas will include restrooms, a concession stand, storage, and a large classroom space. There will be two entryways from the new facility into the stadium.

The new Stadium Center will complete the renovations which have been made to the stadium, which include a new track and sod on Kessinger Field. Funded through private donations, the Stadium Center will



salute the countless student athletes, cheer squad members, and dance team members who performed in the stadium while attending HCC.

The HCC stadium is unique among member colleges in the prestigious Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference. HCC is the only Kansas community college with its own football and track stadium. Other member schools play on community or high school fields and tracks.

Your family name can also be prominently displayed on any aspect of the new facility: the coaches' offices, the press area, concession stand, or classroom.

You may send your gift to the HCC Foundation, 606 W. Main, Highland, KS 66035

Name: _____ SS# _____

Address: _____

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Telephone: _____ HCC Class of: _____

Enclosed is my gift of \$ _____ I pledge \$ _____ to be paid ___ annually ___ monthly ___ quarterly

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Authorized Signature: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Please us my gift to: ___ name the Stadium Center (\$250,000 or more) ___ name a Coach's Office (\$15,000)
 ___ name the Concession Stand (\$30,000) ___ name the Elevator (\$14,000)

Please contact me about: ___ payroll deduction ___ matching gifts

KEEP US INFORMED

Your assistance in completing and returning this form will allow us to keep our alumni records current.

Name _____ Social Security# _____

Maiden Or Other Name _____ Class of _____ or Year Attended _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone Number (Home) _____ (Work) _____

E-mail address _____

Occupation _____ Employer _____

List sport, activity, club, honors, or special interests that you were involved in while at HCC _____

Tell us what's happening _____

_____ YES, I would be interested in serving on the HCC Alumni Association Board.

Sign Me Up!

I would like to renew membership with the HCC Alumni Association. Please check the appropriate option and enclose your check made payable to the *HCC Alumni Association*.

1 year each (\$10.00) _____ Lifetime each (\$100.00) _____

Return this form to HCC Alumni Assoc., Highland Community College, 606 W. Main, Highland, KS 66035

This issue of the HCC Connection is complimentary for all alumni on our current mailing list. Please help support this HCC Alumni newsletter and activities by becoming a dues paying member. Send your membership with the above form to the HCC Alumni Office, 606 W. Main, Highland, KS 66035.

- **ESTATE PLANNING ASSISTANCE**--You can now find advice on the financial benefits of Estate Planning and Planned Giving on the HCC Web site at www.highlandcc.edu. Select "foundation" from the directory on the left, then choose "planned giving guide." You can then select from the articles that are available and use the information to see the benefits of various estate planning and planned giving instruments. Let us know if you have any questions.
- Two HCC students were named to Phi Theta Kappa's State of Kansas **All Academic Team** and have been nominated by HCC for the All-USA Academic Team sponsored by the American Association of Community Colleges, Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society, and *USA Today*.
- Planning has started for work to be done on a block of street that intersects the campus housing area. The street will be closed and the College will work on drainage problems and landscape to make it a safer and nicer looking **walkway for students**.
- HCC has become the **7th largest** community college in the state of Kansas.



Many alumni families were able to enjoy the Moon Bounce and Scottie tattoos that were available for children at the annual alumni games this year.

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ALUMNI BANQUET RESERVATIONS

Make your reservations now for the April 26 Alumni Banquet! Complete this portion and mail it to us to be received by April 24, 2003 to reserve your ticket(s). You may include your payment now or reserve your ticket(s) and pay at the door, or call the Alumni Office to reserve your ticket(s). Either way, **MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS**. "Class of 1953" tickets are free - Guests will need paid tickets. Make checks payable to *HCC Alumni Association*.

Number of Reservations _____ Class of _____

_____ Reserve my ticket(s), payment enclosed @ \$10.00/ticket. Amount enclosed \$ _____

_____ Reserve my ticket(s), I will pay at the door @ \$10.00/ticket. Amount due \$ _____

_____ I will not reserve my reunion tickets at this time, I realize if I do not make reservations before noon on Thursday, April 24, the cost per ticket will be \$12.00

Name _____ Maiden _____

Social Security Number _____ Email Address _____

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Occupation _____ Company _____

Class of _____ Or year attended _____

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