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A MESSAGE FROM THE HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE PRESIDENT.

DEBORAH FOX

Greetings from Highland Community College. We have early indicators this will be a successful Fall enrollment for Highland. It has given us something to look forward to as we come out of what feels like a long hibernation. The core focus of the College has always been to educate students and provide them a path to further their education, attain gainful employment and better their lives. The College is also an important part of economic development throughout Northeast Kansas. The following are examples of some of the contributions made by Highland Community College.

1. Workforce Training- Both of our technical centers, Atchison Technical Center and Western Center at Baileyville, are training students for immediate workforce placement. The faculty at both sites work closely with industries to deliver curriculum that is relevant to workforce needs. The Administration at Atchison and the Western Center work with faculty to help bring in industry partners to hire our stu-

dents. Each program also works with advisory boards to share issues relevant to employment and placement of students. Combined attendance at the two centers is approximately 500 students.

- 2. Employment testing- Atchison staff provide industry related testing, such as testing for realtors. The Highland Community College Regional site at Perry, Kansas also provides testing for Evergy employees.
- **3. Community Connections-** The Highland Community College Regional site at Perry houses the Perry Community Library and leases space to Keystone Learning Services. The Klinefelter Barn, located between Highland and Hiawatha, has been the location for many community events and musical arts series.
- **4. Industry Grants-** The HCC Winery program was established with Department of Agriculture and National Science Foundation Grants to support and facilitate the development of independent grape growers and wineries in Kansas. The Viticulture and Enology faculty and staff assist Kansas winery owners in multiple aspects in grape growing and wine making. The efforts of the winery program have resulted in the development of the 456 Wineries in Wamego, Kansas to serve as an incubator for Kansas winery owners and to re-energize the growth of grape crops in Kansas. The incubator has the Highland wine and four other business occupants. Our Director, Scott Kohl, and his staff travel across Kansas to offer technical assistance. Kansas State University has deferred this specialized training to HCC staff.

In the last year, the College has worked with Highland City leadership to try to entice businesses to build in Highland. Additionally, the College has worked with the Highland Community College Foundation to purchase housing to be leased to College employees so they can live and work in Kansas. Additionally, Highland provided legislative testimony and support to the lowa Tribe to take ownership of the Native American Museum. Highland Community College continues to be a part of the economic future of Northeast Kansas.

Deborah Fox

President, Highland Community College

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A MESSAGE FROM THE HCC FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

KEITH JALOMA

Dear Alumni & Friends,

Thank you for the many ways you have helped support the HCC Foundation this FY2021. In spite of the many obstacles and hurdles caused by COVID 19, the Foundation leaned into the pandemic with you and raised over \$950,000 dollars in cash, pledges, estate gifts, and gifts-in-kind. Thus far, the Vision For Our Future Campaign has raised over \$9 million dollars to help support students at Highland Community College with funds for capital, programming, and scholarships. The campaign is focusing on the Athletic Complex Initiative in Highland, Diesel Technology Building in Atchison, and the Heritage Society. For more detailed information regarding these initiatives, please visit highlandcc.edu/giving to view the complete campaign booklet.

The new Diesel Technology Building was completed this spring with a ribbon cutting ceremony in July and classes beginning fall 2021. Through generous donors, the Foundation has provided nearly \$800,000 in funding for this initiative. Five new scholarships were started this year and current scholarship donors enjoyed meeting their recipients at small group lunches in fall 2020. These donors have allowed the Foundation to provide over \$50,000 in scholarships this year. Nearly \$10,000 of new window blinds were installed and new bathroom floors were laid in the Walters Wellness Center through the generosity of the Walters Wellness Center endowed fund. Phase II of the Athletic Complex Initiative, a new eight lane track, has progressed with the help of several gifts and sponsorships totaling \$90,000 thus far, with a goal of \$150,000. The John Klinefelter endowment fund allowed the Foundation to provide \$33,200 for a much needed facelift to the Klinefelter Farm granary ensuring it remains a robust historical site well into the future.

Your gift to one of these initiatives will help keep your Highland memories alive and create a better experience for students following in your footsteps.

Keith Jaloma

The HCC Foundation Executive Director





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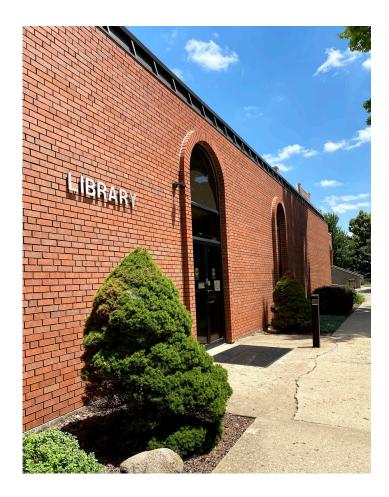
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COLLEGE NEWS

GRANT AWARDED TO THE HCC LIBRARY

The HCC Library has been awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities grant titled Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions in the amount of \$14,994. The application was considered carefully during the NEH review process, which includes peer review along with deliberation by the National Council on the Humanities and the Office of the Chairman. Some of the Library's projects included:

- The purchase of a proper archival drawer and storage system to rehouse the archives.
- The purchase of environmental monitoring equipment, data logging equipment, and a vacuum for properly cleaning documents and artifacts.
- Funded preservation training for the HCC Library staff so they may assist with the rehousing and proper handling of the collection moving forward
- Took steps to implement three layers of protection for the entire collected works, including the purchase of plastic sleeves, archival grade folders, and archival storage boxes. The recommendation is to adequately protect the collection as a whole, giving HCC time to plan for the present and future restoration, preservation, and rehousing.



GRANT AWARDED TO THE HCC STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES PROGRAM

The U.S. Department of Education has awarded Highland Community College \$261,888 to aid their Student Support Services program. The program helps students succeed and graduate from College.

Student Support Services, also known as SSS, focuses their help on low-income, first generation (those students whose parents did not attend a four-year college) and students with disabilities. Services provided range from tutoring, financial aid service, career and college mentoring, and transfer advising.

The federal grant is a 5-year grant so the program will be at Highland for the next five years – or until 2025. "This is a great program for students attending the college, we're here to help students set themselves up for success and we've seen how beneficial it is to students," said Lisa Parsons, Director of Student Support Services. Since 2010, over 213 students have gone through the program and SSS has helped them transfer & graduate.

Staff includes Lisa Parsons who oversees the department. Lisa has been at the College since 2010 – beginning in admissions, advis-



ing, then taking over the SSS Grant Program in 2015. Kim Bechtold has been with the College since 2012, has always been with the SSS program and primarily works with students when it comes to transfers and advising. Kristin Allen has been with SSS since 2017 and helps with scheduling, testing, tutors, and provides support for the program. Bekkah Landoll has been at HCC for 1 year as the SSS Retention/Tutoring Coordinator.

If you or someone you know would be interested in the program, email sss@highlandcc.edu.

PHI THETA KAPPA AWARDS THREE HIGHLAND STUDENTS

Phi Theta Kappa Awards three Highland students Gustavo Nava and Cassidy Goering of Highland campus and Erica Whearty of Highland Wamego were nominated by faculty and then selected through a committee based on their GPA, volunteer work, and Phi Theta Kappa activities.

Phi Theta Kappa is the international honor society for two-year colleges, symbolizing excellence in higher education and a commitment to students. Phi Theta Kappa has recognized and encouraged scholarship among two-year college students for 100 years by providing stimulation and enrichment while promoting the academic integrity of the associate degree program. For these reasons, the American Association of Community Colleges has designated Phi Theta Kappa the official honor society for two-year colleges. Students with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher are invited to join Phi Theta Kappa.

Kansas All-State Academic Team

Kansas is one of 39 states participating in the All-State Academic Team program. The State Academic Teams were introduced in 1994 as a way to provide scholastic recognition to Phi Theta Kappa members, while promoting excellence at two-year colleges.



Gustavo Nava and Cassidy Goering, Highland Campus



Erica Whearty, Wamego Center

The State Academic Teams are a division of the All-USA Community College Academic Team. The program is sponsored by Follett Higher Education Group with additional support provided by the American Association of Community Colleges and Phi Theta Kappa. The country's finest community college students competed for recognition, spots on the national team and scholarships. The Kansas All-State Academic Team is designed to provide the same kind of recognition to our state's two-year college scholars by saluting their academic achievement, leadership and service.

DONIPHAN COUNTY STUDENTS RECEIVE HIGHLAND **FOUNDATION & ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Highland Community College Foundation and Alumni Association has awarded the following scholarships (Doniphan County Only):

DONIPHAN WEST HIGH SCHOOL

Fletcher Penny Virginia Mann McDaniel & Gary McDaniel Family Scholarship - \$5000

Heidi Leach Doniphan County Open House Scholarship -\$750.00 and the JoAnn Hallauer '56 Memorial

Scholarship \$500.00

Sadie Leach Bank of Highland / Bendena State Bank Scholarship \$2000.00 and the Alumni

Association Scholarship - \$600.00

Bank of Highland / Bendena State Bank Alexis Wilson Scholarship \$2000.00 and the Alumni

Scholarship Association Scholarship - \$600.00

and Arlyn Parish Scholarship - \$500.00

Bank of Highland / Bendena State Bank Scholarship \$2000.00 and McCauley Family

Dana Windmeyer Scholarship - \$1000.00



Fletcher Penny



Heidi Leach



Sadie Leach



Alexis Wilson



Dana Windmeyer







Josephina Huff

TROY

Grace Estes Doniphan County Open House Scholarship -

Kyla Reel Helen S. '39 & Ernest Lewis Memorial Scholarship- \$1000.00

RIVERSIDE

Josephina Huff Doniphan County Open House Scholarship-\$750.00

HCC FOUNDATION & ALUMNI



HIGHLAND FOUNDATION RECEIVES **DONATION FROM AG PARTNERS**

Highland Community College is proud to have a robust relationship with Ag Partners and receive their continued support. The mutually beneficial partnership supports the Technical Trades Programs and helps supply our region with critical skilled labor.

Thank you Ag Partners for your continued support.

Left to Right: Wes Spohr, President & CEO; Lacey Dalinghaus, Human Resources; Keith Jaloma, Executive Director HCC Foundation, Ben Zimmerman, VP Ag Services

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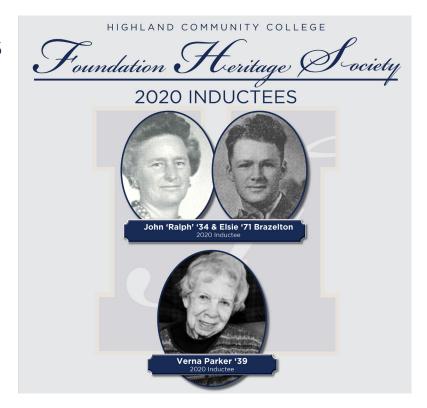
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- Galen & Brenda Niehules
- Mike '68 & Mary Patton
- Roger '70 & Joyce Rush

NEW HCC FOUNDATION'S HERITAGE SOCIETY INDUCTEES

The Highland Community College Heritage Society celebrated the induction of two new members on Thursday, November 12, 2020 during a special lunch ceremony at the Kirkwood and Co Table and Tap Restaurant. President Deborah Fox, Kelly Twombly - Director of Alumni Relations, Jaime Terry - Advancement Coordinator, and Keith Jaloma - Executive Director, HCC Foundation, were present to acknowledge and demonstrate their appreciation to the inductee's families.

Verna Parker was a lifelong resident of Highland and an HCC alum from the class of 1939. One of Verna's nieces, Helen Gilmore, also a Highland alum from the class of 1957, received the HCC Foundation gift and certificate on behalf of Verna. Special guests for the Parker Family were Mary Lou Colley, HCC class of 1953, and Becky Gilmore, HCC class of 1978.

Ralph & Elsie Brazelton were lifelong dedicated educators and felt Highland Community College equipped them with tools to touch many lives. Ralph was in the class of 1934 and Elsie the class of 1971. One of their nieces, Linda Gechter Becker, HCC class of 1984, along with her husband Kenny, received the HCC Foundation gift and certificate on behalf of Ralph & Elsie Brazelton.



Highland Community College is grateful for the generosity demonstrated by the Parker and Brazelton families. The HCC Foundation Heritage Society was established in 2016 to recognize generous benefactors who have made provisions in their estate plans with a bequest to the College.

GOLDEN GRADS - CLASS OF 1970 VISITS HIGHLAND

On Saturday, April 24, 2021 Highland held the annual home-coming celebration honoring current students as well as the Golden Grad 50-year class of 1970.

"The celebration of our Golden Grads is a highlight each year for the HCC Alumni Association. We treasure the stories and memories shared about their time at HCC. The class of 1970 was a large group of classmates that had stayed in touch with one another which made the day very special" Kelly Twombly, Director of Alumni Relations at HCC, noted after interacting with classmates. The day consisted of a meet and greet reception followed by a campus tour led by retired Vice President, Dr. Craig Mosher. Then, the Golden Grads retreated to Kirkwood and Co. Table and Tap Restaurant for a luncheon and update of the College by President, Deborah Fox.

Following the lunch, the Golden Grads enjoyed the President's reception at Porter Family Stadium where the Scotties took on Independence Community College. The class of 1971 will be honored as Highland's next Golden Grads on October 23rd, 2021.



Back row L to R: Shon Johannes, John Tankesley, Paul Batchelder, David Holthaus, Gary Meyer, Steve Reichle, Roger Rush

Second Row L to R: Lil Twombly, Carol Smith, Mildred Rush Tubbs, Janet Neibling Tyler,

Front Row L to R: Charlott Loyd Blanton-Hall, Annette Jeschke Tankesley, Linda Murphy Chavez, Nancy Noll Jackson, Jackie Herring Watts, Nancy Nuzum Meyer, Louise McCoy Regenstein, Mary Pauly McCauley, Ken McCauley, Paul Crawford









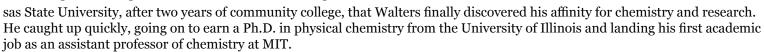
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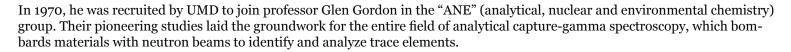
WILLIAM "BILL" WALTERS RETIRES ON GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Professor William "Bill" Walters trained a generation of nuclear chemists and conducted research that led to a better understanding of the structure of the atomic nucleus. But his first exposure to his chosen profession wasn't chemistry. It was farming.

"We didn't even have chemistry classes in my high school," Walters recalled with a laugh. "But freshman year we would go out and get soil and test it—mostly for pH—to see if we needed to neutralize it with limestone."

Walters was raised in Highland, Kansas, where his parents grew corn and soybeans, and most things, including school, revolved around farming. It wasn't until he went off to Kan-





Over Walters' 56-year career, his research focused on using measurements of radioactivity to gain insight into a range of phenomena like proton-neutron interactions, the orientation of individual nuclei and the creation of exotic elements in supernova explosions.

"I went where things were happening," he said. "You have to if you have a long career funded continuously by one agency. Well, it's changed names a number of times, but I've been continuously funded by the U.S. Department of Energy for 55 years."

Known for pushing the boundaries of nuclear analysis tools, Walters has been the spokesperson or co-spokesperson for multiple experiments at the National Superconducting Cyclotron Laboratory, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Argonne National Laboratory and the Isotope mass Separator On-Line facility (ISOLDE) at CERN.

"Bill is a tremendously accomplished nuclear chemist whose work is very important to the fundamental understanding of atoms," said Janice Reutt-Robey, chair of UMD's Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry. "And he has quite a legacy as a professor, too. He mentored generations of nuclear chemists at UMD and developed courses that dealt with cutting-edge topics early in his career, like radiochemistry and nuclear chemistry in the atomic age, which are still popular classes today."

Of the 25 Ph.D. students Walters advised, many have gone on to hold leadership positions at universities and research laboratories around the world, including provost at Washington University in St. Louis, director of the University of Missouri Research Reactor, deputy director of Michigan State's facility for rare isotope beams, faculty members at Harvard Medical School, and staff scientists at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and the FBI.

His legacy spread far and wide through his students, but Walters is also a dedicated Terp who served on a variety of departmentand university-level committees, including chairing the University Senate from 1999 to 2000. His family is also tightly tied to the university.

Written by Kimbra Cutlip

SHARE YOUR NEWS!

WHERE HAS HCC TAKEN YOU?

Share your updates, news, accomplishments, and celebrations for inclusion in the next issue of 'The Connection' Alumni Magazine. Submit your notes to: highlandcc.edu/alumni-update-form.

We look forward to hearing from you!

456 WINERIES

456 WINERIES SEES GROWTH

The Kansas Department of Agriculture profiled 456 Wineries in their publication-Trademark Connections. The Winery is operated by Scott Kohl, Director of Viticulture and Enology for Highland Community College and Candice Fitch-Dietz, Vineyard Manager/Viticulture Instructor for Highland Community College and is located in Wamego, Kansas.

Wine a little. Smile a lot.

Nothing but bright faces in Wamego, Kansas, where 456 Wineries brings smiles to those in the area by promoting local start-up wineries and bringing community members together over a glass of locally grown and produced deliciousness.

456 Wineries is the result of big dreams and dedicated work from those at Highland Vineyards and Winery, a division of Highland Community College. Originating from programs designed to educate students about grape growing and wine-making, Highland Vineyards and Winery has expanded beyond its own four vineyards and has purchased necessary equipment to assist fellow wineries in building their operations, clientele and inventory. This was accomplished through the construction of 456 Wineries, a business incubator and tasting room, which opened its doors in the late summer of 2019.

Since then, countless people have enjoyed a fun afternoon or evening of wine-tasting, and the local wineries have been able to flourish because of the resources made available to them. You will find five wine-making companies within 456 Wineries.

The first is Highland Vineyards and Winery's own collection of wines. Highland Vineyards and Winery planted its first vines in 2009 and began selling wine in 2012 which it grows on its four vineyards in northeast Kansas.

The second is Bodine Wine Company. Owned by Bob Bodine and family, it is a medium-sized Osage County farm. Eight



years ago, the Bodine family planted its first vineyard in the interest of diversifying their farm.

The third is Zydeco Meadery. Two students from the Highland viticulture and enology program, GW Clift and Eric Depradine, decided to team up in their wine production efforts, giving rise to Zydeco Meadery.

The fourth is Red Rock Hill Vineyards. Roy Garrett and family started Red Rock Hill Vineyards and joined the incubator just in time for the 2020 grape harvest. They reside near Westmoreland, Kansas.

The fifth and final winery is Hiatus Wine. They are from Lawrence, Kansas, and have joined the production space this spring!

Come try all of the wines 456 Wineries has to offer with five samples for only \$5. You get to keep the glass! You can find a complete list of wines here. Be sure to inquire about reservations for private parties (785-456-WINE).

Additionally, stay tuned for outdoor events as the weather warms up. 456 Wineries is planning to host these events during several Saturdays throughout each month (through October). These events include live music from local musicians and good eats from local food trucks. Come hang out and enjoy the fire pit! Be sure to periodically check out the events page and 456 Wineries' Facebook and Instagram pages for upcoming events!



ocations that carry Highland Wine:













COLLEGE NEWS: REGIONAL

GROUND BREAKING- DIESEL TECHNOLOGY CENTER IN ATCHISON, KANSAS

On September 8, 2020, Highland Community College, friends, local businesses and supporters celebrated the ground-breaking of the new Diesel Technology Center in Atchison, Kansas. This is an expansion project that's been 18 years in the making. In 2002, Higher Education in Kansas removed Kansas Community Colleges from coordination under the Kansas State Board of Education and moved us to the Kansas Board of Regents. Soon after, the Regents determined Technical Colleges must become standalone institutions, with their own governance or merge with existing community college or university. Highland Community College and what was Northeast Kansas Technical College, under the governance of USD 409, had an existing working relationship.

In 2008, both parties came to a mutual agreement to merge Northeast Kansas Technical College with Highland Community College becoming Highland Community College Technical Center at Atchison. Highland has continued to serve the citizens of the Atchison community (with no mill levy) and surrounding communities by offering in demand technical training along with transferrable general education courses.

Highland Community College currently has 10 area high schools sending students to Atchison for technical training, serving almost 300 students. The Diesel program has continued to be a very popular program and the quality instruction provided by our dedicated faculty is top-notch. Construction of this facility not only is an opportunity to expand the existing program, but gives Highland opportunities to bring in one, possibly two new programs to the Atchison area. Highland will utilize the space the

Diesel program will be vacating.

HCC would not be in this position without the leader-ship of Current HCC President Deborah Fox, Former HCC President Dave Reist and the current HCC Board of Trustees, Former USD 409 Superintendent, Susan Myers, and USD 409 Board Members. Highland would also like to thank State Representative Dr. John Eplee, who wears many hats in the Atchison community and a strong advocate for this project, and the City of Atchison for their support and willingness to work through the many challenges new construction can bring.

In addition, Highland would like to thank Strickland Construction for their vision of a new Diesel Technology Building and their guidance and willingness to partner in fundraising for this project. Also, recognition goes to Sutherland Foundation-Kent Sunderland and Randy Vance, Union State Bank and Roger Caudle, Rogers Strickland, Courtney Turner Trust and Jon Mize, Karen Seaburg, Rich Dickison, Rick Berger, Geiger Ready Mix and Joey Anderson, KanEquip and Jim Meinhardt, Foley's Repair, the Orscheln Foundation, Exchange Bank Foundation, Blish-Mize, Pratt Family Foundation and Rick Berger, HCC Foundation and Alumni Relations, and the Director of the Technical Center, Lucas Hunziger, Tim Housch and crew.

Thank you to all who shared the special day with us. We could not have done this without your support!





The new diesel building at the HCC Technical Center is 16,950 square feet of bright, open, safe, and more efficient space. First and second year students will be able to work together allowing for training efficiency and mentoring opportunities. The larger space also affords triple the number of diesel projects with the additional bay spaces allowing the middle of the shop to remain open and fluid. The HCC Technical Center typically enrolls 45-55 students from 12 cities in Kansas and 5 cities in Missouri. There are also 5-10 post-secondary students in the Diesel Program.

Follow Us: Regional Locations

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HCC'S NEW EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM

Starting Fall 2021, the Highland Community College Western Center in Baileyville, KS and the Technical Center in Atchison, KS will kick off their Early Childhood Programs. The Early Childhood certificate provides academic study and hands-on experience that encourages a reflective approach to early childhood responsibilities. This program provides a good foundation in developing appropriate curriculum, creating classroom environments that meet children's developmental needs, and working effectively with parents and families. Career opportunities include family child care provider, child care program director, curriculum specialist, teacher or teaching assistant in child care centers or programs, au pair or nanny. Enroll for Fall 2021 at: highlandcc.edu/apply

HCC NURSING PROGRAM NAMED TOP 10 IN KANSAS

HCC was been named the top 10 best nursing according to <u>nursingprocess.org</u>. Contact us at nursing@highlandcc.edu or (785) 442-6211 to schedule your visit and enroll today!

HCC PERRY CENTER RECEIVING SPONSORSHIP FROM COX BUSINESS

Highland Community College Perry Center is excited to announce that it will be receiving a sponsorship from Cox Business in the amount of \$4,000. This sponsorship will be used to update the technology in Room 17 located in the back of the Perry Center. The Perry Center is set up with classrooms in the front of the building being utilized for college classes, while several local community organizations use the classrooms in the back of the building. Room 17 has been used to store anatomy models and materials for the Perry Center Anatomy and Physiology classes. The other two classrooms beside Room 17 are used by the CARE Center to provide therapy to sexual trauma victims, and Keystone Learning Center's "Turning Point" program that assists young adults with intellectual disabilities live and work independently. With the help of the Cox Business Sponsorship, the Perry Center will buy and install an internet access point, a projector, and whiteboard for Room 17. This space will be utilized for college classes, particularly larger classes for Perry Lecompton High School students, TRIO group visits from Lawrence Middle Schools, and as a meeting space for the Perry Center and local community groups.

The Perry Center is very grateful for COX Business's generosity, and



looks forward to continuing a relationship with COX in our community.

SCOTTIE SPORTS

2020-2021 SPORTS

Due to Covid-19, all fall 2020 sports were scheduled for the spring of 2021 with the exception of men's and women's cross country.

HIGHLAND TRACK & FIELD SHOWS OUT AT NATIONALS

The Highland Scotties Track & Field team returned from the 2021 NJCAA National Outdoor Championships in Levelland, Texas with a lot of pride and confidence after their showing. Highland had only ever produced one National Champion in Track & Field, but that number changed in Texas, as first-year Head Coach Sandy Moran and her team brought home two more National Champions to Highland.

Deisiane Teixeira brought home the first-ever field event championship by winning the Women's Javelin event with a winning throw that set the new NJCAA Championship Meet record and a new track record for the host school, South Plains College. Teixeira also holds the record for the longest Women's Javelin throw in NJCAA history.

Alan De Falchi won the Men's Discus event at the Championships and became the first male National Champion in Highland's history. Besides winning the Discus event, De Falchi placed 3rd in the shot put, and 5th in the hammer throw (breaking the school record), giving him three separate All-American honors at the meet.

In addition to two new National Champions, Moran's team added several more All-American awards to the week's record haul for the Scotties: **Santornya Ralliford** – 2x All- American (Shot Put, Discus). Ralliford broke her personal best throw and set a new school record in the Discus event.

Taylor Francis – All-American (Pole Vault)

Kendra McDonald – All-American (High Jump)

Shavonte Harris ran a personal best time in the 100M Hurdles, and **Jean Dieuvil** broke his own school record in the 800M event.

Coach Moran said, "Alan and Deisi are my first ever National Champions, I have had several runner-ups but no champions until this National Meet. I am so happy and proud that it is Alan and Deisi because are they both quality people who are great athletes and serve as great examples to others. I am happy to be building a program around such wonderful people."

When asked about her thoughts on a successful first year as head coach, Moran added, "I am very proud of the whole team. We had such a small group this season, but they never let that deter them from being successful and having fun. Nationals was such a great trip, everyone did an excellent job as athletes and as people. I appreciate the team finishes of 12th and 13th and I know it is something to build off of going forward. I want to thank them all and also wish our sophomores good luck with their futures."

HIGHLAND SOFTBALL FINISHES TOP SIX AT NATIONALS

On Sunday, May 9th, 2021, the #6 Highland Scotties took on the #10 Labette Cardinals in Parsons, Kansas. The Scotties took the first game of the doubleheader 9-5. This win broke the record for most conference wins in program history, the previous record was held by the class of 2012 with 23 wins. The win also secured the KJCCC Title making it the 5th conference title claimed by the softball program which is the most by any sport in Highland Community College history.

The Scotties entered the regional tournament on a hot streak, sweeping seven of their last eight opponents. After an outstanding effort put out by our team, Highland ended up teid with their best finish in tournament history (top-6 in the nation). For complete playoff information visit: www.scottieatheletics.com



HIGHLAND'S ENOCH SMITH '00 REPRESENTED REGION VI ON NJCAA EQUITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION COUNCIL

The National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) has announced 39 individuals that have been selected as Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Region Ambassadors and Highland Community College's Enoch Smith '00 has been asked to represent Region VI on the newly formed committee. These ambassadors will actively collaborate with the NJCAA Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Council and the Racial Equality Subcommittee to promote and advance equity, diversity and inclusion within the NJCAA.

"We're excited to expand our EDI members who will bring diverse expertise, insight and energy into furthering our mission. The Region Ambassadors are comprised of a dedicated team of leaders committed to promote and advance equity, diversity and inclusion with an intentional focus to educate, empower and engage our student-athletes, coaches and athletic directors," stated Kerri-Ann McTiernan, NJCAA Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Council Chair.

Highland Community College's administration is thrilled for Coach Smith and this new opportunity. President Deborah Fox said, "I have a great deal of respect for Coach Enoch Smith 'oo since his days as a student-athlete at Highland and now as a coach for Highland Community College. His leadership is being recognized on a national level with his appointment as an Equity, Inclusion and Diversity Ambassador with the NJCAA. We congratulate Coach Smith on this honor and greatly appreciate his



commitment to continue to educate, engage and empower student-athletes, coaches and administrators."

Highland Athletic Director, Dr. Bryan Dorrel, added, "Coach Smith is a tremendous asset to Highland Community College and the football program, and I am excited for him to get the opportunity to serve as an ambassador for Region VI on the NJCAA Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Council. Coach Smith has many years of experience as a principal, athletic director, pastor, businessman, coach, husband and father and his ability to communicate, lead and mentor will make him a great asset to the region and committee. I cannot express how happy I am to know that other schools and professionals will get to benefit from Coach Smith's leadership and knowledge. and I have no doubt they will soon understand why HCC is so proud of him as an alum and mentor-coach to our student-athletes. I am proud to call Coach Smith a friend and colleague."

SIXTY-SIX AREA HIGHLAND SCHOOL SENIORS COMPETED IN ALL-STAR GAMES AT HCC

Highland Community College hosted the oldest All-Star games in the state of Kansas on Sunday, March 21. The 35th Annual Northeast Kansas All-Star games featured 66 area high school seniors competing in volleyball and boys' and girls' basketball.

It was a highly competitive day filled with action-packed fun and excitement from start to finish. Volleyball played five sets and the Navy team came out victorious in four of the five sets. Future Scotties, Kassidy Robertson & Reagan Osterhaus of the Navy team saw their first victory on the floor of the Ben Allen Field House. The navy team won the first three sets and then the gold team battled back to win the fourth set and then the navy team finished off with a 20-18 win in the fifth set. The girls' basketball contest followed the volleyball match with a 1:30 p.m. tip. The contest was close throughout, but the Gold team snagged a 69-63 win over the Navy team. A high-scoring game for boys' basketball tipped off at 4 p.m. and the Gold team also claimed a win over the Navy team 102-87.













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The Alumni Games have changed this year. Instead of a collective scrimmage, we have restructured it into individual reunions that have been scheduled throughout the year. This will allow us to dial in on each group of Alumni and spend quality time with all of you! Stay tuned for more updates on these reunions by following us on social media.

Reunion Schedule: more details to follow



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ALUMNI NOTES



1960s

Bob Roller '60 and his wife Bonnie visited campus in October 2020. They had just celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Sept 23, 2020, with family in Kansas City. After graduating from HCC, Bob joined the Navy. He married and was stationed at Pearl Harbor for three years. After the Navy, Bob went to work in the Wholesale Fabric Business for 14 years. Looking for a change. he then went into transportation and ended up being the transportation manager for Fleming Foods of K.C., who at that time was the largest food wholesaler in the world. Bob and Bonnie are both retired and have done a lot of travelling in the states and abroad



1970s

Lorna Hutchison Slimmer '62 and her husband. Lawrence, are both retired and celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on May 1st. 2021

Paul Batchelder '70 When thinking back to his classmates, Paul mostly remembers the tri-county area contemporaries with an import of athletes and a few Persian students when thinking back to his classmates. He remembers his teachers being caring and also remembers the small class sizes. Three words Paul used to describe HCC were 'local, transitional, and collegial." After graduating from Highland. Paul attended Kansas State University and earned his degrees in Agriculture and a Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine in 1976. He has owned his own veterinary practice for 45 years.

Charlotte 'Loyd' Blanton-Hall '70 Charlott married William Blanton '69 in May of 1969. They had four children, all of whom attended HCC; Angela Blanton '91, Robin Blanton Gilbert '95,

Mandy Blanton Rockey '98, and Peter Blanton '01. Charlott and Bill lost a son, Eric, in 1977 and Bill passed away in November of 1999. Charlott worked for the Brown County Treasurer's office and retired in 2015. She married Fred Hall in April 2010. She has 11 grandchildren and Fred has 5. They enjoy monthly travels in their motorhome and attending the grandchildren's sporting events.

Linda 'Murphy' Chavez '70 After her time at HCC, Linda completed her degree from Kansas State University, married, and has a daughter. She worked for a small civil rights law firm in Kansas City (Law Office of Arthur Benson) for close to forty years and retired from there about a year ago. She eniovs traveling and so far, loves retirement. When asked what she remembers most about her HCC classmates, she said the warm friendliness and camaraderie. She remembers her teachers being knowledgeable, kind, and always helpful. While her time at Highland went by quickly, she stated that it provided a solid foundation for her first years of college and helped

in preparing her to further her

Paul Crawford '70 Paul is married to wife Linda (for 50 years in December 2021). They have two children and five grandchildren. After graduating from HCC, Paul pursued his career in education and educational related activities. He has been in this line of work for 48 years! He currently works as the trainer, consultant, and inspector for Keystone Learning Services in two small cities in Jefferson County. When time allows. Paul and Linda love to travel. When asked what Paul remembers most about his time at HCC he replied, "The good times and the great friends that he met here." When thinking back to his teachers: he distinctly remembers the excellent instructors including Mr. Babcock, Mr. Thompson, Miss French, and Mr. Williams, Paul and Linda are influential members of the Alumni Board. Paul serves as the Foundation Board Liaison. Because of their dedication. passion, and participation on the board they were named the 2019 Alumni Service Award Recipients.

Dean Graner '70 When it comes to thinking back to Dean's classmates, he distinctly remembers rooming with Paul Crawford and Ed Lindsev in the basement of his economics teacher's house. Blaine Shaffer was his high school teacher as well as his teacher at Highland. Walter Yost was his Sunday School teacher and lived next to his grandfather and then of course, also taught Art at HCC. While attending HCC, he worked at Rockwell, in Atchison, KS who hired a few college students to work second shift for six hours getting off work at 10:00. Since his time at Highland, Dean graduated from Emporia in 1972 (again, rooming with Paul!) with a degree in accounting and worked for United Van Lines. In October 1972, he worked for Foremost Dairy in Kansas City, In 1978, a promotion in Shreveport, LA occurred with Foremost. As office manager, he closed the financials. did the budgets, and reported to the division office. He then had

ALUMNI NOTES

a friend ask him if he wanted to go into dairying. They did this together for three years and then Dean continued dairying for another 27 years. After retiring from the dairy business, they ran a beef (cow/calf) operation for 10 years. While farming, Dean was the county farm bureau president (for 10 years) and then served on the state board for six years. He married Vicki Smith and they have two children and five grandchildren. Their first great grandchild is due in June. Dean and Vicki are both enjoying retirement!

Dave Holthaus '70 When it comes to remembering his HCC classmates, Dave said that it was easy to make new friends but many students already knew each other before attending. He was a part of the first baseball team on campus and played the drums in band. During his time as a student. Dave thought his teachers were very nice, understanding of the kids, and overall they were very good at their jobs. Meeting new friends, avoiding Vietnam, and it being an affordable choice is what he remembers most about HCC. Since his time at Highland, he married (will be 50 years in June 2021) and had two sons. He earned his Master's Degree in Business. His wife, Jean, has two Master's Degrees in social work - LSCSW. Dave worked 35 years in the electric industry in a management position. In 2016, he retired as the Vice President of Government Relations. Dave currently serves on the HCC Foundation Board.

Nancy 'Noll' Jackson '70 Nancy is married to John Thomas Jackson and they have two sons and three grandchildren. She currently works at All Creatures Animal Hospital as a Vet Technician. While attending HCC, she participated as a cheerleader and also in the Art Fraternity: Delta Sigma Phi. She has fond memories of playing cards in the Student Union, hanging out with Howard Tyler, and also Mr. Crane driving the cheerleaders to away games. When asked what she remembers most about the HCC teachers, she said "Working really hard in her English class (taught by Mr. Williams) and her Science classes (taught by Mr. McPheetters)." She also



remembers Mr. Crane's history class where she learned "it doesn't matter what war - you needed Man, Money, and Material." She remembers her visits with librarian, Gail Miller, and also the most enjoyable company was that of Mr. Yost. After Highland, she taught Physical Education and Preschool and then went on to graduate from Kansas State University with a BS Masters Degree. She stays active and enjoys biking, walking, gardening, politics, tennis, reading, church work, and her grandchildren.

Shon Johannes '70 Shon is an organic farmer and lives on the farm that he grew up on in Powhattan, KS. He has been married to wife, Florence for 47 years. They have four children and ten grandchildren. Three out of their four children are also HCC graduates.

Kenneth McCauley '70 Ken is married to Mary (Pauly) McCauley '70: they have two children and seven grandchildren. After graduating from HCC, Ken attended Kansas State University and later joined the Air National Guard. He returned home to his family farm which is where his farming career began. Ken has been extensively involved in the Kansas Corn Growers Association, the Kansas Corn Commission, and the National Corn Growers Association; including being elected to the officer team of NCGA and serving as President and Chairman of the Board. When asked what Ken remembers most about his time at HCC he said, "It was a good place to grow a little. I saw a lot of kids do stupid things and decided I didn't want to be a part of it." When thinking back to his teachers; he remembers Ken Babcock teaching him life lessons and being the one to unlock science to him. He also remembers Neil Crane being as intense in the classroom as he was on the field! Ken and Mary have established the Ken '70 and Mary '70 McCauley Scholarship to support agriculture education at HCC.

Mary Pauly McCauley '70 Mary is married to Ken McCauley '70: they have two children and seven grandchildren. After graduating from HCC, Mary was employed at Kansas Blue Cross Blue Shield in Topeka, KS. After marrying, she and Ken moved and started their career in farming on the family farm. She also worked for KSU Farm Management Association for 20 years. In 1991, her primary career became helping expand the farm operation. Living in Corder Hall was what Mary remembers most about her time at HCC. She

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made many life-long friends. She recalls that there was no cooking facility in the Hall, the only thing allowed was a popcorn popper in which the students learned to 'cook' a variety of foods! As a business major, she fondly remembers Mr. Marxen and Miss Roberts; they were great teachers. Ken and Mary were the recipients of the 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award. They have established the Ken '70 and Mary '70 McCauley Scholarship to support agriculture education at HCC.

Gary Meyer '70 When it comes to Gary's HCC classmates, he remembers them being friendly. fun, and studious. One word to describe his teachers at the time is 'educational'. After graduating from HCC. Gary graduated from Kansas State University with a degree in accounting. He worked as an accountant for two different construction companies for over 45 years in Ottawa and Lawrence Gary is married to Nancy 'Nuzum' Meyer and they have three children. They enjoy traveling and have spent many years vacationing in Belize.

During her time at HCC, Nancy was involved in student council and musicals. She remembers her classmates as being friendly, studious, and adventurous. When it comes to her teachers, she remembers them being serious and educational. The thing that she remembers most about her time at HCC are the friendships that were made. After her time at Highland, Nancy worked as a legal secretary and then completed her teaching degree. Her career path included teaching high school Business Education, serving as a high school principal and also a superintendent for 10 years, Prior to retiring from Holton, KS USD

336, she had the opportunity to

coach and run club vollevball

they have three children.

programs for school aged girls.

She is married to Gary Meyer and

Nancy 'Nuzum' Meyer '70

Louise 'McCoy' Regenstein '70 Louise has very fond memories from her time at HCC. She remembers the wonderful times spent in the dorm with great friends, walks to and from classes, The Drama & Art Departments, the Wednesday trips to Wathena, and so many dear friends. The teacher she remembers most is Walter Yost. Louise stated that

"he always made his students

feel they were great artist (even if like me, they were not)". Walter was friends with her family and lived on a farm outside Atchison She considers herself blessed to know Walter and the great deal of impact he had on her and one reason she wanted to become a teacher. Attending HCC was a great transition for Louise. She came from a small town and considers herself to have come from a sheltered family environment. She always felt safe and cared for whether it was Mrs. Turpin (the House Mother) or faculty and staff. She admits she would have been lost if she would have attended a larger university straight out of high school. After graduating HCC, she attended Missouri Western State University and graduated from Emporia. She was a teacher for six years. worked in the corporate world in Kansas City, and then started working in Atchison in real estate She is currently the owner and operator of Gateway Real Estate and Auction in Atchison, KS.

Steve Reichle '70 Steve is married to wife, Donna. They have two children and seven grandchildren. After graduating from HCC, he attended Washburn University and earned his Business degree and then graduated from the Colorado School of Banking. He has worked as a Senior Vice President of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka and worked with his son as an Advisor for 17 years in Topeka. Steve and Donna love to travel; their most memorable trip was to South America (Chile). He also enjoys fishing, hunting, and golfing whenever he finds the spare time to do it. In addition, he now enjoys art and photography. Steve's days at HCC can be described in one word: FUN! He worked while attending which gave him some party money and his roommates were a hoot. He also remembers how much of a 'community' it was. All of the small-town Kansans and others outside the state came together to bridge the gap from high school to his 4-year school. He has very fond memories of HCC and what it has done for thousands of young people. He also distinctly remembers the patience and helpfulness of the teachers. His coaches were tremendous and helped him become a better person giving him solid advice when needed. When it came to his classmates, they were extremely

fun to be around. They were always very friendly and often just an extension of high school and small-town America. Being involved in football gave him more of a sense of the community. The community support received from Highland could not have been better. Steve currently serves as the Vice President on the HCC Foundation Board of Directors.

Roger Rush '70 After Roger's time at HCC, he went on to graduate from Kansas State University receiving an agronomy degree. He then started farming full time in 1972. From 1982 to 1998, he was a seed sales representative. He and wife, Joyce were the owners of Rush Precision Services, a planter technology business for 23 years: Roger retired in the winter of 2020. During his time at HCC, Roger enjoyed playing pitch, spending time in the Student Union, and playing Snooker at Ernie's. He has fond memories of his instructors, especially John McPheeters (Biology), Stan Lewis (Math), and Ken Babcock (Geology). He is still appreciative of Jim Thompson who helped everyone get through Chemistry I, Chemistry II, and Physics! In his spare time, Roger enjoys setting up at flea markets, antique shows, and gun shows He enjoys collecting and re-selling firearms and knives (especially WWII and earlier) and also enjoys studying local history. He also appreciates the time he is able to spend with his two daughters.

Carol Smith '70 While Carol attended HCC, she was involved in chorus, where she was the elected treasurer of the organization and also accompanied special vocal groups under the direction of Mr. Buffington. She was a part of the Lads and Lassies pop group as well as the Scottish Heirs; the 27 piece stage band.

Annette 'Jeschke' Tankeslev '70 Annette met her husband John '70 while attending HCC: they have two children and six grandchildren. She owns her own photography business. While attending HCC, she was honored as the Homecoming Queen and enjoyed her time as a cheerleader. She has many memories of hanging out with friends in the Student Union, basketball road trips, home games, and the Scottie school spirit! While attending, she was encouraged by the community support that was shown during activities and

events. Annette and John had the opportunity of living in England for a while and they love to travel when time allows. They stay busy following their grandchildren around to the many sporting activities they are involved in!

John Tankesley '70 John met his wife Annette Jeschke Tankeslev '70 while attending HCC; they have two children and six grandchildren. He fondly remembers the time spent as a student at HCC, particularly in the Student Union where lasting friendships were made. John appreciated the small class sizes which made for great interaction with the teachers. After graduating from HCC. John worked for Ford Motor Company. He retired as a plant manager in 2006. Annette and John had the opportunity of living in England for a while and they love to travel when time allows. They stay busy following their grandchildren around to the many sporting activities they are involved in!

Naomi 'Jenkins' Torrez, Newton, KS - Naomi is a retired from HollyFrontier Refining as the HR Administrator.

Mildred 'Rush' Tubbs '70 After graduating from HCC, Mildred attended and graduated from Kansas State University in 1972. After forty years as an elementary teacher, she retired in 2018. She and her husband, Frank, celebrated 35 years of marriage before his passing in 2015. They have one daughter.

Lil Twombly '70 When thinking back to her classmates. Lil remembers that many of her high school classmates also chose to attend HCC. The friendships she already had with them and the new friendships she made contributed to her enjoyment at Highland. She felt that the teachers really cared and were willing to offer extra help when necessary. The many hours spent in the Student Union playing 'Kings in the Corner' and also the amount of time spent in the library (not always using it as a study tool) but visiting with classmates is what she remembers most about her days at HCC. Since graduating, she went on to earn a bachelor's degree and two master's degrees in elementary education and library media specialist. She taught at three local schools; Midway, Highland,

and Hiawatha. She did not marry or have any children of her own, but she has 13 nieces and nephews and 20 (soon to be 21) great nieces and nephews that are like children to her. Along with her parents (whom are now deceased), sister(s), and friends, she has had the opportunity to travel most of the United States with the exception of Hawaii. She loves spending time outdoors doing yardwork and enjoying nature. Another passion of Lil's is helping and planning for church events..

Janet 'Neibling' Tyler '70 Janet. Nancy 'Noll' Jackson, Roger Guier, Dean Wenger, and Max Loyd spent a great deal of time in Irvin Hall. where the Art Department was located. They would help Mr. Yost and had a great time together! Mr. Yost made a big impression on Janet and is why she wanted to be the director of the Yost Art Gallery. This position would help others know the remarkable person Mr. Yost was and would help in sharing his love for art. Another teacher that stands out to Janet is Mr. John McPheeters. He taught Biology and was always interesting. When it comes to what Janet remembers most about her time at HCC, she said it would have to be the time spent between classes in the Student Union playing pitch or hanging out in the art department. There was a blend of students because some were attending to avoid the draft and others were returning to school on a GI Bill. She had a great time at college! After HCC, she worked for 46 years in banking and 15 years as Director for the Yost Art Gallery, She married Paul Tyler in May 1971. Paul worked in the funeral business for 20 years, was in mechanical sales and engineering for 20 years, and farmed for 16 years. They have two children; Adam Neibling Tyler and Ladonna Tyler-Gilmore and three grandchildren; Maggie and Noah (twins) and Austin. They enjoy traveling and have been to Rome, Pompeii, Amsterdam, Switzerland, Germany, Austria, Liechtenstein,

Jackie Watts Since Jackie's time at HCC, she has enjoyed being a mother and now a grandmother. The last 30 years, she has enjoyed being an accountant and tax preparer. She and her husband Jim like to go camping and spend time with their children and grandchildren.

David Yoder '70 When thinking back to his time at HCC, David remembers his classmates being studious, law abiding, and having a great sense of humor. He fondly remembers his teacher, James Thompson who provided excellent science instruction. The basketball games in Allen Field House, hanging out in the student union, Scottie Pause (which David named), basketball pep rallies (with the football players as extra cheerleaders) are what he remembers most about his days at Highland. After his time at HCC, David studied secondary education and higher education at Kansas State University. He has been employed by KSU since 1976 as the Residence Hall Director, Area Coordinator, and Coordinator for Conferences. A few interesting facts about David is that he has traveled to New York City nine times for the Letterman Show, he is single for life, amateur radio is a hobby of his, and he has perfect attendance at K-State Football games for 50 seasons.

Beverly 'Sturm' Shabshab '75 recently retired from her career as an international school student support teacher serving in a private school in Beirut. Lebanon; where she has taught for the last 23 years. Prior to that, she was a special education teacher with the Seaman district in Topeka. Over the years, Beverly has been involved in curriculum development and professional development projects in public school and international school settings, along with being a classroom special educator. In the early 80s, she served as an extension instructor for HCC. Currently. Beverly and her husband of 38 years continue to reside abroad. She stated that "HCC will always be home and part of my Kansas roots."

William 'Bill' Flentie '78 retired from the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad. He enjoys fishing on the boat and box hunting each year to the Sandhills Sharptail Shootout. He and his wife, Lur, have been married for 42 years and have one daughter, Katy. Lura is the Director of Senior Services at the Community Health Care

1980s

System in Onaga.

Sarah Woehlecke-Roland '85 is a Residential Trainer for the

A few of "the Hens"; Jenn Alley '99, Shannon Molt '98, Mandi Bunnell '00. Katie King '99. Darcy Lucas '99. "The Hens" (as they were named while attending HCC) have established the 'Erika Kirkendall Memorial



Scholarship' to honor Erica and to continue making meaningful and enduring impacts on HCC student's lives.

#scotties #hens4eva

Brown County Developmental Service. She is married to husband, Bill. When Sarah attended HCC, she was involved in choir and Lads and Lassies.

Michael Gilliland '88 currently works for the State of Kansas as a Communications Specialist. He is married to wife, Melanie. They have three children (two daughters and a son). While attending HCC in '86-'87, Michael participated in football and track.

1990s

R. Jeff Bryan '95 was recently promoted to the executive editor of the Citrus County Chronicle in Crystal River, Florida. while attending HCC, Jeff was the student sports information director.

Tana 'Thixton' Snyder '95 retired in May 2020 after teaching social studies for 21 vears at Maysville R1 school district in MO. When she attended HCC, she was a part of Psi Beta as well as Phi Theta Kappa and was on the President's List. She is married to husband, Dennis.

Kelly Carmody '99 is an elementary 6th grade teacher at Woodrow Wilson in Manhattan, KS. She was featured on a local news channel (KSNT) discussing returning to school fall 2020 during the pandemic. When she attended HCC, she was involved in volleyball, track, cross country, and student senate.

2000s

Enoch Smith '00 is the assistant football coach and academic coordinator for HCC as well as the owner of Starts Up Front; Athletic Trainer specializing in Sports Performance, He had the honor of delivering the graduation speech for the May 2021 HCC Commencement Ceremony.

Beth Carpenter '03 gave birth to son William Henry ("Hank") on September 12th, 2020. Hank was welcomed home by big brother

Mark Bremerman '04 works for BNSF Railway as Maintenance of Way. He is married to wife. Laura, and they have three children; Brody, Tagan, and Sadie.

Keon Raymond '04 is the CEO/ President of K25 Sports Inc. He and his wife. Bianca, live in Calgary, Alberta Canada. While attending HCC, Keon played football. His son, Keon Raymond, JR is a member of the Scottie Football team.





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"Had such a great time at our Highland college reunion! Thank you so much everyone for working so hard to put it on. Love seeing all the old friends that haven't changed a bit well maybe a little."

Amos Duncan '05, wife Suzanne, and older sister Charlee, welcomed home the addition to their family, Annabell Raye, on March 11, 2021.

Tyler Sweezey '05 and his wife, Lindsey, welcomed their twin girls' home on May 26, 2020.

Robert Brubaker '06 attended Kansas Wesleyan in Salina after HCC on a football scholarship. He met his wife at Kansas Wesleyan and they have been married for 11 years. They have two sons; Mason who is seven and Max is six years old. They currently reside in Abilene Kansas. While attending HCC, Robert participated in football and track.

William "Billy Bob" Orsagh '06 is self-employed in the Oil & Gas business. His wife, Christina, is a Law Assistant at MVBA Law. Billy Bob was a Football KJCCC offensive MVP all American.

Allie 'Wilmes' Baker '07 and husband, Jon, gave birth to a baby boy, Cade Andrew, on February 17, 2021.

Connor Hampton '07 spent eight years as a college basketball coach at UMKC in Kansas City

after attending HCC. He met, Lydia, at UMKC and they married in 2018. Conner and Lydia live in Wichita and both do non-profit work. Conner enjoys exercising, Chiefs Football and chasing their son, Crew, around the house.

Paul Clemons and his wife, Kelsey, both attended HCC in 2009. Paul is an umpire and made an MLB debut in Kansas City in 2020 during the Reds-Royals doubleheader. He has experience officiating in the Midwest, Arizona Instructional, California, Eastern, Pacific Coast, and Arizona Fall Leagues, having worked the 2019 PCL Championship Series, Paul's brother Charlie is a former Minor League Baseball umpire while his father Duane officiates at the NCAA level and has officiated college games with Charlie as a partner. While attending HCC, Paul played baseball.



619 Sumner County Interlocal. She was voted 2021 Teacher of the Year for Oxford Elementary. She is married to husband, Paul. He is an Umpire for Major League/Minor League Baseball. While attending HCC, Kelsey was a Scottie Ambassador and played softball. They have a 6-year-old

2010s

Eric Edie '10 married Shiloah Feighner on October 3, 2020.

Taryn Gibson '13, along with husband Kirk and son Jay, welcomed home baby girl, Aubree, on November 24, 2020.

Emma Hill Blevins '14 is the school counselor for the Troy Public Schools. While attending HCC, she played softball and participated in indoor track. She is married to Keaton Blevins. He is a farmer for 2G Farms.

Derek Gibson '15 married Holley Thompson on October 10, 2020. They live in Plattsburg, MO.

Macee Scott '16 married Caleb Winkel '16 on April 10, 2021.

Josh Clary '17 and wife, Sienna,

welcomed baby boy, Crew Carter, on June 3rd, 2020. Josh is the Director of Student Life at HCC.

Elizabeth 'Belter' Cluck '17 and husband Brandon welcomed baby Harvey into the world on April 2nd, 2019 and brother, Harrison, on June 25, 2021.

Regan 'Gibson' Jacobsen '17 and husband, Trevin, welcomed Bennett Morgan on March 2, 2021.

Savannah Claire Morgan '18 graduated from Troy University with a Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training in May 2021. She passed her Board of Certification exam and is now a certified athletic trainer. She plans to attend the University of South Alabama's Physical Therapy School in Fall 2021. When she attended HCC, she was a Spirit Squad member, Athletic Training Student, Alpha Zeta Gamma Chapter of PTK member, and Scottie Ambassador.

Obinna Muoh '18 was named the Cooperative Education Student of Year by the MSU Career Center in. This specific award recognizes one outstanding co-op student each year for their academic excellence, exhibited professionalism and leadership in their respective organizations. While Obinna attended HCC, he was involved in PTK, was a Foundation Scholar as well as a Residence Assistant, and was the manager for the women's basketball team. He recently married, Lauren, on April 28, 2021.



Cory Beth Smith '18 married Kinstin Juhl '20 on June 26th, 2021.

Austin Taylor '18 and Callie Caudle were married on July 25, 2020

2020s

Heather Fuhrman '21 is the Administrative Assistant to the President/HR/Marketing for HCC. She received her Associates of Art Degree from HCC and is now pursuing her Bachelor's Degree in General studies with a concentration in Psychology @ Fort Hays University. She is looking forward to getting married in Mexico in November.

IN MEMORIAM

1940s

Euna Ukena Brant '41 passed away on August 19th, 2020

LaVeta Shaffer Prawl '43 passed away on January 8th, 2021

Beverly Utz Miller '47 passed away on May 2nd, 2021

Betty Colley French '48 passed away on December 1st, 2020

Col John Fridell '49 passed away on August 24th, 2020.

Lorraine Rieger Neibling '49 passed away on September 22nd, 2020

1950s

Hillman Hull '54 passed away on January 5th, 2021

Eva Moore Libel '59 passed away on October 28th, 2020

Harry Tatum '59 passed away on April 4th, 2021

1960s

Ronald Brooks '61 passed away on December 2nd, 2020

Robert Cluck '63 passed away on February 9th, 2021

Wayne Albertson '64 passed

away on October 30th, 2020

Linda Kessinger Medis '64 passed away on January 24th, 2021

Rick Parker '69 passed away on January 21, 2021

Charles 'Chuck' Poe '66 passed away on October 7th, 2020

Pamela Ukele '69 passed away on August 10th, 2020

Howard Propheter '69 passed away on October 29th, 2020

Dennis Myers '69 passed away on January 6th, 2021

1970s

William Butrick '70 passed away on January 29th. 2021

Michael Dassel-Stuke '71 passed away on January 28th, 2021

Elizabeth Meiners Griebat '74 passed away on May 12th, 2021

Janice Cunningham Moore '76 passed away on August 8th, 2020

1980s

Kellie Norris Schuetz '89 passed away on December 28th, 2020

1990s

Hallie Taylor Dawson '97 passed away on November 23rd, 2020

2000s

Jace Ward '19 passed away on July 3, 2021

Kerry Folsom Weinmann '01 passed away on February 8th, 2021

FRIEND OF THE COLLEGE

Helen Overholzer Gamby passed away on May 9th, 2020



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LIFETIME MEMBER: \$150 (JOINT MEMBERSHIP: \$275)

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- Membership Card
- 10% off all purchases at the HCC bookstore for life
- 4x8 personalized brick (8x8 for the joint membership)
- Free entry to Highland Athletics



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A brick courtyard was placed at the main entrance of the Porter Family Stadium as a celebration honoring alumni and friends of the College. Purchase a brick to personalize with your name, sport, activity, year or as a memorial or gift.

4x8 BRICK: \$75

3-LINE INSCRIPTION Up to three lines with 14 characters per line, including spaces & punctuation.

8x8 BRICK: \$125

Up to six lines with 14 characters per line, including spaces & punctuation



HCC BY THE NUMBERS

ACADEMIC YEAR



STUDENT GENDER RATIO

54 Percent **FEMALE** 46 Percent MALE



ENROLLED CREDIT HOURS

46.908

AVERAGE CREDIT LOAD

8.6



3843 STUDENTS **ENROLLED**

335 GRADUATES



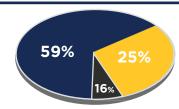
67 percent **Associate Degrees** 33 percent **Technical Certificates**



25 PERCENT

Full-time employees are

HCC ALUMNI



59 percent

9-county service area

25 percent

outside Kansas counties 16 percent

out-of-state

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over \$20 MILLION, almost 500 EMPLOYEES



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