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AWARDS and KUDOS


Farran, Paul (ATS) One of two Student Success representatives elected to serve on the Unclassified Senate governing board.


Kessler, Michele (LSS) Was honored at the KU employee recognition for 20 years service to KU.


Quisenberry, Aaron (SILC) Recipient of the C.L.A.S.S. Award, given annually by the Board of Class Officers (BOCO) to an administrator for demonstrating outstanding leadership. The award was presented at the KU-Iowa State Home Basketball Game, February 24, 2007.

Quisenberry, Aaron (SILC) One of two Student Success representatives elected to serve on the Unclassified Senate governing board.

Rasnak, Mary Ann (AAAC) Will be recognized on the 2007-2008 KU Women of Distinction Calendar.

Rogers, Bernadette (SHS) Named the recipient of Student Health Services', "You Can Count on Me" award.

Student Health Services (SHS) "Team of the Year" award went to members of the Centennial Celebration Committee (Mai Do, Judy Pinegar Carolyn Johnson, Karen Loyden, Samantha Rivera, Jackie Florez, Lynette Miller, Brenadette Rogers, Sandy Hadl, and Jerry Stubbs).

Starnes, Gina (UCC) Received a scholarship for the summer 2007 session to the NACE Management Leadership Institute for Career Services Professionals. Management Leadership Institute is a five-day, professionally intensive workshop offered by the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE).

Mullens, Linda (VPSS) Will be recognized on the 2007-2008 KU Women of Distinction Calendar.

Mullens, Linda (VPSS) Named by the 2006-07 Senate as an honorary Senator.

Waitley, Candace (SHS) Named Student Health Services' Employee of the Year.

Wamelink, Jennifer (DSH) Named Associate Director for Residence Life after serving as the Interim Associate since April 2006.
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COMMUNITY SERVICE INVOLVEMENT

Consolver, Dan (ATS) and son Kyle, participated in Habitat for Humanity, April 2007.

Hardesty, Jo (LSS) Auction committee member for Ballard Community Services' annual auction to be held June 8, 2007.

Bauer, Laura (SILC) Volunteer for Big Brothers/Big Sister's, 2007.

Ehlinger, Jamie (SILC) Volunteer for Big Brothers/Big Sister's, 2007.

King, Angela (SILC) Volunteer for Big Brothers/Big Sister's, 2007.

Perez, Rueben (SILC) Volunteer for Big Brothers/Big Sister's, 2007.
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### DEGREES EARNED/POST-GRADUATE STUDIES

**Abell, Kristen (SILC)** B.A. in English, University of Kansas, August 2007.

**Araoz, Juan (DSH)** B.A. in Economics, University of Kansas, May 2007.


**Beam, Katie (NSO)** Liberal Arts, University of Kansas, May 2007.

**Bengtson, Anton (NSO)** Liberal Arts, University of Kansas, May 2007.

**Bizjack, Brian (NSO)** Liberal Arts, University of Kansas, May 2007.

**Brown, Andrea (SILC)** M.S. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.

**Brown, Bethany (DSH)** M.S. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.

**Carpenter, Brent (OUR)** Has been accepted to UMKC School of Dentistry, University of Missouri-Kansas City.

**Charles, Cody (DSH)** M.S. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.

**Colaianni, Ryan (NSO)** B.S. in Journalism, University of Kansas, May 2007.

**Curette, Alvin (DSH)** M.S. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.

**DeCecco, Dave (DSH)** M.S. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.

**Ehlinger, Jamie (SILC)** M.S. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.

**Forsyth, Charley (NSO)** Liberal Arts, University of Kansas, May 2007.

**Gillett, Lance (DSH)** J.D. in Law, University of Kansas, May 2007.

**Hartness, Julie (DSH)** M.S. in University of Kansas, May 2007.

**Hill, Megan (OAS)** M.S. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.

**Jones, Dayna (OUR)** B.S., University of Kansas, May 2007.

**Lee, Melanie (DSH)** M.S. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.
Lepejian, Garen (CAPS)  B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, University of Kansas, May 2007. Garen has taken a position with Occidental Gas and Oil in California, which he will start after a visit to his family home in Israel.

Melville, Alexis (DSH)  M.S. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.


Pierson, Lauren (NSO)  Liberal Arts, University of Kansas, May 2007.

Remington, Laura  (DSH)  M.Ed. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.

Ring, Jeremy  (OUR)  M.S. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.

Ross, Patrick (NSO)  B.S. in Journalism, University of Kansas, May 2007.


Smith, Michael  (DSH)  M.Ed. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.


Starnes, Gina  (UCC)  M.S. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.

Stevens, Joyce  (SILC)  M.S. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.

Stewart, Zachary (LSS)  J.D. in Law, University of Kansas, May 2007.


Tobin, Nicole (LSS)  J.D. in Law, University of Kansas, May 2007.

Villaneuva, Kelly  (OUR)  B.S. in University of Kansas, May 2007.

Wenck, Melissa (NSO)  B.S. in Journalism, University of Kansas, May 2007.

Wendle, Ashley (NSO)  M.S. in Higher Education Administration, University of Kansas, May 2007.


Witty, Cayla (NSO)  Liberal Arts, University of Kansas, May 2007.


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DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES

(AAAC) The Learning Communities Program proudly announces several "firsts" this Spring: first series of Spring Learning Communities, first Study Abroad Learning Community, first Edwards Campus Learning Community, first Peer Educator Teleconference, and first Learning Community with the Chancellor in planning for the Fall.

(AAAC) Tutoring Services started a record-breaking 89 tutor groups this spring.
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- **Andrade Carlson, Mary (UCC)** Assistant Director, moved to Kentucky in March 2007. She will continuing to teach online internship course.

- **Barge, Becky (UAC)** Left her position as an Academic Advisor to work for her family business, April 2007.

- **Beckendorf, Matt (DSH)** Complex Director, June 2007.

- **Carpenter, Brent (OUR)** Has been accepted to the University of Missouri at Kansas City School of Dentistry. He will leave his student position in August 2007.

- **Chung, Tae (LSS)** Legal Intern, moving to Los Angeles to take summer job and will be back at LSS in August.

- **Gilliam, Roy (DSH)** Retired from the Senior GMRT position at Ellsworth, March 2007.

- **Grospitch, Eric (DSH)** Interim Executive Assistant to the Director of Residence Life, will be the Director of Residence Life at University of Missouri at Kansas City, May 2007.

- **Hayner, Sarah (DSH)** Complex Director, June 2007.

- **Hudlin, Roger (LSS)** Legal Intern, moving to Wichita for summer clerkship at law firm of Wallace Saunders and will be back at LSS in August.

- **Jones, Dayna (OUR)** Accepted to graduate program in Speech, Language and Hearing. She left her student worker position May 11, 2007.

- **Landrum, Melva (OAS)** Multicultural Admissions Counselor, Minneapolis, MN, April 2007.

- **Marriott, Ashley (OAS)** Admissions Counselor, will leave KU on June 15, 2007, to begin working on her Master’s in Higher Education Administration at the University of Texas at Austin.

- **McElhenie, Fred (DSH)** Retired as Associate Director for Residence Life, March 2007.


- **Remington, Laura (DSH)** ACD at Templin Hall, will be leaving in June for Western Washington.

- **Shoemaker, Jennifer (OAS)** Admissions Counselor, left KU on May 11, 2007, for the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.
**Snyder, Janene (VPSS)** Administrative Associate, left VPSS in May 2007 for the position of Administrative Associate Senior in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at KU.

**Wilkins, Bria (OUR)** University Support Staff, has been accepted to the graduate program in Molecular Biology, and to be a Research Assistant. She will be leaving her position in August 2007.

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- **Carter, Doug (DSH)** Chair of the Campus Disciplinary Hearing Board.

- **Marriott, Ashley (OAS)** Great Plains Association for College Admission Counseling, chair of the conference sessions committee.

- **Furbeck, Lee (OAS)** AACRAO - Transfer Issues Taskforce, December 2006 to present.


- **Furbeck, Lee (OAS)** AACRAO - Chair of Transfer and Articulation Committee 2007-2008.

- **Ozias, Moira (KU Writing Center)** International Writing Centers Association. Co-coordinator of the Special Interest Group on Antiracist Activism.

- **Sherron, Gail (OAS)** GPACAC - 2007 Conference Planning Committee.

- **Starnes, Gina (UCC)** Southern Association of Colleges and Employers (SoACE) - Co-chair of sponsorship committee 2007.

- **Wing, Shirley (UCC)** Kansas Association of Colleges and Employers (KACE) - conference committee 2007.

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NEW LEADERSHIP TEAM MEMBERS

Jason Hornberger  Senior Budget and Personnel Administrator, Office of the Vice Provost
Michael Lynch Maestas  Director, Counseling and Psychological Services
Diana Robertson  Director, Department of Student Housing
Terese Thonus  Director, KU Writing Center

**NEW LEADERSHIP TEAM MEMBERS**

Jason Hornberger  Senior Budget and Personnel Administrator, Office of the Vice Provost
(Effective June 2007)

Jason Hornberger received a B.S. in Business Administration from Kansas State University, Master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. He also earned a Certified Public Accountant certificate from the State of Kansas Board of Accountancy. He spent ten years in various finance positions at Sprint-Nextel Corporation in Kansas City. For the past five years, Jason has been Assistant Director of Budget Management & Fiscal Services at the University of Kansas. While in the Budget Office, he was the primary liaison to Student Success in creating the annual operating budget. Jason looks forward to leveraging his finance and budget skills as Senior Budget and Personnel Administrator in Student Success.

Jason enjoys volunteering for non-profit service organizations in Lawrence. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce Leadership Lawrence class of 2006 and currently serves on the Brookcreek Learning Center Board of Directors.

Jason is married to Jean Schrader (KU alum) and they have two young children, Lindsey and Luke.
Dr. Michael Lynch Maestas was the first in his extended family to pursue post-secondary education. Born in the U.S. of Mexican immigrants and raised in Western Kansas, he received his bachelor's degree in Psychology from McPherson College. His masters and doctoral degrees in Psychology were both earned at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He completed his APA accredited pre-doctoral internship at the Wichita Collaborative Psychology Internship Program in the Wichita State University Counseling and Testing Center and the University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita.

A licensed psychologist, he began his professional career seven years ago at the University of Missouri-Columbia Counseling Center as a senior psychologist and adjunct assistant professor in the Department of Educational, School, and Counseling Psychology. Throughout that time, he has taken on more administratively focused roles and routinely taught graduate courses in psychopathology, clinical interviewing, and personality, intellectual and neuropsychological assessment. He continues to be active in a number of national professional organizations and publishes as demands allow. Other important professional and research interests of his include: U.S. ethnic minority issues; acculturation; ethnic identity development and retention; multicultural therapy and assessment competencies; supervision and training in professional psychology; and organizational change, consultation, and dynamics.

He is passionate about the science and practice of psychology as well as organizational administration and leadership. As Director of CAPS, he looks forward to leading a vibrant group of multidisciplinary professionals in providing effective, relevant mental health services to KU students, continuing comprehensive training in mental health professions, and contributing to the mission of Student Success.

On a more personal side, he is a weightlifting and muscle car fanatic. Outside of work, he can often be found in a weight room or playing with one of his cars. He also enjoys other activities such as reading science fiction, chaos/systems theory, or organizational dynamics; spending time with his family and cooking Mexican food; and, of course, closely following KU basketball.

Diana Robertson is an Iowa native who holds a bachelor's degree from Buena Vista College in Management Science and English. She holds a master's degree in College Student Personnel from Western Illinois University, and a Ph.D. in Student Counseling and Personnel Services from Kansas State University.

Diana served as Associate Director of Housing for Residence Life at the University of Kansas since 1999, and has served as Interim Director of Housing since February 2006.
Terese Thonus, Ph.D.
Director
KU Writing Center
(Effective July 2007)

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Born in Colombia of American parents, Terese Thonus grew up in Europe, Asia and the Caribbean. She considers herself multicultural by heritage as well as by upbringing: Her grandparents immigrated to the U.S. from Mexico, England, and the Netherlands. She has seventeen years’ experience as an English as a second language teacher in Brazil, Thailand, and the U.S. After completing her PhD in Linguistics from Indiana University in 1998, she taught applied linguistics and composition at East Carolina University and California State University, Fresno. A second-language writing specialist, she has published on writing center talk, tutor training, and Generation 1.5 composition. As new director of the KU Writing Center, she looks forward to moving theory into practice and contributing to writing-across-the-curriculum initiatives at the Lawrence and Edwards campuses. She is fluent in Portuguese and is working hard to maintain her Spanish. Her hobbies include choral singing, swimming, and gardening.

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**PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

**Furbeck, Lee (OAS)**  AACRAO- Transfer Centers, Boston, MA, March 2, 2007.


**Malin, Emily (UAC)**  National ACademic ADvising Association (NACADA) - Regional Conference- Cross Training Staff Creates Harmony for Students, Austin, TX, March 10, 2007.

**Malin, Emily (UAC)**  The Great Plains Association for College Admission Counseling Conference (GPACAC)- Cross-Trained Staff are a "Jackpot" for Students, Overland Park, KS, April 19, 2007.

**McKay, Robyn (CAPS)**  Career Coaching for Creative People KU School of Fine Arts Career Exploration event, January 2007.

**McKay, Robyn (CAPS)**  Creativity and Flow: A Positive Psychology for Creative People, Mildred Amini Scholarship Hall, March 6, 2007.


**Sherron, Gail (OAS)**  Can we talk? Issues that we are both (high school and colleges) are facing. GPACAC - Overland Park, KS, April 20, 2007.

**Shoemaker, Andrew (AAAC)**  Coordinator, Disability Resources and the University Career Center brought Alan Muir and Sarah Helm, from the Career Opportunities for Students with Disabilities at the University of Tennessee, to campus for a half-day workshop on promoting career development and awareness for faculty, staff and students. This workshop was called Career Development for College Students with Disabilities: Collaboration is the Key, April 10, 2007.


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PROMOTIONS

Hathaway, Adam (DSH) Promoted to Senior General Maintenance Repair Technician (GMRT).  
Sanchez, Lisa (DSH) Promoted to Senior Custodial Supervisor, March 2007.  
Wamelink, Jennifer (DSH) Named Associate Director for Residence Life after serving as the Interim Associate since April 2006.