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by Joyce Ann Evans

Pete Libman '85 is director of student life at the School of American Ballet

A Day in the Life
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What happened on October 25, 2005?

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Christine Hahn, Dr. Yu Hak Hahn, Kwan Hahn, and Dr. and Mrs. David Hahn were honored at the dedication of the Yu Hak Hahn Center for the Sciences on September 30, 2005.

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Dedication of Yu Hak Hahn Center for the Sciences

Remembering... good friends, great faculty & rich traditions.

Alumni Weekend 2006
Decade Reunions, Alumni Celebration Dinner, Memorial Service, Winchester Dinner, Sweetheart Breakfast, Alumni Hall of Fame, Oak & Ivy Banquet, campus tours, Alumni Old South Ball with dancing to music from all the decades, and much more!

Come join us ... there's never been anything like it.
We promise!

Please see pages 8 and 9 for more information and registration form.
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The following remarks were made by Kentucky Wesleyan College President Anne Cairns Federlein, Ph.D. at the dedication of the Yu Hak Hahn Center for the Sciences on September 30, 2005.

Dr. Yu Hak Hahn, distinguished guests, faculty, staff, students and members of the community.

Today is a day that will be remembered in the history of Kentucky Wesleyan College. Today we are dedicating the Yu Hak Hahn Center for the Sciences and honoring Dr. Yu Hak Hahn, a 1958 graduate of Kentucky Wesleyan College. We are grateful to Dr. Hahn and his family for this state of the art science center.

We all agree that well educated students are the future of our country and the future of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. We all believe that discoveries in science have changed our lives in the past and will continue to do so in the future.

We, at Kentucky Wesleyan College, hold as a truth that science is an important component in a liberal arts education.

You remember, Dr. Hahn, what an outstanding science faculty we had at Kentucky Wesleyan College when you were a student? Well, it is no different today. Our science faculty is outstanding and each one gives hours beyond what is expected to educate each and every student. Simply stated, there are none better to educate our students.

All of our students must take science courses and study in a laboratory setting as part of their liberal arts degrees, regardless of the major.

Dr. Hahn, all of our present and future students at Kentucky Wesleyan College will walk the halls of the Yu Hak Hahn Center for the Sciences. You may be certain that they will receive the best education possible in these classrooms.

There is no doubt how important the Yu Hak Hahn Center for the Sciences is to all of us. There is no doubt that students today, and in the future, will be better educated for the competitive world of science because of your generosity.

Dr. Hahn, every student who attends Kentucky Wesleyan College will be touched by your gift.

The students, faculty, staff and community are grateful that you had the vision to open doors for future graduates of Kentucky Wesleyan College.

Dr. Hahn, thank you.
Brown Foundation awards $952,793 grant to the college

Kentucky Wesleyan received a grant of $952,793 from the James Graham Brown Foundation in Louisville. The gift supports both the James Graham Brown Scholarship Endowment Fund and the James Graham Brown Recognition program.

“Since 1975, the James Graham Brown Foundation has supported the scholarship program at Kentucky Wesleyan College,” KWC President Anne Cairns Federlein, Ph.D., said. “It helps the college recruit and retain outstanding student scholars and we are very appreciative of the foundation and its investment in our students.”

Most of the grant, $900,000, will be used to increase the scholarship endowment fund, while $52,793 will be used for recognition efforts that provide the opportunity for expanded educational and leadership experiences for the Brown Scholars.

Renovating Massie Hall

In November the renovation of Massie Hall began with plans of turning it back into a residence hall. It is scheduled to be open to students by the fall of 2006 and will provide 82 additional beds, with 34 semi-private and 14 private rooms available. Dean of Students Scott Kramer ‘87 said, “The highlight of the new residence hall is that no more than four students will share a bathroom.”

The second and third floors will have one suite which will house four students (two private and one semi-private) with a living room and private bath. The other rooms will not have a living room, but will have bedrooms on each side with a bathroom in the middle.

“Another great feature is that every room will have the ability to control their own heating and air-conditioning, much like a hotel room,” according to Kramer. Each floor will have a large student lounge designed for hall activities. The former game room will house the laundry room and a computer lab.

Artist-in-Residence

Dr. Nicholas Palmer, conductor of the Owensboro Symphony Orchestra, is an Artist-in-Residence this semester at KWC. He is collaborating with music students and faculty in various capacities, such as special lectures and public performances. Kentucky Wesleyan and the Symphony established a partnership in September 2005 with the collaboration of the Dr. Paul W. Hagan Chamber Music Series.

Palmer is in his eighth season as music director and conductor of the Owensboro Symphony, and is also music director of the Altoona, Penn. Symphony and the Evening Under the Stars Music Festival in Massachusetts. Palmer recently conducted in Germany and Italy and regularly serves as guest conductor for many orchestras around the world.

He graduated from Harvard University and received his master of music and doctor of musical arts degrees in orchestral conducting from the New England Conservatory and University of Iowa, respectively.

Dr. Diane Earle, chair of the KWC communications and fine arts department, said, “We are thrilled to have a musician of Maestro Palmer’s stature affiliated with our college. He is enormously gifted and personable. Our students will benefit greatly from our showcasing him in our curriculum.”
Kentucky Wesleyan experienced an 11.9 percent increase in enrollment this fall. This marks a nearly 23 percent increase in the past two fall semesters. The enrollment includes 719 full-time and 36 part-time students for a total of 755 students, the highest enrollment since 1997.

President Anne Cairns Federlein said, “Great things are happening at Kentucky Wesleyan College and we think that is reflected in the number of students on campus this fall.”

**Enrollment up 12%**

**Nationally ranked**

*U.S. News and World Report* once again rated Kentucky Wesleyan College as one of the top ten best educational values in the South in their annual college report. The college has been ranked in the top ten in eight of the past 12 years.

“We are proud that Kentucky Wesleyan is consistently recognized for both its educational quality and its value,” said President Anne Cairns Federlein.

For the second straight year, KWC received distinguished recognition by *The Princeton Review* as one of 140 colleges named “Best in the Southeast.” *The Princeton Review* college rankings are based solely on student opinions of their schools on several topics, such as academics, life at the college and fellow students.

**President receives award**

President Anne Cairns Federlein was honored with the first Glass Ceiling Award by the Owensboro Business and Professional Women. It is presented to a woman “who has empowered herself in the work force and has broken the glass ceiling by realizing her potential and objectives,” according to Jeanne Owens, co-president of the women’s business group. Federlein said it is a privilege to be the first recipient of the Glass Ceiling award because “it really is a symbol of how far women have come in our society in the last 30 years.”

The Adopt-A-Freshman program experienced an amazing increase this fall with 94 families adopting 107 freshmen. An evening in early September featured pizza, a scavenger hunt and ice cream and introduced the freshmen to their adopted parents. Alumni, trustees, faculty, staff and community friends volunteered to be adoptive parents this year.

**New environmental science scholarships**

Two new environmental science scholarships will be offered in the fall of 2006 at Kentucky Wesleyan, thanks to a gift from Ashland Incorporated. The environmental science program is designed for science majors planning careers in environmental policy and management, resource planning, environmental chemistry, conservation and applied ecology. Interested students should contact the Office of Admissions at admitme@kwc.edu.

**Guest lecturers**

Kentucky Wesleyan hosted several outstanding speakers in the fall. The Ellie Magnuson Lectures in Literature and Science featured Dr. Thomas P. Duffy, professor of medicine at the Yale University School of Medicine. Duffy has published or co-published more than 50 articles in leading medical journals on topics ranging from leukemia, to cholera in Calcutta.

Dr. John Y. Simon, professor of history at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, was the guest speaker for the Wade Lecture on “Should the South have won the American Civil War?” He began editing The Papers of Ulysses S. Grant in 1962 and has published 28 volumes of the Papers.

Pulitzer Prize composer Paul Moravec presented a free recital on campus and also discussed his compositional process, influences and experiences. Moravec has composed over eighty orchestral, chamber, choral and lyric compositions. He won the 2004 Pulitzer Prize in music.

The theme for the 13th annual Leadership Day was “Women in Leadership.” Featured speakers were Mosemarie Boyd, president and CEO of American Women Presidents, and Sylvia Lovely, executive director and CEO of the Kentucky League of Cities.

Tamara Quinn, founder of the Women’s Alliance for a Democratic Iraq and Director of the Schools Partners Program for Spirit of America, spoke at KWC about the effects of the Iraqi war on children and families in their country. She has made two trips to Baghdad, working with the Coalition Provisional Authority.

A Peruvian organizer and educator spoke for the Abundant Life, Peace and Justice Tour. Isabel Diaz-Ubillus, talked about food economy and the human rights struggles in Central America and the U. S. heartland.
Science center recognized for excellence in construction

The new $7 million Yu Hak Hahn Center for the Sciences received an “Excellence in Construction Award” from the Alabama chapter of the Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC). Hoar Construction LLC of Birmingham accepted the award for the category of institutional projects of $5 to $10 million. The Excellence in Construction Award competition is a nationwide program to publicly recognize quality and innovation in merit shop construction and to honor all members of the team: contractor, owner and architect/engineer.

Cheryl King Joins KWC

Dr. Cheryl King 70 is the newly appointed executive vice president for external affairs at Kentucky Wesleyan. She was previously vice president for Kentucky Adult Education with the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education. In that position, she provided statewide leadership for the adult education system with an enrollment of 120,051 students supported by a network of 900 administrators and instructors, a central office staff of 30 and an annual budget of $30 million.

Other positions she has held include associate vice president for adult education and literacy, Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education, and commissioner Department of Adult Education and Literacy, Kentucky Cabinet for Workforce Development.

“Cheryl brings a wealth of expertise and success in the areas of higher education,” President Anne Cairns Federlein said. “Her experiences, including strategic planning and partnerships, government relations, and communications, make Cheryl a perfect fit as we continue with our five-year strategic plan. She will also seek funding opportunities to support various educational programs, and assist with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) accreditation.”

Dr. King holds a master’s degree in education from Western Kentucky University and an Ed.D. in general administrative leadership from George Peabody College for Teachers at Vanderbilt University.

She is married to Fred King 70.

Flag of Honor

A national effort is taking place to ensure we remember 9/11 and all of the victims that day. A Flag of Honor will be displayed in each state and Kentucky Wesleyan was selected as the representative for Kentucky. The flag is displayed in the Winchester Center.

The names of each victim are on the flag, including the name of Tom Hohlweck 67. Tom was an active alumnus and a major donor until his death on 9/11.

As part of the project, a picture of the flag from each of the 50 states, plus personal notes, will be compiled in a collage that will be presented to the victim’s families. It will also be displayed at Ground Zero on 9/11/06, the fifth anniversary.

Bands perform during lunch

A new program on campus features music performed during the lunch hour in Presidents Hall. Shawn Brashear, who plays the acoustic guitar, was the first guest musician on January 30. The performance is open to all KWC students, faculty and staff. Commuters are encouraged to attend, so the audience will not be required to purchase a meal to enjoy the live music.

Enthusiastic response to matching gift

Kentucky Wesleyan College received a matching grant from an anonymous alumni couple who matched every gift up to $200,000 made to the General Scholarship Fund through December 31, 2005. The response from alumni and friends of the college resulted in $315,215 in matching gifts raised in pledges and gifts.

The General Scholarship Fund helps support academic, athletic, talent and church scholarships that are available to students at the college.

Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations Ron McCracken said, “This alumni couple was touched by the experience they had as students at Kentucky Wesleyan, and grateful for the opportunities available to them because of their education. This is their way of giving back.”
KWC faculty and staff, pictured left to right, Don Schmied ’69, Dan Bradshaw, Todd Lee and Todd Lillpop ’01, played in a golf scramble in October to benefit the Harold N. Taylor scholarship. The Kentucky Wesleyan scholarship, designated for criminal justice majors, was established by the Taylor family in memory of Harold Taylor, a longtime Daviess County jailer.

Harold Taylor benefit golf scramble

In August Kentucky Wesleyan bid farewell to Ray Carden, supervisor of maintenance, who served the college for 38 years. Ray was in charge of building mechanics – heating, electricity, air conditioning and plumbing. He first joined KWC at the age of 19 in 1961 and worked in the cafeteria. He left to serve his country and returned in 1965, joining maintenance in 1968. Ray served under six presidents and saw the campus grow from four to 16 buildings.

Farewell to a good friend

The Yu Hak Hahn Center for the Sciences was dedicated on September 30. The Kentucky Wesleyan College Trustees are shown in front of the new building with the Hahn family: Front row left to right: Jay Smith ’85; Frankie Hager ’57; Dr. and Mrs. David Hahn and daughter; Kwan Hahn; Yu Hak Hahn; Christine Hahn; Chairman of the Board Wayne Foster ’69; President Anne Cairns Federlein; Emogene Stephenson ’59; Wayne Sayre; and Dale Carden ’77. Second row left to right: Marcia Lawrence ’47; Luellen Pyles ’44; John Wallace; Arba Kenner ’74; Jack Wells ’75; Cheryl King ’70; Mark Gibbons ’78; Randy Raskin ’66; Barclay McCoy; and Harold Dorsey ’38. Third row left to right: Allan Morris; Ken Peters ’57; Mitch Settle ’83; Shane Wilson; Brandon Ellis ’06; Phil Malone; Dennis Kirtley ’65; Travis Chaney ’92; Roger Hayes ’72; Charles Schertzing ’62; Dennis Newberry; Roger Gardner; Tom Eblen ’68; Bart Darrell ’84; Joe Kenny ’60; Katheryn Darr ’74; David Watkins ’72; John Jones ’67; Sonny Hall ’71; and Chuck Melander.

KWC receives gift from Hager Charitable Trust

Kentucky Wesleyan College has developed a two-year Kentucky Wesleyan Master Series program as a result of a $78,000 gift from the Marjorie and John Hager Charitable Fund. The series will bring experts to the campus and the Owensboro community who are successful in their craft or profession and have achieved national or international prominence.

Mike Fagan, vice president for academic affairs and dean of Kentucky Wesleyan, said, “The Kentucky Wesleyan Master Series is a great opportunity for both the college and the Owensboro community. Marjorie and John Hager are community leaders who recognize the importance of providing a stage for successful professionals who can share their skills and experiences with all of us.”

Presenters will be distinguished individuals who either work or were born in Kentucky, and have contributed significantly to the image and reputation of Kentucky. The list of possible presenters includes authors, broadcasters, actors, politicians, scientists, historians, teachers, singers, songwriters and athletes.

The series format will feature each master in a day clinic, demonstrating her/his craft to a small group, followed by an evening presentation to a larger audience that will address broader issues.

KWC helps Katrina victims

When Hurricane Katrina hit New Orleans and the Gulf Coast, the Kentucky Wesleyan family set about helping the victims. Students collected supplies such as water, canned foods and health kits.

In addition, the Student Government Association (SGA), with the help of a donated trailer by Board Chairman Wayne Foster ’69, set up a community wide collection point on the front lawn of the campus. The trailer was also set up at a Panther football game. In October, the SGA and Student Activities Planning Board hosted Quadstock, a benefit concert for hurricane relief.

Almost $600 was collected through the various activities by Kentucky Wesleyan and sent to victims through UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief).
All decades will celebrate
30s, 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s, and 00s.

Return the registration form on page 9
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Watch your mail for a reservation package

Come join us! There’s never been anything like it.
We promise!

Thursday, April 27
- Honors Convocation – Tapscott Chapel, 12:10 p.m.

Friday, April 28
- Winchester Dinner – Rogers Hall, 6 p.m. ($12) Music by “The Halos”
- Oak & Ivy Dinner – Presidents Hall, 6:30 p.m. ($11)
- Ohio River Cruise – enjoy 2 1/2 hours on an Empress Cruise; evening departure from Executive Inn ($35 includes heavy hors d’oeuvres)

Saturday, April 29
- Registration – Winchester Center Rotunda, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Sweetheart Breakfast – 8:30 a.m.; for couples who are both KWC alumni; continental style at Ralph Center ($6)
- Purple/White Football – Bullet Wilson Field, 9 a.m.
- Campus Tour – 9:30 a.m. (meet at the Winchester Center Registration Counter)
- Art Exhibit – Ralph Center, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Mid-Day Babysitting Service – for infants ages 6 months through 5 years, Wesleyan Heights UMC, 11:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. ($5 per child includes a light lunch and puppet show - reservations required)
- Games On The Quad – On campus for children ages 6 through 10 from 11:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. ($5 per child includes a light lunch and clowns – reservations required)
- All Decades Reunion Lunches – 30s, 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s & 00s; 11:30 a.m. ($10); check for decade locations at the Registration Counter (locations include the Cox Conference Room, Gold Room, Ralph Center, Pyles Lounge, Savage Seminar Room, Settle Memorial UMC Renewal & Outreach Center and Wesleyan Heights UMC Fellowship Hall)
- GLVC Baseball – Panther Field, doubleheader: 12 noon and 3 p.m., KWC versus Missouri Rolla
- Greek Open House – 1 to 3 p.m. Fraternities in Deacon Hall (1st floor, Sigma Nu; 2nd floor, Sigma Phi Epsilon; 3rd floor Sigma Alpha Mu); Kappa Delta and Sigma Kappa Sororities in their new suites, 2nd floor of the Barnard-Jones Administration Building
- Campus Tour – 1:30 p.m. (meet at the Winchester Center Registration Counter)
- Alumni Memorial Candlelight Service – Tapscott Chapel, 3 p.m.
- Evening Babysitting Service – for infants ages 6 months through 5 years, Wesleyan Heights UMC, 5:45 to 9:45 p.m. ($5 per child includes snack - reservations required)
- Alumni Celebration Dinner – Rogers Hall, Winchester Center, 6 p.m. ($17.50); as we celebrate the decades … with Elvis and the “The Halos”; Alumni Hall of Fame Inductions & Alumni Awards
- “Alumni Old South Ball” – Presidents Hall, 9:30 p.m. to midnight; dancing to music from the 1930s to 2006

Sunday, April 30
- Attend the church services of your choice; check with registration counter on Saturday for times and locations

Special 50th Reunion
The 50th Reunion of the Class of 1956 is being planned. Class members will receive 50-year medallions at their special reunion celebration. Please watch your mail for the time and place.
Alumni News

The Alumni Board met in October with the following members in attendance: front row left to right, Sarah Cox Rhea '01; Carolyn Reddicks '64; Mark Carroll '88; David Westerfield '62; Emogene Clark Stephenson '59; Anita Simmons Freer '59; Tom Rogers '82; and Rebecca McClain Paulson '75. Second row l. to r.: Adam Potter '98; Lairy Nofsinger '58; Chuck Epperson '59; Glenn Sowards '53; Dwight Armstrong '79; Corey NaLampoon '04; and Catherine Eblen Sherrard '95.

Alumni Gatherings

Over 30 alumni and friends of the college met in Louisville in October at the Bristol Bar and Grill. The new men's basketball coach, Todd Lee, met with the group to talk about the basketball program.

Atlanta area alumni, as well as three prospective students and their parents, gathered for dinner in Woodstock, Ga. in December at Hillside United Methodist Church. Chris Bryant '99 is the associate pastor in charge of the Hillside new church development program. Over 15 attended.

ATTENTION CLASS OF 1956

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Alumni Awards

There is never a better time to nominate someone for an Alumni Award … than now! Nominations are being taken for 2007 awards. Call the Alumni Office at 270-852-3138 or 270-852-3139.

Alumni Weekend 2006 Reservation Form

Reservation deadline - April 19

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Our property had increased greatly in value but was returning a very low income. We wanted to sell … but we didn’t want to lose 25% to taxes. Kentucky Wesleyan showed us how to gift our property, receive large income payments for life, get added income tax savings, and really benefit the college. Wow! It really was a great idea. Call 270-852-3139 and find out how it can work for you.

Call for Nominations

The Alumni Association invites nominations for directors of the alumni board. Contact the office of Alumni Relations at 270-852-3139 or e-mail bmajor@kwc.edu.
The Kentucky Wesleyan College Alumni Association established the Alumni Hall of Fame to recognize alumni whose lives and achievements have earned them distinction in numerous ways – alumni whose accomplishments have brought state, regional and even national recognition to their alma mater.

KWC alumni have great success stories and the KWC Alumni Association honors individuals who have achieved such success and have given themselves to their profession in an exemplary fashion. The alumni inducted to date represent only a small percentage of the success stories to be honored. Many more will be chosen in the years to come.

The following alumni will be inducted into the 2006 Alumni Hall of Fame.

**Virginia Harris “Shorty” Combs ’22**

Pioneer of girls high school basketball in Kentucky

**Dr. Beverley Byers-Pevitts ’61**

The first KWC alumna to become president of a collegiate institution

**Rev. Dr. Harold Dorsey ’38**

Preacher to Appalachia

**Dr. C. Kenneth Peters ’57**

Servant physician and co-founder and friend of The Healing Place

**Virginia Harris “Shorty” Combs ’22**

Pioneer of girls high school basketball in Kentucky

Make plans now to be a part of this annual celebration dinner on Saturday, April 29, at 6:00 p.m.

Alumni awards will also be presented that evening.

Current members of the Kentucky Wesleyan College Hall of Fame
New facilities, increased technology, and creative programming have allowed Kentucky Wesleyan College to increase enrollment almost 23% over the last two years, a fact that brings both satisfaction and a deep sense of gratitude for your incredible generosity. The ability to continue increasing the number of scholarships we offer to our students is critical to our growth.

The General Scholarship Fund provides funds needed for academic, athletic, talent and church scholarships. It helps support 95% of our students and provides $3.4 million in financial assistance, over and above federal and state grants and endowed scholarships. It makes a quality education a reality. Kentucky Wesleyan believes the cost to attend college should not be a factor in a student’s college decision.

As we reach out to talented and energetic students and give them the opportunity to obtain a college education, we ask for your help. Together we can “…nourish, stimulate and prepare future leaders intellectually, spiritually and physically to achieve success in life.”

Honor Roll Societies

These societies recognize persons contributing to the college during its fiscal year, July 1 through June 30. Each society honors a different aspect of the rich heritage of Kentucky Wesleyan College.

Founders Society – $25,000 and above
Honors the beginning of Kentucky Wesleyan College in 1858 when the Kentucky Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church – South resolved to found a college, beginning a tradition of excellence in higher education which continues today.

Trustees Associates Society – $10,000 to $24,999
Honors the trustees of the college who, over the years, have committed themselves to the academic, financial and social welfare of Kentucky Wesleyan College. Appointed in 1858, The Reverend William Creighton Dandy served as the first chair of the board at the college.

Presidents Associates Society – $5,000 to $9,999
Honors the 30 presidents of Kentucky Wesleyan College who have contributed to the growth and development of the college. Appointed in 1866, The Reverend Charles Taylor was the first president of the college. Current president Anne Cairns Federein, Ph.D., began her service to Kentucky Wesleyan College with the opening of the 2004 – 2005 academic year. Membership in this society is an investment in our future leaders.

Faculty Associates Society – $2,500 to $4,999
Honors the prestigious faculty members of the college who, through their loyalty to the college and dedication to their profession, enhance the liberal arts experience for our future leaders.

Owensboro Society – $1,000 to $2,499
Honors the community and alumni of the Owensboro, Kentucky campus. In 1951 Owensboro became the third and current location of the college.

Winchester Society – $500 to $999
Honors the community and alumni of the Winchester, Kentucky campus, the second location of the college from 1890 – 1951. The 60-year Winchester period nurtured the college during the World War I and World War II eras, and continues to do so through the support of alumni and friends from the Winchester Era.

Millersburg Society – $250 to $499
Honors the first home of the college through 1890. Millersburg, Kentucky saw the founding of the college in 1858 and its first graduation, a class of one, in 1868.

Minerva Society – $100 to $249
Honors the spirit of giving symbolized by Minerva, the decorative sculpture from the Winchester campus. Generous donations from Winchester residents and other Kentucky Wesleyan friends rapidly rebuilt the Administration Building that was destroyed by fire in 1905. Minerva today resides on the current campus in Owensboro, reminding us of this generosity.

Heritage Society
Proudly recognizes persons who include the college in their estate plans. Through this society, members express today their commitment to strengthen Kentucky Wesleyan College in the future.

Going on to greatness…
By Ron McCracken
Vice President
Development and Alumni Relations

Several Class Ambassadors gathered in October for a workshop on campus. Front row left to right: Noel Stephenson ’58; Jean Taylor Owen ’63; Phyllis Stone Church ’61; Bill Bowling ’56; David Westerfield ’62; Emogene Clark Stephens ’59; Megan Evans ’03; Katy Evans ’01; Jill Wyatt Dilday ’02; Bessie Luttrell ’91; and Paul Williams ’71. Second row l. to r.: Judith Rogers Ford ’61; Kent Lewis ’98; Carolyn Reddicks ’64; Dwight Armstrong ’79; Meredith Yates ’04; Sherry Morgan ’00; and Maribeth Vanderford ’96. Not pictured is Danny Williams ’62.

The Fall 2005 Phonathon raised pledges totaling $57,163 from 1,232 donors. On behalf of all our students, thank you to everyone who said “yes!”
Dr. Earle performs at Kennedy Center

Dr. Diane Earle, professor of music and chair of the Communication and Fine Arts Department, performed at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. on February 1.

She was the featured artist performing classical and light classical music for the Kennedy Center’s gala reception for the “Partners in Education” national convention.

Earle performed at New York City’s Carnegie Hall in March 2005.

She earned her bachelor of music degree in piano performance from the University of Cincinnati’s College-Conservatory of Music, and her master of music and doctor of musical arts degrees in piano performance and literature from Ohio State University.

Dr. Busick writes novel introduction

Dr. Sean Busick, assistant professor of history and Simms Scholar, wrote a new introduction for the historical romance novel, The Cassique of Kiawah, for the History Press of Charleston, S.C. The book was written by William Gilmore Simms in 1859.

The novel was out of print and the newest edition was added to the “New World Classics” series. Simms was one of America’s greatest novelists and historians in the nineteenth-century.

Busick holds a Ph.D. from the University of South Carolina.

Johnson chosen distinguished educator

Dr. Buxton Johnson, associate professor of physics, was selected for inclusion in Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers 2005. The award is given to teachers across the nation who are nominated by high school and college students for being a “teacher that made a difference in a life.”

A member of the KWC faculty since 2001, Johnson is among five percent of the nation’s teachers receiving this recognition. He earned his bachelor’s, master’s and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Kentucky.

Moffett to publish book

Dr. Joe Moffett, assistant professor of English, will have a scholarly book published by the West Virginia University Press in late 2006 or early 2007.

Moffett has been working on the book for five years and has tentatively titled it The Search for Origins in the 20th Century Long Poem. Moffett’s book analyzes the evolution of the “long poem” form, of which T.S. Eliot’s “Waste Land,” is an example. Moffett earned his master’s degree and his Ph.D. from West Virginia University where he specialized in 20th century poetry.

Methodist pioneer is subject of Weiss book


Littlejohn was among the first itinerant preachers serving early congregations of Methodist sympathizes in Maryland and Virginia. He later moved to Kentucky.

Co-author of In Pursuit of a Dream – A History of Kentucky Wesleyan College, Weiss earned a bachelor of arts in the classics, a master of arts and Ph.D. in German, all from New York University. He continued advanced work with a Fulbright Scholarship at the Friedrich-Wilhelm University in Bonn, Germany.

Lee publishes book

Dr. Tony Lee, assistant professor of English, published a book entitled Mentoring Relationships in the Life and Writings of Samuel Johnson: A Study in the Dynamics of Eighteenth-Century Literary Mentoring, with The Edwin Mellen Press, Lewiston, N.Y.

The book explores the phenomenon of literary mentoring and the role that it played in Samuel Johnson’s literary and personal life. Lee has published articles on several authors of the eighteenth-century and specializes in eighteenth-century British literature, Samuel Johnson, and literary mentoring. He earned a bachelor’s degree in English and history from the University of Texas, a master’s in English from the University of Chicago and a Ph.D. degree from the University of Arkansas.

Alexander and Darrell publish study on teacher education

James Alexander, Ph.D., associate professor of elementary education, and Bob Darrell, Ph.D., professor of English emeritus, published a chapter in a major study of the scientist and philosopher Alfred N. Whitehead.


Alexander will travel to Salzburg, Austria in July 2006 to present this study at the International Whitehead Conference. Darrell will also attend to describe how Whitehead’s education philosophy can help civic organizations develop more effective governing boards.
**Pete Libman ’85** is director of student life at the School of American Ballet in New York City, the premier ballet academy in the United States. He oversees the residence life program at the school, where 64 high school and college students from all over the world live and train. He is in charge of academics, health care, discipline, and all programs and activities for the students.

Libman said, “It keeps you on your toes – pun intended.”

“About 2,500 students audition for a five-week summer course at the school and only 250 are accepted,” Libman said. “Following the summer course, about 20 students are asked to stay for the full year program.” Needless to say, the School of American Ballet is very select and competitive.

Although only 64 students live in the onsite residence halls, about 300 boys and girls, ranging in age from eight to 20, attend classes during the ten-month winter term. The school is located at New York City’s Lincoln Center.

Students also have an academic schedule that Libman oversees. “There are two specialized schools in Manhattan that work around the students’ dance schedule and I serve as a liaison between the student and the school and monitor their academics.”

“When I was hired by the school, I knew nothing about ballet and had never been to a ballet,” Libman explained, “so I brought a different perspective to the table. I was asked to develop a comprehensive student life program and so I hired a nurse, a nutritionist, a physical therapist and a psychologist. It was exciting to build and create a program and put all the pieces together.” He has been there 12 years.

In 1934, The School of American Ballet (SAB) was the first school in the country created for ballet, so it is very unique, Libman said. “The majority of our kids go on to dance professionally.” Many students have the opportunity to gain performing experience with the New York City Ballet. Currently SAB alumni appear on the rosters of over 60 U.S. and a dozen international dance companies.

“The best thing about my job is the students,” Libman said. “It’s exciting to work with students who are so talented and motivated. The kids are very focused, disciplined and passionate about ballet.”

Libman said he was influenced by KWC Dean of Student Life Wilfred Gorrell. “He was such a sensitive and kind man and helped guide me in college.”

Since Libman is a native New Yorker, the story of how he got to Owensboro is an interesting one. “The summer between my junior and senior year in high school, I applied to the National Science Foundation to attend a summer program and I was assigned to Kentucky Wesleyan to study bio-chemistry for six weeks with Drs. Bob Flachskam, Henry Connor and W. L. Magnuson, along with 40 other high school students,” said Libman. “It was the best time and a wonderful introduction to the college – probably half the kids from that summer decided to attend KWC.”

Following high school, he received a scholarship to attend Kentucky Wesleyan. Along the way, he convinced his best friend, **Brett Halem ’86**, to attend with him. “Brett was a criminal justice major and is now a federal probation officer for the southern district of New York.”

Libman has many great memories of KWC, especially of faculty and friends. “I was a Sig Ep in what is now Deacon Hall and the guys and I just became family. Even after 20 years we still keep in touch and when we get together, it’s just like it was yesterday.”

“I also enjoyed the personal relationships with the professors. I remember having barbeque at Dr. Flachskam’s house. And one summer I took entomology with Don Davenport and there were just two students in the class. We took an overnight trip, just the three of us. Where else would you get that kind of experience?”

After leaving Kentucky Wesleyan, Libman went to the College of Environmental Science and Forestry to specialize in forest biology. He taught middle school science for three years and then went to Clemson to work on a master's degree in zoology. Instead he received a graduate assistantship at Clemson, became a residence hall director, and the rest, as they say, is history.

“I changed my mind and earned my master's degree in Education for Counseling and Guidance Services,” Libman said. He was the associate director for residential life at Columbia University before he accepted the position at the School of American Ballet.

He is proud of the school and likes to share his passion with others, especially those associated with Kentucky Wesleyan. In October, he hosted a KWC alumni gathering at the school.

Libman said, “For the last eight years, KWC students participating in the spring New York trip visit the Lincoln Center for a day, observe a ballet class and have a tour.” He invites others to pay him a visit and “take a look at the arts world.”
7:35 a.m.
Soup’s on! Many students are eating breakfast at this time of day, but the Aramark staff is already preparing for lunch. Presidents Hall has continuous dining from 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

8:15 a.m.
Adam Kees and Adam Lister, both seniors who are roommates in Deacon Hall, get ready for classes.

9:00 a.m.
It’s moving day for Dean of Student Life Scott Kramer ’87 and his staff, as they relocate from Massie Hall to the second floor of the Barnard-Jones Administration Building.

10:00 a.m.
Tim Davis and Donavin Davis, both freshmen, work on their writing skills in this writing lab taught by Marisue Coy ’69.

10:15 a.m.
KWC President Anne Cairns Federlein is meeting this morning with Jennifer Hendricks about Student Government activities.

10:31 a.m.
The Physical Plant staff keeps the campus running smoothly from day to day as they repair, replace, move, clean, mow, build, set up and take down. They are working on a light fixture in the Winchester Center.

10:50 a.m.
Dr. Bernie Bettinelli teaches his advanced child psychology class, a small seminar type class with nine students.
12:20 p.m.
What’s to eat? Students grab lunch in Presidents Hall.

1:00 p.m.
Darby Meythaler of Owensboro is studying DNA in a genetics lab taught by Dr. Evelyn Hiatt in the Yu Hak Hahn Center for the Sciences.

1:20 p.m.
Peggie Greer, administrative assistant to Academic Dean Mike Fagan, has been helping students and faculty at Kentucky Wesleyan for almost 20 years.

1:42 p.m.
Increasing enrollment is a major part of the five-year strategic plan for the college. A group of perspective students and their parents begin a tour of the campus.

2:25 p.m.
Dr. James Alexander teaches an education class. Relationships formed with professors are also an important part of daily life at KWC.

3:07 p.m.
Sarah Bell, a junior from Sebree, intently works in her sculpture class, taught by Dr. Bill Kolok in the Ralph Center.

3:15 p.m.
As academic classes end, another teaching session begins on the football field with Coach Brent Holsclaw ’93.
3:30 p.m.
It's a little brisk today and students bundle up to watch and support the Panther men's soccer team versus Oakland City.

4:00 p.m.
The Student Activities Planning Board (SAPB) meets every other week to plan and organize student activities, from karaoke to ski trips and anything in between. Jarrod Ratliff, a senior from Owensboro, Jennifer Hendricks, a senior from Central City and Jeremy Johnson, a junior from Munfordville, lead the meeting. Student groups offer many opportunities for leadership.

4:26 p.m.
LaTasha Henry, a sophomore from Ashland, Ky., drives around her teammates during women's basketball practice at the Sportscenter.

5:00 p.m.
Music is a big part of CROSS (Christ Reaching Out Saving Students). Megan Zeigler, a junior from Maysville, Rachel Figueroa, a freshman from Boonville, Ind., and Eric White, a sophomore from Madisonville, lead the group. The KWC community welcomes each student and their beliefs and offers many outlets to further develop and explore their faith.

5:16 p.m.
Want more drama in your life? Meredith Walling, a freshman from Versailles, Ky., is a member of the Wesleyan Players and has one of the leading roles in "The Dracula Project" that debuts Friday in the Playhouse.

6:45 p.m.
Taking some time to unwind, Gavin Christ, a sophomore from Maceo, Ky., plays a game of pool with friends. Just hanging out each day also brings new experiences for the students.

7:00 p.m.
The KWC volleyball team plays Campbellsville in the Woodward HRC. Education is an activity that should never be confined to a classroom.
8:11 p.m.
These students are having a sociology study session in the Library Learning Center. Dr. Steve Beach should know they are having way too much fun! The KWC campus is close knit and comfortable, but also supportive of each other.

9:00 p.m.
What's showing tonight? Senior Jayne Powell, Otwell, Ind. offers freshman Fran Tunks, Evansville, a bag of popcorn in Rogers Hall before the Tuesday night new release movie, sponsored by SAPB. “Bewitched” is the featured movie tonight.

9:06 p.m.
Courtney Pike, a junior from Louisville, and Jamie Helm, a sophomore from Central City, enjoy a snack at the Boyd Cecil Ranch.

9:16 p.m.
James “the hit man” Gillaspie, a non-traditional student from Owensboro, hosts the Prime Time Bluegrass Request Show on WKWC, the campus radio station, located at 90.3 on your radio dial.

10:00 p.m.
He’s looking for a strike. Michael Walsh, a sophomore from Beaver Dam, Ky., steps up to the lane at Diamond Lanes South during intramural bowling. Over 25% of the students participate in intramural activities that include basketball, bowling, dodge ball, ultimate Frisbee, flag football, racquetball, and soccer.

11:26 p.m.
The day is winding down – or is it? Hope Hamilton, Amanda Tuttle, Becca Craft, Megan Thomason and Jamie Key meet in Stadium Hall to make plans for the evening. There is a special camaraderie, known only to college students, that develops over four years and exists throughout a lifetime.

Our students are growing in number. They each bring unique qualities that enhance our campus community. They come from small towns and large cities in 26 states and five foreign countries. Each and every day at Kentucky Wesleyan College, the classes, professors, staff, games, roommates, coaches, the extracurricular activities and the very special friendships help develop and shape our students as they prepare to live and work in a global society.

October 25, 2005
You’ve got to admit — that was a pretty good day!
King Kelly Coleman, Kentucky’s Greatest Basketball Legend

King Kelly Coleman, Kentucky’s Greatest Basketball Legend by Gary P. West of Bowling Green is a biography on former Panther legend Kelly Coleman ’60. Coleman played for the Panthers from 1958 to 1960 and was a two-time All-American. He led the nation as a freshman in scoring with 26.6 points per game and holds the record for highest scoring average for a career (27.7 ppg); and most points in a season (848). He played in 75 games and ranks third in career points (2,077 - 27.7 ppg) and sixth in career rebounds (904 - 12.1 rpg). Copies of the books may be purchased for $21.95 from the KWC All-American/All-Sports Club. Contact Darrell Smith at 270-683-2400.
KWC and Owensboro Catholic Schools partner to share expanded stadium

Kentucky Wesleyan College and Owensboro Catholic Schools have entered into a partnership to expand the Panthers' current football facility. The expanded facility will be called Steele Stadium for Owensboro businessman Bob Steele for his donation to the project. The stadium will continue to be the home of the KWC football and soccer teams as well as Owensboro Catholic High School.

Wayne Foster ’69, chair of the KWC board of trustees, said plans include construction of stands with seating for 1,900 on the east side of Robert “Bullet” Wilson Field. The existing stands on the west side of the field seat approximately 1,100 with the Billy Mitchell Press Box, bringing the capacity of the new stadium to about 3,000.

The building will include locker rooms for players and referees, restrooms, concession areas and a training and equipment room. Pinpoint lighting will be added for night games.

Golfers post best region won-loss record

The Panther men's golf team completed the fall season with the best Great Lakes Region won-loss record by finishing 21-1 against 23 region foes. This marks the first time in Panther links history it has held No. 1 in the Great Lakes Region. KWC, under second-year head coach Chris Car ’94, opened 2005 by shooting a school record 292 (four-over-par) to win the Indianapolis Invitational.

Men’s and women’s cross country added, Claycomb named head coach

Kentucky Wesleyan College will add men's and women's cross country in August and Michael Claycomb will be the head coach of both teams.

Claycomb, 32, comes to KWC with eight years of coaching experience at the middle school, high school and collegiate levels. He was head boys cross country coach at Daviess County Middle School, assistant track coach at Daviess County High School in Owensboro and assistant track and field coach at Murray State University.

He was a three-time All-Missouri Valley Conference track performer at Southern Illinois University. He also won the league's decathlon championship and earned the MVC's Most Valuable Athlete Award in 1994.

Following his junior season, Claycomb transferred to Murray State University where he won the Ohio Valley Conference pole vault title in 1995.

In high school at Daviess County, Claycomb was a 1991 high school All-American track and field athlete, two-time all-state honoree in cross country and track, and twice won the Kentucky State High School pole vaulting championship.

Claycomb earned dual bachelor of science degrees in physical education and health education from Murray State in 1997. He will continue to teach at Beacon Central High School in Owensboro.

With the addition of men's and women's cross country, Kentucky Wesleyan now has 13 NCAA Division II sports (six men - baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, soccer; and seven women - basketball, cross country, golf, soccer, softball, tennis, volleyball).

Souvenir pieces of Sportscenter floor available

The KWC All-American/All-Sports Club is offering authentic pieces of the Owensboro Sportscenter floor that the eight-time NCAA Champion Panthers played on from 1964 to 2004. Prices are between $10 to $300 and $5-$8 for shipping depending on the size (see below). For more information contact Glenn Young ’58, associate athletics director, at 270-852-3335.

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1950

Anna Jean Price Allen is a retired secondary teacher. She and her husband, Henry, live in West Liberty, Ky. and spend their winters in Okeechobee, Fla. They have three sons, Hank, Perry and Bill, and five grandchildren. Anna Jean writes that the following KWC classmates have been meeting annually since the early 1950s and met again in August 2005 in Mt. Sterling, Ky. for lunch and socializing. In addition to Anna Jean, they include: Edith Bowles Myles ’40 and Susie Smith Kindred ’50, from Winchester; Mickey Cox Hodson ’50, Lawrenceburg; Ginny Gilvin Thompson ’51, Lexington; Juanita Hart Snowden ’51, Versailles; Jane Blakemore Foster ’53, Shelbyville; Mary Lillian Cain Taylor ’48, Owingsville; and Leatha Neil Blair Nickell ’50, West Liberty.

1957

Ken Peters received the Distinguished Service Award from the Kentucky Medical Association, voted on by his peers. He is a member of the KWC Board of Trustees and his wife is Rhoda Gillespie Peters ’55.

1966

Sandra Kupchik Stewart presented a paper at the 16th International Conference on College Teaching and Learning in Jacksonville, Fla. She also received the Award for Innovative Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Technology. She is a professor and chair of the life science department at Vincennes University and lives in Vincennes.

1968

Mary “Bunny” Wright Guptill, Ph.D. was honored as Clarkson School District Volunteer of the Year. She is a retired university professor and public library director. She is a community grant writer with Clarkson Community Services Office. She and her husband, Terry, live in Clarkson, Wash. with two dogs, two cats, and Thunder the wonder horse.

1969

Susan Chamberlain Cormier has retired after 34 years of teaching, 33 of those in the Worcester Public Schools as a reading specialist in the elementary grades. She and her husband, David, live in Holden, Ma. and have one daughter, Dr. Judith J. Shirley.

1970

Doug Matthews and his wife, Carol Hendren

Matthews, own Teaching Point. Drexel University Graduate School of Education has adapted the Teaching Point instructional materials to online distance learning courses for teachers assigned out-of-field. Doug and Carol’s company is the only company globally that is producing a complete series of International Baccalaureate instructional materials. They live in Jacksonville, Fla. and have two daughters, Sarah and Laura.

William West was presented the “Award of the City of Olomouc” for his work promoting the Sister City relationship between Owensboro and Olomouc, Czech Republic. He lives in Owensboro with his wife, Rhonda, and they have two children, Shaun Cooper and Ryan William.

1971

William Kieckner retired after 33 years as a physical education teacher/coach and moved to The Villages, Fla. with his wife, Talitha. They have two children, Amy and Ben.

1973

Pat Corkran is vice president and manager of the Breckinridge County market for Hancock Bank. He has more than 32 years of banking experience.

Jim Nesin Omatsye is professor of educational philosophy and dean, faculty of Education at the University of Benin, Nigeria. He was a Fulbright Professor to the University of Kentucky and Kentucky State University and later to Eastern Kentucky University. He is married and has five children.

Alumnus works in Iraq

With 10 years of experience as a police officer, Todd Blakeley ’93, decided to put his resume on the internet and was contacted to work for the United States State Department in Iraq.

“About 120 of us spent two weeks in training in Fredericksburg, Virginia,” Blakeley said. “Only 60 passed that course and moved on to Ft. Bliss for combat readiness courses. And from there we headed to a secret camp in Iraq for SWAT training (special weapons and tactical training) for a month.”

First stationed in Fallujah for about three months, he also worked in Tikrit and finally in Kirkuk. Blakeley trained with the U. S. Army Special Forces, which he said was ironic. “I started to join the Special Forces when I was 18 but I backed out and decided to go to college instead.”

And college brought him to Kentucky Wesleyan where he played Panther football for two years and graduated with a major in criminal justice and philosophy. “I had Dr. Rogers for my philosophy courses and he was the greatest professor and the most intelligent man I have ever seen or met.”

Following graduation, Blakeley worked for the Madisonville and Henderson city police forces and the Hopkins County Sheriff’s Department, which he believes prepared him for the job in Iraq.

Blakeley trained about 20 men a week for the Iraqi SWAT teams, so he personally worked with 700 to 800 Iraqis during his tour of duty. “I can’t talk about all of it for security reasons,” Blakeley said.

Describing Iraq, Blakeley said, “Many of the cities, like Baghdad, are advanced. In Tikrit, which was Saddam Hussein’s base, I saw 20 huge palaces within a 10-mile radius, but most of the people are in the lower socio-economic class.” He said he talked with a captain of the government police under Saddam who only made $6 a month.

Although Blakeley had two leaves while he was in Iraq, his family missed him. He and his wife, Heather, have a three-month old son, Camden, plus Christian and Coda. “It was hard on my wife, having to work and take care of the kids. People don’t realize what a strain that puts on the spouse back home,” Blakeley said.

Blakeley now works for the Providence Police Department. If the call came, would he return to Iraq? “I got to see a lot of the world – Germany, Turkey, Hungry, Kuwait, Jordan, Greece, and I experienced a lot of cultures, so I might want to go back,” Blakeley said. “I like a lot of action, but my wife would not be excited about another tour.”
KWC alumni gathered in New York City in October at the School of American Ballet, where Pete Libman is the Dean of Students. Pictured left to right: Pete Libman '85; Emily Runkle; Ben Phillips '74; Scott Glaser '91; Daphne Smith '90; Dave Runkle; Randy Raskin '66; Howie Zeimer '67; Sheri Raskin; Rick Wood '58; Jan Ingram '69; Bill Taylor; Lee Mershon '51; and Bruce Kenyon.

1978

Stephanie Warren was the 2005 recipient of the Presentation Academy Tower Award for Women Leaders in the education category. She is the senior director of facilities management for Kindred Healthcare and the former principal of Presentation Academy, a Catholic high school for girls in downtown Louisville.

1980

Pam Troutman Foster is a teacher at Krejci Academy in Aurora, Ill. She and her husband, Rick, have six children, Sarah, Blake, Chelsea, Jordan, Paige and Noah.

1982

Jan Riley earned her Ph.D. in curriculum and instruction from The University of Southern Mississippi in August 2005. She is a primary grade teacher in Madisonville, Ky.

1984

Chuck Bradley is a therapist with Appalachian Regional Healthcare and lives in Vest, Ky.

David Bristow is manager of payroll and property accounting at Southern Star. He has worked in the natural gas transmission pipeline industry for 20 years and has a master's degree in business administration from Murray State University.

1986

Jana Murphy is a registered nurse and director of development with the Peninsula Community Foundation of Virginia. She and her son, Caleb, live in Newport News, Va.

Lorene Feuerbach Schaefer and her husband, Tim Schaefer '87, have moved to Erie, Penn., where Lorene is General Counsel of GE's Transportation business and Tim has joined an obstetrics and gynecology medical practice. They have three children.

1987

Chris Armstrong is shown with his children, Alex and Sarah. They swam in the annual one-mile Beach-to-Beach Power Swim in St. John, Virgin Islands. Sarah was the overall winner in the female under-17 class and Chris placed first in the male age 35-49 class.

Vickie Basham is a new cottage program director with the Wendell Foster Campus for Developmental Disabilities. She is retired from Owensboro Medical Health System, where she worked for 27 years. She is past president of the District Kentucky Nurse Association and was the Kentucky Nurse of the Year in 1991.

Suzy Johnson has moved to Philadelphia, Penn. where she is director of business and internal communications at a global healthcare organization, CIGNA, Inc. She sends hugs to Sigma Kappa and Sig Ep friends!

1988

David Edds Jr. is marketing and communications manager of the Owensboro/Daviess County Tourist Commission.

1990

Jody Head and his wife, Karen, have a new baby, Christine, who was born August 2, 2005. They have three other children, Chandler, Caroline and Catherine. Jody is a dental territory manager and lives in Owensboro.

1991

Chuck Standiford refereed the KHSAA State Volleyball tournament in 2005 and is teaching a new class called Teen Leadership at one of only two schools in Kentucky offering the class. He is a teacher at Christian County Middle School. Chuck recently had gastric bypass surgery and by the end of November 2005 had lost 113 pounds. He and his wife, Angie, live in Hopkinsville.

Catherine Witz and her husband, Sean, have a baby boy named Richard Isaac Witz, born September 27, 2005. They live in Ft. Worth, Tx.

1992

Eva McGowen received a scholarship from the Kentucky Association for Adult and Continuing Education. She is working toward her Rank I in educational administration and is an instructor with the Christian County Adult Education Program. She lives in Hopkinsville.

Dawn White is a sales training associate in pharmaceutical sales for Eli Lilly & Company. She lives in Greenwood, Ind.

1993

Amy McIntyre Lisner and her husband, Jeremy, have a new baby named Jonah. They also have a daughter, Salena, and live in Independence, Ky. Amy is a compliance specialist with Fidelity Investments.

Amy Spice Townsley and her husband, Rick, welcomed a baby girl, Kayla Larayne Townsley, on April 9, 2005. Amy is a social services worker clinician for Knox County Protection and Permanency in Barbourville, Ky.

1994

Michelle Ulrich Hieb has recently moved to Ft. Knox, Ky. with her husband, Sgt. Mike Hieb. They have four children, Keilah, Justus, Shepherd, and Asher. Michelle would love to hear from her classmates.

1995

Allison Bennett married Todd Brewer on June 17, 2005. Allison is a production planning coordinator with Key Electronics, Inc. and lives in Jeffersonville, Ind.

1996

Dean Brown is a teacher at Mariner High School in Cape Coral, Fla., as well as assistant football coach and head track coach. He and his wife Johnitta, have three children, Skylynn, Hayley and Cole.
Carrie Foster Long and her husband, Marc, welcomed a new baby girl, Natalie Susanne Long, on January 12, 2005. She joins big brother, Zachary. They live in Mt. Juliet, Tenn.

John Pitchford and his wife, Amy, welcomed a new baby, Jeremy Franklin, born August 8, 2005, who joins big sister Kaitlyn. John is assistant meat manager at Kroger in Louisville and lives in LaGrange, Ky.

1997

Patrick Boggs and a friend from Maysville, Ky., delivered food, water and personal supplies to Gulfport, Miss., following Hurricane Katrina, to a group of people trapped in an apartment complex 12 miles from the coast.

Christopher Lewis Jackson married Stacey Dura Schwartz on August 24, 2005. He earned a juris doctor degree from Capital University Law School, Columbus, and is practicing law in Ohio and Kentucky, with an office in Cincinnati.

Scott Littleton is pursuing his MBA at the University of Phoenix. He works at Meyer Tool Inc., and operates 90sandnow.com.

1998

David Merlo and his wife, Anna Goodman Merlo ’97, welcomed a baby boy, Matthew Michael, on August 21, 2005, who joins big sister, Maggie Michelle. David is a service technician with Mr. Rooter Cincinnati and also a senior airman in the U.S. Air Force Reserves. They live in Covington, Ky.

Anita Hicks Teague and her husband, Brad, live in Smyrna, Tenn. and have two children, Conner and Zachary.

Tamra Conner married Larry Robinson on December 11, 2004, and they live in Franklin, Ill. Tamra is a juvenile probation officer with Sangamon County Probation Court and Services.

1999

Chris Bostick and his wife, Loren Springate Bostick ’01, announce the birth of a son, Cannon Jacob, on August 23, 2005. They live in Danville, Ky. where Chris is a dentist in private practice and Loren is a nurse.

Sara Cox Burger is a legal assistant with Clark & Ward in Lexington, Ky.

Rachel Heaney married Brad Phelps ’02 on September 24, 2005. Rachel earned her master of business administration degree at Western. Carrie Bridgeman Wedding and her husband, Scott, welcomed their first baby, Sydney Claire Wedding, on June 16, 2005. Carrie is director of Daviess County CASA.

2000

Pat and Julie Burris Payne welcomed their first child, Braxton Clark Payne, on September 14, 2005. Pat is a pharmaceutical sales rep and Julie is a registered nurse. They live in Bowling Green.

Ryan and Mary Pfeifer Brehm welcomed a baby daughter, Mia Katherine Brehm, on September 10, 2005. They live in Louisville.

Martha Sparks Johnson and her husband, Todd, have recently moved to Walton, Ky.

2001

Dennis Cook and his wife, Sarah, welcomed a new baby, Alex Christopher, in August 2005, who joins big sister, Gracyn. Dennis is full-time director of music at Stithton Baptist Church and they live in Radcliff, Ky.

John Edge, football coach at Owensboro Catholic High School, was named Owensboro Messenger-Inquirer All Area Coach of the Year. For the second consecutive year, John took his team to the Class 2-A Kentucky state championship game.

Stephanie Jarvis Burger and her husband, Bryce Burger ’02, welcomed a baby boy, Brock Burger, on September 10, 2005.

Tom Wilson graduated from Asbury Theological Seminary on May 21, 2005, with an M. Div. and became a Probationary Member as a Commissioned Elder in the Kentucky Annual Conference on June 7. He is the pastor at Cloverport United Methodist Church in Cloverport, Ky. He and his wife, Teresa, have two children, Janeece and Justin.

2002

Mandi Grimes is accounts receivable assistant for Frost Brown Todd in Louisville. She lives in Jeffersonville, Ind.

Amanda Hicklin married Bo Phelan on December 3, 2005. She is a teacher at Highland Elementary School in Owensboro.

Thomas Melton graduated with his MBA from Murray State University in May 2005. He is a budget and planning analyst at Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc. His wife, Nicole Cissell Melton ’01, is a scheduling and allocation rep for Texas Gas.

Priscilla Miller is a customer service representa-

tive for Farm Credit Services of Mid-America in Hardinsburg, Ky. She is also varsity cheer coach at Breckinridge County High School.

Ryan Sandefur earned his MS in mathematics from Western Kentucky University in December 2004 and teaches mathematics at Greenwood High School in Bowling Green.

2005

Malena Gardner is a reporter with The Hancock Clarion and lives in Hawesville, Ky.

Catherine Bensberg Turney and her husband, Michael, live in Lexington and have one child, Nolan.

In Memoriam

1938

Bill Lindsay on December 11, 2005, in Winchester, Ky. He was a retired employee of L&N Railroad and a school bus driver. He was preceded in death by his sister, Eleanor Lindsay Mace ’40.

1939

Katherine Swope Kistler on October 29, 2005, in Las Vegas. Born and raised in Winchester, Ky., she was a medical and legal secretary. She was preceded in death by a brother, William L. Swope ’37. Survivors include her husband, Milton Kistler; two sons, William MacKay and Hugh MacKay and five grandchildren.

Edward L. Tullis on October 6, 2005, in Lake Junaluska, N.C. Bishop Tullis was ordained in the Methodist Episcopal Church South in 1939 and earned a BD degree from Louisville Theological Seminary. He served pastorates in Frenchburg, Lawrenceburg, Louisville, Irvine, Frankfort and Ashland, Ky. Elected to the Episcopacy in 1972, he was assigned to the Columbia, S. C. area for eight years and the Nashville, Tenn. area for four years. Bishop Tullis served for over 50 years as secretary/treasurer of the Mage Christian Foundation and he was the author of several books. He is survived by his wife, Katharine Crum Irwin; two children, Frank Tullis, Williamsburg, VA, and Jane Allen Offut, Georgetown, Ky.; and four grandchildren. He was preceded in death last year by a brother, Ashar Tullis ’44.

1943

Kentucky Wesleyan has just learned of the death of Lucille McWilliams Van Dyke of Bradfoordsville, Ky. She was retired from teaching with the U.S. Department of Defense.
1944

Newton Zinn on August 16, 2005, in Alexandria, Ky. He was involved in five major battles in World War II, including D-Day and the Battle of Normandy and was awarded a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart. He was a clerk with the U.S. Post Office for 29 years and a member of the Alexandria United Methodist Church. Survivors include a daughter, Nancy Jane Zinn, and a brother, Joseph Zinn, both of Alexandria.

1956

Sara Jane Brackett Roop on October 5, 2005, in Nashville, Tenn. She retired from the Tennessee Education Association in 1998 and was a member of Blakemore United Methodist Church. Survivors include her husband, Joe Roop ’56; four children, Amy Roop, Julie Roop Shadburne, Beth Roop Stovall ’84 and Jeff Roop; a sister, Marian Keneipp; a brother, George Brackett; and seven grandchildren.

1959

Guy William Koehne, on January 26, in Hopkinsville, Ky. As an undergraduate student at KWC, Guy designed the official seal that is still used by the college. He earned a master’s degree in molecular biology from Vanderbilt University and taught at Maryville College and the University of Kentucky. He moved to Hopkinsville where he became the director of the microbiology department at The Animal Diagnostic Laboratory. In 1981, he left the scientific community to become a full-time artist and his drawings are represented in public and private collections throughout the United States. He was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Survivors include his wife, Anne Karen Tabb Koehne; two sons, Eric Arthur Koehne, Nashville, and Marc William Koehne, San Francisco; his daughter, Suzanne Atkins Jr., Columbus, Ga.; and six grandchildren.

1960

Linda Atkins Blocher on October 20, 2005, in Litchfield, Maine. A native of Hopkinsville, Ky., she conducted a private psychotherapy practice in Auburn and Litchfield. Survivors include her husband, David Blocher; a son, Dean Johnson, Alexandria, Ky. He was involved in five major battles in World War II, including D-Day and the Battle of Normandy and was awarded a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart. He was a clerk with the U.S. Post Office for 29 years and a member of the Alexandria United Methodist Church. Survivors include a daughter, Nancy Jane Zinn, and a brother, Joseph Zinn, both of Alexandria.

1961

Martha Elizabeth Goodman Pickering on November 26, 2005, in Elizabethtown, Ky. She worked for Kentucky Wesleyan in the business office and was also a KWC admissions recruiter. She was the first woman postal clerk in Owensboro. She was known for her work on human rights issues in Kentucky and was the recipient of the 1988 Kentucky Women Advocates Lifetime Award.

1962

Kowykey Wesleyan has just learned of the death of Byron Henry of Huntsville, Al.

1963

Margaret Stovall Davies on October 6, 2005, in Eustis, Fla., formerly of Hawesville, Ky. She taught school for 20 years at Hawesville Elementary School and was a member of Hawesville United Methodist Church. Survivors include her husband of 58 years, Charles E. Davies Sr.; a son, Charles E. Davies Jr., Oakland City, Ind.; daughters, Emily Boling, Owensboro, Krista, Orlando and Lynelle Blankenship, Zellwood; and five grandchildren.

1967

Nancy Robinson Gaddis on July 31, 2005, in Owensboro. She taught for more than 30 years at Estes Elementary School and Owensboro Middle School, where she was the academic coach and a Kentucky Youth Assembly sponsor. She was a member of Owensboro Christian Church. Survivors include her husband, Kenneth Gaddis; two sons, Douglas Gaddis, Kensington, Md.; and Tim Gaddis, Franklin, Tenn.; a daughter, Vicki Alvey, Boonville, Ind.; a sister, Janie Robinson, Owensboro; a brother, Doug Robinson, Riverside, Calif.; and three grandchildren.

1972

Tom Higdon on January 8, in Owensboro. He began his professional career with Atmos Energy in 1971 when it was Western Kentucky Gas and was most recently the Atmos director of public relations. He was active in the community and a member of St. Stephen Cathedral. Survivors include his daughters, Monica Van Langen, Nashville, Melissa Higdon, Owensboro and Maddie Higdon, Cynthiana; a sister, Judy Higdon Dixon ’68, Owensboro; and four grandchildren.

Staff and Trustees

Rose Small Carter on September 21, 2005, in Owensboro. She retired from General Electric after 30 years and was a custodian at Kentucky Wesleyan from 1982 through 1986. Survivors include two daughters, Vicki Durbin and Janiece Hardesty Simmons and a brother, Bobby Ray Self, all of Owensboro.

Marguerite Lacey McNeal Griffin on October 26, 2005, in Owensboro. She attended Sullivan College and the University of Kentucky and was a member of Settle Memorial United Methodist Church. She served on the KWC Board of Trustees from 1989 – 2000, becoming a trustee emerita in 2001. She was preceded in death by her husband, Sloan Griffin, who was also a member of the KWC Board of Trustees for 10 years. Survivors include two daughters, Rebecca Griffin and Anne Sheriff, both of Owensboro; and one grandson.

William Stinnett on January 15 in Owensboro. He was a KWC trustee from 1973 – 1977 and a member of the committee that originally brought the college to Owensboro. He began his career with the S. W. Anderson Company in Owensboro in 1939 and retired as president and chief executive officer. He served in the U.S. Army Signal Corps during World War II. He was a member of First Baptist Church. Survivors include his sons, William Stinnett III, Hilton Head, S.C. and John Stinnett, Cincinnati; and four grandsons.

Patricia White, wife of former KWC President Luther White, on January 18, in Charlottesville, Vir. Dr. White served as president of the college from 1979 until 1988. She graduated from Hollins College and taught school in Norfolk, Vir. public schools, the George School of Newtown, Penn., and Dana Hall in Wellesley, Mass. For 21 years, she devoted herself to her duties as first lady of both Randolph-Macon College and later, Kentucky Wesleyan. She founded the L.M. Beautification Corps in Lake Monticello, Vir., which now has more than 100 volunteers overseeing the lake’s gardens and horticultural needs. She was also active in the United Methodist Church. Survivors include Luther White, her husband of 52 years; four children, Luther White and John White both of Richmond, Vir., Nell White King, Norfolk, and Mari White Smalshaw ’89, Lynchburg, Vir.; her brothers, Thomas Bowers and John Bowers; and 12 grandchildren.
The dash between the years
By Joyce Ann Evans

"I read of a man who stood to speak
At the funeral of a friend.
He referred to the dates on his tombstone
From the beginning…to the end.

He noted that first came his date of birth
And spoke the following date with tears,
But he said what mattered most of all
Was the dash between those years.
(1920 - 2006)

—Author unknown

King Richeson ’48 certainly lived the “dash” between his years. He was a longtime teacher, volunteer, sports enthusiast and World War II veteran. And he was the husband of Jean Sudduth Richeson ’46 for 57 years. He died January 20 in Versailles, Ky.

King once said, “I’ve been asked how Jean and I have managed to stay together all this time. The answer is simple. I operate on the 50/50 plan. Fifty percent of the time I do what she wants me to do and the other fifty percent, I do what she tells me to do.”

He enrolled at Kentucky Wesleyan in 1938 and graduated in 1948. King liked to tell that it only took him three terms to graduate (Roosevelt, Truman and Eisenhower). He enlisted in the US Navy in 1940 and saw action on both the Atlantic and Pacific fronts, serving on the USS Washington, as well as LST 179 and LST 889. Discharged as a lieutenant in 1945, he returned to KWC to finish his degree and went on to earn an MA in secondary education from the University of Kentucky.

King was active with the Winchester Era alumni of Kentucky Wesleyan, serving as president of that alumni chapter. He also attended many alumni events and was a generous donor to the college. He and Jean were instrumental in starting the Sudduth Family Scholarship that provides scholarship assistance to a KWC student each year.

During his 35-year teaching career, King taught at Morton Junior High, Henry Clay, Lees Junior College, Midway College/Pinkerton High School and finished his teaching career with 11 years at Woodford County High School. He also taught in Summer Science Institutes at UK, Southern Ill. University Carbondale, Duke, Oregon State and Drew University.

In 1948 he started his teaching career at University High School at UK where he inherited the coaching job for track, golf and basketball. The U-Hi Purples represented the 11th region in the Sweet 16 in 1951. It was also here that King became a track fan and officiated for over 50 years for the state track meets. He was named Outstanding Track Official in 1993, the first time the award was presented by the Ky. High School Athletic Association.

King was also honored at a UK football game in 2000 for being a member of the UK football defensive stat crew since 1954.

Not only was King involved in sports, he was an extraordinary volunteer, including his work at the Central Kentucky Blood Center. He once said he had donated 20 gallons (160 pints) of blood.

At Cardinal Hill Hospital, King volunteered in many ways and would take time to feed patients who were unable to feed themselves. He was also a deacon and elder at Versailles Presbyterian Church.

In October 2003, King was honored for a life time of volunteering and met with President George Bush.

In addition to his wife, Jean, he is survived by two daughters, Margaret Macemon, Mustang, Okla., and Sue Finley, Louisville; a brother, Hubert Richeson, Louisville; a sister, Madaline Hibbs, Madisonville, Ky. and three grandchildren.

King’s “dash” was full. He had a wonderful love of life and sense of humor and gave unselfishly to others, as well as being a dedicated teacher, and a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend. We’ll miss you, King.

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