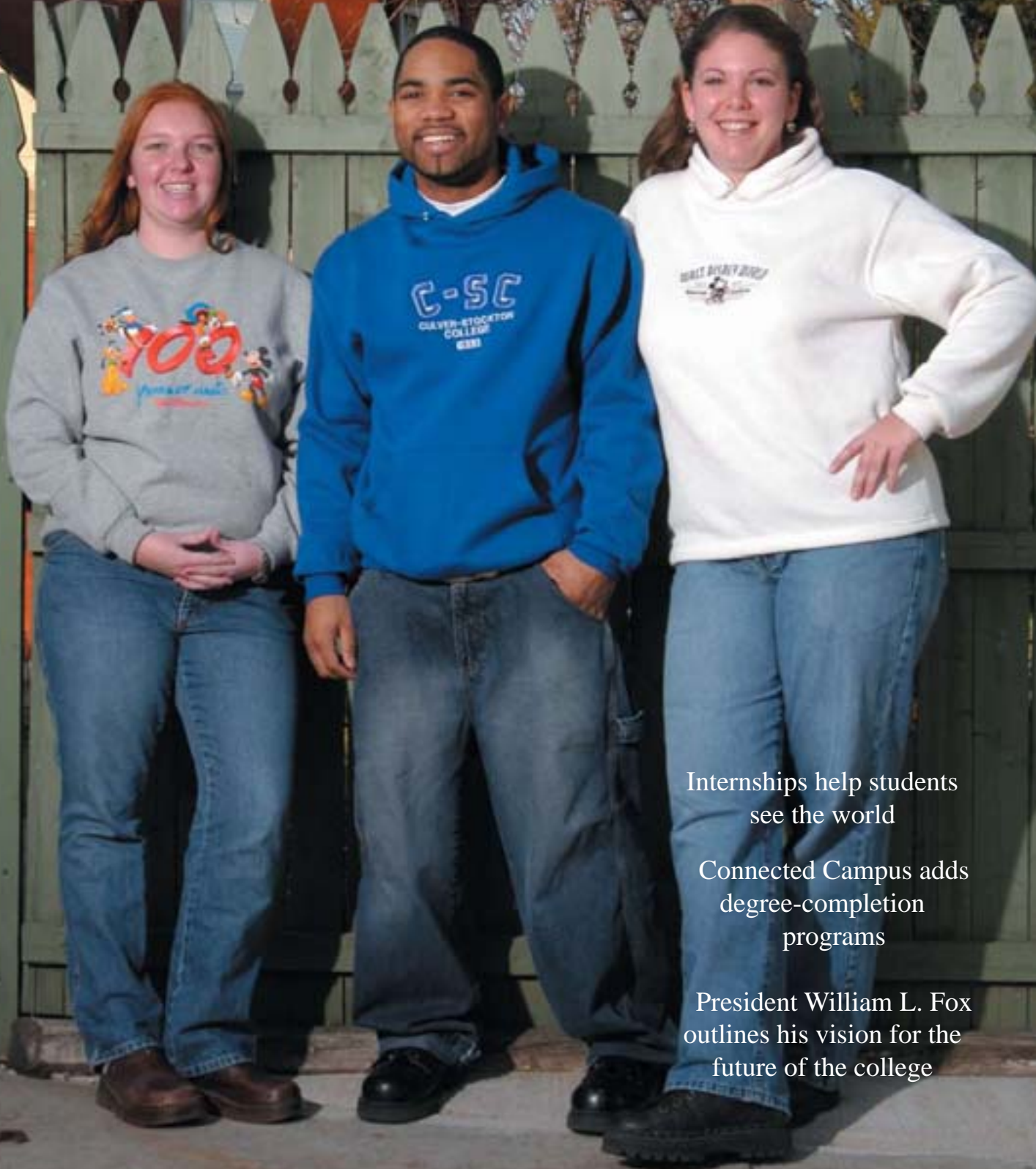


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Grounded In Questions of Virtue ...



William L. Fox
President

When Abraham Lincoln was a member of Congress, he traveled from Springfield to Washington by stagecoach as far as Indianapolis, and then took a train the rest of the way. On the first leg of one trek east, the only other passenger was a flinty rounder from Kentucky. The man invited Lincoln to join him in a drink, a smoke, and a chew, but each of the three pleasures was declined. As the Kentucky traveler left the coach, he turned to Lincoln and observed, "I may never see you again, and I don't want to offend you, but my experience has taught me that a man who has no vices has damned few virtues."

While colleges get plenty of attention for the blurry lines of pleasure that students attempt to balance, but sometimes cross, I believe we deserve to be better known for the many ways virtue is understood and expressed by the young adults on our campus. Culver-Stockton College does not and cannot wink at vices, but in taking them in stride as part of youthful human nature, it also concentrates on the making of virtuous and useful lives.

A college education, in both its theoretical and applied forms,

ought to have value and be about values. If we learn only a body of facts or attain particular professional skills without also deepening our awareness of choices that often divide between vice and virtue, we will remain uneducated. It is very important in college, for instance, to learn that most of us are more than the sum of our faults, but less than the standard of paragons.

To be educated at Culver-Stockton College is an experience that transcends a mere academic credential or early-career certification. I am confident there is a more vital quality in a Culver-Stockton education than may be available to students attending other kinds of institutions. We have asked everyone on campus in recent months about this difference (in kind, not only in degree) between our approach to the college experience and that of other places; we held forums, retreats, lunchtime discussions, and, of course, countless committee meetings.

We asked what the essence of the college is. Housekeepers, professors, maintenance workers, students, kitchen helpers, and administrators all said the same thing. They listed Culver-Stockton College's core values as a set of terms providing students a greater sense of what matters, besides intellectual competence. Here is what they said: lifelong relationships, moral discernment, the whole person, leadership, altruism, spiritual depth, and high responsibility. In other words, we will ask our students and keep asking our graduates, in direct, subtle, practical, and philosophical ways, what are their fundamental life commitments. We are grounded in questions of virtue — moral thinking, moral principles, and moral fortitude.

Meanwhile, I am mindful of an immensely influential book by *New*

York Times writer Thomas L. Friedman, called *The World is Flat*. His premise is that the Worldwide Web, featured among a variety of global forces, has knocked the curve out of the world's spatial distances, so that relationships and transactions between societies have been dramatically rearranged. This phenomenon is too new for history's full measure, but there are already consequences worth noting. In terms of education, for instance, Friedman notes a widening disparity in learning and ambition between American students and their peers in China and India, particularly in engineering and science. He labels the condition, "the quiet crisis."

“The Culver-Stockton community gets it right and gets it right for the times”

Undoubtedly, the world of the 21st century is beginning to take a new shape or, at least, is being interpreted with new metaphors. The sharp angles of economic competition, scientific achievement, and creative technology will require new approaches to education. With that easy assertion, however, I am convinced the compass points of virtue will become more, not less, important as we use technology to bypass political and cultural partitions. The Culver-Stockton community gets it right and gets it right for the times. At the core, personal integrity and moral vitality, the kind of education Culver-Stockton College represents, stands in the breach and never mattered more than it does now. — WLF

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Family offers \$100,000 Matching Gift for Education Fund

Culver-Stockton College is pleased to announce a new fund-raising initiative made possible by the generosity of an alumni family who wishes to remain anonymous.

The family has made a personal commitment of \$100,000 to establish a matching gift arrangement for the Culver-Stockton College *Education Fund*. With this gift, they are asking the C-SC community of alumni and friends to **Meet the Match** in one of three ways:

**Become a new donor to the *Education Fund*.
Every dollar will be matched.**

**Increase your annual gift to the *Education Fund*.
The increase will be matched.**

**Renew giving to the *Education Fund*.
(if you have not given in three years)
Every dollar will be matched.**

Jill Dingerson Named Individual Giving Officer



Jill Dingerson '98 has joined the Office of Advancement and Alumni Relations as an individual giving officer. In her position, Dingerson will be responsible for overseeing all fund-raising activities for alumni/ae who graduated between 1985 and 2005.

Dingerson previously was employed as a territory sales manager for Merial Limited in Redding, Calif. Prior to that, she worked for IBM from 1999-2004 in Seattle, Wash., and San Jose, Calif.

She holds a bachelor of arts degree in communication from C-SC and a master of arts degree in corporate communication from Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green, Ky. At C-SC, Dingerson was a member of the volleyball team and Alpha Xi Delta sorority.

“This is a splendid opportunity for us to join forces with a family whose deep love for Culver-Stockton College ought to be infectious and empowering,” said William L. Fox, college president. “This family’s vision and leadership are helping to ensure a great future for this wonderful college on the Hill.”

This match is designed to generate an additional \$100,000 in new, increased and renewed annual giving, essentially providing the opportunity, with your help, to turn this wonderful gift of \$100,000 into \$200,000 and to further

build a tradition of annual giving so important to C-SC’s future.

We are counting on **YOU** to **Meet the Match**.

For more information about the \$100,000 Match or to make a contribution, contact the Advancement Office at (800) 755-2287 e-mail advancement@culver.edu or visit www.culver.edu/supportcsc



Donald W. Wilson speaks at the Betsy Curtright Kraus Lecture Series.



Michael McCay, divisional merchandise manager of Wal-Mart’s Specialty Division.

Guest Speakers Impressed With Campus

Three speakers to the Culver-Stockton College campus last fall raved about the reception they received from students, faculty and staff.

Donald W. Wilson, the first executive director for the George H.W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum and the former Archivist of the United States, was the featured speaker for the inaugural program of the Betsy Curtright Kraus Lecture Series.

“It was such a wonderful opportunity to return to the Midwest and to visit such a delightful campus,” Wilson said. “The students at C-SC are straight out of central casting ... they were just the typical All-American college students. I found the students to be very attentive to the subject matter and extremely eager to learn.”

Michael McCay '68, divisional merchandise manager of Wal-Mart’s Specialty Division, and Joe Tracy, president of Dot Transportation Inc., were featured speakers kicking off the second year of the Business Leadership Exchange Series.

“I found the college to be very vibrant, even more so than when I was there in the 1960s,” said McCay, who was visiting C-SC for the first time since 1969. “I thought the quality of the students and faculty was just tremendous, and it was great to see the growth around the campus...it really made me feel good. It was a great experience and I would love to do it again in the future.”

“It was obvious to me that your students are intelligent, energetic, and focused on preparing themselves for a career with a successful organization,” Tracy said.

College Receives \$250,000 Andersen Grant; Faculty/Staff Campaign Tops 90 Percent for Third Straight Year

Culver-Stockton College was recently awarded a \$250,000 grant from the Fred C. and Katherine B. Andersen Foundation.

The gift will support the 2005-06 *Education Fund for Culver-Stockton*. The \$250,000 gift is the largest amount awarded to an educational institution by the Andersen Foundation of Bayport, Minn.

“We are extremely grateful to the Andersen Foundation for its expression of faith in the work of Culver-Stockton College,” said William L. Fox, college president. “This generous gift is important to the success of our *Education Fund*, which supports in the most direct way possible our highest priority—to create visions of success for each of our students.”

This marks the 11th consecutive grant the college has received from the Andersen Foundation and the seventh consecutive year that C-SC has received the maximum gift of \$250,000.

The *Education Fund* is designed to provide support for the college’s greatest priorities: student learning, student scholarships, student growth and development, and student health and wellness.

The major gift from the Andersen

Foundation comes at a time of gathering momentum of support for the college.

In addition, the college announced that for three consecutive years, the faculty and staff campaign to benefit the college has topped 90 percent in participation.

According to the Council For Advancement and Support of Education (CASE), the participation rate for Culver-Stockton College employees is among the highest in the nation.

A CASE official said that data compiled by the Council For Aid to Education indicated that the national annual giving rate for liberal arts colleges the size of C-SC ranges between 30 and 45 percent. According to figures from 2002 — the last year figures were available — the national average for all colleges and universities is 28 percent, the official said.

“The faculty and staff believe in the mission of this college and how we are giving our students a solid, well-rounded education,” said Debbi Henderson, dean’s office manager, who co-chaired the faculty/staff campaign with Tom Polett, associate professor of music. “It’s a testament to our faculty and staff that they are investing in our institution with their checkbooks.”

Scholarship Established in Memory of Olga Bays



Miss Olga Bays, 87, died Thursday, Oct. 27, 2005, in the Lewis County Nursing Home after a brief illness.

Miss Bays came to Culver-Stockton in 1949, after meeting a college trustee, who informed her of an opening for a history instructor.

Miss Bays served many roles at Culver-Stockton College, including women’s counselor, director of institutional research, acting director of admissions, advisor to several campus organizations and chairperson of the division of social sciences.

During the early and mid ‘70s, Miss Bays coordinated the Bootstrapper program, which brought active-duty servicemen to Culver-Stockton College to continue and complete their higher education.

The **Olga Bays Scholarship** at Culver-Stockton College has been established in memory of the registrar emeritus.

“We have mourned our loss but keep celebrating the life of Miss Olga Bays,” said William L. Fox, college president. “She had a profound effect on all of the students she touched during her 34 years at Culver-Stockton College. She was the ideal of what this college is all about. And now through the graciousness of her family with the Olga Bays Scholarship, she will continue to have a positive impact upon our students.”

Former PR Director David Steinbeck Dies at Age 76

David Steinbeck ’52, who served Culver-Stockton College in a variety of positions, died Saturday, Dec. 10, 2005 at Blessing Hospital in Quincy, Ill.

Mr. Steinbeck was well-known throughout Lewis County as the owner and publisher of the *Canton Press-News* and the *Lewis County Journal (The Press-News Journal)* from 1973-2000.

While at Culver-Stockton College, Mr. Steinbeck served as the director of public relations from 1955-1966, alumni director from 1955-1957 and assistant to the president from 1966-1968.

Mr. Steinbeck, who also served as an



adjunct professor in advertising in 1969, was a former member of the college’s board of trustees.

In 1969, he received the Culver-Stockton Alumni Medal of Recognition.

For more information about the Olga Bays Scholarship or to make a contribution, contact the Advancement Office at (800) 755-2287, e-mail advancement@culver.edu or visit www.culver.edu/supportesc

Connected Campus Offers Online Degree-Completion Program



By Katherine McDandel '07
Public Relations Student Writer

Culver-Stockton College is now offering two online degree-completion programs: a bachelor of science degree in management information systems and a bachelor of science degree in business administration through the Connected Campus Adult Education Program.

The Connected Campus program is geared toward adults who want to update their credentials, learn new skills or complete continuing education goals.

“With the Connected Campus program, we are stepping forward into the future of education, especially for working adults who wouldn’t normally be able to finish their undergraduate degree,” said R. Joseph Dieker, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the college.

The Connected Campus program is the modern answer to the adult education program that C-SC used to offer. It was a very successful program in the early 1990s, and Culver-Stockton is now bringing the program back to the community.

Online students may pursue a bachelor of science degree in management information systems or a bachelor of science degree in business administration. Also offered are certificates in management information systems, computer networks, marketing and management.

The Connected Campus operates in partnership with Regis University of Denver, Colo., and is therefore able to offer a wide range of courses during each session. Connected Campus online courses operate in an accelerated eight-week format but are held to the same rigorous standards of the traditional courses. In addition to normal reading and assignments, students take part in online discussion groups and team projects. Courses may also incorporate simulations and videos.



Photo by: Quincy Herald-Whig

The Culver-Stockton College Connected Campus online courses operate in an accelerated eight-week format but are held to the same rigorous standards of the traditional courses.

Students typically take two courses per session. Most full-time students are able to complete their bachelor degree within two years.

Pamela Williams, assistant professor of business, is director of the program.

“I am glad that we are offering this program,” said Williams. “It lets us reach a segment of the population that can’t easily come back to school, and it is fun as a professor — it forces us to update our skills, too.”

Williams believes that the format is very beneficial for students. It gives those without flexible schedules the ability to honor the other commitments in their lives and continue their education at the same time.

Williams also points out that with the online program, students from anywhere around the globe could take C-SC’s courses and receive the same quality education as local students.

Dieker says the Connected Campus initiative, which received accreditation in October from the Higher Learning Commission, enriches the traditional student experience at Culver-Stockton College.

“We are still very committed to a dynamic education for our traditional students,” said Dieker. “We are

enhancing our existing programs with the new online program.”

DEGREE-COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for enrollment in the Connected Campus degree-completion program, a prospective student must be at least 23 years of age, have three years of previous work experience in any field, and have completed requirements for an associate’s degree or have 60 hours of undergraduate credit.

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for enrollment in the Connected Campus certificate program, a prospective student must be at least 23 years of age, have at least three years of previous work experience in any field, and must have a high school diploma or GED level of education.

REGISTRATION

To register, call the Registrar’s Office at (877) 522-6787. For more information about the Connected Campus program, contact Pamela Williams at (573) 288-6437 or go to

www.culver.edu/connectedcampus.

The Changing Face of Students

By Steve Wiegenstein

I have taught 12 1/2 years at Culver-Stockton College and more than 20 years in higher education overall. This doesn't quite make me the grizzled veteran, but I have seen my fair share of the river of students flowing by. And when people ask me if today's students are different from those of 20 years ago, or even 10 or 5, I have to answer with a predictable 'yes and no.'

Today's students are Facebook-mad, for one difference. Those of you who haven't experienced Facebook madness, let me explain: Facebook is the hottest new Web program on campus, probably because it's aimed only at college students. Anyone with an ".edu" e-mail address can set up a Facebook page, which is a mini-web site on which they can post messages, form groups, and communicate with friends. I have seen students spend the five minutes between classes furiously updating their Facebook pages, replying to messages from friends, posting new photos, and commenting on their friends' message boards. Facebook is to college students today what cell phones were to students only a couple of years ago: an addictive new technology that they can't get enough of. Not to say that cell phones are any less in evidence, either.

But Facebook is just the visible tip of an ever-more-powerful iceberg. Students today are subject to more distractions than ever before. Heck, I'm subject to more distractions than ever before. E-mail, cell phones, regular phones, iPods, Facebook, TiVos, portable DVD players, instant messaging, satellite radios, and old-fashioned things like television and CD players — all combine to make students at once more connected than ever before and less able to disconnect from those distractions and focus. Students read less, they read less well, and they grow bored more easily. Maybe it's just me, but sometimes it seems like our whole student population is developing Attention Deficit Disorder.



On the other hand, complaining about one's students has been part of the educational landscape ever since Plato, who famously complained in the *Phaedrus* and elsewhere that literacy, that newfangled invention, was going to rot the minds of the young. So I should point out that beneath those differences lie a number of ways in which today's students are really no different from those of five years ago or 20 — or even myself when I was a student 30 years ago.

Students still come to Culver-Stockton College not knowing what they want to do when they leave. Oh, they may have some ideas, but for the most part those ideas are pretty general. "I want to work with people," a student told me at a summer registration session before this school year. That leaves a lot of room for discovery. What they do arrive knowing is that they want to succeed, by some measure — financial, professional, or other. And what they are looking for from us is some help at figuring out what that measure of success will be, and the tools to achieve it.

Lately I've been reading *My Freshman Year* by "Rebekah Nathan" (a

pseudonym), a fascinating book by an anthropologist who took a year's sabbatical from her job as a professor at a fairly large public university and lived as a freshman in her own university's dormitory, went to classes, and essentially went "undercover" to see what the lives of her students were like. Her conclusion? "Student-teacher relationships play a relatively minor role in the experience of undergraduate life in a large university." As I read this book, I went from thinking "Culver-Stockton College is nothing like this place" to "Is Culver-Stockton College like this place?" to "How can I make sure Culver-Stockton is not like this place, as much as possible?" Nathan describes college freshmen living disconnected lives, largely indifferent to their campus community, unaware of the rewards of academic pursuits, connected mainly to a small group of friends from high school and in their dorm. As I read, I experienced a shock of recognition that *My Freshman Year* was my freshman year — plodding through classes at a large public university in the back row of a 500-seat auditorium. The idea that any of my professors would have known my name was laughable.

At Culver-Stockton College, we claim a mission to take students as we find them, one at a time, help them develop their own visions of success, and then help them achieve it. And while students may not be able to articulate it, or may even snicker at the possibility, this one-to-one relationship between student and mentor — whether that mentor is a professor, a coach, a chaplain, or a staff member — is what they need and crave. That's something that hasn't changed over the years. And I can only hope that Culver-Stockton College continues to provide it.

Steve Wiegenstein is Professor of Communication and Chairperson of the Humanities and Social Sciences Division at Culver-Stockton College.

"The idea that any of my professors would have known my name was laughable"

It's a Small World After All

Internships Offer Students a Wide Diversity of Practical Experience

**By Katherine McDandel '07
Public Relations Student Writer**

Culver-Stockton College students are taking advantage of the school's internship program to gain real life business experience they hope will help launch successful careers.

"I'm a 20-year-old non-Ivy-League student, but after this internship I know that I can go out and work for any company and be just as competitive as students from the big-name schools," said Josh Leiling, a junior from Old Monroe, Mo., who interned at the U.S. Department of the Treasury in Washington, D.C.

Leiling is just one of many students who have taken advantage of the college's internship program which has been in place since 1981. The internship program is a key component of a student's academic life at C-SC.



Joshua Leiling participated in an internship program with the U. S. Treasury Department.

Treasury bureaus. He learned that being fiscally responsible wherever possible "helps taxpayers save money" in the long run.

He wasn't alone in gaining valuable experience.

Three students interned at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla.: Michelle Reed, a senior communication major with a minor in Spanish from Quincy, Ill., LeAnne Pierce, a senior communication major from Canton, Mo., and Josh Osborne, a senior business administration major with a minor in communication from Quincy, Ill. All three were assigned work in merchandising for the Magic Kingdom and Downtown Disney.

"The workers were called 'cast members,' wore 'costumes' (or uniforms) and were 'onstage or backstage,' which meant you were either out front with customers or behind the scenes," said Reed.



Josh Osborne poses with Mickey.

Students may do internships during either the fall or spring semesters, or during the summer. During the last two academic years, about 200 students took part in internships. Through the fall semester this year, an increasing number of students served in internships.

Leiling, a business administration major, received an internship program through the Washington Center, a group that provides selected students with opportunities to work in the nation's capitol and learn for academic credit.

Leiling worked in human resources and research procurement and the buying of supplies needed to operate the different Department of the



LeAnne Pierce at the Magic Kingdom Emporium.



Michelle Reed hams it up with Chip and Dale at Disney World in Orlando.

Pierce said it was a “great experience,” and Osborne said he “became friends with people from all around the country” during his stint at Disney.

“Realtors who saw how we interacted with customers offered us jobs on the spot”

Osborne, who hopes to get into the public relations or marketing field with Disney-owned ESPN, said he learned “about dealing with people,” while Reed said the networking she was able to do paid off.

“I have a possible job in Chicago from a person I met while working in a store at Disney World,” she said. “Realtors who saw how we interacted with customers offered us jobs on the spot.”

“Working at Disney affected and changed my goals -- it opened my eyes to other jobs in the public relations field.”

“I got to work in the fast-paced Wall Street atmosphere”

Bryan Bartz, a senior finance major from Maywood, Mo., interned with Citigroup in New York City. He learned about the internship program from new college trustee William R. Kennedy Jr., Director of Global Equity Research at Citigroup, who spoke on campus as part of the Business Leadership Exchange Series last year.

“I worked in the fast-paced Wall Street atmosphere,” said Bartz, noting that he rubbed elbows with many of the best students from several Ivy League schools.

One of the benefits of the program, Bartz said, was to use the on-the-job experiences to evaluate his career goals.

“I’ve always been interested in financial markets,” he said. “From my internship, I learned that equity research is the backbone of the retail aspect of those markets. I would definitely consider working in a similar environment.”



Bryan Bartz performed an internship at Citigroup in New York City.

For more information about internships for students at C-SC, contact Nicole Barkley, Career/Internship Center Coordinator, at (573) 288-6536 or e-mail her at nbarkley@culver.edu.

CURRENT INTERNSHIP POSSIBILITIES

Internships are available to Culver-Stockton College in a variety of fields throughout the United States.

During the past year, 91 students worked and learned through internship programs. Students may choose from a list of more than 700 sites or submit a new location.

Some of the internship sites include:

United States Department of Labor

(Washington, D.C.)

Nestle Purina,

(Gray Summit, Mo.)

Citigroup

(New York, N.Y.)

Big Brothers and Big Sisters of

Adams County

(Quincy, Ill.)

Environmental Protection Agency

(Washington, D.C.)

Iowa State Penitentiary

(Fort Madison, Iowa)

Walt Disney World

(Orlando, Fla.)

Missouri State House of

Representatives

(Jefferson City, Mo.)

Illinois Auditor General's Office

(Springfield, Ill.)

United States Department of the

Treasury

(Washington, D.C.)

Adams County Probation

(Quincy, Ill.)

Blessing Hospital

(Quincy, Ill.)

Children's Action Network

(Quincy, Ill.)

Caterpillar

(Peoria, Ill.)

Archer Daniels Midland

(Decatur, Ill. and Cedar Rapids, Iowa)

DOT Foods

(Mount Sterling, Ill.)

Chaddock

(Quincy, Ill.)

Meyer Polleck Advertising

(Quincy, Ill.)

Lewis Co. Sheriff's Department

(Monticello, Mo.)

Working for "Hizzoner"

Percy Thomas '04 had the opportunity while a student at Culver-Stockton College to work in the office of Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley through an internship program.

A native of Chicago, Thomas learned about the program from his mother and interviewed and landed the competitive position. He worked in office management and finance and administration in the mayor's office of special events.

"Overall, it was a great experience," he said.

Thomas now works full time in the mayor's office in finance and administration at the Cultural Center. His internship supervisor hired him on a permanent basis after he graduated from C-SC.

Thomas works on budgets and grant reports, and has written a how-to manual for all the jobs in his division.

"The internship experience humbled me," Thomas said. "I worked on the higher and the lower ends of the scale. I learned that nobody is too good to answer the phone, but I got to mingle with the big-wigs."



Percy Thomas '04 with his boss, Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley.

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C-SC Student Aids Katrina Victims



Photo by Lisa Wigoda

Biology major Corey Johnson is back in the lab after active duty deployment in hurricane-ravaged Louisiana.

**By Sarah Cotton '05
Public Relations Specialist**

On Wednesday, Aug. 31, 2005, just three months after returning from almost two years of deployment in Fort Polk, La., Corey Johnson was once again called to active duty. After one of the worst catastrophes to hit the United States, Johnson, a Military Police-E4 Specialist of the U.S. Army National Guard, was sent to New Orleans to serve and protect those suffering from the devastation of Hurricane Katrina.

"It was like something out of a movie. There were cars all over the streets, with trees and electrical lines down everywhere. It was unreal," said Johnson, recalling his experience.

Johnson, a biology major from St. Louis, safely returned to Culver-Stockton College after being deployed to Jefferson Parish, La., a suburb of New Orleans, for nearly two and a half weeks.

Though he was located in a dry zone, the town was still heavily affected

by the hurricane's heavy winds and tornadoes. Johnson, along with task forces and rescue missions, protected what was left in the storm's aftermath. They performed routine patrol in residential areas, including TCP, traffic control points. They also handed out water and food.

"We were mainly there as a security blanket for the many who were still there and suffering," he said.

"Though they had next to nothing, they always tried to offer me something"

After having so much of their lives taken from them, Johnson says that the victims of Hurricane Katrina were always very welcoming to those who came to their aid.

"Often they had next to nothing, but they always tried to offer me something.

The people were just thankful for being alive. They all stuck it out and were already starting to rebuild what they had lost. They were determined and made the best out of the situation."

For the millions of people who lived in, visited and toured the city of New Orleans, including Johnson, it will never be the same. As one who had spent the last two years visiting the city during its Mardi Gras celebration, the city wasn't quite as he remembered it.

"It was weird. All the places that I had been to before were now ruined. The hotel where I had stayed was destroyed."

Although frustrated with being sent away again, he soon came to realize and appreciate the historical significance of the moment.

"It was definitely something new, something I wished never happened. However, to be a part of the aftermath and to be able to help as a soldier, it made everything worthwhile and unforgettable. I learned that you have to put yourself aside."

Where Are They Now?



Tonya, Megan, Jamie and Adam Vavak

Name: James “Jamie” Vavak.

Residence: O’Fallon, Mo.

Family: Married to former Tonya Huffstutler for eight years; two children, Megan 4, and Adam, 2.

Occupation: General Manager, Hilton Hotels Corp., currently managing Hampton Inn in St. Charles, Mo.

Hometown/High School: Caledonia, Mo./Valley R-VI High School.

Graduation Year From C-SC: 1994.

Years Spent At C-SC: 1990-1994.

My Favorite Class at C-SC:

Interpersonal communication class with professor Jennifer Wood. She wasn’t at C-SC very long, but she always pushed us to be the best that we could be. Professor Wood really challenged us to excel. She would not accept less than 100 percent effort.

My Favorite Memory of C-SC:

I don’t really have one specific memory but rather all four years I was there. The camaraderie was unbelievable and we

were all such friends ... we used to say there never was a stranger at Culver-Stockton College.

My Favorite Campus Site at C-SC:

The rolling hills and the trees that used to be on the hill before the tornado. You could always see the town of Canton and the Mississippi River ... it was such a beautiful sight. In the winter, we used to love sledding down the hill.

Why do you contribute to C-SC?

It’s important to continue the uniqueness that is Culver-Stockton College. We need to continue in every way to be supportive of the college. C-SC has come a long way and now that we’re back on track we need to create more legacies.

Shhh! Don’t tell anyone that ...

When we lived in Chicago, I built a deck and basement on our house.

When I was a child, I wanted to be ...

A doctor.

Other than your wedding day and the birth of your children, what was your proudest moment?

The day I graduated from C-SC. I remember when I was taking that last final exam before graduation, I felt a great sense of satisfaction.

Invite any three people, living or dead, to dinner. Who are they?

President Bush, President Reagan and ... I guess, living in the St. Louis area, Albert Pujols!

What is the most useful piece of advice you have ever received?

When I worked in the public relations office at C-SC, Sharon Illa taught me to never settle for anything less than excellence.

The last good book I read was:

First, Break All The Rules by Marcus Buckingham.

The last good movie I saw was:

Chicken Little ... I took my daughter and it was good.

If I have learned anything at all, it’s ...

Don’t sweat the small stuff.

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Plan For Success

President Fox's Vision of the Future for Culver-Stockton College

Culver-Stockton College president William L. Fox recently met with staff for a question-and-answer discussion about the college's new Plan For Success 2006-2016. The following is a transcript of that conversation.

Culver-Stockton College is developing a strategic plan. What exactly is a strategic plan and why is it important?

Every institution is organic in its nature. It is constantly undergoing change and growth. Planning is an essential part of making that happen. You cannot think in terms of just annual planning increments anymore, but must look at five-, six- or 10-year cycles.

A strategic plan must come in two parts. There are assessments of what has gone on recently that determine the health and nature of the college. Then there's the idea of setting goals and strategically leveraging yourself to attain those goals.

In the case of the college we have to ask with imagination and vigor what it's going to mean to be an educated person in the 21st century. How do we get our young people ready for the next half century?

How is the college putting together its plan for the future and are its many constituencies involved?

An effective strategic plan is always going to have a 360-degree perspective. The college has a multitude of constituents with responsibilities of caring for this special place in their lives: alumni, community people, students, faculty, trustees, staff and, most importantly, prospective students.

Each of those members of the college has an angle of seeing what is important to the success of Culver-Stockton College.



Photos by: Lisa Wrigoda

What we've done in "planning the plan" has really been a 24-month process. I came to the college in 2003 and my first year was about recovery from the spring tornado – and recovery in the sense of planning a budget that was coherent, transparent and trustworthy.

Then I expressed some vision points for the college at the time of my inauguration. I laid out two or three things I thought were going to be important for us to discuss as a community with all our constituents.

How we handle the resources of the college and make sure we can be stable and secure in our future through financial equilibrium quickly became a central focus. Not just balancing the budget, but actually having the resources to grow the college in the right way.

The second part of the vision was making sure that our reputation could be enlarged so that the radius of that good reputation keeps pushing outward. I'm confident there are many families who would love to be part of

the college whom we have not yet touched. Our challenge is to meet them and bring them to Canton.

"...my idea of leadership is simple. It's not a one-person act"

The third thing I mentioned in developing the vision for the campus was trying to encourage what I call leadership in abundance. The first day on the job I told my colleagues on the staff that my idea of leadership is very simple. It's not a one-person act. This means a vibrant culture must exist so that people can think creatively, take initiative and bear the weight of responsibility.

Leadership is not just an attribute of college administration; rather, leadership exists in a distributive arrangement from the board of trustees, from the students and certainly from the faculty. Among alumni there must be a model of leadership that is networked to get the best results.

I think of these goals as the three stars of Orion that helped us navigate toward a vision that describes a college's success.

Implicit in all of this is the goal to give each student the experience of a very personal and practical education, one that is "time-released" for life.



What are the key assumptions that help to shape the strategic plan?

The first premise is, of course, to generate the widest participation possible. The more people who understand the necessity of thinking about the long-range future and have a voice in this, then greater will be the number of people embracing it, accepting it and wanting to work for it.

My view is that any plan worth its salt is going to have a certain horizontal characteristic. It has to be viewed as a horizon line that people can see and readily describe. They need to be able to define it in very simple terms. It ought to be the kind of thing that people could have on wallet-sized cards that would capture the essence of the C-SC Strategic Plan For Success.

In planning, we must – since we are a college – be empirical and know how to use evidence. The plan has to have behind it solid data, good strong arguments for doing certain things. Arguments based on evidence. Making a case for change. Without a commitment to change, which is really answering the question, "How can we

be better?" we will be hard-pressed to make our own success.

How will the plan determine the college of the future?

The plan of the future will have six areas of priority. I've already mentioned three of them in terms of a practical vision.

The college will need to have a much tighter way to express its niche. We cannot be a miniature university. We cannot be all things to all people. We have to know exactly what our signature areas are, what our core areas are, those majors that are the leading strengths in our academic programming. We have to understand ourselves in hybrid terms — purposeful liberal arts that include professional skills.

I would expect to see some reforms in our curriculum, its presentation, and even in the academic calendar.

Certainly I would expect some freshening of graduation requirements. I think one of the things the faculty now understands is that we probably have a much too complex system of requirements. If we can't explain our purposes to a prospective student in a "30-second elevator speech," it's probably too complex.

Achieving a cogent and well-established niche is going to require some important programmatic changes.

That would also invite the question about the teaching staff. I can see making some important decisions about faculty. What faculty will we need for the future? What's the profile of the person that would be a good fit for this college? The most strategic thing we can do in many instances is the recruitment of the right faculty.

The second goal that we've talked about has to do with the college's reputation. One currently popular book describes the most effective form of

marketing as "buzz marketing." It's certainly a kind of a centrifugal effect, where it starts in the center and goes out. This is something that is going to require a marketing plan, marketing strategies, a way to get our story into thoughts and dreams of young people and our own alums.

The third goal is a college with effective and abundant leadership. My view is that this need is going to be partly addressed through resources and strategic hiring but also helping people on the campus be open to try new means of collaboration and cross-pollinating. That is as much a fundamental structural challenge as any and it's one that the college is now addressing.



Leadership roles belong in every corner of the campus. We need to help students understand that they can learn about leadership by doing many things. It doesn't mean that it's only a position in student government or as captain of a team. You can be a leader by being a playwright. You can be a leader in a classroom because you're particularly talented in doing differential equations. That's the kind of abundant leadership that I envision as a necessity for Culver-Stockton.

The fourth goal, of course, would be financial equilibrium. That's going to be a constant and one that cannot be achieved all at once. It means keeping our operations in balance, but also

handling the capital budget in a strategic way so that the replacement cycles are reasonable. To grow and not fall behind. An obvious example of that is the question of technology. What technology are we going to need on this campus and how much is too much?

Fifth, I would say the alternative programs that we're starting are a very important way to integrate many of the things I've talked about. Being able to market the institution through indirect approaches will be necessary. We have an accredited online degree-completion program that is a strong platform for this goal to be accomplished.

Reaching out to non-traditional students over the age of 23, often working full time, seeking a quality education of the kind that Culver-Stockton can offer, is part of our mission and precedent.

We also have a chance in the various seasons of the year to do more on campus with our facilities. Examples would include an alumni college, or a conference center, or a kind of Chautauqua festival every year that would be a cultural event. These are things that I think the college ought to be attempting that would meet an obvious need in northeast Missouri.

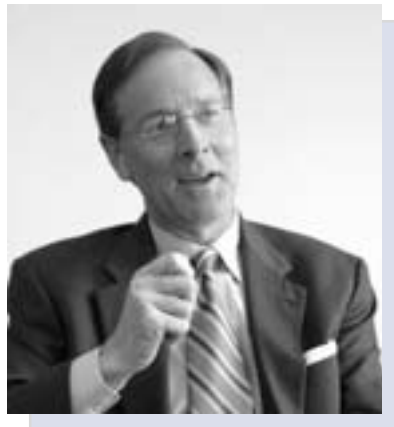
There's much to show the world through this campus that we need to be doing. The majestic view of the Mississippi River is a great starting point.

The final goal is making sure that our campus can sustain its beauty and that the facilities are useful in the most effective ways possible. This is a challenge that is never going to go away.

Ten years from now I would expect much of the campus to look just as it does today, but I would also imagine some major improvements involving several construction projects.

For instance, in residence life, we are mindful that in one or two instances our facilities are 30 to 40 years old and will have to be improved. We have a library that essentially has not been remodeled in almost 40 years. These are areas that challenge us to think strategically.

What role can alumni and friends of the college play as the college implements its strategic plan?



One of the most important roles that our alumni and friends can play is telling us what they think. I would never underestimate the reservoir of wisdom that we have right within our own reach. People who have great experience in business, professional life or institutional leadership can give us a lot of guidance, reassurance and encouragement. It's essential that we have the involvement of alumni in our planning and our work of the next five years.

I believe that as an alumnus or alumna, you want your college to get better. The practical reason for that desire is, of course, because it increases the value of your own diploma if your institution gets better in terms of its niche, its reputation, its presence in the larger world.

We all have a lot at stake in this. I look back at my own college, a college much like Culver-Stockton. In the last 30 years my college is one that has improved greatly since I was a student there. As it should. I would hope that all of us could say that about our much-admired C-SC in the next decade.

Another important thing for alumni and friends to do is say, "we can do this." The six goals can and must be accomplished through deep commitment and belief in our important obligation.

The question I would pose to all of our constituencies is, "How much do you want to do this, how badly do you want to do this, how important is it to you that we do this?"

The goals are achievable. I am absolutely convinced and absolutely confident that if all of us can agree on our principles of quality, and pursue them with clear focus, a sense of purpose that motivates and drives us, we will fulfill the goals of the Strategic Plan.

As president of the college, what are your hopes for the next generation of Culver-Stockton College students?

I think that there are all kinds of institutional yardsticks that would express my hopes. But I don't think you can necessarily measure the depth of what I really hope for.

I would like to see the students that are with us today leave this college not only well prepared for their careers, but also knowing they have deepened their personal values. That they will have had an experience here that has enlivened their imaginations and their sense of self-confidence. I hope they will have a greater appreciation for self-knowledge, for the kinds of things that make for a complete person. A well-furnished person who has taken the furniture of the mind and occasionally rearranged it and then decided "that's the room I'm going to live in," is the measure of our success.

I hope students can acquire that sense of self here. My hope is that if we do that well, in the years from now they will look upon Culver-Stockton College with affection, with gratitude, but most importantly, with pride. That this is a premier college in the Midwest. That we are top ranked. That we are currently

in the top 50 best Midwest colleges in *U.S. News and World Report* rankings and we are on the move.

I sometimes think colleges don't always get the credit from their alumni that they deserve. In fact, when I interview people for staff positions, I often try to determine what that person's sense of appreciation is for his or her education. What are their feelings for their alma mater?

If I hear indifference, if I hear lament, if I hear a litany of complaint, I have to confess that I am suspicious of that person's capacity to learn new things. I think it makes a difference how a person regards his or her alma mater. I also think it's more than just being grateful. It's being loyal. It's being proud. It's not being timid about expressing the wonderful aspects of a college that may not be as famous as Oxford or Stanford, but, my goodness, it was and still is a light lit in this wonderful Missouri wilderness and one that is still burning bright and will never be put out.

Newest Trustee Has C-SC Roots

When William (Bill) R. Kennedy Jr., was elected to the Culver-Stockton College Board of Trustees last fall, he thought about many college connections.

He has roots in Canton and strong ties with Culver-Stockton, and trusteeship was an opportunity to continue the Kennedy family legacy. Bill's parents, Bill and Sharon Kennedy, made deep, lifelong attachments and contributions to this community of learning – his father was a trustee of the college before joining the staff as a key professional leader. And, his sister, Suzanne Bernritter, began her college career on the Hill.

Bill not only knows the college, he loves its mission and its commitment to producing lifelong leadership in abundance. A product of private higher education, he understands the importance of living and learning in a student-focused environment. And he



William R. Kennedy Jr.

believes that to recapture the momentum of the past requires a new generation of leaders.

His lifestyle is one of active participation. In March 2005, Bill was a featured speaker in the college's Business Leadership Exchange Series. While on campus, he spoke to accounting and finance classes, and conducted interviews for a summer internship at Citigroup. Our representative student thrived and was well respected by fellow interns (from Harvard, Stanford, and Wharton Business Schools). And it was a wonderful chance for Smith Barney to learn about this outstanding college in the Midwest!

Bill lives in New Canaan, Connecticut, with his wife Holly and their two children. He currently serves as the Global Head of Citigroup Investment Research, is a member of the Citigroup Management Committee and the Global Wealth Management planning group, and heads the CIR Executive Committee.

Bill is a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) and member of the CFA Institute and New York Society of Security Analysts, and holds a bachelor's degree in economics and an MBA from Texas Christian University.

Culver-Stockton College's Plan for Success 2006-2016

Goal One: An Excellent Educational Program

To develop Culver-Stockton College's niche as a solid regional liberal arts college steeped in the values of Mid-America, offering unparalleled programs in signature areas, and the benefits of an active and supportive residential experience.

Goal Two: Enhancing the Culver-Stockton College Reputation

To ensure our good reputation is recognized among more people – especially those whom we have yet to meet.

Goal Three: Effective College Structures, Operations and Personnel

To develop leadership in abundance from alumni/ae, trustees, and the campus community.

Goal Four: A Strong Financial Position

To establish sustainable financial equilibrium.

Goal Five: Gaining New Markets and Opportunities

To develop a robust and comprehensive set of alternative programs and wider use of campus facilities year-round.

Goal Six: Campus Improvements

A beautiful campus with facilities that enhance student learning and life.

Professor Selected for Prestigious Institute



Steven Long, assistant professor of English at Culver-Stockton College, has been selected for inclusion in the International Communicology Institute. Membership in the ICI is by international peer certification of the candidate's expertise in a given area or research in communicology, the critical study of communication habits, especially among humans. Members are committed to collaborative research and publication to advance the development of communicology as a discipline in human sciences.

Long joined the C-SC faculty in 2002 and holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Graceland College, a Master of Arts degree from the University of Northern Colorado, and a Ph.D. from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale.

Michael Boatman This Year's Guest Artist

Witty chaos, crazy romance, and argument upon argument hit the stage when Culver-Stockton College's Fine Arts Department presented its 20th annual guest artist production with Micheal Frayn's Broadway hit, "Noises Off," featuring guest artist Michael Boatman. Boatman, best known for his role on ABC's "Spin City" as Carter Heywood, played the role of Lloyd Dallas. All other roles were played by C-SC students.

C-SC's annual guest artist production is an opportunity for students and faculty to experience theatre with a professional actor/actress. Students work with the actor onstage, behind the scenes, and in workshops and master classes, learning new techniques in the art and sharing first-hand experience of how the "business" works on a day-to-day basis. C-SC is the only school in the region to bring in a professional guest artist working in theatre, television and/or film each year to work with students.



Concert Choir Performs in Iowa

The Concert Choir performed in November at Wakonda Christian Church in Wakonda, Iowa, and First Christian Church in Oskaloosa, Iowa. The ensemble also joined with Des Moines area Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) congregation members to form a mass choir and performed Gospel Mass, by Robert Ray at the First Christian Church in Des Moines.

The choir is the college's premier vocal ensemble and performs under the direction of D. Larry McSpadden, associate professor of music, director of choral activities and chairperson of the fine arts division.

Greenspace Committee Replacing Flower Gardens

The Campus Greenspace Committee began work last fall on replacing the flower gardens between Clough Hall and the Gladys Crown Center. After the basic outlines for the gardens were agreed upon, the tilling and edging were done, but most of the planting will wait until spring. The gardens were made possible by monetary gifts from a student group and a long-time friend of the college.

Installation Service for College Chaplain



The Reverend Kristin Van Heyningen was installed as the chaplain at Culver-Stockton College during a February 12 service in Merillat Chapel in the Robert W. Brown Performing Arts Center.

Van Heyningen, who began her duties at C-SC as chaplain and instructor of religion and philosophy in August 2005, is an ordained minister in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Van Heyningen earned an undergraduate degree from Texas Christian University and a master's degree from the University of Chicago Divinity School, where she is currently finishing her doctorate in religious ethics.

Greek Honors

The Delta Upsilon International Fraternity honored the Culver-Stockton Chapter with the award of Excellence in Membership Education during the Fraternity's 2005 Leadership Institute.

For the 10th consecutive year, Culver-Stockton College's Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity has earned national recognition for its newsletter, The Kappa Muse. The chapter also received a plaque for its campus involvement.

The Culver-Stockton College Beta Mu chapter of Sigma Kappa has been recognized for having the fifth highest grade point average among all Sigma Kappa chapters in the nation.

Homecoming 2005



Robert "Bob" Cook '60 speaks to the crowd during dedication ceremonies for the Sigma Phi Epsilon Press Room in the Roy D. Wilcox Memorial Press Box. Looking on from left, are, **Lynn Fox, John Tripp '72** and **Daniel "Dan" Thomas '64**.



Ann Durand '69 and **Mary (Mock) Harroun '66** are pictured with **Bill Fox** after receiving the Outstanding Alumni honors during the President's Gala for Alumni at Quincy Country Club.



President **William L. Fox** shakes hands with **Ed Cohn '61** after dedication ceremonies for the Ed Cohn '61 Room in the Roy D. Wilcox Memorial Press Box. Looking on is C-SC athletic director Rod Walton.



Bill Fox, president of Culver-Stockton College, and his wife, **Lynn**, lead the annual parade through Canton.



Lanse Tomlinson '73, Brad Hoyt, men's basketball coach, and **Pete Collier '67** discuss their round after the C-SC Golf Scramble at Spring Lake Country Club.

Photos by Lisa Wigoda and Kevin Dingman '86



Lori (Venvertloh) Walbring '97 and **Renee (Scheiter) Higgins '97**, members of the C-SC Alumni Board, greeted spectators at the parade.



Bert Stanley '52, fourth from left, presents the clapper to **William L. Fox**, college president, during the Tau Kappa Epsilon Victory Bell Dedication Ceremony. Looking on are **Wade Watts '54, Pat Hibbeler '74, Don Sykes '49** and **Greg Goss '92**.

Don't Forget to Mark Your Calendars for Homecoming 2006 on Oct. 6-7, 2006

'30s

Evie (Gruber) Anderson '39 has made history by being the oldest person ever to be featured on "Rick Dees Weekly Top 40" Countdown. Evie's address is 11171 Oakwood Dr., F304, Loma Linda, CA 92354.

'40s

Norma (Patton) Wilcox '45 lived in Hawaii for 22 years as Norma Patton Nolle. In 2002, she moved to Spring Ridge independent living at 32200 S.W. French Prairie Rd., Apt. C-201, Wilsonville, OR 97090. She married Norman Wilcox on Oct. 4, 2003.

'50s

Bill Drews '52 was awarded the Lambda Chi Alpha National Fraternity Award of Merit at the sixth annual Hawk Open and Senior Banquet on April 29, 2005. Bill has worked with the local chapter for 25 years. He lives with his wife, Marge, at 801 College, Canton, MO 63435-1237.

'60s

Bob Cook '60 has been named "Churchman of the Year" by the First United Presbyterian Church. He has been active in the Presbyterian Church since his childhood and has often been known unofficially as 'Mr. Presbyterian.' Bob and his wife, Sharon, live at 14 Glenview Dr., Belleville, IL 62223-1313.

Roger D. Stock '61 is semi-retired with only two rental units left. He plays golf three days a week and enjoys living in the great state of Texas. Roger and his wife, Rea, live at 696 Crestview, Seagoville, TX 75159-1812.

Ronda (Scott) Sherrill '62 has had two books published by PublishAmerica. The second of the sequel is "Going To Long Valley," set in 1915-16. It is a story about Ronda's father's boyhood in Texas County, Mo. Long Valley is the name of the country school where he started the first grade in 1915. Ronda has gratitude for Mr. Richard Lane, who taught creative writing at Culver-Stockton College and Dr. Mervyn Williamson, who taught literature. Ronda now has nine grandchildren ages newborn to 14. Her address is 12922 Sorrel Rd., Goodman, MO 64843-9150.

B. Lynn Pascoe '63 is the United States ambassador to Indonesia for the U.S. State Department. Formerly ambassador to Malaysia, Lynn spends three years out of the U.S. and three years back in the country. He and his wife, Diana, live at 807 Enderby Dr., Alexandria, VA 22302-2225.

Chuck '69 and Kathleen (Houck) Schoeninger '69 live at 903 Charlotte Dr., Normal, IL 61761-1319. Because of a health condition, Chuck is no longer able to do full-time pastoring. They live closer to their daughter, son-in-law and two grandchildren, which is a joy.

'70s

Sam '72 and Denise (Herdegen) Cook '73 are now empty-nesters. Their son, Court, is a senior at Otterbein College in Westerville, Ohio, majoring in broadcasting, and their son, Whit, is a freshman at Otterbein majoring in business. Sam retired in June 2005 as high school principal after 32 years. He is now working at a Joint Vocational School as dean of students. Denise is a junior high math teacher at Licking Heights Local Schools in the suburbs of Columbus, Ohio. Sam and Denise live at 29 Jeremy Ct., Pataskala, OH 43062.

Steve Denemark '72 is president of WQJC-LP in Quincy, Ill. The low power radio station first aired in March as an all jazz station. Steve is also currently selling real estate. His daughter, Sheila has joined the Peace Corps and is stationed in Montego Bay, Jamaica. Steve lives at 703 N. 14th St., Quincy, IL 62301-2405 and may be contacted by e-mail at denemst@earthlink.net.

Dennis Steele '72 was inducted by the 29th annual IHSFCA into its 2005 Hall of Fame along with 15 other football coaches. Dennis became the 53rd assistant coach to gain membership. He recently accepted the position of head baseball coach for Norphlet High School in Norphlet, Ark. Dennis and his wife, Nancy, live at 728 E. Benton, Morris, IL 60450-2017.

Larry W. Roeder Jr. '74 is director for United Nations Affairs at WSPA (World Society for the Protection of Animals). He and his family live at 26128 Talamore Dr., South Riding, VA 20152-1788.

Bob Carden '75 is currently chief of police at the Marysville Police Department in Marysville, Wash., a community of approximately 32,000, located 35 miles north of Seattle. Bob enjoys fishing for salmon in Puget Sound and was recently appointed to the advisory board of Everett Community College. He plans to retire in about three years from policing, and begin instructing criminal justice students at one of the local colleges. He resides with his wife, Deborah, at 21805 54th Pl., N.E., Granite Falls, WA 98252-8310.

Nanci Schrieber-Smith '75 and her husband, **Stephen '76**, met the World famous Christo at his most famous work in New York City, The Gates. They live at 809 S. Walnut Ave., Brea, CA 92821.

Kim (Sanders) Uhlig '76 recently moved to the Chicago area as the new economic development director for the city of Park Ridge. Her daughter Cortney, 27, is married and the mother of a son, Charles. Her son, Jim, graduated from Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa. Kim's address is 1515 E. Central Rd., Unit 446B, Arlington Heights, IL 60005.



Alumni gathered in Chicago with **Dan Dickinson '72** and his wife Nancy, hosting on their boat, *The Nancy D.* Above, Dan with **Dave Allers '66**, and below, with C-SC president Bill Fox.

'80s

Richelle (Person) Rader '78 is special education coordinator at Lee's Summit School District. Richelle and her family live at 708 S.W. New Orleans Ct., Lee's Summit, MO 64081-2366.

Karen Hylton '84 released her first CD in Sept. 2004 entitled "Here's One." It is a gospel CD with a mix of contemporary gospel, jazz gospel spiritual and a little hip hop music. It can be purchased on line at www.CDBaby.com. Karen's Web site is www.KarenHylton.com. In addition, she has a master's degree in media communication from Webster University in St. Louis. Karen sings with the St. Louis Symphony's In Unison Chorus. Karen lives at 10447 Willowdale Dr., St. Louis, MO 63146-5619.

Nancy (Mintle) Decker -85 and her husband, David, have six children, Bobby, 18, Trisha, 17, Tasha, 17, Josh, 16, Crystal, 13 and Thomas, 6. They own Decker's Farm Supply and Nursery and the Phoenix Country Club. Their address is Box 1491, 2267 Hwy. 137, Stanton, TX 79782-1491.

Mark Nielsen '85 is a single parent of two boys, Dalton, 14, and Austin, 12. Mark is employed in human resources for Boys and Girls Home in Sioux City, Iowa. He and his boys live at 3419 Transit Ave., Sioux City, IA 51106-2369.

Jane (Slavin) Hurley '86 is a customer service representative for BuyOnlineNow.com. She and her family live at 1303 Lecy Ln., N.E., Stewartville, MN 55976-2500.

David Price '86 is the principal event designer for Blackstone Caterers in Middletown, R.I. David lives at 47 April Lane, Tiverton, RI 02878-4448.

Derek P. Payne '87 is a major in the U.S. Army. He is a veteran of Operation Desert Shield/Storm and Iraqi Freedom. He and his wife, Paula, have a daughter, Hannah, 3. They reside at 7877 N.W. Roanridge Rd., Apt. B, Kansas City, MO 64151.

Jean (Sutcliffe) Weiss '87 is working as an alternative investment professional with Compass Financial Solutions in Lakewood, Colo. She works with foreign exchange investing (FOREX). The company employs foreign exchange traders from all over the world,

who with other companies, daily trade pairs of foreign currency equaling \$3 trillion dollars. It is one of the largest markets in the world. Jean has been married to Gregory for 15 years and has two sons, Kellen, 13 and Kavanaugh, 10. They live at 10 Gray Club Ct., Glen Carbon, IL 62034-1396.

Michael A. Knight '88 is a healthcare consultant in St. Louis, Mo. He and his wife, Shellie, live at 558 Big Bend Rd., Ballwin, MO 63021-7499.

Pamela Smith '88 married Jeffrey Millican on Oct. 16, 2004. Their address is 1601 S. 24th St., Apt. 116, Quincy, IL 62301-6952.

Dean Wilson '88 is president and CEO of Wauwatosa Credit Union. He was honored with two awards in 1995, Professional of the Year and Political Activist of the Year. He lives with his wife, **Robin (Collier) '90** and daughters, Kate and Emily, at 2550 N. Pasadena Blvd., Milwaukee, WI 53226-1948.

Cheryl (Morgan) Zeier '88 is vice president of client relations for Government e-Management Solutions Inc. (GEMS). GEMS offers financial, human resources and revenue management software to governments nationwide. Cheryl will cultivate ongoing relationships with clients to identify product and service needs and deploy software development, implementation and service to staffs to address those needs. Cheryl lives at 52 Hornbean Ct., O'Fallon, MO 63366-6639.

Mindy McGee -89 has been a 911 dispatcher in New Madrid County since the service was started there in 1997. She lives at 1002 Pinnell Ln., New Madrid, MO 63869-1100.

Todd M. Wilson '89 and his wife, Mary, celebrated 10 years of marriage in July. Todd is minister of music at Richmond Hill United Methodist Church. Mary is a very busy operatic soprano. She is returning to Los Angeles Philharmonic for Mahler 4 in the new Disney Hall. They have an 8-year-old Vizsla named Carmen and an 11-year-old cat named Jeoffrey. They would love to hear from everyone. Todd and Mary live at 147 Brisbon Hall Dr., Richmond Hills, GA 31324-8833.

'90s

Tonja (Mason) Healey -90 is a medical transcriptionist and stay-at-home mom. She and her husband, Michael, have three sons: Drake is recipient of a full scholarship at Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio, and majoring in criminal justice; Wade is 7 and will be in second grade and is an excellent soccer player; and Marshall is 4, in preschool, and very talented at artwork. Tonja and her family live at 128 E. Crawford St., Van Wert, OH 45891-114.

Roy L. Jefferson -90 is employed by the United States Department of Transportation as liaison for the Department of Homeland Security Operations Center. He has two children, Mecca and Zachary. Roy lives at 307 Silo Ridge Ct., 202, Odenton, MD 21113.

Timothy A. Kirt -90 and his wife, Cathy, have two sons, Andrew Joseph, born April 9, 2003, and Jacob Peter, born Nov. 5, 2004. Tim is manager for FDC in St. Charles, Mo. They reside at 30 Wolverton Ct., St. Charles, MO 63301.

Darin Riney '90 enjoys his time as a government employee as an emergency communications specialist. He was part of a team that fielded almost 90,000 911 calls last year alone and one of five people that received official recognition for his professionalism and commitment when an officer was hurt in the line of duty. Darin also serves on the Emergency Plan Commission Board as the community liaison for the committee. His wife, Grethlyn, also works for the government. They have three daughters and are soon-to-be grandparents. Darin and his family live at 1225 S. Round Barn Rd., Richmond, IN 47374-4801.

Maury and **Beth (Emery) Campbell '91** have a son, Curtis Reid, born June 20, 2005. He joins a sister Maureen. Beth and her family live at 203 Westwind Dr., Apt. A, Michigan City, IN 46360.

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Laura (Belew) Simcox '91 and her husband, Patrick, recently moved to High Point, N.C., where Pat is a chemical production supervisor for Kao Specialties. Laura teaches college theater classes and works professionally as a costume designer. In September 2005, she designed "Julius Caesar" for the North Carolina Shakespeare Festival. Laura and Pat bought an old house, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. They are slowly renovating it from uncovering hardwood floors to revamping a 'groovy' 1960s bathroom. They live at 321 Montlieu Ave., High Point, NC 27262.

J. Aaron Belko -92 married Boyoung, in October 1996. He earned his master of art in religion in 1999 and a master of art in education in 2005. Aaron was honored as Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year in 2001. He and his wife live at 6113 Shepherd Dr., San Bernardino, CA 92407-2216.

Beth (Meyer) Hillestad '92 took her career in a different direction last fall. After working in the casino industry for 10 years, she made the switch to the healthcare industry in October 2004. She is the leadership coach for St. Luke's Hospital in Chesterfield, Mo., where she is designing curriculum of leadership classes for the management team. In addition to instructional design and facilitation, she acts as an internal consultant for all executive and manager level leadership. Beth and her husband, Jim, have two children, Emily, 9, and Nicholas, 5. Emily is following in her mother's footsteps and is actively involved in singing and acting. The Hillestad family resides at 3824 Rue De Renard, Florissant, MO 63034-2337.

Jonathan Swain '92 was named director of communications for Angie's List in January 2005. He works out of the national headquarters in Indianapolis handling communications and public relations for the company, which provides consumer ratings on local businesses in 25 major cities across the country. Jon lives at 2237 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis, IN 46205-4380.

Karen (Munro) Drown '93 is a psychological examiner for the Fort Zumwalt School District. She and **David '91** live at 1085 Renfrew Lane, O'Fallon, MO 63366.

Christine Kennedy '93 is serving her fifth year as vice president of operations for her family's business. John A.

Kennedy & Associates is the world's oldest continuously operating fire investigation firm. She keeps busy by being on the board of a local women's group; taking weekly sculpture classes; and enjoying the balmy, beautiful Florida weather. Her address is 316 Spring Lakes Blvd., Bradenton, FL 34210-4540.

Pamela Wade -93 is case manager at Mount Sinai Hospital in Chicago, Ill. Pam lives at P.O. Box 1525, Oak Park, IL 60304.

received her master's of science degree in reading and literacy from Walden University. She teaches fourth grade at Black Hawk Elementary in Kahoka, Mo. Next year will be her sixth year at Black Hawk. Alyce and her family live at RR 3 Box 19A, Kahoka, MO 63445-9411.

Chelle (Smith) Parsons '94 and her husband, Rodney, have a son, Jonathan Andrew, born April 29, 2005. Jonathan joins big sister, Courtney, 9. They reside at 2121 67th St., Galveston, TX 77554.



Family and friends helped **Dorothy Skelton Watts '54** and **Wade Watts '54** celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in St. Louis last summer. Pictured from left to right are **Wade Watts**, **Pauline Wang Tso '53**, Phyllis Terwische DeYong, **Dorothy Skelton Watts**, **Marilyn Cronin Foster '55**, **Phyllis Mohn Smith '54** and **Robert Foster '55**. Not pictured is **Charles Watts '58**.

Jenifer (Franklin) Wofford '93 and her family had a visit with President George W. Bush and First Lady Laura Bush. They met them at the White House and spent 15 minutes talking with them. Their son, T.J., received a signed baseball from President Bush as well as a pin. President Bush signed the copy of their son's questions. T.J., who was born with spina bifida, had a dream granted by the Dream Factory. The family spent five days in the Gettysburg/Washington area. This trip changed their son's outlook on life. He has also met Jean Driscoll. Jenifer and her family live at 1921 Stonehenge Rd., Springfield, IL 62702-2046.

Alyce (Richmond) McAfee '94 and her husband, Monty, have three children, Kody, 12, Kaylee, 7, and Layne, born Dec. 12, 2004. In May 2005, Alyce

Christina (Jaycox) Peterson '94 has two children, Drew, and Kennedy. Christina is a social worker. They reside at 1450 Park Ashwood Circle, Apt. F, St. Charles, MO 63304.

Jamie Vavak '94 and his wife, Tonya, have two children, Adam, born July 21, 2003, and Megan, born in 2001. Jamie is a general manager for the Hilton Hotels Corporation at the Hampton Inn in St. Charles. They live at 6 Patriots Lane, O'Fallon, MO 63366-8235.

Marcey (Daggett) Wells '94 and her husband, Jeff, have a son, William, born Dec. 1, 2003. Marcey is principal at Adams School in Quincy, Ill. She and her family reside at 220 Westview St., Palmyra, MO. 63461-1356.

Julie (Kimber) Cackler '95 has returned to Heart of Hawkeye Council where she administrates club, camping and community center programs for school age youth and their families. Julie and her husband, Thomas, live at 315 N. 9th, Adel, IA 50003.

Cindy Jackson -95 married Damon Carlton in July 2005. Her boys currently live in Texas with their father and Steven is now 13, Daniel 10, Benjamin 8 and Nathan, 3. They spent the past summer with Cindy in Missouri. She is currently employed as daycare director at T.L.C. Daycare in Brookfield, Mo. She and Damon live at 29 Maple St., Bucklin, MO 64631.

Perry and **Dyonna (Derrick) Kelly '95** were married on July 31, 1999. They have four children, a set of twins, Marquel and Niquelle, 5, Jaelon-Lee, 3, and Kailen, 1. Dyonna teaches at Waukegan Public Schools in Waukegan, Ill. They reside at 406 Helmholtz, Waukegan, IL 60085-9401.

Lea (Ellerhoff) McCormick '95, her husband, Colin, and two children, Nicholas, and Katherine, live at 528 Highland Loop Rd., Kettle Falls, WA 99141-9707.

Jeff '95 and **Jessica (Jack) Savage -96** have moved to 3620 Inverary Dr., Lansing, MI 48911. Jeff successfully defended his doctoral dissertation and graduated from Baylor University in Waco, Texas, on Aug. 15, 2005, with a doctor of education degree in higher education administration. He is an Air Force active duty captain who began a new job as assistant professor of aerospace studies and the education officer for Michigan State University's Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) Detachment.

Chris Swain '95 is a librarian I at Boward County Library Stirling Road Branch in Hollywood, Fla. Chris lives at 2510 Oak Gardens Lane, Hollywood, FL 33020.

Linda (Logsdon) Wallingford '95 and her husband, Jason, have two sons, Jase, 5, and Jakeb Lee, born Oct. 11, 2004. They finished building a home at 50 Harvest Hills, Maywood, MO 63454-2050.

Kathy (Schutte) Schisler '96 was promoted to sergeant in the patrol division at the Quincy Police Department in Sept. 2004. She and her husband, Jeff, welcomed their first child, Jacob

Henry, on April 26, 2005. They reside at 1608 Coachhouse Ct., Quincy, IL 62305-8630.

Melissa (Pohl) Stauffer '96 has written a book, "Understanding Multiple Sclerosis," that was published by University Press of Mississippi. She and her husband, Brian, have a son, Owen William, born July 4, 2004. They reside at 393 Pinewood Ct., Lexington, KY, 40509-1499.

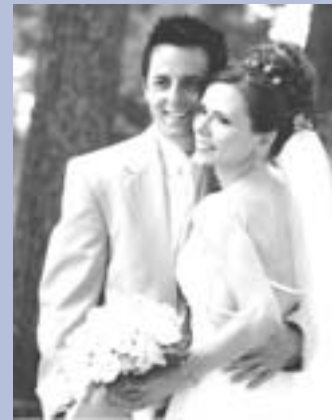
Sonia Crites '98 married Brett Coleman on Aug. 20, 2005. The wedding was followed by a rockin' reception featuring the 70's funk band, Groove Thang. More than 200 guests attended. **Megan Beemer '99** served as the guestbook attendant and **Katie Benwell '99** served as videographer. Also in attendance were **Jeremy Gibbs '99**, **Ellen (Seat) '97** and **Phil Jansen '94**, **Jenn (Ruholl) Tapuaiga '99**, **Carla Seat '00** and **Emily See '99**, **Heather (Ellis) McNamee '98**, **Mary (Varni) Klipp '00**, **Brad Davis '99**, **Kim (Stephenson) Wren '95**, and **Heidi Silverberg '95**. Sonia and Brett live at 204 Cool Meadows Dr., Ballwin, MO 63011.

Susan R. Hurst '98 married Troy Ragar on June 26, 2004. On April 6, 2005, Troy adopted her daughter, Sophia, who was born Nov. 12, 2002. They welcomed a son, Weston Alan, on June 17, 2005. Susan and her family live at 712 W. Main Cross, Palmyra, MO 63461.

Renee Jarrett '98 has bought her first home and received her middle school endorsement for teaching. Renee teaches English at Bartlett High School. Her address is 1285 N. Red Oak Circle No. 2, Round Lake Beach, IL 60073.

Drew Kraemer '98 and his wife, **Shelly (Stone) '99**, have relocated to 4475 B West Ely, Hannibal, MO 63401. Drew has taken a job as senior analyst at Knapheide Manufacturing in Quincy, Ill.

T.J. '98 and **Michelle (Glaser) Panula '98**, have moved with their son, Sean, to 1506 Country Club Dr., Hannibal, MO 63401. T.J. is Middle School and High School Band Director



Casey Hayes '95 married Lynn Ann Bernatowicz in Apple River, Ill., in June 2005. **Ben Benedict '95** and **Ben Stoner '96** were groomsmen. **Dan Irwin '94** was an usher. Casey is currently a legal assistant for the Jim Henson Company at the Charlie Chaplain Studios in Hollywood, Calif. Casey is further pursuing his film and television career and Lynn is a theatre director. He and Lynn live at 3650 Monon St., 209, Los Angeles, CA 90027.

for Hannibal School District. Michelle is a surgical nurse at Hannibal Regional Hospital.

Aron Potter '98 has been named the head softball coach at Missouri Southern. In 2002, she earned a master's degree in exercise science, physical education and health from Central Missouri State. Aron lives at 2305 S. Kensor Rd. B, Joplin, MO 64801.

Stacy Rider '98 is a research scientist for Abbott Laboratories. She lives at 1503 Cherokee Dr., Round Lake Beach, IL 60073.

Brad '98 and **Lainie (Giltner) Weitkamp '98** have three girls, Abby Marie, 41/2, Libby Anne, 3, and Reilly Suzanne, born Dec. 12, 2004. Brad is corporate logistics planner for Tyco Healthcare. They reside at 801 Linville Ct., Wentzville, MO 63385-7402.

Aaron Bowers '99 and his wife, Paula, had a baby girl, Aubryn Grace, on July 5, 2005. Aaron is a regional sales manager for Scotwood Industries, Inc. in Overland Park, Kan. Paula is a sixth grade teacher at Black Bob Elementary School. They live at 15669 S. Blackfeather, Olathe, KS 66062-3666.

Diane (Lewis) Elliott '99 has been named executive intern for Harris Enterprises, The Telegram's parent company. The executive internship program is designed to train interns for a man-

agement position at one of the eight Harris newspapers. Training lasts about five years and includes all areas of the newspaper. She started her internship in October working in circulation and Web site development at The Hays Daily News in Hays, Kan. She will move to Hutchinson in November 2006 to work in advertising sales and classified advertising at the Hutchinson News and in the business office for Harris Enterprises. She will later train at other newspapers in the group. Harris Enterprises owns seven Kansas newspapers and one in Iowa. Diane and her husband, Bruce, live at 1801 Ash, Hays, KS 67601.

Tony '99 and **Amela Handzic-Smith '99** have a son, Bekir, born Sept. 18, 2004. Tony is senior logistics planner for Tyco Healthcare/Mallinckrodt. Tony, Amela, and Bekir, live at 1613 Forest Hills Dr., St. Charles, MO 63303-3505.

Lisa (Jones) Holbrook '99 is a professional librarian for Del E. Webb Memorial Hospital. She and her husband, John, live at 17248 W. Saguaro Lane, Surprise, AZ 85388.

Robert Pineda '99 works in sales loans at Solstice Capital in Irvine, Calif. He lives at 16112 Fallon Ave., Norwalk, CA 90650.

Heather Ragsdale '99 began working at Barnes-Jewish Hospital June 13, 2005, as a social worker. She has a master's degree in social work and is provisionally licensed in clinical social work and is completing her supervision at Barnes-Jewish Hospital. She also conducts group therapy sessions at Behavioral Science Institute, Inc. with adolescents. Heather lives at 639 Amberwood Lane, Ballwin, MO 63021-5888.

Janelle (Snider) Ranford '99 was recently named Teacher of the Year for Arlington Woods Elementary School as well as becoming one of the Top 10 Honors Group members for the Indianapolis Public Schools Teacher of the Year Program. Her husband, **Philip '00**, has also earned high praise in his first year as a first grade teacher in the Speedway School District. He was named Teacher of the Month in March and has been repeatedly commended for excellence in the classroom by parents, colleagues, the building principal, and the district superintendent. Phillip has accepted a position in student affairs/residence life at the University of

Houston. Janelle is a fifth grade teacher in the Fort Bend Independent School District at Scanlan Oaks Elementary School. They live at 5019 Calhoun Rd., Apt. 107A, Houston, TX 77004.

Becky (Huddleston) Wagner, '99 and her husband, Chris, have a daughter, Natalie Noelle, born March 14, 2005. Becky is a stay-at-home mom and Chris is a computer programmer at Levi, Ray & Shoup Inc. in Springfield, Ill. Becky and her family live at 2917 Sandgate Rd., Springfield, IL 62702-2055.

Kristina (Nielson) Wilson -99 and her husband David have two sons, Tait Gustav, and Axel Kaj born Aug. 22, 2005. They join three-year-old Klara. Kristina is a stay-at-home mom. They live at 1150 Mason, Joliet, IL 60435-5962.

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Stacie Becker '00 married Ryan Luter in October 2005 in Maui, Hawaii. Matron of honor was **Sommer (Hahn) Kite '00**. Stacie is the lead occupational therapist at Milliken Hand Center in St. Louis, Mo. She manages a staff of seven and treats patients with traumatic hand and upper extremity injuries. Stacie and Ryan live at 1005 Belsha, New Athens, IL 62264.

Johanna (Brumett) Cox '00 and her husband, Joey, have twin girls. Brett Jennifer and Briar Annie were born Jan. 23, 2005. They also have a 3-year-old son, Jac. Jo is program coordinator for Center for Human Services in California, Mo. They live at 32259 Hwy. E., Clarksburg, MO 65025-3225.

Amelia M. (Pauley) Heise '00 and her husband, Michael, had a daughter, Megan Elizabeth, born Oct. 17, 2004. Amelia is currently working on her master's degree in nurse anesthesia. She is employed at Decatur Memorial Hospital and Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center. She went on vacation to Texas with **Krista Post '00** and **Rebekah (Franklin) Tuite '00** in May 2005. Amelia and her family live at 935 Briarwood Ct., Charleston, IL 61920-4307.

Roberta Sheets '00 is still working at Van-Far High School as the library media specialist. She earned her masters in library science in December 2005.

Bobbi's address is 18921 Pike 465, Curryville, MO 63339-2405.

Brad Stipcak '00 is teaching 6-12 choral music and stagecraft at Douglass, a small 4A school about 20 minutes from where he lives. Brad also is an adjunct faculty member at Cowley Community College where he teaches music appreciation in the evenings. He earned his master of music degree in choral conducting last summer at Kansas State University. Brad lives at 1500 E. Tall Tree Rd., Apt 32-106, Derby, KS 67037-2099.

Dottie E. Coker -01 is teaching nursing school at Grossmont College in San Diego part time. She is an RN at Scripps Mercy Hospital. Dottie lives at 6474 Ambrosia Dr., #5106, San Diego, CA 92124.

Doug Coleman '01 works as a Web site designer for Prairie Communications, specifically KWBZ and WPWQ out of Hannibal, Mo., and Quincy, Ill. His address is P.O. Box 1342, Hannibal, MO 63401.

Jason Gavan '01 finished law school in May 2004 at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. He moved to J. Gruodzio 15-5, Kaunas 3000, Lithuania, in March 2005. Jason is serving as the dean of admissions at Vytautas Magnus University School of Law in Kaunas, Lithuania.

DeAnn Harrison '01 married Chris Totzke July 9, 2005, in Colorado Springs, Colo. Chris is a captain in the U.S. Army stationed at Fort Carson, Colo. They reside at 7330 Julynn Rd., Colorado Springs, CO 80919. DeAnn is office manager for Dr. Hendrick H. Arnold in Colorado Springs.

Velvet (Solter) Hasner '01 is a senior information specialist (writer and editor) for University of Missouri Health Care's public relations department. She began her new job in December 2004 and loves it. Her husband, Kevin, is working in maintenance for Hallsville Public Schools. They miss their friends in Canton, but enjoy living in Columbia. Velvet and Kevin live at 4509 W. Knox Dr., Columbia, MO 65203.

Danielle (Kerwin) Kraehling '01 is an underwriting assistant for Wells Fargo Home Mortgage. Danielle and her husband, Jake, live at 111 Dana, P.O. Box 479, Gilbert, IA 50105.

Mathew -01 and **Colleen (O'Sullivan) Loehr '02** had a daughter, Melanie Ann, on June 10, 2005. They reside at 5323 Robert Ave., St. Louis, MO 63109.

Christie A. Mastroianni '01 married John Hemminghaus on Dec. 3, 2005. She is a kindergarten teacher at Holy Infant in Ballwin, Mo. They reside at 8862 Glenrose, Sunset Hills, MO 63126.

Emily (Gorham) Rohlfs '01 graduated from the University of Missouri in July 2005 with her master's in library science. Emily and **Kirk '00** moved to 303 33rd., Fort Madison, IA 52627, in August, after she received the director's position at the Fort Madison Public Library.

Katie (Chatten) Simmons '01 was named executive director of Dentists Who Care in November 2004. Dentists Who Care is a non-profit, charitable organization that is a valuable asset to the Rio Grand Valley. Dentists Who Care is made up of local dentists who volunteer their time and talents to assist low income and indigent children with much needed dental care at no cost. Katie and **Jerry '99** live at 2030 White Tail Dr., Harlingen, TX 78550.

Joshua Teschner '01 is an English teacher at Fremd High School in Palatine, Ill. He and his wife, Carrie, live at 1060 Nottingham Lane, Hoffman Estates, IL 60195.

Marty Thomas -01 has currently been performing in the Tony-Award winning Broadway Musical "Wicked" understudying the role of Boq (wickedthemusical.com). Marty has been doing the show since it opened in New York in 2003. He just released a new album that can be seen/heard at cdbaby.com/martythomas. He has performance dates around the world throughout 2005 and 2006. Check out martythomas.com for more information. Marty's address is P.O. Box 2465, New York City, NY 10108-2465.

Mark Barkhouse '02 is master control operator for NBC25 in Hagerstown, Md. He and his wife, Toye, live at 632 W. Washington St., No. 2, Hagerstown, MD 21740-5312.

Christa Batson '02 is a graphic designer for Centric Group in St. Louis. Christa lives at 1087 Century Oaks Dr., Apt. M, Valley Park, MO 63088-1261.

Kristin Chapman '02 married **Alex Tabb '03** on Oct. 15, 2005. Bridesmaids were **Amy Ward '01** and **Emily Dameron '01**. Groomsmen included **Clint Robson '03**, **Casey Rubottom '03** and **John Ernst '04**, and **Cory Blackwell '03** officiated. Kristin is a registered nurse for St. Luke's Hospital in Kansas City, Mo. Alex is employed at Smith and Loveless in Lenexa, Kan. They reside at 5417 Cedar, Roeland Park, KS 66205.

Emily (Brady) Frost '02 is an administrative assistant for Hursch & Eppenberger LLC in St. Louis, Mo. She and her husband, Colin, live at 612 Pinellas, St. Louis, MO 63126.

Krista Kloster '02 received her master of library and information sciences from the Dominican University in River Forest, Ill. in the summer of 2004. She is now the youth services librarian at the Keokuk Public Library. Krista lives at 244 Boulevard Rd., Keokuk, IA 52632-2333.

Christy Rentfro '02 married Christopher Shelton on May 28, 2005, in Vandalia, Mo. **Sara Ellis '03** served as maid of honor. Christy is employed as a loan documentation specialist at First National Bank of Audrain County. Christy and Chris live at 713 W. Walsh Blvd., Vandalia, MO 63382.

Fred Williams '02 is manager of Fastenal Co. in Sedalia, Mo. He and his wife, Chrissy, have two children, Makayla, born Dec. 3, 2002, and Cody Lee, born Dec. 7, 2004. They reside at 9 Frank Dr., Tipton, MO 65081.

Rebecca Cramer '03 graduated from Truman State University on May 14, 2005, with her master's degree in counseling. She is working at Job Point in Jefferson City as a supported employment advisor, helping individuals with disabilities find competitive employment. She lives at 312 E. Missouri Ave., Chamois, MO 65024.

Pete Hettinger '03 graduated from pilot training on May 20, 2005. He is now in his initial qualification training for the MH-53 PaveLow Special Operations helicopter. Pete's address is 13150 Wenonah Ave., No. 734, Albuquerque, NM 87123.

Jessie Lansing '03 was promoted to assistant vice president, marketing officer on June 14, 2005, at Community Bank of Nevada. She is responsible for

the entire marketing and communication efforts of Community Bank of Nevada. Jessie lives at 11636 Regal Rock Pl., Las Vegas, NV 89139.

Leah Mandrell '03 married Matthew Rolando on Dec. 4, 2004. They reside at 1605 E. Myrtle, Canton, IL 61520-1522.

Bobby McMillion '03 is an admissions counselor for the University of Phoenix. He lives at 422 E. Cactus, Apt. 1306, Phoenix, AZ 85032.

Jessica (Achelpohl) Snider '03 is teaching K-12 Music in Kansas. Jessica and her husband, Mark, live at 613 S. Merchant C, Emporia, KS 66801.

Blair Vacek -03 graduated in August 2005 from Harrington College in Chicago with a bachelor of fines arts degree in interior design. Blair lives at 105 W. St. Charles Rd., No. 301, Lombard, IL 60504.

Holly VanHook -03 is general manager and designer for Dazzles Jewelry in Charleston, S.C. She lives at 2329 Outlook Dr., St. Louis, MO 63136-6128.

Ashlee Ingram '04 is group sales director for Shepherd of The Hills Outdoor Theatre. She resides at 1 Church Dr., Apt. 21, Kimberling City, MO 65686.

Tasha Thomas '04 married Josh Rodriguez on July 2, 2005. **Aimee (Pulley) Sweet -03** was matron of honor. **Lindsey Loughran '04** and **Misty (Brown) McBee '02** were bridesmaids. Josh is a junior high social studies teacher and assistant football coach in Lebanon, Mo. Tasha graduated Dec. 2005 with a master's degree in physical therapy. She is employed by St. John's Hospital in Lebanon. They reside at 1877 Jaden Dr., Lebanon, MO 65536-4101.

Adam Bethel '05 is a financial planner for Ameritime. He lives at 21 Broadway Village Dr., Apt. G, Columbia, MO 65201.

Ashley Bethell '05 is a graduate assistant athletic trainer for MidAmerican Nazarene University in Olathe, Kan. Ashley lives at 1115 Vantuyl Dr., Lawrence, KS 66049.

Amy R. Flesner '05 is communication specialist for InTouch PSA No. 11 in Quincy, Ill. Amy lives at 1625 E County Road 250 N, West Point, IL 62380-2017.

In Memoriam

Ruby (Rouse) Flattau '22 of Albuquerque, N.M., died.

Georgia (Robison) Beale -25 of Lebanon, N.H., died July 6, 2005.

Lucille M. (Michael) Mensendick -26 of Glendale, Ariz., died in 1984.

Goldie M (Patre) Donelson -28 of Palmyra, Mo., died Sept. 23, 2005.

Bessie L. (Bowen) Knighton '28 of Bishop, Calif., died May 31, 2005.

Gretchen (Van Cleave) Reich '33 of Quincy, Ill., died Aug. 11, 2005.

Nancy (Roberts) Harding -35 of Gold River, Calif., died in July 2005.

Donna Maxine (Smith) McKean -35 of Frankfort, Ind., died April 20, 2005.

Jewelle (Luttman) Pitts '35 of Laguna Woods, Calif., died April 16, 2003.

Gertrude (Carper) Burrell -36 of Greenback, Tenn., formerly Ames, Iowa, died Oct. 31, 2005.

Mary Hazel (Hawkins) Powell '36 of Canton, Mo., died May 26, 2005.

Elna (Akerson) Ware '39 of Allegan, Mich., died in 1990.

Shirley (Mueller) Kent -39 of Sun City, Fla., died Feb. 28, 2005.

William R. Blackburn -41 of Tulsa, Okla., died.

Helen M. (Garrelts) Little -41 of Quincy, Ill., died May 28, 2005.

Geraldine H. (Fisher) Harness -43 of Longmont, Colo., died Nov. 24, 2004.

Harry L. Yardley -43 of Brookfield, Mo., died Oct. 7, 2004.

Bernadine E. (Epperson) Davis -45 formerly of St. Louis, Mo., died Feb. 21, 2004.

J. Turner Rogers -45 of Mexico, Mo., died July 20, 2005.

Clarence Paul White -45 of Fort Worth, Texas, formerly of Palmyra, Mo., died March 29, 2005.

Sarah (Bowman) Feldhaus -47 of Minnetonka, Minn., died May 2005.

Ervin E. Merrick '48 of Wheaton, Ill., died Oct. 21, 2005.

James E. Kempe '49 of Chapel Hill, N.C., died July 21, 2005.

Joan (Cramer) Ferrero '51 of Oakland, Calif., died June 22, 2005.

David Steinbeck '52 of Canton, Mo., died Dec. 10, 2005.

Thomas J. Hartigan '53 of Culver City, Calif., died Oct. 26, 2005.

George W. Haywood '53 of Plantation, Fla., died June 21, 2005.

Anthony T. D'Andrea '56 of Phelps, Wis., died June 27, 2005.

James D. McCutchan '57 of Monticello, Mo., died November 4, 2005.

Shirley (Hesser) McDaniels '58 of

Camdenton, Mo., died.

David F. Steinberger '58 of Lake Forest, Ill., died July 21, 2005.

E. Elaine (Nichols) Greek '59 of Eureka, Ill., died Feb. 19, 2005.

William P. Speelmon '60 of Highland, Ind., died Aug. 24, 2005.

Phillip E. Aeschliman '63 of Wichita, Kan., died April 26, 2005.

Daniel C. St. Clair '65 of Wentzville, Mo., died Oct. 23, 2005.

Carroll L. Smith '66 of Fort Madison, Iowa, died.

Richard L. Volz '67 of Lee's Summit, Mo., died Oct. 16, 2004.

Cynthia A. (Rollick-Jemsek) Williams '68 of Walkerton, Ind., died July 3, 2005.

Lawrence A. Hartzell -73 of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, died May 27, 2005.

Steven Kent Rutledge '73 of Villa Park, Calif., died April 27, 2005.

William R. Young '73 of Elkhart, Ind., died Nov. 19, 2001.

James J. Sidletsky '75 of Miami, Fla., died Aug. 30, 2002.

Michael W. Bell '77 of Granada Hills, Calif., died March 12, 2005.

Lisa K. Brown '85 of Kearney, Neb., died in November 2005.

Ken C. Koster '86 of Brentwood, Tenn., died April 6, 2005.

Christopher M. Jones '01 of Emporia, Kan., died July 05, 2005.

Andrew "Drew" T. Schmidt -07 of Godfrey, Ill., died Aug. 9, 2005.

Georgina (Gloeser) Antonelli, former faculty/staff of Quincy, Ill., formerly Canton, Mo., died July 22, 2005.

Louise R. (Wilson) Baily, former faculty/staff, died April 7, 2005.

Oiga W. Bays, former faculty/staff of Canton, Mo., died Oct. 26, 2005.

Doris (Davis) Wallace, former faculty/staff, died in 2004.

Softball Team Recognized for Academic Achievement

The Culver-Stockton College women's softball team was recently recognized on the national level for its academic achievements.

The National Fastpitch Coaches Association recognizes the top 10 teams in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) based on their grade point averages.

For the 2004-05 academic year, the Lady Wildcats finished fourth in the nation with a team grade point average of 3.485 and a cumulative grade point average of 3.599.

Career Services Starting New Policy Regarding Credential Files

Career Services is implementing a new policy effective June 1, 2006, regarding the retention of credential files.

The policy is as follows:

All credential files will be stored for 10 years in Career Services after graduating from Culver-Stockton College. After the initial 10 years, a credential file that has been updated, sent to a prospective employer or graduate school will be stored for an additional five-year period and will continue to be maintained at five-year intervals. If no action has been requested during the initial or renewed time period, the credential file will be destroyed.

Should you wish to update your credential file, please notify Career Services at careercenter@culver.edu or (573) 288-6486.

Culver-Stockton College Wins Two CASE Awards

Culver-Stockton College won top honors in two categories during the 2005 CASE (Council For Advancement and Support of Education) District VI Institutional Awards contest.

Culver-Stockton College was recognized in the category of Excellence in Educational Fund-Raising — Program Mailing for Annual Fund Support. The winning entry helped support the Sperry Challenge for the Education Fund for Culver-Stockton.

"This honor helps recognize not only the donors who made this all possible but our staff which worked tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure the success of the Sperry Challenge," said William L. Fox, college president.

Fox also was recognized for Excellence in Writing for a commentary that appeared in the July 2005 issue of the *Culver-Stockton Chronicle*. He was honored along with writers from Iowa State University, St. Ambrose University and the University of Kansas.

District VI (Mid-America) includes universities and colleges in Missouri, Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wyoming.

Many Memories Made During Fall Sports Season

By **John Schild**
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Though the outcome on the playing fields and courts will not reflect success in the win-loss column, the 2005 fall sports season had many highlights and memories for the Wildcat athletic teams.

Despite a 3-7 overall record under first-year head coach Christian Guenther, the Wildcat football team finished the season with the top-ranked defense in the Heart of America Athletic Conference. The defense finished 10th nationally among schools in the NAIA. In addition, the Wildcats netted a significant victory in 2005, defeating seventh-ranked Lindenwood 23-6 in the season opener on Sept. 3.

The defense's biggest day came against Avila on Oct. 29 when it set school records for fewest total yards allowed (30) and fewest rushing yards allowed (minus 41) in a 30-0 victory over the Eagles.

The Wildcat soccer team ended the 2005 season on a high note, defeating Avila University 3-2 in overtime at Ayers Field on Oct. 29.

The victory ended a 23-game losing streak in the Heart of America Athletic Conference (HAAC) and helped the Wildcats finish with a 5-13 overall mark and a 1-7 ledger in the HAAC.

Junior midfielder Devon Stegeman shined for the Wildcats, scoring a career-high seven goals and totaling 14 points this season.

Meanwhile, the women's soccer program ended a frustrating campaign with a 5-13 overall record and a 1-7 mark in the HAAC. Junior forward Jessie Thomas tallied a season-high nine goals and had one assist for 19 points to lead the Lady Wildcats.

Coming off a dream season in 2004 that saw them capture the HAAC championship, a young and inexperienced volleyball team suffered growing pains in 2005.

The Wildcat netters finished the season with a 5-32 record and didn't win a match in the HAAC.

Sophomore hitter Kirsten Quinn, the "veteran" of the front line, recorded 247 kills this season to finish second behind junior college transfer Courtney Thomas, who tallied 254 kills.



Culver-Stockton College's sixth annual Hall of Fame Athletic Banquet was held during Homecoming festivities Oct. 14. Hall of Fame inductees included football player **Bill Zelle '82**, and women's basketball players **Meleia (Musgrove) Niemann '82**, and **Linda (Logsdon) Wallingford '95**.



Also recognized were members of the 1957 football team, including from left to right, **David Brewer '59**, **Les Brendle '59**, **Dave Pilcher '60**, **Bill Dewey '59**, **Terry Hartigan '60**, **Harold "Whitey" Krause '60**, **Ray Scheiter '58**, **John Sienkowski '60**, **Willard Jackson '60**, **Bob Boeger '58**, **Dick Waterkotte '60** and **William L. Fox**, C-SC president. Present but not pictured was **Jerry Shear '62**.

Join the Pride Pack

The Wildcat Pride Pack is the athletic booster club for Culver-Stockton College. As the Wildcats' biggest fans, members encourage attendance at athletic contests through special events, support and assist in the advancement of the athletic program and related activities, and promote projects to improve facilities and equipment necessary to provide a highly competitive athletic program.

Support Wildcat and Lady Wildcat athletics by becoming a member of the Wildcat Pride Pack Booster Club. Contact the Athletic Office at (573) 288-6443 or e-mail the athletics department at rwalton@culver.edu. Membership is open to anyone interested in Wildcat Athletics. Yearly cost to become a member is \$20 (includes immediate family members). Members receive monthly newsletters distributed throughout the school year, and four general admission passes to all Culver-Stockton College regular season athletic events.

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Professional actor Michael Boatman works with Culver-Stockton College student Heather Meyer during a performance of *Noises Off*. Boatman, known for his role in the ABC hit TV series "Spin City," was on campus for the 20th annual guest artist performance.



Spring 2006 Fine Arts Performances

Feb. 22-25	Theatre Production: <i>The Crucible</i>
Feb. 26	Wind Ensemble Concert
March 8-14	Concert Choir Spring Tour
March 18	Senior Art Show Opening
March 26	Spring Choral Concert
March 30	Ironweed Blue Grass Band
April 3	Jazz Fest
April 9	Wind Ensemble Concert
April 20	Student Honors Art Show
April 20-23	Theatre Production: <i>Cabaret</i>
April 26	Modern American Dance Company
April 28	Pops Concert



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