

## '40s

**Augusta (Hachtel) Mansfield '49** has been named the Manteno Historical Society's Citizen of the Year. She was honored at the April 29, 2006, annual banquet held at the Manteno Sportsman's Club.

## '50s

**Jim Potts '53** was pleased when in January 2006 his roommate from C-SC, **Jerry Maxey '56** and his wife, **Jane (Williams) Maxey '56**, visited Jim in Calpe, Spain, where Jim has spent the last 14 winters. They all had a great time remembering their days at C-SC and what a great influence the college had on their lives.

## '60s

**Bill Austin '63** retired on March 26, 2006, after 36 years as the pastor at Virginia Beach Christian Church in Virginia Beach, Va. Bill will continue with his marriage counseling for Tidewater Pastoral Counseling, conducting Marriage Tune-up seminars and writing a new book.

**Judith (Sammons) Veselsky '65** and her husband, Wayne, spend winters in Tucson, Arizona, and summers in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. So, they say, they have the best of both worlds. When in Wisconsin, they spend much time with their two granddaughters, Samantha, 7 and Jordan, 4.

**Jim Ream '69** was not a theater major at Culver-Stockton College but has made theater a career and looks upon his involvement in theater at C-SC with pride. Jim is chairman of the Theatre Department at the University of Indiana. He and his wife, Paula, have three children, Katherine, Marta, and Derek.

## '70s

**Cathy (Davis) Gillhouse '70** is the choir teacher for School District 30. She and her husband, **Jim '69**, have three children, James Jr., Lynn and Jay.

**Linda (Mannigel) Schmitz '71** was one of six educators from Missouri who received an MSTA Outstanding Leader-

Local Service Award and was also the top winner by being named the Overall Outstanding MSTA/CTA Leader of the Year. These awards were presented at the MSTA State Convention held in St. Louis on November 3, 2005.

**Kevin Kain '73** officially retired on February 12, 2006, from United Airlines after 27½ years.

**Leslie (Johnson) Kelsay '73** has been named vice president for marketing and communications at Good Samaritan Hospital. Some of her recent projects received awards from PRSA, Silicon Valley Ad Club, the Globals International Healthcare Communications Competition and the in-house competition of Good Sam's parent company, HCA.

**Dave Oatman '73** started a consulting company in August 2005 for professional, organization and workforce development. He provides learning solutions to further organizational effectiveness, emphasizing professional advancement and personal growth. Dave pursues writing on the senses of place and studying the interrelations between wilderness and civilization. He recently rowed an inflatable raft the entire 225-mile trip down the Colorado River and through the Grand Canyon, 18 days from Lees Ferry to Diamond Creek, Arizona. "It was the adventure of a lifetime," says Dave.

**Gary DeClue '74**, fine arts department chair and professor of music at John Wood Community College in Quincy, Illinois, recently received the college's Quality Service Award for 2005-06. DeClue, who has been elected president of the JWCC Faculty Senate twice, received the award for his work in organizing the governance structure of the faculty. The Quality Service Award is given to one who offers exceptional service, demonstrates a high level of expertise and competency, exhibits exceptional tact and professionalism, and serves as a role model for others. DeClue has been at John Wood since 1991 and was named the college's Faculty Member of the Year in 1994. He received the NISOD (National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development) Excellence Award for outstanding service and teaching excellence at the NISOD Conference in 1995 and was also selected to present seminars at the conference. In 1996 he received a national award from Phi Theta Kappa,

the international honor society for two-year colleges. He also served as chair of the fine arts design committee for the Paul Heath Community Education and Fine Arts Center. DeClue is active as a performer, clinician, and adjudicator throughout the Midwest and received national recognition for performing the role of Stephen Douglas in the C-Span production of the Lincoln-Douglas debates.

**Clyde W. Pulley '74** recently had an article, "May 17, 1954, Brown v. Board of Education: Justice Whose Time Had Come" published in *Teachers of Vision Magazine*.

**Ellyn Schleiffarth, '74** married John Oliver Bennett on July 23, 2005. The bride is the daughter of **Ann (Burrows) Schleiffarth '42** and the late **William Schleiffarth '42** of Kimberling City, Mo. Ellyn is the CEO of Girl Scout Council of Mount Magazine Area.

**Leon Choate '75** retired from the United States Air Force in 1993. Since then, he has been employed at the Texas Department of Public Safety in San Angelo, Texas, in police communications.

**Jerry '76 and Rosanne (Gritzmaker) Briscoe '76** are missionaries with SEND International and will be teaching at Faith Academy, a school for missionary children, in Manila, Philippines. Jerry completed 25 years of pastoral ministry at Christian Churches in Indiana and Missouri.



**Jill Arnold Blickhan '79**, executive director of the Community Foundation of the Quincy Area in Quincy, Illinois, speaks with students during the Introduction to Arts Management class. Blickhan was just one of several speakers to address the class and discuss their careers during the semester.



**Bill Baxter '68**, left, of Flemington, New Jersey, and William L. Fox, Culver-Stockton College president, are all smiles after Baxter and his wife, Carolyn, donated a house at 205 N. 10<sup>th</sup> in Canton, to the college. Baxter's mother, **Edna Mae (Stone) Baxter '45**, lived in the house for many years before moving to Cedar Lake, Indiana, to be closer to her daughter and Bill's sister, **Bette (Baxter) Oesterle '71**, and her husband, **Richard Oesterle '70**. Another sister, **Jeanne (Baxter) Carfora '69** and her husband, **Santo Carfora '69**, of Janesville, Wisconsin, also graduated from C-SC. "Culver-Stockton College has done so much for my family and me that we felt this was a nice way to give something back to the college," Baxter said.

**Tom Ernst '78** married Lori Bergman on December 15, 2005. On, February 1, 2006, they opened Destination Travel, a full service travel agency. Lori has more than 14 years in the travel industry. Tom has two children, Drew, 21 and Elizabeth, 17.

## '80s

**Susan Chambers '80** married Ed Lynch on May 21, 2005. Susan's son, Jeff, will be graduating in December 2006 from Northern Kentucky University. Susan is a clerical coordinator for St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Edgewood, Kentucky. Ed is a truck technician for Ram Nationwide in Cincinnati, Ohio.

**Tom Cook '83** left the golf industry to open his own restaurant, but now he's back outdoors running a golf course and is extremely happy.

**Tom Plattner '83** just started employment with Kleinfelder as the environmental group leader in February, 2006. Kleinfelder is a national company that does geotech, materials testing, engineering and environmental work. Tom and his wife, Maricela, have two daughters; Lisa plays basketball and Sana plays soccer.

**Doug Mosley '85** was recruited by **Vince Okruch '77**, athletic director of the University of Louisiana-Monroe, to become associate director of athletics at the University of Louisiana-Monroe.

**Jim Spiers '86** is a K-12 vocal music teacher for the talented and gifted, and teaches eighth-grade reading at Worth County School District. Jim sponsors Concert Choir, Women's Glee, Men's Glee and East Avenue Showstopper Swing Choir as extra-curricular activities for the school district. This is his 16<sup>th</sup> year at Worth County where the choral program has gone from non-existent to having 122 students involved. His Concert Choir won the honor of performing for the prestigious Missouri Music Educators Association state convention in January, 2001. In the 15 years that his choirs have competed at the state level, Worth County has brought home 20 State I ratings. Jim says his students' success is a direct result of his studying under D. Larry McSpadden and the standards that Mr. McSpadden instilled in the members of his choral ensembles and in the lives of the students he has touched. Jim and his wife, Merry, have a daughter, Merrideth Grace, born April 21, 2002.

**Jim '87** and **Vicki (Knox) Leclair -91** have moved around the country the last 18 years. Jim is district manager of Roadway Express and has found his home in Dixie.

**Lori Anne (Stafford) Smith '87** is director of rehab at Life Care Center in Columbia, South Carolina. She and her husband, Don, have two children, Brittany and Ryan.

**Don Tolly '87** has been promoted to director of product design and underwriting for American Family Insurance after 16 years in the claims division. He and his family have been in Middleton, Wisconsin, since June, 2002.

**Micheal Jackson -88** and his wife Analilia have been happily married for nine years. They have three children, Vaughn, born February 27, 1999, Salome, born August 2, 2004, and Zenobia, born March 14, 2006. Mike served in the United States Army from April 14, 1987 until March 26, 2003. Mike is presently branch manager for Navy Exchange Command in El Centro, California.

**Mark -89** and **Angie (Scheiter) Bridges '89** have moved for the last time. Mark has been promoted as the electrical engineering manager of the Quad City Nuclear Generating System in Cordova, Illinois. Angie is teaching reading at Bettendorf Community schools and working on her graduate degree as a reading specialist. Mark and Angie are the parents of Molly, 13, and Alec, 11.



**Donna (Brassea) Ransdell '78** was recognized with a California State PTA Honorary Service Award for her work at Barnett Elementary School in Ramona, California. This award, accompanied by a scholarship donation, is given to someone for meritorious service and hours of dedicated work on behalf of students. Ransdell, a teacher for Ramona Unified School District, spends her days teaching vocal music to kindergarten through sixth-grade students at two schools. After school, she can be found in the multi-purpose room holding auditions and rehearsals for a school musical. In January, 2006, she directed and choreographed a hand-picked cast of 45 students in grades two through six in "Excerpts from 'Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory.'" In addition, she also directs a 44-voice choir for intermediate grade students. Donna resides with her husband, **Warren -80**, in Poway, California. Her oldest daughter, **Jennifer '08**, is a music education major at C-SC and her younger daughter, Kristin, is a psychology major at Palomar (California) Community College.

**Phyllis Payne '89** is a radiation therapist at Riverside Hospital. She and her husband, Jesse Holt, have two daughters, Kiera, 8, and Jenna, 5.

**Rob Porter '89** and his wife, Stacy, are pleased to announce the birth of Lily Marie on October 27, 2005. Lily joins 15-month old sister, Abby Sue. All are healthy and happy.

**Frances (Shank) Reinhard '89** is a first- and second-grade teacher at Quincy Christian School. She and her husband, Dan, have three children, Ryne, Randi, and Kelsey.

**Michele Vaught '89** is the controller for Visit Florida, the official tourism and marketing corporation for the state of Florida. In her spare time, Michele volunteers as the president of Gadsden County Humane Society, rescuing, fostering and adopting out animals.

## '90s

**Shaun Carey '90** was recognized by the Illinois State Board of Education as one of the 12 finalists for Illinois Teacher of the Year for 2003-04. Shaun participated in a banquet held in Springfield to receive a plaque in recognition of his achievement. He is married to **Sue (Kaltefleiter) '90** and they have two children, Mitch, 7, and Erin, 4. Sue has worked at ADM in Quincy for 12 years.

**Rebecca Johnson '90** completed her masters of science degree in information science — digital image management from the University of North Texas in August 2004 with honors. Becky is an analyst, HR reporting for Countrywide.

**Eric Zanger '90** recorded his 300th career softball coaching victory in the spring of 2005 at Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin High School. His teams have averaged 30 victories a year the last three seasons. Eric started his 16th year of teaching at Sacred Heart-Griffin High School.

**James Kigar '91** and his wife, Alisa, have two children, Eli Richard born February 24, 2004, and Elsie Elaine, born July 5, 2005. Jim is a deputy juvenile officer II for the First Judicial Circuit of Missouri in Memphis, Missouri.



Culver-Stockton College alumnae from the Los Angeles area enjoyed a reunion in January. Front row from left to right are **Debbie (Freeman) Streett '86**, **Pauline (Wang) Tso '53**, Lynn Fox, **Evie (Gruber) Anderson '39**, **Bobbie (Schroeder) Howard '52** and **Michelle Monaco '70**. Back row, **Shirley (Sanders) Collier '67**, Doug Crawford, Shirley Crawford and Bill Fox.

John and **Kathy (Mispagel) Newman '91** had a son, Matthew John, born March 26, 2005.

**Elizabeth J. Barton '92** is credit manager for Primary Steel LLC. She and her husband, Rich, have a daughter, Morgan, 5.

**Janis (Peterson) Saidler '92** and her husband, Daniel, have a daughter, Jenna, born December 6, 2005. Janis is a math teacher for Park High School.

**Rich Graham '93** is still working for the Lake County Sheriff's Department and was recently promoted to the rank of corporal in the patrol division. He also has started in the real estate business as a side job and is working for a family friend at Caldwell Realty. Rich is married to Phyllis and they have two children, Alex, 6, and Chaylee, 4.

**Alison (Hensley) Gumble '93** and her husband, John, have two children, Adam, 5, and Diane, 3. Alison is a substitute teacher and John is an engineer.

**Gary Sheldon '93** is an assistant manager at Wal-Mart in Davenport, Iowa. He has a son, Justin Allen Sheldon, born May 6, 2000.

**Prentice '93** and **Heather (Colbert) Southwell '94** announced the birth of a daughter, Amberlee May Suzanne, born October 13, 2005. She is their sec-

ond child after Robert Joseph Bryce, who was born October 15, 2004, and died October 29, 2004. Prentice is working on his master's degree in human services at the University of Illinois-Springfield. He recently completed an internship in the Substance Abuse Counseling field. Heather is a paralegal for the legislature of the state of Illinois.

**Larry Askew II '94** is general counsel to SIZEWise Rentals, LLC. He and **Kimberly (Graf) Askew '94** live with their daughter, Regan in Overland Park, Kansas. Kimberly is a child development specialist at the Francis Child Development Institute.

**Chris Fletcher '94** and his wife, Christy, have a new baby boy, Austin Dale, born February 3, 2006. He joins a big brother, Joshua, 5. Chris remains working in California for the DEA while Christy stays home with the boys.

Thomas and **Linnea (VanWingeren) Fryman '94** announced the birth of their son, William, born November 2005.

**Becki (Dwyer) Sims '94** and her husband, Ron, are enjoying life in Colorado, where they have lived for 11 years. They have three children: Jacob, Clay, and Jessica. After 10 years in the insurance industry, Becki decided to stay home with her children. She looks forward to hearing from old friends.

**Stephanie (Iams) Ashley '95** after a decade of teaching, decided to stay at home and teach her daughter, Stella, 2. Her husband, Michael, is in his fourth year of running his architecture and planning business in Kansas City. They recently moved to Olathe, Kansas, to a golf community and enjoy staying active with family and watching Stella grow.

**Jill Cameron '95** married Jim Michel on February 5, 2005. Cameron James Michel was born November 18, 2005. He joins siblings Katy, 19, and John, 15, Jill's stepchildren. Jill continues to serve as pastor of South Joplin Christian Church, where she has worked for five years. In the fall, she will be on a three-month sabbatical thanks to a grant from the Lilly Endowment. She will have the opportunity for travel and to work on some writing.

**Cindy (Jackson) Carlton -95** and her husband, Damon, were married in 2005. She is currently enrolled at the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma in Chickasha, Oklahoma. She has four boys, Steven, Daniel, Benjamin and Nathan, who reside with their father in Texas.

**Michelle (Moore) Deeringer -95** married Sean Muldrew. Michelle has a son, Bryce Deeringer, born in November, 1996, and a stepson, Hunter, born in 2000. She would love to hear from old classmates.

**Denise (Workman) Riley '95** and her husband, Doug, wish to announce the birth of their first son, Dane Mitchell, on May 16, 2005. Denise is marketing specialist at Southwest Airlines Federal Credit Union.

**E. Anne (Varni) Hanneken '96** and her husband, Ben, had a daughter, Bridgette Kathleen, January 9, 2006. Bridgette joins a sister, Noelle, 22 months. Anne is principal for St. Anthony Catholic School, and Ben is a mechanical engineer.

**Susan (Finne) Magill -96** can be reached at P.O. Box 125, Northbrook, IL 60065. She would love to hear from her friends.

**Eric '97** and **Nicole (Meyer) Barkley '02** had a baby girl, Sydney Lorraine, born February 27, 2006. Eric is the director of major gifts, corporate and foundation relations and Nicole is the

**Rob Boydston '96** and his wife, **Brenda (Schwass)**

**Boydston '97**, were joined by **Mary (Ettling) Clodfelter '93** and her husband, **Robb Clodfelter '93**, on the snowmobiling trails in Whistler, British Columbia, Canada. Rob Boydston and Mary Clodfelter were honorees at Citi's annual Presidents Club Gala at the Fairmont Chateau



Whistler January 27 - February 1, 2006. Rob is a five-time President's Club award winner and this was Mary's first award as two of Citi's top employees. Rob works for Citimortgage as a lending consultant and Mary works for Citibank Home Equity as an in-house account executive.

coordinator of Career Services at Culver-Stockton College.

**Kristal (Ratliff) Berck '97** opened a retail scrapbook store in Petersburg, Illinois. called Scrappin' Friendz. Kristal and **Dennis '97** have two sons, Nickolas and Alexander.

**Lori (Venvertloh) Walbring '97** and her family moved into their new home in February 2005. Their kids are excited about living in the country and having lots of room to play. Brooke is playing soccer and Luke tries to keep up with her. Lori and her husband, Matt, keep busy with their full-time jobs along with a side business, Custom Turf Inc., in which they specialize in lawn fertilization and weed control services.

**C. Eric Hutchinson '98** is a teacher and coach for the Polk County School District. He and his wife, Stephanie, have a son, Christopher Arthur, 1.

**Sarah (Graham) Nguyen '98** and her husband Darren, had a baby girl, Meredith Grace Minh Chau, born September 27, 2005. She joins sister, Maggie, born January 4, 2003. Sarah is a part time hemodialysis nurse.

**Susan (Hurst) Ragar '98** is marketing director for the Quincy Mall. She and her husband, Troy, have two children, Sophia and Weston.

**Christy (Barker) Wiley '98** and her husband, Tim, have a daughter, Caitlin Marie, born February 2, 2006. This is their first child. Christy is a legal assis-

tant for Brown Law Firm in Fairfield, Iowa.

Sean and **Katie (Bell) Bowen '99** have two daughters, Evalyn Nicole, born February 24, 2003, and Maggie Brianne, born June 3, 2005. Katie is a childcare nurse consultant for the Adams County Health Department.

Joe and **Kim (Kipling) Bushmeyer '99** have a son, Alexander Joseph, born August 1, 2005.

**Amy (Medlock) Huffman '99** and her husband, Andrew, have two children, Alex, 3, and Molly, 2. Amy is currently branch manager for Commerce Bank in Bonne Terre, Missouri.

**Aaron Martin '99** and **Schoen Grayson '01** are proud to announce the establishment of the law office of Martin & Grayson LLC. In 1997, Aaron and Schoen met at Culver-Stockton College. After becoming friends, they agreed that they both wanted to attend law school and would one day open a law firm dedicated to serving the legal needs of Missouri residents, families and small businesses.

**Heather Ragsdale '99** completed her supervision for licensed clinical social worker in May 2006. She works at Barnes-Jewish Hospital.

**Gary Sloan '99** is branch manager and partner at Altitude Professional Services, Inc. He and his wife, Gianna, have two daughters, Antonia Louisa, born March 19, 2003, and Lucia Anabel, born May 9, 2005.



**Renee Schroeder '02** married **Jeff Rogles '02** on November 12, 2005. Taking part in the wedding were bridesmaids **Caryn Howard '02** and **Emily Dameron '01**; groomsmen **Will Maguire '03**, **Chris Harrison '02** and **Todd Schroeder '06**; ushers **Barry Sutherland '03** and **Joe Cramsey '03**; singers **Emily Brady '02** and **Christa Batson '02**; readers **Emily Threlkeld '04** and **Ashley Gordon '03**; guestbook and programs **Rachel (Hughes) Cramsey '03** and **Beth Zeidler '04**. Renee is employed at The Graphics Company in St. Louis and Jeff is employed with Prudential Financial.

**Mandy (Ledbetter) Wiedeman '99** has accepted a 12-month clinical pastoral education residency through Truman Medical Center in Kansas City, Missouri. She is also full-time Master of Divinity student at Central Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Kansas. They would love to hear from old friends.

## 2000s

**Matt Dixon '00** graduated from veterinary school at the University of Missouri-Columbia on May 12, 2006.

**Kara Mandrell '00** married Alan Thompson. Kara is a marketing consultant for the Southern Illinoisan newspaper in Marion, Illinois.

**Aaron Niemeier '00** is an engagement leader for Cerner Corporation in Kansas City, Missouri.

**Mary Varni '00** is a freelance editor and writer for religious and other non-profit organizations.

**Laurie DeLaney '01**, while visiting her cousin in Oahu, Hawaii, decided to go skydiving.

**Chris '01** and **Kelli (VanDeventer) Higgins '02** have moved to 1350 Murphy's Landing Dr., in Indianapolis, Indiana, 46217. Chris is the manager of Internet and new media for the general offices of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Jake and **Danielle (Kerwin) Kraehling '01** had a son, Harrison Jacob Kraehling, born December 11, 2005. Danielle is an underwriting assistant for Wells Fargo.

**Erin N. Riley '01** is optical manager of Sabates Eye Centers in Kansas City, Missouri.

**Christa Batson '02** married **Barry Sutherland '03** on January 28, 2006. Attendants included **Stephanie (Everhart) Brown '02**, **Renee (Schroeder) Rogles '02**, **Emily (Brady) Frost '02**, **Brad Collins '03**, **Curtis Smith '03**, **Chad Mellick '02**, **Jeff Rogles '02**, **Stephanie Alm '04**.

**Amie Bossi '02** is program manager for Connections to Success.

**Tom '02** and **Alex (Steel) Sallay '01** celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary in May 2006. Alex is currently working as HR generalist for DSL Logistics in Elwood, Illinois, and will receive her master's degree in human resource management in the summer of 2007. After receiving his master's degree in administration, Tom was hired as running backs coach for the University of Saint Francis in Joliet, Illinois. Tom is currently finishing his second master's degree in special education.

**Rebecca J. Cramer '03** married James Mehmert on October 22, 2005. **Jean (Hechler) Conkright '03** was matron of honor. **Annie (Murray) Hedeman '03**, **Amanda Akkerman '03**, and **Kacie Stout '05** were attendants.

**Abigail (Lehman) Graham '03** has moved from the drug chemistry section at the Missouri State Highway Patrol crime laboratory to the DNA case-work section. They are rejoicing because her mom beat cancer.

**Aimee Pulley '03** married Lee Sweet on July 31, 2004, in Indiana. Aimee is an elementary ESE teacher for Glades Day School.

**Amy (Lundberg) Scifres '03** is an occupational therapist in Hannibal, Mo.

**Megan Cahill '04** graduated with a master's degree in human service agency management and a master's degree in arts management. In April, 2006, she was hired as the development associate/grant writer for Family Support Network in St. Louis.

**Julia Munger '05** is manager of Murphy USA in Springfield, Illinois.

**Jonathon Pryor '05** is a conservation aide for the Missouri Department of Conservation in Camdenton, Missouri.

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# In Memoriam

**Mary Joy (Mann) Leedom '27** of Goreville, Illinois.

**Geneva (Shires) McGinnis -27** of Glencoe, Missouri., died May 2002.

**Vera (Jackson) Lickey -29** of Marshall, Missouri.

**Nettie T. (Brenner) Snell -30** of Marshall, Missouri, died June 22, 2001.

**Ruth E. (West) Lillis -32** of Golden, Illinois, died February 1, 2006.

**Esther (Buzard) Winfrey -32** of Fenton, Missouri, died January 2006.

**Carmelita (Wilson) Nichols -36** of Canton, Missouri, died November 2005.

**Azaline (Bozarth) Maiers -37** of La Grange, Missouri, died December 28, 2005.

**Earl R. Bartareau '39** of Warrenton, Missouri, died February 1, 2006.

**Henderson Forsythe -39** of Williamsburg, Virginia, died April 17, 2006.

**M. Katharyn (Witt) Lash -39** of Lenexa, Kansas, died February 2006.

**Roger M. Veach -39** of Quincy, Illinois.

**George M. Harper '40** of Tallahassee, Florida, died January 29, 2006.

**Betty (Hindman) Salfrank -40** of Centennial, Colorado, died February 3, 2006.

**A. Frank Schuster '41** of Woodland Hills, California, died February 28, 2006.

**Curtis R. Fay -42** of Centralia, Missouri, died November 4, 2005.

**Charles L. Creech '43** of Troy, Missouri, died December 13, 2005.

**W. Scott Schindel -44** of Mount Orab, Ohio, died March 8, 2006.

**Paul Henning -45** of McAllen, Texas, died April 9, 2005.

**Delbert L. Findley, Jr. -46** of Colorado died in 1996.

**Guy A. Wilson -47** of Sonoma, California died September 5, 2005.

**Peggy (Thrower) Day -48** of Columbia, Missouri, died August 23, 2005.

**Jane M. (Seifert) Hohlfelder -48** of Clifton, Virginia.

**Alice B. (Koch) Mansfeldt -50** of Quincy, Illinois, died April 19, 2005.

**Joanne C. Spalding -50** of McDonough, Georgia, formerly of Knoxville, Tennessee, died March 3, 2006.

**John A. Carlson '51** of Des Moines, Iowa, died April 2, 2006.

**Robert E. Logan -52** of Blandinsville, Illinois.

**N. Max McIntyre '52**, of Springfield, Illinois, died September 9, 2005.

**Mary J. (Campbell) Wood '52** of Tacoma, Washington, died January 2005.

**Joan B. (Mendes) Phister -53** of Louisville, Kentucky, died December 21, 2004.

**Derek B. Payson '58** of Falmouth, Maine, died September 15, 2005.

**Irene (Holcomb) Turner '59** of Hannibal, Missouri, died September 24, 2005.

**Joseph Knapp -60** of Wentzville, Missouri, died September 10, 2005.

**Lee Anthony '61** of Raleigh, North Carolina.

**Dorothy (Watts) Ringhausen '62** of Chaska, Minnesota, died October 28, 1999.

**Peter L. Schelp '64** of Quincy, Ill.-inois, died November 14, 2005.

**Robert R. Newsome '65** of Palos Heights, Illinois, died October, 2005.

**Thomas L. Thurnes '65** of Portage, Indiana, died February 2, 2005.

**Ardith A. (Johnston) Hansen '66** of Tucson, Ariz., died March 14, 2006.

**Frederick C. Kaump -68** of Madison, Wisconsin, died February 26, 2004.

**Melvin C. Decker '69** of Hannibal, Missouri.

**Charles W. Schoeninger '69** of Normal, Illinois, died April 3, 2006.

**Tanya M. (Censale) Sweeney '70** of Holyoke, Massachusetts, died June 21, 2005.

**Wendell McClintock -76** of Joliet, Illinois.

**Robert M. Mulch '76** of Manchester, Missouri, died April 1, 2006.

**C. Curtis Hogge '80** of Lee's Summit, Missouri, died March 2006.

**Kevin W. Martin '88** of Goodlettsville, Tennessee, died January 1, 2006.

**Jesse Vail**, former coach and athletic director, died August 7, 2003.

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## Wildcats Capture HAAC, Region V Titles

**By John Schild**  
Sports Information Director

With a 17-11 overall record and 5-5 mark in the Heart of America Athletic Conference at the end of March, the Culver-Stockton College baseball team's streak of nine consecutive postseason appearances seemed in jeopardy.

However, as has been their custom throughout Doug Bletcher's reign as head coach, the Wildcats got hot in the month of April and finished with a flourish by winning 20 of their final 23 regular season games, including the last 16 in a row, to claim the HAAC Eastern Division title and advance to the HAAC Championship Series against Benedictine College for the second straight season.

The Wildcats weren't done yet as they claimed their second consecutive HAAC championship and then won their fourth Region V championship to advance to the Mid-South Super Regional. The run to the postseason was highlighted by a four-game sweep of division leader and 11<sup>th</sup>-ranked Lindenwood on April 22-23 at Nichols Field in Canton. The Wildcats got strong efforts from their starting pitchers and outscored the Lions 13-6 in the four-game series. The Wildcats put an exclamation point on the sweep in the final game when ace Scott Deen pitched a one-hitter in a 1-0 C-SC victory.

C-SC still needed to sweep Central Methodist on the last weekend of the regular season to get into the championship series. As it turned out, the Wildcats had no trouble with the Eagles, outscoring the visitors 41-1 in the four games. That series was highlighted by a five-inning no-hitter by Brandon Daudt in the third game of the series as the Wildcats prevailed 10-0.

In the championship series against Benedictine, the Wildcats got another strong performance from Deen in taking the first game 2-1. Deen limited the 16<sup>th</sup>-ranked Ravens to four hits in winning for the eighth time in 10 decisions. The Ravens forced a third and deciding game with a 12-7 victory in game two, snapping the Wildcats' winning streak at 17 games.

In the series finale, the game was tied 4-4 when Wildcats' Raul Salazar bounced



**Pitcher of the Year:** Scott Deen throws a pitch during the 2006 season. Deen was named HAAC and Region V Pitcher of the Year.

into a double play. However, Tobirus Bell scored on the play and pitcher Mike Egan pitched three scoreless innings of relief to hand the Wildcats the conference championship.

The Wildcats then swept through the Region V Tournament in Kansas City, defeating William Jewell, Missouri Baptist, Lindenwood, and Benedictine in the championship game, to win their fourth regional championship in nine years.

Their reward for winning the region title was a 1,000-mile bus trip to Lubbock,

Texas, to face Lubbock Christian University in the Mid-South Super Regional. C-SC took a 7-2 lead in the first game of the best of three series; however, the defense let down in the late innings, allowing the Chaparrals to come from behind and defeat the Wildcats 8-7. The Wildcats saw their season end the next day when the Chaparrals netted a 14-8 victory to take the series and prevent the Wildcats from advancing to the NAIA World Series.

The Wildcats ended the season with a 43-17 overall record, the sixth time in the last seven years they have topped the 40-win plateau.

Individually, Deen became the second Wildcat pitcher to be named the HAAC Pitcher of the Year, joining Peter Lopez '00, and was the first C-SC hurler to be named Region V Pitcher of the Year. Short-stop Bobby Armstrong and catcher Brandon Crisp joined Deen on the All-HAAC first team. Deen was named to the all-region team and the NAIA All-America team (honorable mention).

Record-wise, senior pitcher Seth Minter became the school's all-time leader in strikeouts, finishing with 201 in his career. Deen became the school's all-time leader in earned run average, finishing his two-year career with a 2.41 earned run average. Armstrong and Mike Parks were named NAIA Scholar-Athletes.



Culver-Stockton College held a mini-commencement ceremony for seven members of the college's baseball team who missed the May 13 graduation because the team was participating in the NAIA Region V Tournament in Kansas City, Kan. Pictured from left to right are Bobby Armstrong, Mike Parks, Trent Platz, Ryan Riffel, Raul Salazar, Jordan Stults and Ross Williams.

## Golf Teams Competitive in '06

The men and women's golf teams were both very competitive as the men's team placed fifth and the women's team sixth in the HAAC. Both teams advanced to the regional tournament with the men's team placing seventh and the women's team placing eighth overall.

Individually, the men's team had two players named to the all-conference team. Jordan Dye finished in a tie for first place in the HAAC Tournament only to settle for second place after losing in a playoff. Curtis Kirchner also had a top 10 finish in the conference tournament, placing eighth.

The women's program achieved another milestone as Jami Zinn became the first Lady Wildcat to be named to the all-conference team. Zinn finished fourth in the HAAC Tournament and 10<sup>th</sup> in the Region V Tournament. Zinn was also named an NAIA Scholar-Athlete.



Isaac Gerard '06 preparing to putt.

## Softball Team Makes it to Regionals Again



Cassie Fischer steals third base in a game with MidAmerica Nazarene.

A youthful softball team battled hard enough to make its fourth regional appearance in the last five years in 2006. The Lady Wildcats started seven freshmen or sophomores in their everyday lineup during the bulk of the season. In addition, one sophomore and three freshmen made up the pitching staff.

The result was a slow start at the beginning of the season. The Lady Wildcats won two of their first 13 games; however, a majority of those games came against NCAA Division II schools during a spring break trip to Texas. But the Lady Wildcats, like their baseball counterparts, got on a roll in April and finished the regular season by winning nine of their last 12 games. C-SC finished 23-30 overall and 13-7, good for third place, in the HAAC.

Highlights of the season included freshman Carley Thurston setting a new single-season home run record with 14, smashing the old mark of seven. Also, the lone senior on the team, Kaysi Eighinger '06, ended a brilliant career with the softball program by finishing in the top 10 in several career categories.

Thurston was named to the all-conference first team and the all-region team. Eighinger and sophomore Melissa Goehl were named to the all-conference second team. Both were also named NAIA Scholar-Athletes.

## Eighinger Recognized By ESPN The Magazine



Kaysi Eighinger '06

Culver-Stockton College softball player Kaysi Eighinger has been named to the *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-America team.

Eighinger, a shortstop from Ashland, Ohio, was a second-team selection nationally in the college division (non-Division I) after receiving first-team honors in District VII earlier this year. She is the fifth C-SC student-athlete, and the first since football player Jason Kaiser in 1996, to be honored at the national level. The *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-America team is selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

Eighinger, who graduated in May with a degree in elementary education, was named to the President's List during all eight semesters she attended C-SC. The HAAC, Region V and the NAIA have named her a scholar-athlete during her four years on the Hill.

At the college's annual Honors Day convocation, Eighinger was awarded the W.A. Herington Outstanding Senior Athlete Award, the Colman K. Winn Award for Excellence in Education, the Oreon E. Scott Foundation Award and the E.A. Franz Mathematical Achievement Award.

In 53 games during the 2006 season, she compiled a .318 batting average and led the Lady Wildcats with 43 runs scored and tied for the team lead with 13 doubles. In addition, Eighinger collected 50 hits, one triple and hit four home runs. She recorded 30 runs batted in and stole 19 bases. She was a Heart of America Athletic Conference second-team selection.

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