

# THE SUNFLOWER

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## KANSAS DU RECOGNIZED WITH TOP AWARDS



Jeff Dunlap '05, Kyle Schafersman '04, Grant Thompson '04, and Dallas Rakestraw '03 display the awards presented to the Kansas Chapter at Greek Recognition Night on February 24.

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ALUMNI UPDATE 6-8 The Kansas Chapter wrapped up 2002 with an exciting and productive finish. The Chapter once again established a record scholarship mark with a 3.08 G.P.A. More than 65 percent of the members earned better than a 3.0 average. We are particularly proud of our freshman pledge class, as they eclipsed the campus all-freshman men G.P.A. of 2.59 with their own 3.05 G.P.A. Plans are being developed to celebrate our success, recognize our scholars, and thank our faculty advisors with a scholarship dinner in April.

#### CAMPUS LEADERS

Several Kansas DUs are making their presence known in the University community. Ben Counter '04 was recently elected vice president of interfraternal relations for IFC, Dallas Rakestraw '03, Jeff Dunlap '05, and Pat Joyce '06 are serving as student senators, and Ben Van Ness '05, Tom Van Compernolle '05, and Brian Holzgraefe '05 are active in the Student Alumni Association. Grant Thompson '04, Justin Trombold '04, Jason Huntington '05, and Sean Murphy '06 are competing on the University's water polo team, while David Hiebsch '03 is on the hockey team.

#### **ATHLETICS**

Kansas DU recently added to its trophy collection, claiming a championship in sand volleyball, a second place finish in floor hockey, and a third place trophy in football. Combining these accomplishments with earlier championships in golf and swimming, the Ducks are once again in the hunt for the Hill Intramural Championship.

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# \*\* TRADITIONS Advancing Our Values

ne of the elements that is deteriorating in society today is the understanding and passing on of traditions. Traditional family values and social traditions have often disappeared or have given way to less productive and wholesome behaviors. One function of the Greek system is to advance values and traditions that fraternities have held in esteem. Depending on the chapter and fraternity, those traditions may be productive and socially valuable, or they may be destructive and unhealthy.

Delta Upsilon is fortunate to have a rich heritage of tradition based on values that were as unusual in the 1830s as they are today. We have all learned those basic underlying principles, but sometimes have neglected to articulate them and use them in our daily lives. DU is built on the

belief that we should treat our fellow men with dignity, respect, and in a just manner. Our principles recognize that in conducting our lives, we should develop our character and foster the development of character in those around us. We continue to do this as we develop our friendships, and as we explore and embrace many aspects of culture and education.

As we work to foster a healthy and productive Chapter, the communication and articulation of tradition is critical. The young men in the Chapter can do only so much of this. It is up to the alumni to provide steady input on our principles and traditions. Without alumni guidance, Chapter tradition breaks down and young men will fill in the void, and not always in a positive manner.

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## DU RECOGNIZED WITH TOP AWARDS

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#### **GREEK AWARDS**

Speaking of adding hardware to the trophy case, the Kansas Chapter was highly decorated at Greek Recognition Night on February 24. The Chapter earned third place for Most Improved Scholarship from spring 2001 to spring 2002, third

highest Chapter G.P.A. for spring 2002, and was the recipient of the Overall Chapter Improvement Award. DU also received Chapter Excellence Awards for the following areas: scholarship, financial management, risk management, interfraternal relations, community relations, and alumni relations. The Kansas Chapter was one of only two fraternities to receive the Overall Chapter Excellence Award! In addition, **Dallas Rakestraw** '03 was recognized as an Outstanding Senior.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT**

A new risk management program has lead to tremendous leaps in alcohol education. Members have been strongly encouraged to complete an online program called AlcoholEdu. This tutorial walks you through several video clips and stops periodically for individual assessment and surveys. The Chapter members who have finished the program have agreed that it is very informational and enlightening.

#### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

In what has become an annual event, the Chapter is again sponsoring the West Hills Neighborhood Cleanup, tentatively scheduled for late April. The planned cleanup effort and barbecue provides a great opportunity to demonstrate our commitment to the community, and also allows us to socialize and build better relations with the other fraternities, sororities, and residents in our neighborhood.

#### RECRUITMENT

As we near the new member signing day of May 4, our quest to fill the fall 2003 pledge class is in full swing. Recruitment Chairmen Wes Osbourn '05, Paul Gregory '05, and Jason Shanker '05 are doing an excellent job introducing prospective members to the Fraternity, and we are expecting to pledge another stellar class. We recognize that a successful Recruitment program is an essential aspect to the longevity of a fraternity or any organization for that matter, and these gentlemen are doing a fine job of leading our efforts.

We truly appreciate and value all of the recommendations we have received to date. Your continued involvement is a testament that being a Kansas DU is not just about the four-year experience while

on campus. Please continue to help us build a strong organization by notifying us of a scholar, athlete, or man of overall good character by completing the Recruitment form below, or by contacting the Recruitment chairmen at the e-mail addresses provided.

These are just a few of the many positive happenings taking place at 1025 Emery Road. I would like to recognize the tremendous efforts of James Waring '03 and Owen Kemp '03, our outgoing president and vice president, respectively. The Chapter's recent success is a direct reflection of their leadership and has allowed us to set our sights on even greater accomplishments. We intend to build on this momentum and continue our mission of being the premier fraternity at the University of Kansas.

On behalf of the Chapter, we look forward to seeing you and celebrating our proud tradition at the Distinguished Alumni Banquet on May 3.



Fraternally, **Kyle Schafersman '04** Chapter President kschaf@ku.edu

Alumni, we value your help.
Please submit prospect
recommendations to:

DU Recruitment Chairmen Paul Gregory '05 Paul4ku@ku.edu

Wes Osbourn '05 wosbourn@ku.edu

Jason Shanker '05 jasonshanker@hotmail.com

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Prospect's Name:	
Home Address:	
City:	State: Zip:
Phone:	_ E-Mail:
Parent(s):	
High school attended:	
Does prospect have a DU relative?	
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# SPRING 2003 INITIATES

Delta Upsilon initiated the following men on February 2 at the Chapter House.

Nick Arthachinda '06 Lawrence, Kan.

Matt Caffrey '06
Marysville, Kan.

**Kyle Cook '06**Overland Park, Kan.

\* Chris Drake '06 Leavenworth, Kan.

\* Tyler Emery '06 Weatherby Lake, Mo.

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Ryan Potas '05 Yankton, S.D.

Tanner Scott '06 Dodge City, Kan.

Chris Wachel '06 Hudson, N.H.

Matt Waldron '06 Ottawa, Kan.

Nick Warnemunde '06 Des Moines, Iowa

\* Ryan Wasinger '05 Wichita, Kan.

Jared Wharton '06 Marysville, Kan.

\* Denotes legacy

## **SCHOLARS**

#### 4.0 G.P.A.

Ryan Voth '04
Jeff Warren '04
Bob Bruce '05
Jeff Dunlap '05
Jason Huntington '05
Ryan Wasinger '05
Chris Drake '06
Matt Waldron '06

3.75 to 3.99 Karl Schwartz '03

Jon Gray '04 Justin Trombold '04 Nathan Rosemann '05

#### 3.50 to 3.749

Mark Belot '02 Eric Longman '02 Joel LaBounty '03 Dallas Rakestraw '03 Chris Wittmann '03 Chris Colyer '04 Blake Julian '05 Jason Shanker '05 Ryan Standefer '05 Ryan Potas '05 Chris Wachel '06

#### 3.25 to 3.49

Brett Deuth '03
Owen Kemp '03
Ben Skilling '03
Mike Baadte '04
Corey Dunbar '04
Kyle Schafersman '04
Dusty Brake '05
Wes Ingermanson '05
Justin Roberts '05
Nick Arthachinda '06
Tanner Scott '06

# Senior Reflections



James Waring '03 Leawood, Kan.

lever would I have imagined four years ago all of the opportunities presented by fraternity membership. Looking back, I can honestly say my association with the Kansas Chapter of Delta Upsilon has truly been an experience that will stick with me for life. I realize now how blessed I

have been for having parents who taught me to appreciate the principles of culture, character, friendship and justice. But DU has taught me how to reflect upon these values and use them as a foundation to base even the most difficult decisions. This concept is hard to explain; there is not a book to read or a class to take, it is only something that can be experienced and learned. I feel fortunate to have found such excellent friends, mentors, and most importantly Brothers; thank you for giving me so much to take past the walls of 1025 Emery Road as I head out into the next chapters of my life.

A pprehensive, nervous, and worried. This is the best way to describe how I felt as I thought about attending KU and pledging Delta Upsilon. Was I making the right choice? Would I be happy? The answer now is clearly a resounding YES. I quickly discovered there were numerous opportunities that



Dallas Rakestraw '03 Maize, Kan.

were not only a lot of fun but allowed me to build tremendous friendships and develop skills that have made me a better man. As I continue my education toward a career in the legal field, I owe so much to the life lessons provided by my experience in the Kansas Chapter.



Owen Kemp '03 Quincy, III.

The past four years have gone far too fast. I remember arriving at KU and 1025 Emery with both anticipation and a little uneasiness; I only knew three people on campus but I was confident DU was a good fit. I am so thankful I had the courage to make that decision. Delta Upsilon introduced me to a group of 80 men, all with

different backgrounds and perspectives and provided me with a smaller community within the larger university. Through my Chapter experience, I feel that I was able to learn a great deal more beyond the classroom, enhancing my KU education. As I move into the next phase of my life, I am grateful for the many friendships, memories, and lessons learned and know DU will continue to have a positive influence on me.



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The Chapter serenades the 2002-03 DU Trophy Girl.

It is the goal of the Alumni Corporation Board to sponsor an annual retreat in the spring that brings the Chapter and alumni together. Our hope is to cross-pollinate generations of experiences and traditions that will help to sustain a healthy and viable Chapter. This guidance will help guide the Chapter toward behaviors and beliefs that will be productive, and allow all generations to better understand the challenges of the other.

Join me in applauding the work of the Chapter leadership and the individuals who have worked so hard to improve DU at KU. Join me also in passing on our rich traditions to the Chapter at the retreat and alumni event on May 3.

Fraternally, Eric A. Voth, M.D. '77 Alumni Corporation Board President THE SUNFLOWER PAGE 4

# THANK YOU ALUMNI!

eeping with our strong showing of alumni donors, the Kansas Chapter of Delta Upsilon once again had an impressive fall 2002 appeal. Eighty-nine alumni donated \$9,995 to the Annual Campaign, with an average gift of \$138.63. To date, loyal Kansas Chapter alumni have contributed more than \$147,000 since the fall of 1996 for the Kansas DU Educational Foundation. The undergraduate Brothers sincerely appreciate our alumni for their continuous support and generosity. Your ongoing commitment makes a difference in the future of the Kansas Chapter, and ensures that we still have a prominent presence on the Hill.

The following is a list of Annual Campaign contributors to the Kansas Chapter of Delta Upsilon. The list reflects all of the annual contributors since the fall of 1996. Donors' cumulative giving totals are listed by giving club. If an error has been made in recording the amount of your gift(s), we sincerely apologize. Please send corrections to the Kansas Chapter of Delta Upsilon, P.O. Box 1611, Lawrence, KS 66044. Thank you, again, for giving back to the Chapter—it truly does make a difference!

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## SPRING ALUMNI EVENT R.S.V.P.

Please join us for the 2003 Distinguished Alumni Banquet on Saturday, May 3, 2003!

11 a.m. - Buffet Lunch at the Chapter House

Noon – 2 p.m. - Bull Session in the living room
Discuss the traditions and benefits of the DU experience.

6 - 7 p.m. - Cocktail hour

Hosted by Dr. Jerry Nossaman '60 at his residence

1116 West Hills Parkway (just across the street from Chapter House).

7 p.m. - Dinner and Awards

At the Chapter House (stag, coat and tie)
Presentation of Distinguished Alumni Award to
Eric A. Voth, M.D. '77.

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## R.S.V.P. BY APRIL 25

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## CHAPTER ETERNAL

Lt. Col. Charles "Cub" Baer III '41 passed on to Chapter Eternal on February 20, 2003, at his home in Lawrence, Kan. He was born on July 17, 1918, in Topeka, the son of Charles J. and Arline (Neff) Baer. He grew up and attended school in Topeka and graduated from Kansas University in 1941. Cub was an artillery officer during World War II. He then served in the reserves, retiring as a lieutenant colonel. He was the first World War II veteran to join the KU faculty. He was an instructor and an assistant and associate professor in KU's department of mechanical engineering before he became a professor in 1964. He authored or co-authored three engineering textbooks. After retiring in 1983, he assisted in writing a history of KU's School of Engineering. He was a member and past chairman of Lawrence Traffic and Safety Commission, past co-chairman of the United Way drive, and member and past president of the Lawrence Kiwanis Club. He married Mary "Molly" Tanner on November 22, 1945, in Kansas City, Mo. She survives of the home. Other survivors include two daughters, Sandra Dorn, Redwood Valley, Calif., and Katherine Harris, Centennial, Colo.; a sister, Beth Skaggs, Pratt, Kansas; and four grandsons.

Jack B. Comstock '48, Englewood, Colo., passed on to Chapter Eternal on November 5, 2002, at home with his family. Jack had a very rare and incurable disorder called progressive supranuclear palsy, which he battled for three years. He is survived by his wife, Patricia, and three grown children: Greg, John, and Cindy.

#### ALUMNI NEWS

**Donald D. Phillips '34** is retired and doing well in Lantern Park Manor nursing home in Colby, Kan. He is a former U.S. magistrate and retired attorney. He and his wife, Arliss, have three grown children: Richard, David, and Pamela.

D. Robert Buechel '47 is a retired professor emeritus at Stanford University in San Jose, Calif. Bob and his wife, Joan, live in Campbell, Calif., and have four grown children: Jane, Sally, Robert, and Rebecca. They are enjoying retirement by spending time with their grandchildren in Bermuda. Bob can be reached at bj.buech@att.net.

Lt. Col. John "Jack" Scrivner Jr. '50 is a retired technical writer and planner for Lockheed/Martin, and also a retired

# ALUMNI UPDATE .....



lieutenant colonel for the U.S. Air Force. Jack and his wife, Nancy, live in Colorado Springs, Colo. They have two grown daughters, Jane and Anne. Jack can be reached at jscrivnr@aol.com.

William G. Landess '53, Amarillo, Texas, received the Merrill Lynch 2002 Lifetime Community Achievement Award. The award recognizes employees whose ongoing commitment to community service exemplifies the principle of responsible citizenship, one of the five principles that guide the firm. He serves as the first vice president in his home office and is a senior partner in the Landess Group. Bill and his wife, Claudette, have two grown children, Craig and Amy. You can congratulate Bill via e-mail at crimblue@aol.com.

Alvis H. Stallard '55 is a retired chief of environmental services for the Kansas Department of Transportation, but he continues to teach geology at Washburn University in Topeka, Kan. Al also stays busy with various social and professional clubs in Topeka. He says he is recovering from prostate surgery, but still manages to play golf, racquetball, and other recreational sports. He and his wife, Lou, have three grown children: Debbie, Steve, and Tim. Al can be reached at ahstall@aol.com.

Paul C. Congleton '56 is the retired director of advanced programs for Kaiser Aerospace, Lockheed & Gould. He and his wife, Dorothy, live in Menlo Park, Calif., and enjoy golfing and traveling. They have two grown children, J.P. and Paula. Paul can be reached at paulcong@aol.com.

Col. Charles D. Belt '57 is a retired colonel for the U.S. Air Force. He says, "Not much is new, just playing golf and fishing. Really tough, but somebody has to do it!" Charles and his wife, Judith, live in Hot Springs Village, Ark. They have two grown children, Brad and Julie. Charles can be reached at cortez@IPA.net.

**Dr. John L. Reese '57** enjoys volunteering with the Lawrence chapter of Habitat for Humanity since retiring from his general surgical practice in 1988. He has helped build more than 20 homes for low income residents. He and his wife, Shirley, look forward to visiting John's two grown sons, Jeff and Graham, and their families in Tennessee.

Jerrad J. Hertzler, M.D. '58 retired from his neurology practice in Omaha, Neb., in 1997. He volunteers with his church and leads several Bible study and Sunday school classes. He and his wife, Julie, have three grown sons: John, Bradley, and Matthew. Jerry can be reached at jerryhertz@cox.net.

James E. Bussard '59 is the president of Bussard Engineering, LLC, in Bend, Ore., where he lives. He is one of the area's leading engineering consultants in corporate management, operations, and construction of resorts, and commercial and industrial developments. Jim is also active in a variety of statewide conservation organizations. He is the former chairman and current member of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife's Restoration and Enhancement, as well as ODFW's Access and Habitat Board. Jim and his wife, Suzanne, have five grown children: Julie, Adele, Lisa, Brandi, and Ryan.

Lynn H. Miller '59 is a retired professor emeritus in political science at Temple University in Philadelphia, Pa. He still lectures on international politics when it is requested. Mainly, he is involved in art and poetry. He has published some poetry and will have his paintings on exhibit next spring. He says, "I'm trying to turn myself into an artist while I still have most of my marbles." He can be reached at lynnm3@comcast.net.

David C. Skaggs '59 says the Naval Institute Press published his book, *Thomas MacConough: Master of Command in the Early U.S. Navy,* in January 2003. David is a retired history professor at Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio. He and his wife, Margo, live in Brutus, Mich. They have two grown sons, Jason and Philip. David can be reached at dskaggs@bgnet.bgsu.edu.

**Dr. Lawrence G. Wilson '62** is an associate professor at the University of Washington medical school, in the department of psychiatry and behavioral sciences. He says he enjoys teaching young doctors and medical students, and reports that semi-retirement can't be too far off! He and his





A group of DU Brothers in 1950 gather around the beloved Chickering grand piano in the living room.

## PLAY IT AGAIN...GEORGE!

**George Michale '54**, whose knack for tickling the ivories was nurtured during his undergraduate days on the Chickering grand piano in the DU living room, reports that he continues to play "by ear" for enjoyment and relaxation. George plays regularly for area nursing homes in Kansas City, taking requests for favorite tunes.

Grateful residents often try to pay George for taking his time to entertain them, but he always refuses. When his popularity and following increased, the nursing home actually budgeted funds to keep George playing! Rather than take the money, George has instructed the nursing home to send the honorarium directly to the Kansas DU Educational Foundation. Thanks George, for your regular gift to the elderly and to Kansas DU!

wife, Janet, live in Seattle. They have two grown daughters, Lauren and Hilary. He can be reached at lwilson@u.washington.edu.

H. Randolph Williams II '64 is an attorney with Williams, Lee, Baerson, LLC, in Chicago, III. In October 2002, he was decorated by the French Minister of Culture as Chevalier in the Order of Arts and Letters. Randy and his wife, Nancy, live in Wilmette, III. They have two grown children, John and Elizabeth. Randy can be contacted at hrw@williamslee.com.

Edmond "Ted" Haggart '67, president of Douglas County Bank in Lawrence, will lead the 2003-04 United Way of Douglas County campaign. Ted lives in Lawrence with his wife, Nancy. They have three grown children: John, Marie, and Andrew. He can be reached at thaggart@douglascountybank.com.

C. David Newbery '69 is a partner with the Newbery & Ungerer law firm in Topeka, Kan., where he lives with his wife, Dee. Outside of the courtroom, David reveals an entertaining side, playing the trombone in the Topeka Symphony Orchestra and the Topeka Jazz Workshop Band. Last year he performed with the Spinners and Bobby Vinton. This year he will have the opportunity to perform with more legendary musicians. He will play a threeperformance midwest tour with the Four Tops, will perform with the Temptations in April, and at the Topeka Jazz Festival in May. David and Dee have five grown children: Katie, Jay, Patrick, Tiffany, and Jon. He can be reached at d.newbery@newberyungerer.com.

Tim A. North '69 is a new car dealer at North-Larsen Motors in Emporia, Kan., where he lives with his wife, Janell. They have four grown children: Heather, Shannon, David, and Kellie, who have all graduated from college, three from KU. The Norths enjoy spending time with their three grandchilden. Tim can be contacted by email at timnorth@seamless.net.

Richard A. Hiebsch '71 and his wife, Vicky, live in Wichita, Kan., where Richard is the president of the Vincent Oil Corporation. Their two children, David '03 and Darcy, are both students at KU. David, a senior, is living in the DU House. Darcy, a freshman, is on the Crimson Girls dance team and is an active member of Kappa Delta Sorority. Richard can be reached at vocrick@swbell.net.

Nick B. Michale '77 recently changed employment and is now a consultant for Creative Marketing International Corp., a large national annuity marketing firm in Shawnee Mission, Kan. His wife, Kim, is in her 25th year of teaching special education in the Olathe School District. Their daughter, Kelly, will graduate from Columbia College in Chicago, Ill., this spring. Their son, Brodie, is a sophomore at Shawnee Mission South High School. Nick can be reached by e-mail at nmichale@kc.rr.com.

Jeffrey W. Hale '85 was promoted to executive vice president at Encompass Medical in January 2003. He and his wife, Pam, live in Hickory, N.C., with their four children: Taylor, Regan, Alex, and Trey. Jeff can be reached via e-mail at jeff.hale@encompassmed.net.

Robert J. Farha '88, owner of The Wheel in Lawrence, Kan., has plans to convert the old Fifi's Restaurant in Lawrence into an upscale cocktail lounge. The bar will

be called The Bella Lounge and will feature soft lighting and jazz music that will allow patrons to carry on a conversation. Rob will still operate The Wheel, heralded by KU students for nearly five decades.

Christian A. Ablah '90 is a commercial real estate broker with Classic Real Estate in Wichita, Kan., where he lives. He is close to completing deals with two national restaurant chains to be located in Lawrence, Kan., near the new Best Buy store. All of these establishments will be located near the 31st and lowa intersection, an area of Lawrence where commercial growth is rapidly booming.

Ned R. Nixon Jr., M.D. '90 and his wife, Kathleen, are thrilled to announce the arrival of their first child, Reed Brennan, born on October 10, 2002. The family lives in Littleton, Colo., where Ned is a doctor for Ncompas. Ned can be reached by e-mail at nednixon@hotmail.com.

Christopher B. Browning '91 joined his family business, Ms. Ashley Accessories, in May 2001. He has been involved with sales and will eventually take over the daily operations once his father retires. He and his wife, Lisa, live in Olathe, Kan., with their two children, Wyatt and Emma. Chris can be reached at browningfamily2@cs.com.

Scott A. Hamele '91 is a project manager for Straub Construction in Lenexa, Kan., where he lives with his wife, Christine, and their two children, Abigail and Mary Cate. Scott says he is very proud to be on to the Delta Upsilon Alumni Corporation Board. He is also on the education committee for the Johnson County

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Contractors Licensing Review Board. You reach Scott by e-mail at shamele@straubconstruction.com.

Michael L. Kroeger '94 and his wife, Dawn, are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Maggie, born in August 2002. The family lives in DeSoto, Kan. In June 2002, Mike co-founded Heads Up Technologies. a company that provides software for project management in real estate and construction. Mike is a project manager for the company, based in Overland Park. He can be contacted at mkroeger@headsuptech.com.

Timothy D. Hommertzheim '98 married Gail Hanson on August 10, 2002, in Boulder, Colo. Brian Hommertzheim '95 was the best man, and groomsmen included Brothers Darren Hommertzheim '02, Matthew Engmann '97, and Matthew Tolby '97. Tim and Gail live in Denver, Colo., where Tim is an investment wholesaler for Jackson National Life.

Clint Daniels '99 is student teaching freshman English at Blue Valley High School in Stilwell, Kan. He will graduate this May with a secondary education certification. Clint can be reached at cccdan@aol.com.

Justen McKee '99 married Sarah Campbell on August 10, 2002, in Lincoln, Neb. Justen works for Cerner Corporation in Kansas City, Kan. The couple lives in Kansas City, Mo.

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(Parent's Day/Open House) at Colorado at Kansas State at Texas A&M **NEBRASKA** at Oklahoma State Nov. 22 **IOWA STATE** Home games in CAPS

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