Ellsworth students on honor roll at KU

Seven Ellsworth County students were among the University of Kansas students included on the spring honor roll. They are:

* Maggie Jean Finke of Ellsworth, senior in nursing.
* Jordan Michael Robertson of Holyrood, a senior in liberal arts.
* Courtney Leigh Pekar of Wilson, a senior in nursing.
* Jantzen Winter Ward of Wilson, a sophomore in liberal arts.
* Ryan Andrew Stratmann of Geneseo, pharmacy professional.
* Adam Patrick Weigel of Brookville, sophomore in liberal arts.
The University of Kansas is giving students affected by recent natural disasters some extra time to pay their tuition. Tuition bills for fall semester will be sent out next week, with the first payments due Aug. 15.

The university said Tuesday that it will waive late fees and will work out individual deferred payment plans for students living in 10 counties hit by flooding and storms this spring and summer. Usually an initial $100 penalty is assessed after the deadline and additional penalties are applied each month the bill is overdue.

Students may fill out a form on the university’s Web site to qualify.

The policy applies students in Elk, Miami, Montgomery, Neosho, Wilson, Edwards, Kiowa, Osage, Pratt and Stafford counties.
LAWRENCE — A swarm of about 3,000 bees left the University of Kansas Natural History Museum this week and found a new home on campus.

The last time such a large group of bees left the exhibit at the museum through a tube, designed to allow the bees exit, was 14 months ago, said Jen Humphrey, communications director for the museum.

Humphrey said there were about 1,000 bees left in the museum's artificial tree after the others followed the queen bee to a new home.

When a hive reaches a certain size, the queen bee will leave with other bees in search of a new location. Meanwhile, the bees left behind will produce a new queen bee, said Danny Najera, a University of Kansas graduate who studies bee cognition.

A few graduate students tried to lure the bees to the university's West Campus, where there are an estimated 17 hives, but the bees moved to the top northeastern corner of the seven-story museum.

Najera said the bees are harmless to the building and humans, unless they are bothered, because they are unmotivated to sting when in their swarm.
Randall Joseph Gerstner of Vermillion was named to the Kansas University 2007 Spring Honor Roll. Randy is the son of Dan and Jeanie Gerstner.
Andrew Payne, a graduate of Garden City High School, has been inducted into the University of Kansas chapter of Phi Beta Kappa academic honor society.

Payne is a senior at KU studying economics, international studies and political science.

He is the son of Ann Payne of Garden City.
College honors

KU - spring honor roll

Quinter: Michael Breeden, Liberal Arts Undergraduate Sr.; Alexandra Machen, Liberal Arts Undergraduate, So.; Benjamin Machen, Liberal Arts Undergraduate, Jr.; Adrienne Ringer, Education Undergraduate, Sr.; & Tina Sarber, Pharmacy Professional Prof 1.
KU offers ‘rain’ check

School waives late payment charges for students affected by storms

LAWRENCE (AP) — The University of Kansas is giving students affected by recent natural disasters some extra time to pay their tuition.

Tuition bills for fall semester will be sent out next week, with the first payments due Aug. 15.

The university said Tuesday that it will waive late fees and will work out individual deferred payment plans for students living in 10 counties hit by flooding and storms this spring and summer. Usually an initial $100 penalty is assessed after the deadline and additional penalties are applied each month the bill is overdue.

“When your family home or business has been flooded out, you have more immediate concerns than a tuition due date. We hope this will give those students under hardship some time and flexibility to focus on recovery and getting their lives back to normal,” Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor Richard Lariviere said.

Students must fill out a form on the university’s Web site to qualify.

The policy applies students in Elk, Miami, Montgomery, Neosho, Wilson, Edwards, Kiowa, Osage, Pratt and Stafford counties.
LAWRENCE (AP) — The University of Kansas is giving students affected by recent natural disasters some extra time to pay their tuition.

Tuition bills for fall semester will be sent out next week, with the first payments due Aug. 15. The university said Tuesday it will waive late fees and will work out individual deferred payment plans for students living in 10 counties hit by flooding and storms this spring and summer. Usually, an initial $100 penalty is assessed after the deadline and additional penalties are applied each month the bill is overdue.

"When your family home or business has been flooded out, you have more immediate concerns than a tuition due date. We hope this will give those students under hardship some time and flexibility to focus on recovery and getting their lives back to normal," said Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor Richard Lariviere.

Students can fill out a form on the university’s Web site to qualify.
Area students earn spring KU honors

The University of Kansas recently released the names of students who earned recognition on the spring honor roll. They included the following Marion County students:

Burns: Shelby Plummer, daughter of Albert and Bonnie Plummer, senior, education.

Hillsboro: Adam Driggers, son of Darrell and Charlene Driggers, senior, fine arts; Emily Ratzlaff, daughter of Don and Gayla Ratzlaff, junior, engineering; and Megan Vogel, daughter of James and Joanne Vogel, senior, pharmacy professional.

Marion: Ashlee Moore, daughter of Pat and Jandee Moore, senior, nursing.

Peabody: Rachel Berns, daughter of Fred and Helen Berns, senior, education; and Jeremy Carroll, son of Tim and Patsy Lifton, senior, liberal arts.

Ramona: Krista Heiser, daughter of Mark and Katherine Heiser, sophomore, liberal arts.
The University of Kansas is giving students affected by recent natural disasters some extra time to pay their tuition. Tuition bills for fall semester will be sent out next week, with the first payments due Aug. 15.

The university said Tuesday that it will waive late fees and work out individual deferred payment plans for students living in 10 counties hit by storms this spring and summer. Usually an initial $100 penalty is assessed after the deadline.

The policy applies to students in Elk, Miami, Montgomery, Neosho, Wilson, Edwards, Kiowa, Osage, Pratt and Stafford counties.