Christopher Mondero graduated from the School of Pharmacy at the University of Kansas with a Doctor of Pharmacy, May 18. He did his undergraduate work at Fort Hays State University. Chris is the son of Ed & Jeannine Mondero, Ness City.

Chris has been hired by S & S Drug of Beloit. In October, 2007, Chris did an internship at S & S Drug. He decided at that time that he wanted to work for an independently owned pharmacy, as opposed to one of the large chain pharmacies, as he had worked for during pharmacy school, as a pharmacy tech in Kansas City. With that in mind, he applied for a position at S & S Drug. Chris said he feels fortunate to get the job.

Chris has family ties to Beloit. He is the grandson of Cliff and Faye Campbell, lifelong residents of Mitchell County. Chris and his wife Tanya, have purchased a home in Beloit. Chris said he is looking forward to a long career with S & S Drug.
The Board of Trustees of the Sunflower Foundation: Health Care for Kansans has approved grant awards totaling $724,134 in the foundation’s latest funding cycle. The grants were awarded to 22 organizations throughout Kansas. Fifteen grants will help build the organization capacity of nonprofit health-related organizations. Four grants will help construct community-based walking trails to promote physical activity. Three grants were awarded for special projects that address the foundation’s interest in access to health care.

Grant awards are listed below. Information on these and previous Sunflower Foundation grants, including a brief description of funded projects, is also available on the foundation’s Web site: www.sunflowerfoundation.org.

**BUILDING ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY**
- American Lung Association of the Central States, Wichita $16,273.00
- American Stroke Foundation, Mission 16,026.00
- Attica Hospital District #1, Attica 16,060.00
- Center for Practical Bioethics, Kansas City $12,500.00
- Community HealthCare System, Inc., Onaga 20,000.00
- Douglas County AIDS Project, Lawrence 10,107.00
- East Central Kansas Area Agency on Aging, Ottawa 15,300.00
- Four County Mental Health Center, Inc., Independence 17,112.00
- Gerard House, Inc., Wichita 6,882.00
- Inter-Faith Ministries, Wichita 18,000.00
- Kansas Advocates for Better Care, Inc., Lawrence 11,228.00
- Kansas Association for Infant Mental Health, Topeka 5,900.00
- **Morris County Hospital, Council Grove 10,165.00**
- Southeast Kansas Respite Services, Inc., Parsons 3,179.00
- TOTAL CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS $182,647.00

**WALKING TRAILS**
- City of Colwich, Colwich 14,190.00
- City of Hoisington, Hoisington 20,000.00
- University of Kansas Field Station & Ecological Reserve, Lawrence 17,558.00
- Valley Falls Recreation Commission, Valley Falls 6,138.00
- TOTAL WALKING TRAILS GRANTS $57,886.00

**SPECIAL PROJECTS**
- Kansas Health Institute $100,000.00
  - A comprehensive analysis of the prevalence of underinsurance in Kansas to understand the extent and impact of underinsurance on access and quality of health care and to inform health policy discussions (two-year grant).
- Oral Health Kansas $83,601.00
  - Support of the Dental Champions Leadership Program, a program designed to develop a statewide network of advocates for increased access to oral health care (two-year grant).
- University of Kansas School of Law $300,000.00
  - A unique partnership between the University of Kansas School of Law, Southwest Boulevard Family Health Care Clinic and Kansas Legal Services that integrates legal and medical teams as a strategy to help improve health and quality of life (three-year grant).

TOTAL SPECIAL PROJECTS $483,601.00

The Sunflower Foundation was created in 2000. The organization has a statewide focus and a mission to serve as a catalyst for improving the health of Kansans, which it supports through a program of grants and related activities.

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Cheerfulness keeps up a kind of daylight in the mind, and fills it with a steady and perpetual serenity.

—Joseph Addison
Reception for two new physicians at Geary Community Hospital

Geary Community Hospital in Junction City will host welcome receptions for two new female physicians in July.

The reception for Shalaunda K. Gray, M.D., family medicine, will be on Friday, July 11, from 2:00-3:30 pm in the hospital cafeteria. The GCH Auxiliary will serve refreshments and the public may drop in any time during that period of time.

Dr. Gray will join the hospital’s rural health clinic on July 15. She will be taking over Dr. Gary Petry’s family practice and Dr. Petry will begin working full-time in the hospital’s emergency department on August 1. They will work together in the clinic from July 15-31. Appointments can be made by calling 785-762-2585.

The reception for Dr. Kristina Diaz, the new resident with the University of Kansas Family Practice Residency-Junction City Rural Track, will be Tuesday, July 15, from 2:00-3:30 pm in the hospital cafeteria. The GCH Auxiliary will serve an ice cream social and the public may drop in any time during that period of time.

Dr. Diaz will begin seeing patients in the KU Residents’ Clinic, Medical Arts I, Suite 304, beginning July 10. She will include obstetrics in her clinic practice. She speaks Spanish. Appointments can be made by calling 785-762-4884.
United Methodists pledge $5.2 million in capital campaign

WICHITA — United Methodists in the western two-thirds of Kansas have pledged more than $5.2 million toward a capital campaign to fund facility improvements at United Methodist camp and campus ministry sites and for church growth and development.

The "Bridges to the Future" campaign kicked off in August 2007 and will officially end Aug. 31. The campaign goal was $4.2 million. The beneficiaries of the campaign include Camp Lakeside near Scott City and Camp Horizon near Arkansas City as well as the campus ministry sites at six of the state's seven Kansas Board of Regents schools: Emporia State University, Fort Hays State University, Kansas State University, Pittsburg State University, University of Kansas and Washburn University.

The money also will be used to revitalize existing United Methodist congregations through the work of the Center for Small Membership Churches located at Kansas Wesleyan University in Salina and to start new congregations in growth areas.

"Many prayers have been answered through this campaign," said Sue Dondlinger, campaign director and member of University United Methodist Church in Wichita.

"Through this campaign, the congregations have embraced a vision of renewal and expansion that will enable the United Methodist Church to carry out its mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world right here in Kansas."

Work is already beginning on improvements at the Protestant Campus Center at Fort Hays State University.
Two Russell students have received Sen. Robert J. Dole Public Service Scholarships for the 2008-09 school year. They are Margarita G. Caulfield, who is studying political science and pre-law at the University of Kansas, and Stephanie R. Nuss, who is studying psychology at the University of Kansas.

The program recognizes graduating Kansas high school students who have volunteered in their communities and maintained a 3.0 GPA. The 2008 recipients received a $1,000 scholarship, renewable up to three years with a commitment of completing 100 hours of civic activities annually.
More than 4,900 undergraduate students at the University of Kansas earned honor roll distinction for the spring 2008 semester.

Honor roll criteria vary among the university’s academic units. Some schools honor the top 10 percent of students enrolled, some establish a minimum grade-point average and others raise the minimum grade-point average for each year students are in school. Students must complete a minimum number of credit hours to be considered for the honor roll.

Students include Mauntell Renee Ford, daughter of Allison Ford, Liberal Arts undergraduate sophomore, Amber Lynn Kepka, daughter of Jerry Macek, Pharmacy Professional Prof 1; Jamie R. Kratky, daughter of Gary and Nancy Kratky, journalism undergraduate, all of Wilson High School. Also, Jantzen Winter Ward, son of Cheriee Ward, engineering undergraduate junior, Wilson High School.

From Russell are Miles L. Detrixhe, son of Gene and Mary Detrixhe, engineering undergraduate junior; Mallory Ann Mahoney, daughter of Joyce Mahoney, liberal arts undergraduate sophomore; Amanda Kay Steinle, daughter of Debra Wehling, journalism undergraduate; Russell Brooke Stoppel, daughter of Blaine Stoppel, education undergraduate, senior; and Rachel Lea Trible, daughter of Ronnie and Karen Trible, nursing undergraduate, senior.
Jury finds for KU in lawsuit

By The Associated Press

LAWRENCE — A federal jury ruled Monday that a Lawrence clothing store must pay the University of Kansas $127,000 for trademark infringement for selling unlicensed Jayhawk-related merchandise.

After two days of deliberations, the eight-person jury ruled that Larry Sinks, owner of Joe-College.com, had infringed on the university's trademark by selling unlicensed T-shirts online and through his store.

"We agree with the jury that all three defendants willfully infringed on and diluted our marks," Kansas athletic director Lew Perkins said in a statement. "This is an important victory for the University of Kansas, its reputation and its students, who receive approximately $1 million annually in scholarships from trademark revenue."

The award, though, was well below the $500,000 the school had sought. The jury also ruled that about 75 percent of the 206 shirts Joe-College.com sold did not violate any trademark.

An attorney for Joe-College.com said the store will remain in business, though the judge said she would enter an injunction prohibiting the further sale of the infringing shirts.

Sinks said he tried to secure licenses for selling official Kansas merchandise but was rejected, so he decided to make his own shirts that didn't require licenses. None of his shirts include a picture of the Jayhawk mascot or say "The University of Kansas," both of which are protected trademarks.

He also includes signs in his store and on his Web site making it clear he is not affiliated with the university.

The school contended that Sinks' shirts were close enough to the university's own offerings to confuse customers into thinking he's selling officially licensed apparel.

One shirt printed in connection with Kansas' trip to the Orange Bowl was blue, similar to the school's official color, and had "Hawk Football" on the front and "Orange You Glad We're Going Bowling in Miami," with the words "Orange" and "Bowl" printed in orange.

Another blue shirt says "Missouri, it's Your Turn to Pick Cotton (nice bowl game)," a reference to the University of Missouri playing in the Cotton Bowl this year.
Kingsolver to speak at festival

Internationally acclaimed writer to be a featured speaker at The Land Institute's Prairie Festival

By DUANE SCHRAG
Salina Journal

Barbara Kingsolver, whose ability to deliver penetrating insights with a poet’s grace has made her an internationally acclaimed writer, will be one of the featured speakers at The Land Institute’s 30th annual Prairie Festival.

“I think Barbara Kingsolver’s themes are about becoming native to place,” said Ken Warren, managing director of The Land Institute, 2440 E. Water Well. “I think it parallels our thoughts exactly.”

The festival will be Sept. 26 to 28. Its theme will be “Restoration and Conservation.”

Kingsolver, a National Humanities Medal recipient in 2000, has written several novels and collections of poetry and prose. Her latest book, “Animal, Vegetable, Miracle,” chronicles her family’s “journey away from the industrial-food pipeline to a rural life in which they vow to buy only food raised in their own neighborhood, grow it themselves, or learn to live without it,” according to her Web site.

The book was written with the help of her daughter, Camille Kingsolver, and husband, Steven Hopp, a professor of environmental sciences.

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"This is the story of a year in which we made every attempt to feed ourselves animals and vegetables whose provenance we really knew ... and of how our family was changed by our first year of deliberately eating food produced from the same place where we worked, went to school, loved our neighbors, drank the water, and breathed the air," she writes in the book. Sustainability always has been at the center of The Land Institute's vision. Founded by Wes Jackson, it has devoted much of its resources to developing a perennial wheat.

Recently, The Land Institute has broadened its role with establishment of the Climate and Energy Project, which explores the long-term implications of energy policy.

Other notables on the festival agenda include Lt. Gov. Mark Parkinson; Don Worster, an environmental historian at the University of Kansas; Dana Beach, executive director of the South Carolina Coastal Conservation League; and Doug Tompkins, founder of the Spirit clothing line.

Reporter Duane Schrag can be reached at 822-1422 or by e-mail at dschrag@salina.com.
The School of Education at the University of Kansas has honored 797 teachers from 173 school districts statewide with certificates recognizing 25 years or more of service in education in Kansas.

Those honored from the county are: Nancy Wendling, 35 years; Merle Hadachek, 33; Linda Boyer, 27.5; Julie Gottschalk, 27; Judy Hanson, 27; Connie Levendorfsky, 27; Kathy Anderson, 26.5; Tana Trost, 26; Susan Jelinek, 25; and Deb Krotz, 25, all of USD 109 Republic County.
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Those from the area are: Kendra Brown, Jade Holloway, Cole Mutz, Bailey Swiercinsky, all of Belleville; Sally Strnad, Munden; and Amanda Walker, Republic.