Bachelor of Science in Business/Accounting & Bachelor of Science in Business/ Finance Accounting at Kansas University, Lawrence. She is the daughter of Nick and Margaret Luiso of Kensington.
Scholarship awarded

Heather Himmelwright, daughter of Blake and Chris Himmelwright of Pratt has accepted the Crimson and Blue Scholarship for the academic year 2008-09 at the University of Kansas. This is a $3,000 renewable scholarship, based on maintaining leadership involvement and a high level of academic performance.

These are awarded to students based on academic achievement, senior year schedule, involvement in extracurricular activities, and community service.

Eligibility is also based on the student’s geographic location.
The University of Kansas hosted a state recognition program on Sunday, June 1, at the Lied Center for about 400 academically talented seventh-grade students that were selected for the 2008 Duke University Talent Identification Program.

Hannah McKloskey, a seventh grader at Chapman Middle School was among those selected.

Hannah is the daughter of Patrick McKloskey and Siti Tolos, Chapman.

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The state recognition ceremonies honor seventh graders who have earned scores above the average scores of college-bound high school seniors. Of more than 74,000 applicants this year, 21,115 students qualified and have been invited to state recognition events, including 876 students being recognized at KU. Each Duke TIP student receives a medallion.

A list of all students invited to the KU event is online at www.ku.edu/2008/may/28/duketip.shtml.
Janae Lynn Maher received her Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Kansas School of Medicine at the Hooding and Awards held May 17 in Lawrence. Dr. Maher is the wife of Ryan Maher and daughter of Philip and Karen Jarred, Chanute.

She was elected to Alpha Omega Alpha, a national honor medical society, her junior year. She was also the recipient of the Merck Manual Award presented to senior students demonstrating outstanding scholastic achievement and The Willard J. Smith, M.D. Award for Academic Achievement presented to a graduating senior from the Wichita campus for superior academic performance.

She and her husband will be residing in Temple, Texas, where she will complete her residency training in plastic surgery at the Texas A&M - Scott & White program.
LAWRENCE — The University of Kansas will host a state recognition program at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, June 1, at the Lied Center for about 400 academically talented seventh-grade students selected for the 2008 Duke University Talent Identification Program.

Joshua Mathes, Bartlett has been selected from this area to participate.

Carter Royce Waite, a KU senior majoring in theatre from Falmouth, Maine, will be host. Simran Sethi, the Lacy C. Haynes visiting professional chair in journalism, will deliver a special address to the students and their families and guests. Julie Bennington, seventh-grade talent search coordinator for Duke TIP, will present the awards.

Selection to Duke TIP is based on college entrance exam scores that are in the top 5 percent while the students are in middle school. Students participate by taking either the SAT or ACT national achievement tests. Working with host academic institutions such as KU, Duke TIP sponsors 35 ceremonies in its 16-state talent search region.
Local student awarded college scholarship

Outstanding students in the Department of Theatre and Film at the University of Kansas were honored earlier this month. The traditional Theatre Stage Supper was May 9, at the Craflon-Preyer theatre, and the 2007-2008 Film Awards Spectacular, featuring the announcement of the Tersie Awards, was May 16, at Liberty Hall.

More than $107,000 in scholarships and awards were presented to 72 students, said John Staniunas, associate professor and chair of the Department of Theatre and Film.

During the Stage Supper, theatre design alumnus and former faculty member Gregory Hill was announced as the recipient of the Alumni Honor Citation for his work as a designer, art director and graphic designer, most recently on the Academy Award-winning film "No Country for Old Men."

Jacquelyn O. Bowin, of Columbus, received the Charles "Buddy" Rogers Scholarship. She is a senior majoring in history and theatre and film, the daughter of Mavis L. Bowin.
The Paul and Daisy Schuneman Scholarship Fund, administered by Citizens State Bank & Trust awarded $12,000 in grants and loans to 24 Hiawatha High School graduates attending colleges and trade schools during the upcoming school year, including:

Colby Rosenberger, North Central Kansas Technical School; Ryan Shockley, North Central Kansas Technical School; Rebecca Aller, Highland Community College; Holly Blanton, Highland Community College; Hailey Grimm, Kansas State University; Molly Grove, Mid-American Nazarene University; Brian Heiniger, Kansas State University, Kaitie James, Kansas State University; Chelsea Rosenberger, University of Kansas; Sara Elliott, Kansas State University; LeAnn Schuetz, Washburn University; Angela Soden, Highland Community College; Chelsea Swanson, Kansas State University; Hailey Spellman, Pittsburg State University; Reese Vonderschmidt, Kansas State University; Ryan Vonderschmidt, Highland Community College; Stephanie Wilhelm, Washburn University; John Williams, University of Kansas; Alexandria Daniels, Missouri Western State University; Rahnishia Day, Kansas State University; Kelsey Lillie, Kansas State; Martha Morey, Wichita State University; and Sarah Williams, Highland Community College.
The Pauline and Richard A. Cook Family Scholarship Fund awarded four $1,250 scholarships to the following area students: Paige Gerard, Clyde, who is attending Kansas State University; Kyle Stacken, Concordia, who is attending Fort Hays State University; Alicia McKenna, Concordia, who is attending Cloud County Community College; and Jamie George, Clyde, who is attending the University of Kansas.

Richard Cook established the scholarship fund in the Community Foundation for Cloud County in recognition of Pauline's personal commitment to furthering higher education.

The criteria established for the annual scholarships from the Pauline and Richard A. Cook Family Scholarship Fund are that the recipient shall be a north central Kansas resident, preferably from Cloud County and preferably a sophomore in good standing who is attending Cloud County Community College, Kansas State University, the University of Kansas or Fort Hays State University.

Those wanting to give an endowed gift to any of the funds in the Community Foundation may contact Bob Steimel.
Students take part in Rock Chalk Revue

Two Garden City students were among performers at the University of Kansas to star in the 59th annual Rock Chalk Revue, a show of five original skits under the theme “Better Left Unsaid.”

Rock Chalk Revue is a performance-philanthropy campus tradition at KU. In addition to a monetary gift, students contributed more than 10,000 volunteer hours this year to Douglas County and Lawrence community organizations affiliated with the United Way of Douglas County. Students from residence halls, scholarship halls, fraternities, sororities and off-campus groups participate.

Garden City native Thomas Patrick Larkin, a senior majoring in architecture, worked on set design for the Welcome to Tune Town skit. He is the son of Edward Grant Larkin of Garden City.

Jessica Thuy Vi Luong, a senior majoring in human biology, was given the Best Female Chorus Member Award for her role in Welcome to Tune Town. She is the daughter of Melissa Luong of Garden City.
Student elected as Hispanic group leader

Satanta Junior/Senior High School graduate Benjamin Fuentes has been elected as vice president of the University of Kansas chapter of Hispanic American Leadership Organization.

Formed in 1971 as the Association of Mexican American Students, the group became known as HALO in 1986 to reflect the diversity of Hispanic representation, according to KU. The group's mission is to meet the academic, social and cultural needs of the Hispanic population at KU.

Fuentes is a sophomore at KU studying computer science. He is the son of Benjamin and Laura Fuentes of Satanta.