KU honor students named

Area students recently earned honor roll distinction for the fall 2008 semester at the University of Kansas, Lawrence.

Burns
Jacob Hadley, junior, pharmacy professional; son of Matthew and Joanna Hadley.

Durham
Chelsey Harmon, sophomore, liberal arts; daughter of Tom and Carla Harmon.

Florence
Andrew Gayle, senior, engineering; son of Stephen and Jolene Gayle.

Hillsboro
Emily Arnold, senior, engineering; daughter of Don and Gayla Ratzlaff.
Danielle Hagen, junior, liberal arts; daughter of Terry and Cheryl Hagen.
Megan Vogel, pharmacy professional; daughter of James and Joanne Vogel.

Ramona
Krista Heiser, junior, nursing; daughter of Mark and Katherine Heiser.
University releases fall 2008 honor roll

The University of Kansas released their fall 2008 semester honor roll with more than 4,600 undergraduate students making the list. Several students from the surrounding area made the honor roll.

Students who made the honor roll from the area are: Margarita Caulfield, Russell; Miles Detrixhe, Russell; Rena Detrixhe, Russell; Mallory Mahoney, Russell; Kristi Steinert, Russell; Jamie Kratky, Wilson; Kelsey Robben, Victoria; Suzanne Hansen, Victoria; and Rachel Bunner, Pfeifer.

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Three Hamilton County students on KU fall 2008 honor roll

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Three students representing Hamilton County earned honor roll distinction for the fall 2008 semester at the University of Kansas. They are Kelsey Kohman, the daughter of George and Teresa Kohman, Zachary Tyler, the son of Rob and Linda Gale, and James Patrick Tracy, son of Pat Tracy. Kelsey is a student in Pharmacy. Zack is a senior in Business and Patrick is a senior in Education.

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Karen Rochelle Mowder, daughter of Lynn Mowder, Altamont, Liberal Arts undergraduate and sophomore at Kansas University was on the 2008 Fall Honor Roll. She is a graduate of Labette County High School, Altamont.
Area residents earning honor roll distinction for the fall 2008 semester at the University of Kansas were:

KU announces students named to fall 2008 honor roll

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Students from Beloit include Beloit Sarah Jean Mealiff Coughlan, daughter of Dave and Linda Mealiff; Jena K Hartman, daughter of Steve and Cheryl Hartman; Travis Harrison Kimple, son of Kris and Melinda Kimple; Kristen Marie Meier, daughter of Mike and Roberta Meier; Melanie L Nyberg, daughter of Jean and Terry Nyberg; Amy Marie Pettijohn, daughter of William and Judy Pettijohn; Glen Elder; Keah M Cunningham, daughter of David and Brenda Cunningham; Hunter: Lance Antone Cheney, son of Darrel and Bonnie Cheney; Chelsea Rae Nitsch, daughter of Bradley and Tracy Nitsch.
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Listed are students from the area:

Ashland: Lindsey Marie Elmore daughter of Steve and Sally Elmore Business Undergraduate Senior; Adrienne Victoria Odermann daughter of Barbara Odermann Liberal Arts Undergraduate Sophomore.

Coldwater: Meghan Brenna Lem daughter of Mark and Becky Sherman Pharmacy Professional Prof 1.

Protection: Shasta Renee Zielke daughter of Mike and Gayle Zielke Education Undergraduate Senior.

Kinsley: Barbara Lay Platts daughter of Patrick Platts Liberal Arts Undergraduate Freshman.

Offerle: Sarah Marie Stegman daughter of Rean and Jerri Stegman Liberal Arts Undergraduate Senior.

Bucklin: Thomas M Ellis son of Stan and Kim Ellis Business Undergraduate Senior; Kelsey Dianne Erb daughter of Deena and Paul Erb Liberal Arts Undergraduate Senior; Jamie Lee Lewis daughter of Cynthia Lewis Liberal Arts Undergraduate Sophomore; James Michael Minnis son of Ted and Karen Minnis Liberal Arts Undergraduate Junior.

Dodge City: Mirza Nayyar Daud Ahmad son of Mirza and Aamutul Ahmad Liberal Arts Undergraduate Junior; Aubrey Anne Arndt daughter of Daniel and Cathy Arndt Business Undergraduate Senior; Megan Marie Bolmer daughter of Martin and Kathy Bolmer Business Undergraduate Senior; Tanner Dale Brock son of Ted and Janet Brock Liberal Arts Undergraduate; Juliann Tuyet Chau daughter of Thuy Chau Liberal Arts Undergraduate Junior; Jason A Cook son of Larry and Sheri Cook Liberal Arts Undergraduate Senior; Sadie L Doll daughter of Steve Doll Liberal Arts Undergraduate Senior; Shalie Lyn Gaskill daughter of Sheri and Greg Gaskill Business Undergraduate Senior; Caitlin N Gibbs daughter of Dennis and Susan Gibbs Liberal Arts Undergraduate Senior; Nicholas W Ginther son of Clay and Becky Ginther Liberal Arts Undergraduate Junior; Brianna Paige Herbert daughter of Shanna Herbert Liberal Arts Undergraduate Freshman; Tyler Cook Lewis son of Paul and Paula Lewis Pharmacy Professional Senior; Katherine E Marples daughter of Douglas and Jane Marples Liberal Arts Undergraduate Junior; Shelby Rhoe Matheny daughter of Steve and Tonya Matheny Liberal Arts Undergraduate Freshman; Ashley Kay Million daughter of Brenda Million Education Undergraduate Senior; Ashley Kay Million daughter of Mike and Brenda Million Education Undergraduate Senior; Krista Kaye Morrison daughter of Ted and Janet Brock Pharmacy Professional Prof 1; Matthew Richard Morrison son of Mike and Marsha Morrison Pharmacy Professional Prof 1; Chelsea Renea Morton daughter of James and Deborah Morton Liberal Arts Undergraduate Freshman; Jennifer Lucia Ralph daughter of Brad and Shannon Ralph Liberal Arts Undergraduate Sophomore; Kelli Michelle Ralph daughter of Shannon and Bradley Ralph Liberal Arts Undergraduate Freshman; Michael C Ralph son of Brad and Shannon Ralph Liberal Arts Undergraduate Senior; Kristin Marie Riedlinger daughter of Marilyn Bilyeu Nursing Undergraduate Senior; Mohamad
Kareem Shaath son of Samir and Nahed Shaath Liberal Arts Undergraduate Senior; Tarek Samir Shaath son of Nahed Shurafa and Samir Shaath Liberal Arts Undergraduate Junior; Dana Kensie Sparks daughter of David Sparks Pharmacy Professional Prof 1; Andrew Michael Stein son of Michael and Coleen Stein Liberal Arts Undergraduate Senior; Ashley Nicole Trent daughter of Shane and Gini Trent Education Undergraduate Senior.

Spearville: Stephanie Marie Temaat daughter of Ronald and Beverly Temaat Liberal Arts Undergraduate Senior.

Wright: Robyn Alyssa Crane - Allied Health Undergraduate Junior.

Cimarron: Matthew Dylan Monical son of Jeff and Krista Monical Pharmacy Professional Prof 1.

Ingalls: Marshall Jacob Dwyre son of Dennis and Jeanette Dwyre Liberal Arts Undergraduate Sophomore

Montezuma: Grant Stewart-Todd Holmes son of Todd and Jodi Holmes Liberal Arts Undergraduate Sophomore.

Hanston: Jordan M Hann daughter of Tony and Antoinette Hann Liberal Arts Undergraduate Sophomore.


Greensburg: Rachelle Lynn Pauly daughter of Lynette and Dennis Pauly Fine Arts Undergraduate Junior; Rachelle Lynn Pauly daughter of Lynette and Dennis Pauly Liberal Arts Undergraduate Junior; Greensburg Zachary Glenn White son of David and Kathy White Education Undergraduate Senior

Fowler: Alison Ashley Edwards daughter of Steve and Carolda Edwards Education Undergraduate Junior

Meade: Karen Mae Kobs daughter of William and Linda Kobs Pharmacy Professional Prof 1

Ness City: Tonya Marie Booze daughter of Scott and Nancy Pfannenstiel Pharmacy Professional Prof 1; Julie Elisabeth Keeton daughter of Russell and Kristol King Pharmacy Professional Senior; Melissa Sue Rufenacht daughter of Benjie and Randae Rufenacht Pharmacy Professional Prof 1; Brett Daniel Stoecklein son of Ron and Karen Stoecklein Pharmacy Professional Prof 1.
Seward County Community College/Area Technical School is partnering with University of Kansas Continuing Education, the KU Alumni Association, and the Dole Institute of Politics to present broadcasts of a series of four programs to commemorate the two-hundredth anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth.

The series will begin Sunday, February 8, and conclude Tuesday, March 10, and will feature four of the nation's leading experts on our nation's sixteenth president. All programs are free and open to the public.

Richard Norton Smith, the Dole Institute's first permanent director and former director of the Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum in Springfield, Ill., will kick off the series Sunday, February 8.

Michael Burlingame, a professor emeritus at Connecticut College, will discuss his long awaited two-volume biography "Lincoln: A Life" Tuesday, February 17.

Los Angeles-based historian Ron White, author of the newly published "A. Lincoln," will speak Monday, March 3.

KU's own assistant professor of history Jennifer Weber will conclude the series Tuesday, March 10, with a discussion of Lincoln's challenging 1864 campaign for re-election.

Sunday, February 8, at 4:00 p.m.: "Abraham Lincoln: 200 Years"; Featured Speaker: Richard Norton Smith; Room: SW 229 C&D.

Tuesday, February 17, 7:30 p.m.: "Lincoln: A Life"; Featured Speaker: Michael Burlingame; Room: SW 229 C&D.

Tuesday, March 3, 7:30 p.m.: "A. Lincoln"; Featured Speaker: Ronald C. White, Jr.; Room: SW 229 C&D.

Tuesday, March 10, 7:30 p.m.: "Lincoln's Challenging 1864 Re-election Campaign"; Featured Speaker: Jennifer L. Weber; Room: SW 214 EW


Seward County Community College is located at 1801 N. Kansas, Liberal, Kansas.

This article was submitted by Jonathan Earle of the Dole Institute of Politics.
KU HONORS PROGRAM

Students from nine high schools in Nemaha and Jackson counties will be honored Feb. 18 by the University of Kansas Alumni Association and KU Endowment. A total of 35 seniors will be recognized for their academic achievements and named Kansas Honor Scholars at a 6:30 p.m. dinner program at the First United Methodist Church, Holton.

Area students to be honored:

B&B — Brett Holthaus and Aaron Rottinghaus.

Bern — Tanner Strathman and Tim Walker.

Centralia — Natalie Greene and Ella Rethman.

The Kansas Honors Program began in 1971. Scholars rank in the top 10 percent of their high school senior classes and are selected regardless of curricula, majors, occupational plans or higher-education goals. During the ceremony, each student will receive an American Heritage Dictionary in hardcover and CD versions.
Legislative Update

"I still find each day too short for all the thoughts I want to think, all the walks I want to take, all the books I want to read, and all the friends I want to see."

John Burroughs

Week three of the current session and things continue to accelerate. As you know we have to adjust the current budget FY 09, that ends June 30th, while at the same time considering the 2010 budget adjustments. Rumors abound and until something substantive and verifiable appears I will limit my comments on those areas.

In Commerce and Labor today we heard an update on the Center of Innovation for Biomaterials in Orthopaedic Research, (C.I.B.O.R.). This is the scientific research group at WSU that is lead by Dr. Paul H. Wooley. His credentials include Professor of Biology WSU, Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery UKSM-Wichita, Research Specialist at Robert Dole VAMC, and he is one of only a handful of Bio-Geneticians.

In a nutshell this group has been working on the science of using composite materials in the fabrication of medical use instruments and orthopaedic devices. With the recognized composite research at WSU, composite aircraft manufacturing and the medical research facility at KU Med Center in Wichita, there is not a better location within the US that has the expertise in place to develop the devices that have the potential to improve the life of citizens that have had to have hip or knee joint replacement.

The US is on track to have over one million knee replacement surgeries annually by 2010 and the World total will be over 3 million during the same period. As we baby-boomers age and want to relieve pain and regain mobility the surgeries will become more common.

The statistics indicate that excellent pain relief and restoration of function in over 90% of the patients seven years following surgery. Some implants can fail in less than 2 years due to material issues. Patients are receiving implants at a younger age and they are requiring high performance materials. In younger patients, 30% of implants will require revision about 15 years after surgery.

The median age for hip and knee replacement is 56 years. I had a right knee replaced at 54 and the left knee last October at age 59. I understand I will not be able to kneel, jump, play basketball, and I need to avoid any activity that would apply a sudden shock to my knees. My joints are a combination of Titanium and Ceramic, in previous times stainless steel was the metal of choice.

The are several problems with a solid metal replacement parts, one is that the body tissue will not adhere to the surface and the bone if not properly stressed will soon deteriorate. This brings us to the composite option. The light weight, strength and flexibility of this material are among its proven characteristics.

Recent test in lab mice have been quite promising with adherence and compatibility qualities between tissue and implant device. Other medical devices such as operating tables, wheel chairs, leg braces, and surgical instruments are being designed and constructed from the stronger and more flexible composite material.

And to think we were excited to build
airplanes out of this stuff!

The anticipated impact of the merging of the composite technology includes thousand of jobs, state of the art laboratories, new manufacturing techniques and an economic stimulus for our local industries.

Orthopaedic Device Manufacturers are not currently skilled in composites, and Composite Manufacturers are not fully familiar with orthopaedic devices. The entity that serves to unite these industries stands to revolutionize the orthopaedic device world.

The research skills required to unite composites and orthopaedics are available to multi-disciplined Universities (Kansas has several). Skills required to implement such advances require Device Manufacturers in partnership with leading research Medical Establishments.

Just like so many new and exciting things we have to work together to pull this off. We are currently trying to come to an agreement between WSU, KU and the Bio-Science Authority on how the funding will be provided, which university will provide what service and expertise.

The time frame has been compressed for the decisions and letter of agreements to be finalized. Private industry has a huge stake in this as well and they are willing to participate but it looks like some parochial issues have surfaced.

Dr. Wooley is our keystone in this endeavor, he has the credentials that will insure collaboration between the medical and aviation industry. He is a scientist with a passion for his work and he has the knowledge that will be required to achieve Federal approval of his devises.

Oh yea, did I mention the FDA and all the bureaucratic hoops we will have to jump through?

Visits this past week included a student job shadow by Will Johnson from Remington High, local State Farm Bureau Board, Butler Rural Electric Board, City of El Dorado Mayor, Tom McKibban, City Manager Herb Llewellyn and El Dorado Inc Executive Director, Linda Jolly.

I consider it an honor and privilege to be your Representative in Topeka and I want to know what you think. Contact me at 785.296.7655, or John. Grange@house.ks.gov, 1115 Kim Rock Rd., El Dorado 67042. Thanks, John.