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Celebrating 20 years of
Dr. and Mrs. Green's Leadership

from the **PRESIDENT**



Tim and Jenny Cook; Heather, Rob and Braeden (in Binnie's arms) Carlton; and Binnie and Dr. Biff Green on the lawn of the President's home before Homecoming, Oct. 2, 2010.

OUR FAMILY HAS CHERISHED THE PEOPLE WE HAVE KNOWN AND RELATIONSHIPS WE HAVE DEVELOPED THROUGH FRIENDS UNIVERSITY.

During the past year, Binnie and I have had many opportunities to reflect on our 20 years of leadership at Friends University. We have been humbled and honored by expressions of appreciation and recognition from many campus groups throughout the year.

As we enter this new retirement phase of our lives, Binnie and I plan to remain in Wichita. After some time off, I plan to teach in the University's MBA program. Binnie and I bought a house in east Wichita a few years ago. Both of our daughters, Jenny and Heather, and their families live here. In recent years we have been blessed with grandchildren and are enjoying spending time with our 3-year-old grandson, Braeden, and our new granddaughter, Avery. A third grandson is also on the way.

It is amazing how quickly time has passed. When we arrived at Friends University 20 years ago we saw an institution that was in trouble

financially, but had much potential. We worked closely with the Board of Trustees, administrators, faculty, staff, students, alumni, donors and other friends of the University to make difficult decisions, improve educational and institutional services, build enrollment and the endowment, improve facilities and landscape, raise financial support, and enhance campus spirit. We believe Friends University is where it is today because of the people associated with it. Without your vision, hard work and support, we could never have accomplished so much.

Our family has cherished the people we have known and relationships we have developed through Friends University. One accomplishment that we are most proud of is that we decided at the beginning of our time here that we would make it a priority to attend and support students at their events – athletic games, fine arts performances, and other student events.

After attending thousands of events during the past 20 years, we count these among our most precious moments at the University. Seeing our students excel and watching them become productive, involved citizens of the world has been one of our greatest joys.

One of my favorite quotes that I regularly share with students and that I shared during my parting address at Commencement this past May is: Do what you love, love what you do and deliver more than you promise. Binnie and I have done what we loved, and we have loved what we've done. I hope we've delivered more than we promised.

Thank you for the support you have given us. We hope you stay in touch, and we look forward to the leadership of Dr. T.J. Arant and his wife, Susan.

Biff Green

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Congratulations to Brandon Stuckey and Amber Teske (center) who were named the 2011 W.O. Mendenhall Outstanding Junior Man and Woman at the Friends University Awards Ceremony April 19. Wichita Alumni Advisory Board President-Elect Bryan Wohlwend, G'97, (left) and Executive Director of Alumni Relations Lisa Tilma, G'01/M'04, presented the awards on behalf of the Alumni Association.

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Friends University students, faculty, staff, alumni, Board of Trustees members and friends gather with President Dr. Biff Green and wife Binnie (front, center) Oct. 1, 2010, in front of the Davis Administration Building in celebration of the Greens' 20 years of service. Read more about the Greens on page 12.

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ALUMNI news



By Lisa Tilma, G'01/M'04,
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I AM SO VERY PROUD OF THE
HARD WORK OUR ALUMNI
DO AND LOOK FORWARD TO
WORKING WITH ANOTHER
AMAZING GROUP OF
VOLUNTEERS THIS FALL!

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI RELATIONS

If you live in the Wichita area, you may have heard that our community was visited by the television show "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" in February. One of our very own alumni, Robyn (Phillips) Haxton, G'90, and her daughter, Aubreigh, had the opportunity to volunteer and even meet Paige Hemmis, one of the show's designers!

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Speaking of volunteering, we just wrapped up another stellar year of alumni activities, all thanks to the help of our 2010-11 Wichita, Topeka and

Kansas City alumni advisory boards. Approximately 35 events and initiatives were coordinated by these 47 volunteers; and overall, more than 1,300 hours were volunteered to the University!



The Alumni Office is looking for volunteers to serve on these alumni advisory boards for the 2011-12 academic year. These boards meet from August to May; assist the alumni office with development and promotion of events and initiatives to current and future alumni; and serve as a voice for all Friends University alumni. For more information or to request an application, please contact the Alumni Office.

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ATTENTION CLASSES OF 1961 AND 1986!

Celebrate your 50th and 25th milestone reunions on the Wichita campus Saturday, Oct. 1, 2011. For more information or to be involved with the planning committee, contact the Alumni Office.



Friends University License Plate in the Works!

If you are a regular reader of the monthly Alumni Association e-newsletter (known as *Friends Flash!*), you may already know that state budget monies needed to produce a Friends University Kansas license plate were allotted by the division of vehicles as of Feb. 17.

Because the state is in the process of a computer database conversion, it has informed us that as soon as its new system goes "live" (anticipated for July 2011), it will place the order for the plates to be manufactured. If all goes smoothly, the plates should be available to pick up from all Kansas county tag offices by late fall 2011.

We will be sure to keep our alumni and friends of Friends University posted on the status of this exciting project. For now, we graciously thank all of our supporters for your prayers and faith in seeing this endeavor through to completion.



FOOTBALL PLAYERS REUNITE TO CELEBRATE FORMER COACH

Members of the 1965-68 Falcon football teams and former head football coach Wes Buller reunited Oct. 23 at the Garvey Physical Education Center to celebrate the “turnaround years.”

Their celebration began with a tour of the new weight room, a special luncheon as well as a welcome by University President Dr. Biff Green, Athletic Director Joe Zimmerman and current Head

Football Coach Monty Lewis. Johnny Tarrant, former “Voice of the Falcons,” also shared special memories and stories with some help from Coach Buller.

The team was then recognized at halftime of the Falcon football game against Bethany College with a plaque thanking Coach Buller for his contributions to the football program.

PBL Alumni Gather for Special Reunion

Approximately 40 alumni came together Feb. 17 on the Wichita campus to reunite as members of the Friends University Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) business fraternity. Faculty Sponsor Marilyn Jones welcomed back many of her former students with photos and stories of the past 30 years. The reunion also gave her an opportunity to officially announce her retirement (effective at the end of the spring 2011 semester) and to catch up on the personal and professional lives of former students.



PACE GOLF TOURNAMENT

The fifth-annual Topeka PACE Scholarship Golf Tournament will be hosted by the Topeka Alumni Advisory Board Monday, July 25, 2011, at the Lake Shawnee Golf Course in Topeka. The cost is \$60 per player and includes green fees, cart rental and lunch. All benefits will go toward the Topeka PACE Scholarship. For more information or to request a registration form, please contact the Alumni Office.

GOLDEN APPLES FOR GOLDEN-AGERS

COURTESY PHOTO



Emeritus faculty member Dr. Leroy Brightup, G'58, and wife Eva, G'86, former administra-

tive assistant for gift planning, have written a devotional specifically for those who are in their golden years.

“Before beginning the project, we researched over 3,000 devotional books online and could not find even one which addresses issues common to those near retirement and beyond,” the Brightups said. “Being old is something new for us – not that we didn’t expect it, but we have never been here before!”

The book is separated into 12 baskets (chapters), including facing change, dealing with loss, trusting God and growing spiritually. If you are interested in picking up a copy, the book can be ordered online through Amazon.com.

ART SHOW SCHEDULED FOR FALL 2012

In order to give our alumni artists ample time to prepare for the Friends University Alumni Art Show, the Fine Arts Gallery coordinator has moved this event to a bi-annual show. The next show is scheduled to run Sept. 10 through Oct. 12, 2012.

news in **FOCUS**

FRIENDS UNIVERSITY NAMES 13th PRESIDENT DR. T.J. ARANT SELECTED IN NATIONAL SEARCH

The next leader of Friends University is a teacher at heart who also brings 30 years of experience in higher education.

Dr. T.J. Arant will become the University's 13th president July 1, 2011. He has served as executive vice president of Mount Olive College in North Carolina since 2008.

A six-month nationwide search, led by a 14-member presidential search committee, identified four highly-qualified finalists and Dr. Arant rose to the top.

"T.J. was a stand-out candidate with an outstanding career spanning from chief operating officer to chief academic officer to chief student affairs officer. In each of his roles, he led mission-building efforts that resulted in progress and growth for various liberal arts colleges," said Rod Pitts, board of trustees chairman and presidential search committee chairman. "His engaging nature and proven record combined with a passion for excellence in liberal arts makes him an ideal fit to take our University to the next level."

Dr. Arant said he is excited about the opportunity to build on the excellent programs and strengths Friends University offers its students.

"Finding new ways to serve the Friends University mission and moving it to the next tier will be my focus," Dr. Arant said. "In many areas, the University is ready to achieve regional and national recognition. I can't wait to begin working with the Friends community as a team to expand the University's draw and reputation."

Dr. Arant, 55, hails from the east with a doctorate in English from Duke University; a master's in English from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; and a bachelor's from Vanderbilt University.

"What excites me most about teaching and education is the power we have to change students' lives.

"In turn, students go out and change 10 lives, 100 lives, 1,000 lives. On a small college campus, you get the chance to grow relationships with those students. Making the personal connection is very important to me. It's why we're here."

Collaborative leadership, resource development, resource management and a student-centric view have been hallmarks of Dr. Arant's career. At Mount Olive College, he helped lead the management team that reversed a major budget shortfall to create



Dr. T.J. Arant

a surplus. During his tenure at Notre Dame College, student enrollment and faculty doubled in size. When serving as head of the East Central Colleges Consortium, Dr. Arant helped nine colleges collaborate to serve their missions.

While the role of teacher is among the most fulfilling for Dr. Arant, he describes his family as his great joy: his two grown daughters and his wife, Susan, a fundraiser and former director of alumni affairs at a small, private college.

Visit www.friends.edu/transition for more information about the presidential transition.



EASTER EGG HUNT

Children gather Easter eggs and candy at the 28th annual Wichita Easter Egg Hunt April 23 on the front lawn of the Davis Administration Building. More than 2,500 eggs and 13,000 pieces of candy were collected in Wichita and at annual hunts in Topeka and Kansas City. The Easter bunny hopped by for photos, and children enjoyed a carnival after each hunt.

Two Faculty Retire with 64 Years of Combined Service

ANN MARIE MILLER RETIRES AFTER 33 YEARS

BY GRETCHEN WISWELL, JUNIOR, AND KATE BOSSERMAN

Ann Marie Miller began teaching at Friends University as an adjunct vocal professor in 1965, but had a stronger desire to perform than to teach full time.

In 1980, Miller and her husband moved east to teach at Shenandoah University in Winchester, Va., and at the State University of New York at Potsdam.

Still drawn to Wichita, Miller jumped at the chance to return in 1993 when Dr. Cecil J. Riney, former chairman of Fine Arts, invited her to teach full time.

"The people are what make a university. I liked the camaraderie Friends exemplifies," Miller said. "It's been my musical home over the years."

While at Friends University, Miller has produced operas, performed in Europe with the Singing Quakers and led countless students to high honors within the West Central Region of National Association of Teachers of Singing. Miller retires as associate professor of voice and was named emeritus faculty at the 2011 Commencement.

In her retirement, Miller plans to travel, camp, garden and teach again as an adjunct faculty member.

"It doesn't seem like work to me," Miller said. "It's the way I stay in tune with music."



MARILYN JONES RETIRES AFTER 31 YEARS

BY STEPHEN MCNETT, SENIOR, AND KATE BOSSERMAN



Marilyn Jones had no intentions to quit teaching high school. But less than 24 hours after interviewing with Friends University in 1980, she received an offer to revamp the University's business education department.

"I would never recommend students interview the way I did; I said, 'I didn't even know you offered business education,'" Jones said. "Then I explained what I would change."

Jones has served as sponsor of the University's Future Business Leaders of America Phi Beta Lambda chapter for 25 years and as one of the sponsors for the University's Alpha

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2011 ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



Four new inductees were welcomed into the Friends University Athletic Hall of Fame Feb. 12. Pictured left to right: Morris Lolar, G'03/M'11, honored for football; Barry Cobb, G'93, honored for baseball; Tammy (Holmes) Brewer, G'95, honored for soccer; and Dr. Biff Green, Friends University president, honored for 20 years of dedication and commitment to student athletes. Learn more about the Athletic Hall of Fame at www.friends.edu/athletic-hall-of-fame.

student news STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

COMPILED BY HANNAH PAULS, JUNIOR

Student Affairs student graphic designers seniors **Chris Steen** and **Esther Hoffman** received first-place awards at the National Association for Campus Activities Central Region Graphics Competition in October in Arlington, Texas. Their promotional materials highlighted Falcon Activities and Campus Events, Homecoming, and Week of Welcome. Gary Rapp, director of Campus Life, facilitated their entries.

Juniors **Samantha Weeks** and **Shelly Hines** started a Girl Scout Brownie troop primarily of Spanish-speaking girls. The troop, named Flores con Fuerza (Flower Power), includes second- and third-grade girls from Wichita's Irving Elementary School. Weeks and Hines began the project to fulfill community-involvement hours required by the Spanish Conversation class. However, they have decided to take the project beyond the classroom and will continue meeting with the troop in the fall.

DR. YODER'S LEGACY OF DISCOVERY

LEADER RETIRES AFTER MORE THAN 40 YEARS IN EDUCATION

BY SARA ORNELAS WITH CONTRIBUTIONS FROM RACHEL KEELEY, SENIOR



Dr. John Yoder has spent his entire life in pursuit of discovery – discovery of new information and understanding.

“I think this was why I usually enjoyed school, and why I found the intellectual challenge of college so stimulating and exciting,” said Dr. Yoder, vice president of Academic Affairs at Friends University. “I expect that if I could have found a way to earn a living by being a perpetual student, I would no doubt have done so. In many ways my career as an educator has actually been just that. It’s been an expression of my passion and love for intellectual discovery and conversation.”

As an educator, Dr. Yoder strives to help others discover the same passion and excitement that he has found in learning.

“The stimulation of interacting with students and being able to be a part of their discovery process is what makes teaching the exciting and courageous process that it is,” Dr. Yoder said. “I’ll miss that. But I expect to find new people and new settings in retirement that will no doubt provide similar stimulation.”

Dr. Yoder retired in June after serving the Friends University community for nine years. His responsibilities at Friends University have encompassed all things academic. At a university of Friends’ size and breadth, that’s quite an undertaking.

“Working with great teams of academic leaders over the years, we’ve focused particularly on improving our academic

programs and making them more meaningful and relevant to our students,” Dr. Yoder said.

His duties included working with accreditation, reviewing programs, assessing outcomes, proposals for new or revised programs, improving processes for students and making sure that all academic activities across the University were moving toward the shared goals.

“My main job, in many ways, was to orchestrate and empower the work that the members of the team were doing and who, in turn, reached out into the University to make it happen,” he said.

During his time at Friends University, Dr. Yoder created a long-lasting legacy. One of his accomplishments was working with the Higher Learning Commission regarding the University’s accreditation. Through Dr. Yoder’s leadership, the University adopted the commission’s Academic Quality Improvement Process (AQIP) as a model for ongoing improvement and accreditation.

Friends University President Dr. Biff Green credits Dr. Yoder with positively leading the University through the accreditation process.

“We needed someone who had the skills to lead us through a maze of changes within the institution in regard to how we looked at ourselves through accreditation, and it was John,” Dr. Green said at Dr. Yoder’s retirement reception. “I think that his imprint on not only the accreditation process, but the University in general, will always be with us.”

Another accomplishment in Dr. Yoder’s legacy is the development and shaping of the current three-college structure. The educator worked with the president and faculty to create a structure that showcased the distinguishing nature of

the University’s three types of students: traditional undergraduate, working-adult undergraduates and graduate students.

“We’ve been able, additionally, to build an infrastructure of policies and processes around the University structure that serves us well as we continue to fine-tune it to meet the needs of faculty and students,” Dr. Yoder said.

His legacy will continue – not only through the programs and policies he has initiated, but also through the people he has brought into the University’s classrooms and academic offices.

“Many of these persons will continue to leave their imprint on the University for years to come,” Dr. Yoder said. “Their presence will have a direct impact on the ongoing quality of Friends University’s academic programs and the overall quality of its academic arm for a long time. I’m very pleased to have been able to be a part of bringing them here.”

Though Dr. Yoder’s policies, improvements and initiatives will forever be a part of the University, it’s the people that he and his wife, MaDonna, will miss most. The couple plan to move near Washington, D.C., to be closer to their children and grandchildren.

“MaDonna and I have been able to form many great relationships and form many special friendships during our years at Friends. We’ll miss them, but hopefully we’ll find ways to stay in touch,” he said.

And, of course, Yoder will be missed, as well.

“I’ve learned, working with John, what grace under pressure truly looks like, sounds like and feels like,” said Dr. Darcy Zabel, associate vice president of Academic Affairs, at his retirement reception. “He will be greatly missed.”

Friends University Welcomes New Board Members and Faculty

BY SARA ORNELAS

New Board of Trustees member Craig Bay graduated from Friends University in 1992 with bachelor's degrees in chemistry and mathematics, and in 1996 with a master's degree in total quality management. He works as a customer advocate for the LSI Corporation in Wichita. Bay is married to Michelle (Orth), G'92, and they have six children: Abby, Emily, Megan, Ryan, Jared and Adam.



Craig Bay

Dr. Rebecca Twietmeyer, also a new Board of Trustees member, is a dentist at Lashley and Twietmeyer Family Dentistry. She earned a bachelor of science degree from Kansas State University in 1977, and her D.D.S. from the University of Missouri in Kansas City in 1981. Dr. Twietmeyer has two children, Elizabeth and Charley.



Dr. Rebecca Twietmeyer

as the community representative CEO for the Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland. She has also served on the Friends University presidential search committee, as the Kansas State University Alumni Board chair and as a founding member of Wichita's Dress for Success.

Shelly Chenoweth, also a new Board of Trustees member, earned her bachelor's in journalism from Kansas State University in 1986. She works



Shelly Chenoweth

Carolyn Anderson has joined Friends University as assistant professor and associate director of the Master of Business Administration program.



Carolyn Anderson

Anderson came to Friends from Chicago, where she worked in the commercial lending department of Bank of America. She also taught at Indiana University South Bend and Notre Dame University. She has a bachelor of science in business from Indiana University Bloomington, and a master's of business administration from Indiana University South Bend. She also obtained her CPA certificate in 1980. Anderson has three grown children and seven grandchildren.

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Chi National College Honor Society chapter, for which she received the National Executive Director's Award.

"I never thought I would be here this long," she said. "My favorite part of teaching at Friends University has been working with small classes and interacting with students."

Jones retires as assistant professor of business administration and was named emeritus faculty at the 2011 Commencement. She plans to play golf and travel.

athletics

ATHLETICS NEWS

BY SCOTT ROBINSON,
SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

Friends University named a record 44 students to the 2010-11 National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) **Academic All-American Scholar Athletes**. Students must maintain a 3.5 GPA and be a junior or senior to receive this honor.

Softball and **women's track and field** each captured Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference (KCAC) Championship titles. Softball won the 2011 KCAC Conference Tournament title and advanced to the NAIA Softball Tournament in Gulf Shores, Ala. Women's track and field swept the 2011 KCAC Championship for the second straight year.

Head Softball Coach **Tony Segovia** recorded his 200th win when the Falcons defeated Baker University 8-3 March 16.

The **women's basketball team** was just as active off the court as they were on the court. The Falcons volunteered their time with Habitat for Humanity, YMCA's Frosty 5K and Friends University's annual Salvation Army Service Day.

Read more about Falcon athletics at www.friendsathletics.com.



The women's basketball team assisted with building a Habitat for Humanity house Sept. 25 in Wichita.

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PHOTO BY KARAN SCROGGINS



Students in the Art in Paris study-abroad class pose on the 1980s installation piece the “Colonnes de Buren” (Buren’s Columns) at the Palais Royal in Paris.

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Fine Arts News

COMPILED BY HANNAH PAULS, JUNIOR

A spring break study-abroad trip focusing on the history of art in Paris led 14 students to Paris for 10 days. They also participated in a service project at the American Cathedral. Working with other American churches in Paris, the Cathedral hosts a weekly meal for those in need of company or a good meal, which the Friends University group helped prepare and serve. They also helped clean areas of the church, including the sanctuary and library. Dr. Mary B. Shepard, art history adjunct faculty member, taught the Art in Paris class; Karen Scroggins, assistant professor of graphic arts, accompanied the group.

fine arts
THE ANIMALS OF SEDGWICK COUNTY ZOO

COMPILED BY HANNAH PAULS, JUNIOR

The Riney Fine Arts Gallery hosted an exhibit featuring a unique group of artists: the animals of Sedgwick County Zoo. Painting is used as a form of enrichment, allowing animals to exercise control over their environment, enhance well-being and demonstrate species-appropriate behaviors. In the past, Friends University Zoo Science students have helped facilitate painting sessions for animals such as Madagascar hissing cockroaches and African elephants.



PHOTO COURTESY OF SEDGWICK COUNTY ZOO

An African elephant paints at the Sedgwick County Zoo. Zoo animals' artwork was exhibited in the Riney Fine Arts Gallery in May.

ALUMNA COMES HOME TO FRIENDS FOR BENEFIT CONCERT

Tammy Stamps, G'82, returned to Friends University to perform songs from her CD, “Free,” Saturday, April 9, in the Davis Administration Building’s Alumni Auditorium.

Approximately 90 people attended, and the concert raised almost \$500 in proceeds, all of which benefited the Wichita Alumni Advisory Board Endowed Scholarship Honoring James Arbertha, which was established specifically for disadvantaged traditional-undergraduate students who live in the central northeast areas of Wichita.



Pictured left to right: 2008-09 Wichita Alumni Advisory Board President Daniel Crook, M'05; Tammy Stamps and James Arbertha.



Darin (left) and older brother Jeff Scott can't rule out the contribution of friendly sibling rivalry in the drive to obtain their bachelor's degrees.

off-site

KANSAS CITY ALUMNI ADVISORY BOARD AWARDS FIRST SCHOLARSHIP

BY RACHEL KEELEY, SENIOR

The Kansas City Alumni Advisory Board established its namesake scholarship in 2009 to assist bachelor degree seeking students at Friends University's Lenexa Education Center with tuition costs.

Its first \$200 scholarship has been awarded to Lisa Veatch, an accounting major who resides in Mission, Kan.

"I am honored to have received this scholarship," Veatch said. "All of my teachers make it evident that they want me to succeed. The professional atmosphere of everyone on our campus helps me to know that they are ready to help with anything they possibly can."

Veatch was a great fit to receive the scholarship said Rose O'Dell, president of the Kansas City Alumni Advisory Board and a member of the scholarship selection committee.

"Her goals were succinctly defined in her application, and it was clear to us that she greatly valued the education she is receiving at Friends University," O'Dell said.

Attending Friends University "has allowed me to seek a lifelong dream of getting my bachelor's degree," Veatch said.

The Kansas City Alumni Advisory Board has raised more than \$1,200 for the scholarship through free-will donations at events such as football tailgates; contributions from purchases made at DealBug.com; honor-system candy bar sales at the Lenexa Education Center; and sales of Friends University memorabilia items.

off-site

Scott Meets Older Brother's Challenge

BY RACHEL KEELEY, SENIOR

A friendly sibling rivalry did not stop Jeff Scott, G'03, from encouraging his younger brother, Darin, G'09, to continue pursuing his education at Friends University's Topeka Education Center.

"I kept hounding him to go back and finish his bachelor's degree," Jeff said. "I am extremely proud of him, and more importantly, I know he is proud of himself for taking the initiative to finish."

"My brother was a positive persuasive influence on me and completely supported me in going back to school," Darin said. "I chose the Topeka branch because Jeff had been satisfied with his association and the level of assistance.

"I was not disappointed. I, too, had a terrific experience with the staff, instructors and fellow students."

The Scotts, originally from Joplin, Mo., live in the Topeka area and are utilizing what they learned in the

organizational and management leadership (OML) bachelor degree-completion program in their successful careers. Jeff works as chief compliance enforcement officer of taxation for the Kansas Department of Revenue. Darin, first a daytime operations commander and now a captain for the Topeka Police Department, puts his OML degree to use every day.

Darin feels his relationship with his brother has been positively affected by Friends University.

"There has, and always will be, an undercurrent of rivalry, but it is healthy," he said. "I believe the experience has made our relationship much closer."

Jeff agrees.

"I love my brother with all my heart. To say we are competitive - well, OK - there is no question; we are," Jeff said. "We are proud of each other, which means the world to me."

THE LEGACY OF FRIENDS UNIVERSITY'S LONGEST-SERVING PRESIDENT

20 YEARS OF LEADERSHIP AND FRIENDSHIP

DR. BIFF GREEN RETIRES

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BUILDING A NEW FUTURE

When Friends University President Dr. Biff Green and wife Binnie arrived in 1991, the world was a different place.

One gallon of gasoline cost \$1.14. CNN announced the Internet was open for public use. The Dow Jones industrial average topped 3,000 for the first time.

And Friends University faced daunting financial challenges. There was so much work to be done, this energetic new president hardly knew where to begin.

But he rolled up his sleeves, outlined a vision and set about bringing everyone on board to work toward well-defined goals.

Under his leadership, the University would:

- learn to live within its means,
- find its unique niche and fill it,



PHOTO BY STEVE RASMUSSEN

- attract and retain more students,
- and clearly define its mission in order to build community support.

Within days of their arrival, the Greens enlisted the help of existing faculty and staff. Together, they transformed Friends University – preserving its rich heritage, repairing its aging buildings and taking it into a brighter future.

A new era began at Friends University.

The first priority centered on making Friends University financially solid. Seeking input from all faculty and staff, Biff implemented a collaborative budgeting process. Focus shifted to the core academic mission and eliminating programs that were not mission-driven. Some of the choices were painful, but determined to succeed, they developed a balanced budget.

TIMELINE

1980

Biff completes his doctoral dissertation on "The Role of the College President in Independent Higher Education."



1980s

The footprint of the Friends University campus before the Green administration created a unified campus.



APRIL 15, 1991

Biff begins his 20-year tenure as Friends University's 12th president. "Friends will be a stronger institution in the next two years or so. It won't be because of miracles, but because the University will live within its means," Biff said in a 1991 *Focus* article.

“One of the things I’m most proud of is that our endowment has grown by leaps and bounds. That wouldn’t be possible if it weren’t for our donors.”

– Dr. Green at the Oct. 27, 2010, Scholarship Luncheon

Their hard work paid off. Invested endowment and reserves grew from approximately \$2 million in 1990 to an all-time high of \$52 million.

“Biff has led the University very diligently and thoughtfully,” said Rod Pitts, chairman of the Board of Trustees. “He’s always thinking through all aspects of his decisions. His strong values, high integrity and business acumen have been the basis of our financial stability.”

Biff began an ambitious plan that ultimately invested more than \$65 million in capital improvements during his tenure as president. Virtually every building underwent renovations, with \$10 million going to preserve the integrity of the Davis Administration Building.

The iconic building was badly in need of restoration. Refusing to let it crumble, he led the charge to have it restored as a historic monument.

One floor at a time, construction crews transformed the building into a modern replica of its original grandeur. Ceilings were raised to highlight stained-glass windows. New mechanicals were carefully hidden behind decorative oak paneling. Heating and cooling systems were updated. Interior woodwork was restored, and the exterior brick and stone were cleaned and sealed.

Twice, hailstorms pelted the slate roof bad enough that it had to be replaced; but Friends University persevered. Thanks to Biff’s efforts, the Davis building is positioned to serve students for another 100 years.

“I remember when Biff started the renovations on the Davis Administration Building,” said Ron Holt, assistant Sedgwick county manager. “It was a huge undertaking, but Biff and his core visionary leaders overcame the obstacles of budgets and aging infrastructure

to totally update this building. It is now the centerpiece of the University and a truly beautiful feature of our downtown corridor.”

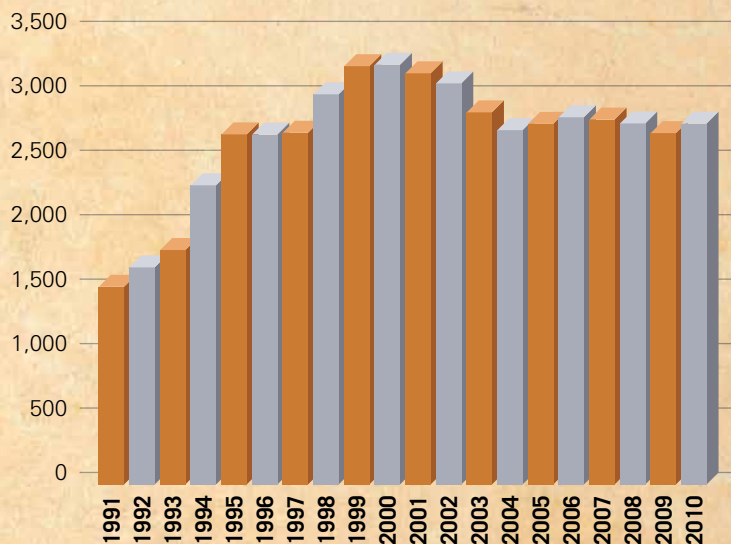
“I wondered if we did the right thing because it was so expensive,” Biff said. “But one day after the renovations, when driving west on University Avenue, it just seemed to shine.”

The Davis-building renovations were only the beginning. During the mid-1990s the University was in a constant state of construction and renovations – with seven new facilities and major additions.

Some of the facilities were funded by operating reserves or tax-exempt financings – including the Marriage and Family Therapy facility, the College of Adult and Professional Studies/Information Technology facility, Hoyt Athletic Field’s synthetic playing surface and the Topeka Education Center.

FALL ENROLLMENT

Friends University’s enrollment doubled during Dr. Green’s leadership, reaching a peak in 2000 at 3,247.



OCT. 18, 1991

Biff is inaugurated in the Garvey Physical Education Center’s gymnasium.

1992-93

Friends University offers 37 traditional undergraduate programs, one degree completion program and eight master’s programs. The University decides to cut or consolidate 12 programs.

1992

The Program for Adult College Education is added, allowing adult students to complete their associate degree by attending evening and weekend classes.

JAN. 14, 1994

Friends University finishes repaying more than \$4 million in debt it had borrowed from the endowment.

“One of the visions I was hoping would come to fruition was a defined perimeter of campus. We’ve been able to eliminate houses in the middle of campus and turn streets into walkways so people see a unified campus.” – Dr. Green to alumni visiting campus Oct. 2, 2010, for their milestone class reunions

Other facilities were funded by generous contributions from the University’s good friends, including additions to the fine arts and science buildings, funded by Carl and Dixie Sebitts; the Olive White Garvey Business and Technology Building, largely funded by Olive White Garvey; and the J.R. and Gertrude Smith Apartments, largely funded by J.R. and Gertrude Smith.

The University’s Board of Trustees designated another very special building – Green Residence Hall – to honor the Greens and their many contributions to the University. This facility won the 2007 Keeper of the Plains Award for architectural design from the Wichita Metro Chamber of Commerce.

BRINGING THE DREAM TO LIFE

The Greens came from sunny California. They were accustomed to lush greenery and flowering plants. It wasn’t surprising that they wanted to bring a fresh look to campus.

Biff often emphasizes how important a first impression can be. In 1991, visitors were greeted with prohibitive “no parking” signs lining the drive up to the Davis building.

“Biff and Binnie noticed that,” said Hervey Wright III, vice president of University Relations. “They felt we had to do something about the first impression. We needed to make the campus more welcoming.”

Biff created a landscaping committee, and work began to beautify the campus. Binnie was actively involved – serving as volunteer co-chair, meeting weekly with committee members, selecting attractive plants to thrive in the diverse Kansas climate and forecasting the University’s long-term landscaping vision. Thousands of shrubs and flowers have been planted – many by the Greens themselves.

The unwelcoming drive up to the Davis building was replaced by a grand Centennial Lane and Rose Window Plaza – both carefully planned to enhance the vibrant colors of the campus, and to celebrate the University’s heritage. Rose Window Plaza mimics the stained-glass window in the Davis building’s Alumni Auditorium.

There were other major improvements, as well. Binnie created a flower garden at the president’s home across the street from campus. Students gave input for a seating area and water feature behind Green Hall, where they relax and enjoy time with friends.

Although the goal of improving campus aesthetics was to make people feel welcome, the results far exceeded everyone’s expectations. The beauty of the campus combined with the commitment to a mission of excellence in academics attracted more and more people.

Circle Drive was removed in 1996 to create Rose Window Plaza, a replica of the stained glass rose window in Alumni Auditorium.



1994

Restoration on the historic Davis Administration Building begins. “One day Paul Winchester came into my office and said a ceiling had collapsed,” Biff said. “OK, fix it.” “But it’ll happen again,” was the director of Physical Plant’s response. Starting at the top of the building and working their way down, Biff received a thorough description of all repairs that needed to be done. “By the time we were done, I was scared! But there is no question in my mind that this building will be here another 100 years after the work we’ve put into it,” Biff said.



MID-1990s

Biff more than just attends student events, he fully participates! Students have soaked him at Falcon Frenzy, sumo-wrestled with him at Cherry Carnival and created many more memories at Greek Games.



PHOTO BY KENDALL MCMINNAY

Binnie Green's welcoming and generous personality made the presidential house a warm and inviting home where thousands of guests have attended University events during the years.

When students arrived, they stepped into a park-like environment. They strolled under a canopy of trees and drank in the colors and fragrances of Friends University. They met a friendly, outgoing president who served ice cream in the garden at his home. They stayed ... and they brought their friends. Enrollments increased

Kansas community colleges, and off-site programs were initiated in Topeka and the Kansas City area.

The Graduate School expanded as well, prompting an increase in degree programs, enrollment and doctoral-level faculty.

Through all this growth, Friends University never lost sight of its goal to provide prompt, personal attention to each student. "We worked hard to do the right things based upon our student-focused education mission," Pitts said.

"We successfully implemented continuous quality improvement processes and strengthened the measurement of those outcomes. We expanded programs to better prepare our students for meaningful and successful careers. And we recently added

in the double-digits through the mid-1990s and reached an all-time high in the early 2000s. Retention rates went up as well.

Community leaders and alumni were equally impressed. They returned to the University for concerts and special events; and they gave generously of their time and money, eager to be a part of the Friends University story.

Programs for students were also growing. Academics were re-organized into three colleges. The College of Business, Arts, Sciences and Education focuses on undergraduate students who have the opportunity to live on campus and grow as individuals, nurtured by a caring faculty and staff.

The College of Adult and Professional Studies is dedicated to adult students who want to return to college to complete their degree. Demand for these programs was growing, so the University expanded the number of programs and locations where they are offered. The Program for Adult College Education was added for adults to complete their first two years of college by attending evening and weekend classes. Partnerships were developed with



PHOTO BY STEVE RASMUSSEN

Binnie Green points out landscaping features to Dr. Biff Green in the courtyard between Hiram Street and the Falcon Glenn Apartments.

online programs to make a college degree from Friends University even more accessible."

During Biff's years as president, Friends University continued to emphasize programs that served both traditional and non-traditional students. The University was listed in The Student Guide to America's Best College Buys for several years. Tuition



MID-1990s

"We went up in the crane and saw footpaths students had created around campus," Biff said. "So we installed sidewalks where students walked the most."



AUGUST 1997

Carl and Dixie Sebits announce a \$3 million gift for additions to the Whittier Fine Arts Building (now the Riney Fine Arts Center) and the William Penn Science Building.



SUMMER 1998

Hoyt Athletic Field undergoes major renovation, adding a Eurotan S Sandwich Track and AstroPlay field (one of the first in the nation). The track installation brought track and field as well as cross country back to Friends University. In honor of his support, the track was dedicated as the Biff Green track April 2, 2011.

MORE ON DR. GREEN'S LEGACY ...

Visit www.friends.edu/green to view a retirement documentary video and photo gallery, and share your favorite memories or a retirement message for the Greens. Read Dr. Green's parting message on page 2.

increases were modest. When he arrived, Friends University had the second-highest tuition among Kansas' independent colleges. Today, the University's combined undergraduate tuition and housing fees rank 15th of the 18 independent colleges.

Biff's goal was to clearly define the University's mission and then seek community support. His philosophy to focus on friend-raising – rather than fund-raising – attracted donors and community leaders to the Friends University success story.

A major part of the University's mission involves giving back to the community.

"Their efforts to connect Friends University to the community have extended through the years," said Susan Addington, manager of community affairs at Koch Industries Inc. "Each December for the past 17 years, the University closes down for a day to help the Salvation Army with their annual Christmas-gifts distribution. It's really fun and amazing to see the students, faculty and staff assemble bicycles, sort gifts and just do whatever is needed.

"Following the 2007 Greensburg tornado, Biff and Binnie worked alongside many of the students to help the community in cleaning up. It's just great to know that they have exemplified Friends University's mission of service to others."

Under Biff's leadership, friend-raising efforts resulted in the formation of a President's Club, raised more than \$66 million dollars for the University and generated thousands of community-service hours.

LEADING THE WAY

When future generations look back on Biff's tenure at Friends University, they will be impressed by many accomplishments.

Certainly, campus improvements will be recognized as a highlight. Growth in community support and student enrollment will be noted. But one of the most significant changes at Friends University during these years is somewhat less tangible. It is the infusion of spirit that began as a tiny spark of hope with his arrival. The Greens worked to find the spark within all employees, students, alumni and board members. They nurtured a small flame and turned it into a burning desire for excellence. They believed in each person's ability to contribute to the dream – and in return, the expectation was met.

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The senior leadership team, as of June 2010: Pam Pennington, vice president of Marketing and Strategic Growth; Dr. John Yoder, vice president of Academic Affairs; Hervey Wright III, vice president of University Relations; Dr. Biff Green, president; Randy Doerksen, vice president of Administration and Finance; and Dr. Carole Obermeyer, vice president of Student Affairs.



SEPT. 21, 1998

The Centennial celebration kicks off on Rose Window Plaza, filled with special activities and memories. The Davis Administration Building's clock tower was lighted for the first time at the culmination of the Centennial celebration.



LATE-1990s

The President's Golf Tournament began in October 1992. Nearly annually since, approximately 100 players gather for a friendly, competitive game that doesn't allow mulligans. Here, Dr. Green teams up with Board of Trustees members John Weber and Mike Oatman on the links.

With a warm and welcoming smile, Biff invited everyone he met to become a member of the Friends University family. And they responded.

"Before Biff arrived, institutional self-esteem was at a very, very low point," said Randy Doerkson, vice president of Administration and Finance.

"I'm not sure we even believed in ourselves.

We'd kind of lost our way. He brought to the table a collaborative and inclusive approach to everything we did. He brought the issue before the whole University. What were we dealing with? What were our opportunities? Biff arrived, and he helped us believe in ourselves."

"We try to live by the camper's motto: Always leave the campsite better than you found it."

– Dr. Green at the April 19, 2011, Awards Ceremony

"The talented faculty, staff and students have been my inspiration in leading our great University to where we are today," Biff said. "We can be proud of our collective achievements."

He was quick to recognize employee strengths and reward efforts. He worked hard to build salary enhancements, bonus programs and retirement contributions. While the faculty and



Dr. Biff Green and wife Binnie stroll in front of the Edmund Stanley Library. In the early years, students were surprised to see the Greens with their hands in the soil, planting flowerbeds across campus.

PHOTO BY STEVE RASMUSSEN

staff appreciated the increases, they were even more enthusiastic about Biff's implementation of innovative employee benefits to build a sense of teamwork and University morale.

At an all-employee meeting in the early years, Biff joked that if he could make a half-court shot then everyone would receive a day off.

"It was a perfect swish; just like in a movie," said Sherri Dalbom, senior administrative assistant for University Relations. "Everybody got Friday off!"

The University began celebrating Friends-wear Fridays, wearing Friends University shirts and colors with pride. Employees enjoy Friday afternoons off during the summer and willingly put in extra hours needed during the busy seasons of enrollment and commencement.

Biff gave the staff a break between the Christmas and New Year's holidays, expanded tuition-remission programs for employees and their families, and established an events committee to host faculty and staff appreciation events throughout the year.

His already loyal staff became even more devoted to the mission. They are walking, talking advocates for a Friends University education – telling the story wherever they go.

Through it all, the Greens moved about the campus, spreading smiles and laughter. If there was any stress or strain involved in this major rebuilding of a great University, they never let it show.

In fact, they appeared to be simply taking it all in ... enjoying student life, and hosting group after group of University students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends.

2004

"It is quite an honor to have Green Residence Hall named after us," Biff said to alumni attending their milestone class reunions in 2010. "It's neat that at the University of La Verne, where Binnie and I graduated, a residence hall is named after her grandfather who was dean of students. And it was neat to have her parents here for the ribbon cutting ceremony."



MAY 2006

Biff's administration has renovated, added to or constructed nearly every building on campus.

“The people are the heart of the University; a blessing to the community; a blessing to our family, and we thank you very much.” – Binnie Green, at the April 19, 2011, Awards Ceremony

The Greens cheered Falcon basketball, volleyball, softball and football to several National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics playoff games, happy to be a part of the only college football program in Wichita.

Biff takes a personal interest in every student’s success. So, he was very happy to make the announcement that Friends University led the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference with the highest number of student athletes named as Academic All-Americans.

Through the years, you were even likely to find him playing intramural basketball alongside students – sometimes to their surprise and delight.

In a University filled with fine-arts performances, the Greens became avid supporters – attending concerts, ballets, jazz festivals, theater offerings and numerous special events. They have traveled with choirs and other student groups to Germany, Australia, Russia, Cancun and New York City.

THE LEGACY

As Friends University’s longest-serving president and the longest actively serving Kansas independent-college president, Biff has experienced a successful 20-year tenure.

He has overseen unprecedented development of the campus, raised more than \$100 million in investments and capital improvements, more than doubled enrollment and faculty, and is recognized for turning the institution around both financially and operationally.

“The successes we enjoy have been a team effort from day one,” Biff said. “With the help of a talented staff and faculty and an active, supportive board, we have made significant progress in advancing the mission of Friends University.”

Several pivotal moments stand out, but perhaps the most significant is found in the joy of a president

and his wife embracing the Friends University family. They wrapped us in the warmth of their confidence. They led the way, and invited us to follow them for the journey of a lifetime. The Greens have prepared Friends University to perform its mission for generations to come.

“A key hallmark of our University’s successes is the belief in providing service to others,” Biff said. “Serving Friends University for 20 years has been a great personal honor and a journey Binnie and I have enjoyed immensely. Thank you for your friendship and fellowship.”



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FEB. 12, 2011

The Green family celebrates Biff’s induction into the Athletic Hall of Fame for 20 years of dedication and commitment to student athletes. Left to right: Braeden, Biff, Binnie, Rob, Heather, Tim and Jenny.



MAY 2011

Biff encourages graduates at four Friends University Commencement ceremonies to reshape and redirect the future of the nation, but to take it easy also.



MAY 14, 2011

Friends University honors Biff and Binnie with a retirement documentary video and presentations. Biff thanks his executive assistant of nearly 16 years, Nancy Graf, for her dedicated and untiring support.

COLLEGE news

campus profile

Edmund Stanley Library Focuses on Student Success

BY SARA ORNELAS

It's not unusual for Max Burson, or any of the staff at the Edmund Stanley Library, to spend 30 minutes, 40 minutes or even an hour at a time helping a student.

"Some of them are timid at first," said Burson, library director, "But once they meet us, they see we're willing to sit down with them, they appreciate it."

That personal attention is something that the library staff prides itself on.

"That's why we get repeat visits from students," Burson said.

Most undergraduate students and many graduate students take class time to learn about the library's services, databases and collections.

"We are committed to students' success. It's pretty easy to prove that libraries can improve how students do in classes," said Kathy Delker, reference librarian.

Delker said she teaches students how to research, rather than just answering their questions.

"We don't provide answers to students; we show them how to get the answer themselves," Delker said.

The library tailors its offerings to the courses and classes offered at Friends.

"We have what our students need for what they do here at the University for the coursework or programs they take," Burson said.

And if you can't find it at the library, in most cases, the library can find it for you.

"Those times that we don't have what they need, it's much easier for them to request it on inter-library loan than for them to go off somewhere else," Delker said. "It's pretty rare for us to hear about a student shopping around."

While the library is a treasure trove of books, periodicals, archives and endless other resources, it's not all academics and research. The Edmund Stanley Li-

brary has instituted game nights in an effort to make students feel comfortable at the library.

"If students feel comfortable coming in to do something fun and are able to connect with members of our staff, the hope is that they will continue to come back when they have research needs," said Jeanette Parker, serials librarian.

Students are invited to participate in board games, card games and even Nintendo Wii games on game nights throughout the year. The library provides soft drinks and snacks at some events. One of the most popular events is an after-hours game night near the end of the spring semester where the library provides pizza and soft drinks.

"We just want to make the students feel comfortable," Burson said.

In addition to academic research, the library is a wealth of historical knowledge, including one of the country's finest collections of Quaker manuscripts, books, publications, genealogy records, family photographs, and yearly-meeting minutes – many of these dating back to the 19th century.

Burson said historians and genealogists come from across the country to do research in the Quaker Room at the Edmund Stanley Library.

"We have quite a few people come from as far away as Oregon, California, Pennsylvania and Illinois," Burson said.

The library also houses the archives of the University itself, including artifacts dating back to when Friends University was Garfield University, *Talisman* yearbooks, and the *University Life* newspaper.

Quite often, the University is also the recipient of gifts in the form of old books, Burson said.

"We have a lot of folks who donate



The Edmund Stanley Library staff (left to right): Max Burson, library director; Jan Tillotson, night circulation and interlibrary loan supervisor; Kathy Edwards, circulation supervisor; Marcie Thompson, acquisitions and administrative assistant; Anne Crane, cataloging and systems administration; Kathy Delker, reference librarian; and Jeanette Parker, serials librarian.

books from their garage or a relative's attic," he said. "We go through them, and sometimes we find some useful material."

Last summer, the library was the beneficiary of a large literary collection from Robert Tusler, who graduated from Friends University in 1946. Burson said this was an unexpected and generous gift.

"There were some great works of literature from some of the great writers, much of it philosophy and musical scores. He donated around 50 items for the collection," Burson said.

Aside from outstanding customer service, the library offers a wealth of other useful services to assist students with their research and study needs. Library visitors have access to: wireless laptop checkout (in the library only); reference services; online-database instruction; display board checkout; quiet areas for studying; computers and printers; seminar rooms for group study or classroom use; viewing and listening area with DVD players, a CD player and headphones; music listening rooms; and free coffee and tea.

FRIENDS UNIVERSITY *Homecoming* OCTOBER 1, 2011

Class Reunions

**2:30 TO 4:30 P.M. —
DAVIS ADMINISTRATION
BUILDING, 2ND FLOOR**

The classes of 1961 and '86 are invited to reunite, reconnect and relive memories of their college days. Check-in begins at 2 p.m. on the second floor of the Davis Administration Building. Enjoy snacks

while reminiscing with classmates. Your class photo will be taken, and campus tours will be offered.



Parade

5 P.M. — UNIVERSITY AVENUE AND HIRAM STREET

To cap off a week of classic board-game themed student activities, parade floats will "Go Directly to Homecoming" as they proceed down University Avenue from Fern Street to Hiram Street, then along Kellogg Drive to the Garvey Practice Field. Enjoy the colorful spectacle with parade announcer and judges at University and Hiram, where students will try to catch their attention in a bid for the judges' ribbon during this Homecoming tradition.



Block Party

5:30 P.M. — GARVEY PRACTICE FIELD

Satisfy your post-parade hunger with hamburgers and hot dogs at the Block Party. Sit under the big tent or bring your blanket and enjoy dinner on the lawn. Also included in the Block Party festivities are the free carnival, face painting, Freddy tattoos and coloring contest (see page 22). Stop by the Alumni Association hospitality tent to sign up for door prizes. Winners will be announced at halftime of the football game.

National Anthem Performance

Choral alumni are invited to sing the national anthem before the Homecoming football game. Join the 30-minute rehearsal at 4:30 p.m. in the Riney Fine Arts Center, room C-6. For more information or to sign up, contact Concert Choir Director Rolaine Hetherington at 316-655-2261 or e-mail hetherington@friends.edu.

Falcon Football

7 P.M. — ADAIR-AUSTIN STADIUM

Cheer on the Falcons as they battle the Kansas Wesleyan University Coyotes. The first 100 fans through the gate will receive a free spirit gift courtesy of the Alumni Association. Stop by the Alumni Association hospitality tent to sign up for door prizes. Winners will be announced at halftime of the football game. The crowning of Homecoming royalty will also be at halftime. Game tickets are \$7 for adults, \$2 for students and senior citizens, free for children 12 and younger and students with a Friends University ID. Or clip the coupon on page 21 to get two tickets for the price of one.





20 PERCENT OFF CLOTHING & FRIENDS UNIVERSITY SPIRIT ITEMS!

Saturday, Oct. 1, 2011

Visit the Friends University Bookstore during special hours from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the lower level of the Casado Campus Center or visit the Bookstore booth during the Block Party. Valid Saturday, Oct. 1, 2011, only.

Must present coupon. Discount does not apply to textbooks or software.

Motorcyclists, Classic Car Drivers Wanted

Looking for a way to get more mileage out of your motorcycle or classic car while making some special memories at Friends University? Then we want you in this year's Homecoming parade! All participants will receive a Homecoming T-shirt to wear in the parade. For more information or to sign up, please contact the Alumni Office.



Contribute to Your Class Reunion Brick

Knowing not all alumni from the classes of 1961 and '86 may be able to attend their reunions Oct. 1, we invite you to contribute to your class's engraved reunion brick to be placed in the Dr. Katherine Pennington Circle of Friends Plaza on the Wichita campus.

Normally, individual bricks start at \$50. However, the Alumni Office is offering a "Class of ___" brick in the amount of your reunion year. For example, if you graduated in 1961, your donation toward a "Class of 1961" brick is only \$19.61; for the class of 1986, your donation for a "Class of 1986" brick is only \$19.86.

All proceeds benefit the Friends University Legacy Scholarship fund, and bricks will be placed in the Circle of Friends Plaza before the Oct. 1 class reunions. Contact the Alumni Office for more information on contributing to your class brick or purchasing a personalized brick to be placed in the Circle of Friends Plaza.

Homecoming Week Activities

Visit www.friends.edu/finearts and www.friendsathletics.com for information on Fine Arts and Athletics events taking place during Homecoming week.



2 for 1

Present this coupon at the Friends University Homecoming football game Saturday, Oct. 1, 2011, and receive two tickets for the price of one.

ADULTS: \$7
STUDENTS AND SENIOR CITIZENS: \$2
12 AND YOUNGER: FREE

Coloring Contest

Color Freddy and bring this page to the Block Party for a chance to win a Crayola® Color Wonder Sound Studio. Two Crayola® Color Wonder Sound Studios will be awarded, one each for 0- to 5-year-olds and 6- to 10-year-olds. A coloring table will also be available at the Block Party. Feel free to make copies as needed.

Child's Name _____

Age _____

City/State/Zip _____

Parent's Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

E-mail _____



CLASS notes

memorials

An increasing number of people memorialize or honor friends and loved ones with contributions to Friends University. Families of those memorialized or honored receive an appropriate notice of the contribution, and the names of the donors are listed here. The following contributions were received between Sept. 1, 2010, and April 1, 2011. Contributions received after April 1 will be included in the next issue.

Meredith and Mabel Cromer Memorial Scholarship – In Memory of Meredith and Mabel Cromer

Gary and Linda Crawford

Dale Harper Endowed Scholarship – In Memory of Dale Harper

Ray and Sandra Allen
Donald and Stephanie Anderson
JoAnn Bailey
Jane Barnard
Douglas and Nancy Basquez
Marvin and Sandy Brooks
Edward and Gwendolyn Bunyard
Craig Caley
Orville D. Canaan
William and Brenda Clarkin
Judy Clough
Marvin Coon
Otis and Virginia Coon
Rosa Lee Cox
Billy and Coelle Deaton
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Michael and Frances Showalter
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Chris and Dana Smith
Arland and Mary Lynn Stephens
Michael and Gayle Thornbro
Vernon and Joy Timmons
Clint and Maria Turner
Robert and Marilyn Varner
Kevin and Rachel Victor
Dennis and Joyce Webster
William and Debbie Webster
Marjorie L. Woodall
Ron and Mary Jane Work

Friends Annual Fund – In Memory of Leonard and Helen Rising

Lana R. Lambert

Friends Annual Fund – In Memory of Dr. Jim and Margaret Wray

Joseph D. Wray

General Current Scholarship – In Memory of Dr. Jim and Margaret Wray

Thomas L. Wray

Teacher of Promise Scholarship – In Memory of Benny Mevey

Esther B. Anderson
Helen Blevins
Ruby Bickhard
Joseph and Wilda Boyd
Jo Ellen Brewster

Bill and Elaine Carriker
Patricia Ciotti
Hazel M. Cross
Shirley Cummings
William and Doris Draut
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Juanita Garfield-Harrel
Herschel L. and Sally Glover
Chuck and Jan Hadley
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Wayne and Sandra Howdeshell
Betty Howell
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Johnson's Legacy Landscapes
Sandy Laughary
Lester and Ann Lee
Samuel Logan Jr. and Judy Haslett
James and Joyce Mattson
Donovan and Joyce Moore
Joan Mortimer Cline
Howard and Gloria Pitler
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Jeanette Sharpe
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Marilyn Wells

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Carolyn Croft

in memory

“In Memory” passages with more details were submitted by family or friends. Information received after April 1 will be included in the next issue. We reserve the right to edit as space allows.

Leona (Binford Cott Owen) Aebischer, G’35, died Dec. 2, 2010.

Jean Ann Aelmore, M’96, died Dec. 21, 2010.

Vicki K. (Martin) Barnett, G’98, died Feb. 28, 2011.

Kenneth “Ken” Dale Benedict, G’62, died Dec. 2, 2010.

Jami Janiece Bickhard, G’04, died March 18, 2011.

E. Louise (Ritchey) Biggs, FS’40, died Nov. 18, 2010.

Celine Annette (Seward) Binkley, FS’85, died Dec. 17, 2010.

Maxine L. (Harris) Brooks, G’50, died Dec. 1, 2010.

Nadine E. (Peterson) Brotemarkle, G’56, died Sept. 30, 2010.

Deanna L. Bush-Kunc, G’08, died Jan. 19, 2011.

John P. Campbell, FS’50, died Nov. 8, 2010.

Karen Sue Carlson, M’94, died Nov. 6, 2010.

The Rev. John W. Carter Jr., G’53, died Sept. 14, 2010. He is survived by wife Carol, one son, one daughter and two grandchildren.

Leslie L. Davis, G’56, died Feb. 27, 2011.

Darrell Joe Denney, G’58, died Jan. 10, 2011.

Juanita Maxine (Devore) Dewey, G’44, died Feb. 23, 2011. She was an elementary school speech teacher and often volunteered to help with school activities. She is survived by one brother, one sister, two sons, and six grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Dorothy M. (Gillespie) Dodds, FS’41, died Feb. 27, 2010.

Laurie E. Dorschel, G’97, died Nov. 3, 2010.

Ronald G. Embers, FS’93, died Nov. 17, 2010.

Charles V. Hardesty, G’63, died Oct. 18, 2010.

The Rev. Hal W. Hawkins, G’53, died Jan. 9, 2011.

The Rev. George William Hirst, G’52, died Feb. 2, 2011.

Roberta M. Pauli Houston, G’41, died Aug. 25, 2010.

Patricia Anne (Collins) James, G’01, died Feb. 24, 2011.

Annette J. (Rathburn) Jay, G’39, died March 28, 2011.

Loreeta (Miller) Johnson, FS’55, died Jan. 16, 2010.

Mary Elizabeth “Betty” (Cunningham) Jones, FS’42, died May 9, 2010.

Dr. Harold Kolling, G’42, died Feb. 18, 2011.

Maxine (Bond) Lamb, G’52, died Jan. 3, 2011.

Becky (Peterson) Lee, G’89, died Sept. 21, 2010.

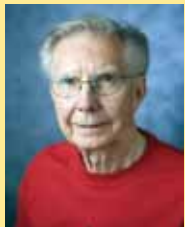
Mary Emily (Perisho) Lilly, G’59, died Feb. 13, 2011.

Marjorie “Marge” Leona (DeForest) Limbocker, FS’49, died Feb. 3, 2011.

Cornelius P. Lohrenz, G’40, died March 13, 2011.

Dr. Benjamin A. Mevey, G’53, died Oct. 1, 2010. He was a retired elementary school principal and served on the Friends University Board of Trustees for many years. He is survived by wife Earlene, one son, one daughter, four grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and one sister. Read more about Dr. Mevey on page 29.

special friend
HUBERT WIEBE



Hubert Wiebe, G'52, was the beginning of a legacy. He died March 14, 2011, but not before leaving his footprint at Friends University as a student, instructor and the first of nine family members spanning three generations to attend the University. Wiebe spent the latter part of his childhood living two blocks from campus and earned a \$25 academic scholarship to attend Friends after graduating from Wichita North High School. As a student, he was part of the industrial arts program and earned a minor in math and physical education. He was a member of the track team, Singing Quakers and other local choral groups. After graduating in 1952, Wiebe served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps from 1954-56. He then returned to Friends University as an industrial arts instructor, a position he held from 1956-75. Wiebe credits his education from Friends University with giving him the skills to not only work in the mission fields of Africa and Iran, but also to build his own home. He is survived by wife Audrey, two sisters, three sons, one daughter, 14 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mildred M. (Mahlandt) Morgan, FS'30, died Nov. 23, 2010.

Mary Louise (Hellener) Mueller, FS'64, died Oct. 2, 2010.

Ralph Wayne Mumaw, FS'66, died Nov. 3, 2010.

Barbara (Furnas) Nelson, G'34, died Dec. 13, 2010.

Leslie Francis Nuessen, G'96, died Dec. 21, 2010.

H. Larkin Osborn, G'37, died Feb. 23, 2011.

Delbert Joe Owens, G'56, died Sept. 7, 2010.

Gerald W. Pike, FS'43, died May 22, 2010.

Betty (Workman) Pittman, FS'53, died March 6, 2011.

Fannie Beth (Darden) Pringle, FS'60, died March 16, 2010.

Cecil A. Rich, G'40, died Dec. 1, 2010.

Lois Violet (Jones) Riley-Stauffer, FS'43, died Nov. 12, 2010.

Dorothy Jean (Buerki) Roth, FS'43, died Dec. 20, 2010.

Ralph Edward "Ed" Sooter, G'60, died June 8, 2010.

Matt A. Throckmorton, G'44, died Nov. 28, 2010.

Jack Umlett Tipton, FS'55, died Jan. 19, 2011.

Marcia (Spicer) Traylor, M'92, died Feb. 14, 2011.

Dr. Raymond "Bud" Duane Wamsley, G'53, died Oct. 24, 2010. He served in the United States Army during the Korean War, and was a lifelong educator and administrator. Survivors include one son, two daughters and eight grandchildren.

Sybil A. (Marshall) Washburn, G'56, died Feb. 27, 2011.

Shelley Renee Webster-Johnson, G'95, died Oct. 29, 2010.

Gailen D. White, G'43, died March 21, 2011.

Donald Lee Williams, G'51, died Jan. 12, 2010. He was an educator and principal in Wichita and Des Moines, Iowa, before moving to Shell Knob, Mo., where he and his wife purchased Campbell Point Boat Dock. He is survived by wife Mary Sue, three sons and six grandchildren.

Helen J. (Hamilton) Woodard, G'39, died Dec. 11, 2010.

baby falcons

To **Mindy (North) Barr, G'96**, and husband Brandon, a baby girl, Ashlyn, born Nov. 3, 2010.

To **Jessica (Henning) Gehring, G'10**, and husband Christopher, a baby boy, Hayden Cooper, born Aug. 27, 2010.

To **Lacey (Aldrich) Hatfield, G'10**, and husband Daniel, a baby boy, Steel Sebastian Roman, born Jan. 17, 2011. He was welcomed home by big brother Maverick.

To **Geoff Louvar, G'01**, and wife Hilary, a baby boy, Griffen A., born Jan. 2, 2011. He was welcomed home by older siblings Ashlyn, Braden and Corynne.

To **Melissa (Phillips) Lunsford, G'97**, and husband T.J., a baby boy, Brandon Daniel, born Oct. 25, 2010. He was welcomed home by older siblings Gabriel, Makayla, Destery and Dakotah.

To **Alisa (Breer) McCullough, G'96**, and husband David, a baby boy, Jeffrey David, born Sept. 30, 2010.

To **Erin (Casey) Myrtle, G'05**, and husband Cory, a baby girl, Bree Isabelle, born Oct. 24, 2010.

To **Megan (Wiemeyer) Shellhorn, G'02**, and husband Jon, a baby girl, Emma Grace, born May 4, 2010. She was welcomed home by big brother Owen.

To **Meagan Wells, M'07**, and husband Travis, G'09, a baby boy, Bennett, born Dec. 18, 2010.

class notes

1940s

Dr. Harold W. French, FS'50, is chairman of the national chapter of the International Association for Religious Freedom. He continues to teach religious studies part time at the University of South Carolina, and took his fifth study group to Greece in May.

Ruth (Dieffenbacher) Scheer, G'48, and husband Harold published "Scheer Love of Poetry," a collection of more than 700 poems reflecting their search for life's meaning that they wrote during a span of 69 years.

The Rev. William "Bill" Staub, FS'48, has finished his 21-volume series, "The Triumph of Grace over Reason in Rebellion."

1950s

Keith Bray, G'50, and wife **Thelma (Dunfield), G'50**, celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary Aug. 31, 2010. They have 17 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

1960s

Carol L. (Jay) Scott, G'65, retired from Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma in April 2010. She worked as a training and curriculum specialist, director of child development, and director of youth programs.

1970s

Rebecca Brenn, G'74, is a data-conversion operator for the United States Postal Service after working 29 years as a legal secretary.

Susan (Armstrong) Clowe, G'70, and husband Kim, recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary.

Gregory Cooper, G'72, received a degree in theology from Howard Payne University and is attending Dallas Theological Seminary.

The Rev. Ronald Lowry, G'70, is retired after serving as an ordained deacon and ordained elder at 20 United Methodist churches during a span of 39 years.

1980s

Darla Loggans, G'80, earned her certification from the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards. She is a second-grade teacher at Emerson Open Magnet Elementary School in Wichita.

Tim Thornburg, G'85, works as a database architect and developer.

Steven Zielke, G'88, was named president-elect of the Oregon chapter of the American Choral Directors Association. Zielke, who is in his 10th year as director of choral studies at Oregon State University, also directs the Chamber Choir and teaches choral conducting and choral music pedagogy.

1990s

Dr. Sarah (Rees) Edwards, M'93, received an Alumni Outstanding Teaching Award from the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) Alumni Association in honor of her distinguished abilities as an associate professor in the department of teacher education. Her primary focus within the department is secondary literacy and culturally-responsive teaching. Edwards coordinates undergraduate and graduate English language arts programs at UNO, is the co-founder of Metropolitan English Teacher Link and organizes the College of Education Culture Walks.

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Jean M. Harrison, G'93, was named the 2010-11 Woman of the Year by the National Association of Professional Women for her industry. She works for the U.S. government centers for Medicare and Medicaid as a customer service representative, and has also been involved with human resources.

Joseph Holmberg, G'97, is a controller for ExxonMobil Pipeline Company.

Shawndra (Jaeckel) Montgomery, G'91, was the Kansas Art Education Association's Outstanding Secondary Art Educator of the Year for 2010. She teaches at Cheney High School.

Rafael Reyes, G'98, received his master's in criminal justice from New Mexico State University, and was selected by the Department of Homeland Security to attend the Command and General Staff College in Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

"Conal and the Sea Serpent," a short story by **Jennifer Sparlin, G'93**, was published in issue 31 of *Beyond Centauri*.

2000s

Kenneth Allensworth, M'09, was selected to receive the 2011 American College of Healthcare Executives Federal Excellence in Healthcare Management Award. He is the executive assistant to the director at the Robert J. Dole VA Medical Center in Wichita, and has been integral in the development and implementation of healthcare initiatives for veterans in Kansas.

Michael Beardslee, G'07, is pursuing a master's degree at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.

Sarah (Waters) Beardslee, G'07, received her master's in counseling from Regent University in May 2010.

John Fager, G'00, was named to the Greater Topeka's 20 Under 40. This honor was designed by the Jayhawk Area Council of the Boy Scouts of

America to recognize business and community leadership. Fager works at CoreFirst Bank and Trust.

Jeremy Francis, G'06/M'08, and wife **Mandi, G'10**, opened Infusion Nutrition in January 2011 in Topeka.

Jan Geiss, G'08, is an elephant keeper at the Toledo Zoo in Ohio.

Malea Gonzalez, G'06/M'08, was promoted to director of quality management at Newton Medical Center.

Trevor Hands, G'02, moved back to Garden City, Kan., to help on the family farm and start a videography business.

Anthony Hubbard, G'99/M'02, recently opened his own Farmers Insurance Agency in Leawood, Kan.

James "Jim" Hull, G'00, works in the transportation industry as an account manager for Road Science.

Aaron Jack, M'07, was appointed to serve as Kansas securities commissioner Jan. 10, 2011, by Gov. Sam Brownback.

Heather Johnson, G'04, is a certified nurse aid and is working toward becoming a licensed practical nurse.

Derek Kreifels, M'03, is serving as Kansas' assistant state treasurer under Treasurer Ron Estes. Kreifels served as Estes' campaign manager and transition-team director.

Joel Leftwich, G'00, worked on DuPont's federal government affairs team managing the agriculture and nutrition portfolio. He is now working for Senator Pat Roberts on the U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee as the Republican deputy staff director.

Robert "Thomas" Phillips, G'05/G'07, received his Fraternal Insurance Counselor title and is a FINRA Series 63 and Series 7 registered representative.

Dr. Warren C. Samms, G'03, was promoted in February 2011 to drug chemistry manager at the Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences

(HCIFS) in Houston. Dr. Samms joined HCIFS in March 2008 as an entry-level forensic chemist. He and wife **Nichole (Ohmart) Samms, G'05**, reside in Missouri City, Texas, and are the proud parents of two cats, a Labrador retriever and a Great Dane.

Jeffery Schuele, G'05/M'08, was elected county commissioner in November 2010 for District I of Atchison County, Kan.

Vinessa Waltemire, G'08, is a case manager for family preservation with DCCCA Inc.

Patrick Woods, G'03, was named to the Greater Topeka's 20 Under 40. This honor was designed by the Jayhawk Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America to recognize business and community leadership. Woods works for the Topeka public-school system.

Dr. Stacy Yeager, M'03, completed her doctorate of management degree from the University of Phoenix in August 2010.

2010s

Jennifer (Wallace) Babitzke, G'10, is living in Kansas City to work toward a master's in Marriage and Family Therapy at Friends University's Lenexa Education Center.

faculty/staff notes

Dr. Mark Bartel, director of choral music and associate professor of music, was guest conductor of the Metroplex Children's Choir Jan. 28-29 at the Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center in Dallas. His final concert as director of the Wichita Community Children's Choir was Feb. 26 at the Kansas Music Educators Association (KMEA) In-Service Workshop. He also conducted the Singing Quakers Feb. 24, 2011 at the KMEA In-Service Workshop.

Kathy Delker, reference librarian, and **Jeanette Parker**, serials librarian, presented a program titled “Building Community through Gaming Events in Libraries” at the annual conference of the Kansas Library Association April 6.

Dr. Sharon Eicher, associate professor of economics, attended the American Economic Association conference and Nobel Laureate luncheon. She is creating a preschooler’s coloring book about Kansas animals; volunteers at the Mid-America All Indian Center and Botanica, The Wichita Gardens; and has written an article and presented a seminar about backyard chickens.

Dr. Jeremy Gallegos was appointed associate dean of the College of Adult and Professional Studies Nov. 1. He previously served as assistant professor and program director for Organizational Management and Leadership.

Dr. Christopher M. Habben, associate program director of Master of Science in Family Therapy and associate professor of marriage and family therapy, participated in the annual leadership conference of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy March 15-20 in Arlington, Va.

Dr. Lewis M. Hoskins, 1939-40 history professor, died January 26, 2011. Dr. Hoskins led a life of service, co-founding the International Voluntary Service and the United States-South Africa Leadership Development Program. He taught history at Earlham College, where he co-founded the black studies program. He is survived by wife Lois, three daughters, one son and eight grandchildren.

Marilyn Jones, assistant professor of business administration, and **Dr. Sarah Evans**, professor of biology, accompanied the Alpha Chi chapter to the bi-annual national convention in San Diego, Calif. Four students presented and Jones was a presentation judge. Jones participated in the National Business Education Association (BEA) convention as a session liaison and in the leadership training workshop April 19-24 in New Orleans, La. She co-chaired the Mt. Plains BEA convention in Wichita in June, and began her term as president at the conclusion of the convention.

Dr. J.C. Moore, retired chemistry professor, co-authored the paper “Aristotle on Teaching Science” for the Seventh International Conference on Teacher Education in New Delhi, India. Dr. Moore has also created a website where he posts personal commentary about facts on climate change, health care and politics.

Dr. Steve Peters, dean of the College of Business, Arts, Sciences and Education, served as president of the Association for Theatre in Higher Education for the fourth year. He presented papers on teaching and learning entrepreneurship and the use of art in pediatric cancer treatment at three national conferences. He has been appointed to the Standing Committee on Private Institutions by the Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences, to the City of Wichita’s Cultural Funding Committee, and to the Wichita Arts Council.

Jessie L.(Sloan) Rutherford, former director of Financial Aid, died Dec. 25, 2010. She worked at a doctor’s office in Conway Springs before joining the Financial Aid staff at Friends, where she worked for 30 years. She is survived by two sisters, one daughter, one son and nieces and nephews.

Dr. Mark Sanborn, director of the Center of Online Learning and Academic Technology, earned his second doctorate, a Ph.D. in Management Information Systems from Nova Southwestern University in the fall of 2010.

Dr. Nora Strasser, division chair of natural science and mathematics and professor of mathematics, presented her paper, “Innovative Math for Liberal Arts,” at the International Conference for Teaching and Learning in January 2011. The paper won Best Paper in Session, and was published in the May issue of “Contemporary Issues in Education Research.”

Dr. Jan Wilson, professor and division chair of education, presented “Student Attitudes Toward Homework” at the Association of Teacher Educators conference and served as a science-fair judge at the 74th annual Junior Academy of Science. Dr. Wilson and **Dr. John Rhodes**, associate professor of education, recently published two articles, “Student Perspectives on Homework” and “Why Homework is Assigned.”

Maryann Wynn, assistant director of Human Resources, was recently certified as a senior professional in human resources.

Dr. Guangqiu Xu, professor of history, published his book, “American Doctors in Canton: Modernization in China, 1835-1935.” His article, “Global Governance: The Rise of Global Civil Society and China,” was published in the March issue of the “Fudan Journal of the Humanities and Social Sciences.”

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THE MOST IMPORTANT THING ABOUT PHONATHON IS TO GIVE YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO OUR STUDENTS AND HOPEFULLY REKINDLE THE CONNECTION YOU HAVE TO THIS GREAT UNIVERSITY.



By Aaron Winter, G'99/M'02,
Director of Annual Fund

Another Successful **Phonathon** is Complete!

On behalf of Friends University, I would like to thank each and every one of you who we talked to during this year's Phonathon. Because of thoughtful people like you, once again our Phonathon was a great success. For those who were able to speak with our fine students, I hope you enjoyed the visit. Rather than requiring our student callers to make as many phone calls as possible and asking them to limit their conversation time, we encourage them during the training process and throughout the entire Phonathon program to make the most of the great opportunity they have to speak to our alumni and friends.



The Phonathon's team of 16 student callers visited with more than 4,000 alumni, donors and friends of the University, and made almost 41,000 calls during the 12-week calling program. Pictured left to right are callers Lindsey Alexander, Deborah Burnham and Michael Johnson.

Of course, many of our goals for Phonathon center around how many pledges our callers get and how much money they raise. There's no changing the fact that we do hope everyone our students talk to makes a pledge and that we raise as much money as possible through our calls. What many of you may not know is that we view the most important thing about Phonathon as giving you the opportunity to speak to our students and hopefully rekindle the connection you have to this great University.

What often gets lost in the Phonathon process is that this is not your typical telemarketing call. A current Friends University student is calling you – a student who truly benefits from your donations – and not someone hired by a telemarketing company to make calls on our behalf. When we made the commitment to bring the Phonathon on campus three years ago, we did so because we wanted our students to be the ones calling you. Not only do we care about you as members of the Friends University family, but our students care about you, too.

I can't think of any better example of how true this is than when one of our students called a prospective donor

midway through the Phonathon this spring and became aware of several tragic events that happened in a short period of time. Rather than just wish them well and end the conversation, our student asked if it was OK if they prayed together on the phone. So that's exactly what they did. Our student caller, who did not know anything about this person other than they were having a hard time, cared enough about a complete stranger to pray with them for a few minutes and let them know someone does truly care.

This is just one example of how special some of these phone calls can be. So many things were shared with our students during calling that at the end of each shift they took it upon themselves to set up a time to pray for those in need. Obviously not all calls are like the example above, and the majority of calls do not get quite so personal. However, the point is that our Phonathon is not just about asking you for money, but also trying to reconnect you with Friends University in a way that you will want to continue to be involved in the life of the University and our students for many years to come.

PLANNED giving



By Nancy Hinten,
Director of Planned Giving

BENNY MEVEY LIVED LIFE FILLED WITH GRACE, AND THAT WAS WHAT EMPOWERED AND DEFINED HIM.

Honoring an Educator's Legacy

Memorial Day has come and gone, just like the people we seek to honor that day.

Some people live their lives for themselves and are soon forgotten. Others live their lives for others, and their legacy extends into the generations to come. This is the case with Dr. Benjamin "Benny" Mevey, G'53. Benny was a servant, actively leading classes, youth groups, and seminars at University Friends Church and other churches; but also in his career as an elementary teacher and principal for 38 years in the Wichita Public Schools, and as a Friends University Board of Trustees member for 10 years. Benny and wife Earlene also hosted more than 500 people through their Shepherd's Rest retreat home.

Benny's broad smile and modest demeanor were hallmarks, as were his organizational skills and leadership acumen. After graduating from Friends University, he continued his master's and doctoral work while becoming the youngest principal ever hired in the Wichita Public Schools in his mid-20s.

Benny was a lifelong learner. It was his habit to read through the Bible every year, so he was powerful intellectually as

well as spiritually. Yet he didn't flaunt it. Benny lived life filled with grace, and that was what empowered and defined him.

After retirement, his commitment to education didn't waver, nor did his longstanding friendships with his fellow educators. To this day, a group of a dozen or more people gathers each month at the Casado Dining Room to share ideas and support each other. So, it was natural that when it came time to designate Benny's memorial funds, Earlene agreed with the group's suggestion to create an education scholarship honoring their mentor and friend.

Earlier this year, the Dr. Benjamin Mevey Teacher of Promise Scholarship was created and will be awarded to a student who has been recognized as a Teacher of Promise by Friends University's Education Division faculty and the Kansas State Department of Education. Benny's character, as expressed through this scholarship, will remain in the world for generations to come, leaving a lasting tribute to him and fellow educators alike.

Albert Pike, a poet and Civil War soldier, once said, "What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us. What we

Benny Mevey, G'53, was born Aug. 17, 1931, and died Oct. 1, 2010. He is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Earlene; son Zane and wife Myra Mevey; daughter Vinene and husband Danny Logan; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.



have done for others and the world remains and is immortal."

Benny's life was full of "doing for others," and we are grateful this scholarship will continue to encourage and promote that same spirit in the recipients of this named scholarship.

If you would like to contribute to the Dr. Benjamin Mevey Teacher of Promise Scholarship, please make your check payable to Friends University, noting the scholarship name in the memo.

If you would like to leave a legacy with Friends University through a planned gift, please don't wait. Call me at 1-800-794-6945, ext. 5820. I would love to help you "do for others!"



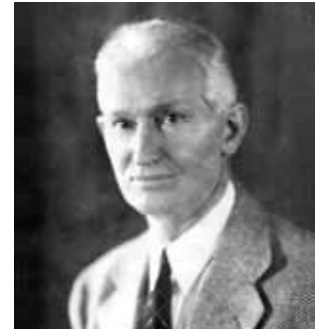
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UPCOMING events



Master of Business Administration graduates Stephen Jones, Jeremy Sekavec, Mario Montoya and Justin Morales gather before the Graduate School Hooding and Commencement ceremony May 7, 2011, at INTRUST Bank Arena in Wichita. Friends University celebrated its 111th annual commencement exercises with ceremonies in Lenexa, Topeka and Wichita, and graduated almost 900 students.

Mark Your Calendars for These **Upcoming Friends University Events ...**

July 25, 2011

Fifth-annual Topeka PACE Scholarship Golf Tournament
Lake Shawnee Golf Course, Topeka

Oct. 1, 2011

Milestone Reunions for Classes of 1961 (50th) and 1986 (25th)

Aug. 26, 2011

Alumni Soccer Games
Wichita Campus

Oct. 1, 2011

Homecoming Parade, Block Party and Carnival
Wichita Campus

Aug. 27, 2011

Alumni Volleyball Game
Wichita Campus

Oct. 31, 2011

Athletic Hall of Fame Nominations Due

Sept. 24, 2011

Alumni Appreciation Tailgate
Wichita Campus

Nov. 12, 2011

Singing Quakers Alumni Concert
Eastminster Presbyterian Church,
Wichita

Sept. 24, 2011

Family of the Year Presentation
Wichita Campus