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Where will the next
fifty years take us?

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**“O H THAT YOU WOULD
BLESS ME INDEED,
AND ENLARGE MY
TERRITORY.” I Chron. 4:10**



Walking from my office towards the main part of our campus, I am in awe of what I see in the distance. Through the swaying trees, I catch a glimpse of a 105 year-old steeple atop our Prayer Chapel, Hulitt Hall in her second century of service, the white pillars of McGehee (built in 1911), and the clock tower of the Mackey Center (eight years young). A few more steps and the rising roofline of the new student apartments comes into view on my left and yet another still ahead on the transformed landscape, their white cupolas glistening in the summer sky.

When alumni were back on campus to record a CD during the choir reunion, I heard so many of them talk about the noticeable changes that have taken place over the last decade. For some, it was their first time back since graduation and they were amazed at the brick and mortar changes. However, when the weekend was over, it was the same alma mater that they loved and remembered.

It is difficult for me to comprehend the impact of all the years York College has provided a faith-based education in America's heartland. Actually, it is impossible. Only God knows the number of students this college has forever changed and in turn, their impact on the world. I cannot fathom the individual sacrifices that have brought us to our 116th year, but God knows every one. There are moments that it seems a daunting task to reach that next tier of excellence as a senior college. Then, God shapes what seems the improbable into a design of His own that transcends our frailty.

What peace knowing York College's future is held securely in His hands! As I approach my eleventh year in this office, I am both humbled and grateful for how He works His will in this institution for His good pleasure. This also is my confidence — the assurance that York College is God-Anointed for growing the Kingdom.

Where will the next half century take us?
Heavenward... of that, I am certain.

Sincerely,

Wayne Baker
President

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(Above) Students cut up for a picture during the spring Pre-Finals Ice Cream Social. (Below) Mr. and Ms. York College recipients Cliff Mullen, a Biblical Studies major from Liberty, MO and Jessica Agler, History major from Wayne, NE with other nominees (l-r): Crystal Soderholm, Kyle Gustafson, Megan Todd, Dan Asperheim, Matt Turvey, Erica Towell, Mark Houston, and Laura Armbrust.



Profile in Excellence

Worth Repeating

Senior Quotes



Kathy (Toillion '80) Sigle has had an interest in art for as long as she can remember. She entered her first art contest at age 6 and won first place. From that point on drawing has been a priority in her life. When Kathy was 10, she was introduced to painting. Living in Argentina at the

time, her mom took portrait lessons from an old master; Kathy was the model. In 1972, the Toillions moved to Pierre, South Dakota and purchased a small amount of land and raised several horses. Kathy loved being around the horses, the hay, the barn, and the cats.

For several years she worked in pencil, drawing many, many ducks and geese which made their home or migrated through that area. She was a teenager when she made her first sale, a pen and ink of a zebra. One of her teachers bought it, and it was very exciting! She attempted her first commission (in acrylic) at 17, but upon completion of the piece, the buyers decided they didn't want it. "That was upsetting to me but I didn't let that stop my desire to be a full time artist," Kathy said.

She exhibited in a couple of very small art shows with her mom before attending York College with her high school sweetheart Jim Sigle. When her dad asked what



Kathy donated a print of "Uncharted Territory" to be displayed in one of the new apartments.

she was going to do with a major in art she said, "I don't know. I just want to be an artist."

After formal art training at York and the University of Nebraska, Kathy and Jim were married in 1982 and settled in Spearfish, South Dakota. A few years later her mom took a watercolor class and fell in love with the medium. She passed that discovery on to her daughter, giving

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In her sophomore year at York College, Kathy was crowned Spring Fete queen alongside Brad Schott as king. She was Vice President of Delta, graphics designer for the newspaper, and participated in intramural sports.

"I'm fulfilling a childhood dream by being here...even the hard times I experienced here were growing moments for me...my classes were transformational."

Megan (McKinney) Todd
Hometown: Lawrence, KS
April 10, 2006

"The relationships here, as well as the academics, have really been a blessing."

Mark Houston
Hometown: York, NE
April 10, 2006

"Other schools may have more class selections, but York College has something more fulfilling—and that's found in the teachers. Here I haven't just been taught literature, but I've been taught about life, and how to live it like Christ. ... We aren't just leaving with book knowledge, but with excellent examples of how to model Christ to others, and that's more valuable than anything any other school can offer."

Laura (Hammond) Armbrust
Hometown: Waukesha, WI
May 4, 2006

"I am convinced that each of our futures are equally important... provided that we give our gifts and our dreams and our plans all back to the Father, because he has made each one of us for something significant. We were made for Him."

Erica Towell
Hometown: Ogallala, NE
May 4, 2006

New Apartments Dedicated & Occupied

Two beautiful apartment buildings off Kiplinger and Delaware Avenues were only dirt and fittings in July. By February, students were carrying boxes and bags into their new homes at the west facility. On March 17, a dedication ceremony marked the beginning of suite living for the York College student.

“Today represents the culmination of years of planning and hard work,” said Dean of Students Barbara Goodwin. “We’ll be able to keep upperclassmen on campus, to help them fully engage in the college experience. We’re blessed to have this facility and staff who know education is about many things. Students come here with anticipation because this is where they grow to know who they will be.”

President Baker agreed that having the students living on campus will be a benefit. “We’re calling our students back to campus,” he said. “We will have a 100 percent campus living policy next year — we believe we’ll be better if we have everyone here.” Baker commended Dean Goodwin and Vice-President Todd Sheldon “for working tirelessly to make this happen.”

Each apartment unit within the buildings houses four students, who have individual bedrooms and share a living room and kitchen. There are also large commons areas on the main floor of each building.

Rusty Ridley, student body president, said the students were excited about the new housing facilities — right in the heart of the campus. “We’re a stone’s throw away” from classes, intramural sports, and the college facilities, Ridley said. “Proximity has a big influence on presence. It’s important for students to be close to where things are happening — it will make a difference with the vitality of our campus.”

After the York College Concert Choir performed a couple of songs and the ribbon was cut, the crowd was allowed to tour the inside of the women’s residence. Since students had already moved in, visitors were able to see what the arrangements were like — and how homey they are.

“We are mindful of the blessings given to York College,” Sheldon said. “And we pray we use these to God’s glory.” □

excerpts by Melanie Wilkinson
Staff Writer, York News-Times

IT’S OFFICIAL: As members of the Concert Choir look on in the background, Chairman of the Board Ed McLoud, Todd Sheldon, Barbara Goodwin, and President Baker cut the ceremonial ribbon to open the Kiplinger Apartments. (top)

WE’RE ALL FAMILY: Dean Goodwin talked about the benefits of having upper classmen living on campus with the new facilities. (middle)

LET’S EAT! Jason Hatton, along with alumni Tim and Tonya Carr and their daughter Timberly, enjoy the spread of food after the dedication ceremony. (bottom)



Home Sweet Home



"It is important for students to be close to where things are happening — it will make a difference with the vitality of our campus."

Rusty Ridley



MOVIN' ON UP: Assisted by Marti Soderholm and David Young, seniors Ambri Merrill and Crystal Soderholm start the moving process with anticipation and great attitudes. (left)



PERSONALIZATION: It didn't take Nicole Melby (on the bed) long to give her room the lived-in look and have Sarah Elmore stop by to use the computer. (right)



AT HOME IN MY OWN KITCHEN: Emily Hastings stocks the shelves of her apartment's kitchenette which she will share with three other roommates. (left)



Andrea Howard is known on campus for her illuminating smile. She doesn't miss the opportunity to beam at President Baker as he presents her diploma. Howard, an Elementary Education major from Delta, Colorado, is the third in her family to graduate from York College.

Pomp and Circumstance

Dean Kenneth Starr Addresses Graduates

by Marcia Schlegelmilch
Staff Writer York News-Times

Family and friends filled the seats of the York City Auditorium as the York College class of 2006, some 98 in all, walked across the stage to receive their diplomas from college president Wayne Baker.

With Pomp and Circumstance the faculty led graduates, attired in black gown and mortar board, into the auditorium.

Baker began his welcome with a brief statement, "Congratulations, go out and get a job, remember the alumni fund, remember York College in your will and thank you for going to school here." Chuckles could be heard from the audience as Baker informed graduates if they thought those were the sum total of his remarks, he was

sorry, it wasn't so.

"You know you didn't get here by yourself," Baker admonished, reminding graduates of the prayers and sacrifices of parents as they waited for this moment.

"You did not get here by yourself, but they couldn't do it for you," Baker told the class of 2006. "With many papers and tests in your past, you did it, and you did it well. Congratulations."

Dean and Professor of Law at Pepperdine University School of Law, Dr. Kenneth Starr, presented the commencement address. Starr is a native of Texas who has served the United States of America in varied capacities during his career in jurisprudence.

"It is a privilege to be here today. I join in congratulating you," said Starr as he recalled comments made by host of NBC's *Meet the Press*, Tim Russert who once told a group of graduates he too had sat through many a commencement address in his life, and couldn't remember a single word from any of them. At which



Dean Kenneth Starr addresses the YC graduates.

While holding his nephew, Dan Asperheim shares a moment with fellow English graduates, Lloyd and Laura (Hammond) Armbrust. Despite giving birth to Emmaline Rogue during the year, Laura stayed very active in numerous campus groups and still managed to graduate Summa Cum Laude with a perfect 4.0 gpa. She was presented the Dean's Award during the ceremony, the highest academic honor given by faculty. (inset) Members of Sigma Tau Delta, the national English honor society, kid around after the ceremony.



time Starr promised to keep his portion of the program to a lean 15 minutes.

By attending college, "you have been able to deepen your ability to learn for a lifetime and also deepen your faith in peace and tranquility.

"I predict you will look back not so much on this day but on these years," Starr told the graduating class.

Traditionally, a commencement speaker is called upon to offer friendly advice, with the expectation graduates would reflect on it. The advice offered up by Starr would be drawn from three stories. First, from the life of a young man of Godly parents who grew up on a farm in Kansas. A young man of good work ethic who went into Kansas City, started a business and prospered. After a time, this young man moved across this land to California, where in 1937, George Pepperdine started a small Christian college in the state.

Pepperdine gave, and you can give too, through lives of purpose.

"It is more blessed to give. Everything you give away you have," quoted Starr, "and everything you hold on to will evaporate."

Starr charged his young audience to consider adopting a nation, offering as an example the story of a lawyer who found himself profoundly moved by the collapse of the Berlin Wall. This attorney felt a call to go help, and has since developed a

relationship with the deeply impoverished nation of Albania, making trips there twice a year to help build and encourage the struggling country.

"That's his vacation, helping spread religious liberty," says Starr as he again asked his audience to "find a place you care for and pray about it." Become a peacemaker and source of reconciliation in our suffering and hurting world. No travel would be required. "Be a binder of wounds," as Abraham Lincoln said shortly after his inaugural.

In his closing admonition, Starr asked that graduates, "Be bold regarding the greatness to which you are capable," as he recalled a story told by Bishop Desmond Tutu of an odd looking bird — who behaved like a chicken.

One day the owner of the chicken had a visitor who remarked, "Hey, that's no chicken, that's an eagle."

"No," said the farmer, "that's a chicken. It behaves like a chicken."

But the knowledgeable man took the strange looking chicken and climbed a hill. The bird shook itself, unveiled its feathers, lifted off and flew away.

God sees all of us as eagles, "to

soar and rise to become what God wants us to be. God bless you and my heartfelt congratulations. God's speed," said Starr in closing. □

Dr. James Hinkle and Dr. Shane Mountjoy share the graduation garb as colleagues. Hinkle, who is now on the college's Board of Trustees, served on the Bible faculty when Mountjoy was a student. Dr. Mountjoy was voted Teacher of the Year by the current student body. After sixteen years in the History Department, Professor Mountjoy is trading in the syllabi to take on his new duties as Dean of Students. The medallion they each are wearing is given to the Dale R. Larsen Teacher of Achievement recipient. This year the award was presented to John I. Baker III, Associate Professor of Communication and Chair of the Division of Humanities. Baker is beginning his tenth year at York College.





“**W**here there is
no vision, the
people perish...”

Proverbs 29:18.

In the parable of the talents (Matthew 25), the master gives three servants different amounts according to their ability. Two servants traded with their talents and gained more. One servant hid his talent in the ground. The two who saw an increase were commended for a good job as faithful servants and rewarded with more. The one was condemned as wicked and lazy and had his talent taken away.

This parable is often used to prompt consideration of how we use our talents for the Kingdom. I see this parable as one of stewardship with three components regarding how we use our money, talents, and opportunities. “For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either.” (I Timothy 6:7). In fact, God owns everything (Psalm 50, Haggai 2:8, Job 12, Col. 1:16-17, among others) and we are merely stewards of those resources. A steward is one who manages another’s property, finances, or other affairs. It is the responsible management of something entrusted to one’s care.

Stewardship begins the day we are born. While technically, stewardship responsibilities may end upon death, it extends beyond death, because proper estate planning may allow for the greatest use of what God has entrusted to all of us.

Proper stewardship requires time and planning so that resources are not wasted. It is a process to follow God’s law while taking advantage of man’s laws regarding taxes and other related issues. Proper planning can negate potential waste due to taxes and estate administration costs. Proper financial stewardship applies to savings, retirement planning, and estate planning, as well as other areas, to not waste God’s resources.

As you consider your financial and estate planning, I encourage considering it from a stewardship viewpoint. Not only will you be greatly rewarded, but also able to make a great impact on the Kingdom.

If you would like more information on planned gift options, stewardship concepts, or hosting a financial/estate planning workshop (including Principles of Christian Stewardship), please feel free to contact me at (402) 363-5660 or bmlones@york.edu.

Billy M Lones

Billy Lones, JD
Planned Gifts Officer



Round Up 2006



Eight states were represented in this year’s Round Up, a week-long retreat for those 55 and up. With the theme “On the Trail with Lewis and Clark,” organizers didn’t have to go far for the guest presenter - York College’s own history professor and author, Tim McNeese, who has in recent years taken several groups on the expedition trail.



Round Up participants also enjoyed daily Bible classes and special presentations by YC faculty. During craft time each day, they worked on leather paintings and keepsake bags, lead by Bev McNeese and Darlene Baker.

Tuesday night’s theme dinner and costume contest saw the majority dressed in attire from that time period. Carved roast beef and chicken along with lots of “fixin’s” graced the menu, topped with a piece of strawberry rhubarb pie ala mode for dessert. The Beaver Creek Folk Music Society, made up of local musicians, performed some old favorites as part of the week’s theme.

On Thursday, the group boarded two chartered buses and traveled to Nebraska City. Among the stops were the Lied Lodge, Arbor Day Farm Tree Adventure, Arbor Mansion, and the Missouri River Basin Lewis and Clark Interpretive Trail Visitor Center.



The grand finale for the week was an awards luncheon at York’s famous Chances “R” restaurant and then a formal banquet at the college’s Mackey Center. The evening ended with entertainment from a local quartet followed by a talent show and sing-along.

Round Up dates for 2007 are set for May 20-26. Registration questions can be addressed to Gayle Good, 1125 E 8th St, York, NE 68467 or email her at gagood@york.edu.



Alumni renew friendships and musical ties during reunion

The Alumni Choir Reunion was a wonderful success with 103 participating in the weekend, representing 17 states and six decades of alumni. For some, it was the first time since their York days to see classmates, fellowship over meals, and “share the risers” again.

After two days of rehearsing 17 songs, the recording Saturday night went off without a hitch. In fact, it was so well done that every song but one was a first-take; the only second-take required was due to a wayward cell phone. CDs will be available in a couple of months for sale; all of those who attended will receive a complimentary copy.

Even after hours of rehearsals and the recording, the choir was gracious in accepting an invitation to give a very memorable performance Sunday morning during the Bible class hour.

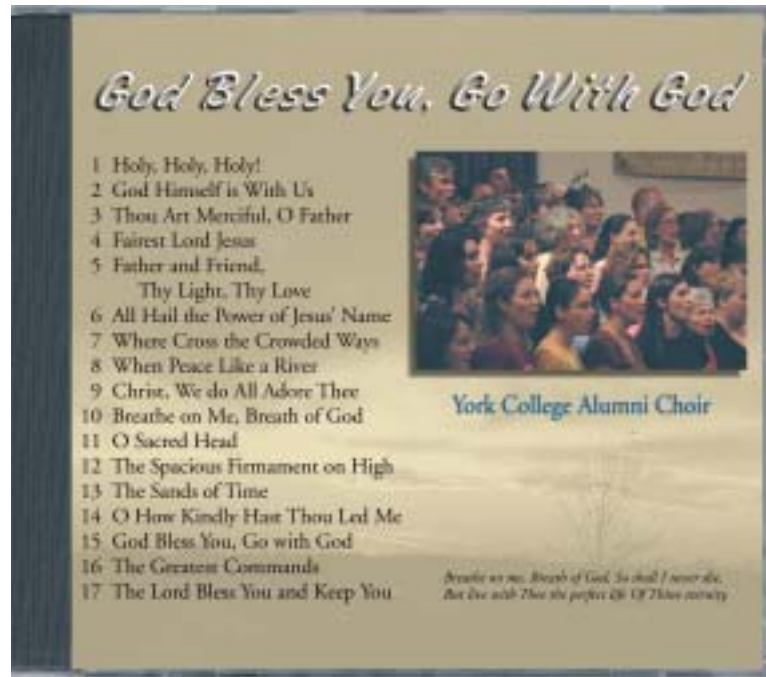
A special thanks to Sue Roush for organizing this reunion and making it run smoothly and to Dr. Clark Roush for masterfully conducting such a large

group. In a letter to the choir, Dr. Roush wrote, “There are no words to describe how moved and touched I was by your willingness to commit yourselves to principles of excellence. Bringing spiritual music to life for others is demanding and detailed work - you were stellar!!! This side of heaven, one of the greatest blessings I encounter is mak-



ing great music in a great way with great people - I experienced that again this past weekend.”

Talley (Banning '98) Morrow had this to say, “Words cannot express how wonderful it was to be with you all and



sing with you again. I needed to be filled up again, and now I am overflowing... May there be many more for us!!” □

Top right: Brenda (Collins '74) Onstead, Sharla (Sikes '73) Marcum, and Cathie Sims ('75) spent a lot of time together during the breaks. Above: The CD that was recorded during the reunion will be dedicated in memory of Dr. Elmer Baker. Left: The first rehearsal utilized the Prayer Chapel's great acoustics. Below: Dr. Roush is moved by the music as he listens to a playback of the recording. Bottom: The choir represented 50 years of singers beginning with Echo (McGuire) Griffeth - front center - who was in the 1956 York A Cappella Chorus. Her husband Ron (back row) transferred in the following year.





Lincoln Ave. York, NE (1950)

Life Journey Stories of York College legacy Alumni

Drs. Harold & Harriet (Thomas) Walker

When Harold and Harriet (Thomas) Walker wed in 1949, just after graduating from York College, both had already had a number of adventures. He served for three years in the US military as a B29 pilot during WWII. She grew up as a missionary kid in Sierra Leone, West Africa. After leaving York, the thrill-seeking twosome moved to the Alaskan Territory—before it became a state in 1959—where they “pioneered” in a little village that had no running water, electricity, plumbing, or phone service” for two years, according to Harriet.

Harriet recently had a book published based on this period in their lives. Called *Your Alaskan Daughter*, her book is based on letters that she wrote to her mother (then the manager of the York College bookstore) and others during their Alaskan sojourn. The book discusses many things of interest about life in Alaska; it also talks about York College

history, as Harriet corresponds with her mother about the possible closing of the college.

Harold is also an author, having published his book *A B29*

Pilot's Overseas Diary: The End and Aftermath of World War II in 2002. His book is based on the personal diary he kept while serving in Tinian and the Philippines in 1945 and 1946. In his book he shares a thrilling story about bailing out of a plane that was going down over the ocean, and becoming a member of the Caterpillar Club—servicemen whose lives were saved by a parachute. Harold was so grateful for his properly packed chute, he not only tracked down the packer to thank him personally, he also saved the parachute with the intention of having it made into a wedding gown when he found a bride.

Later in life, both Harold

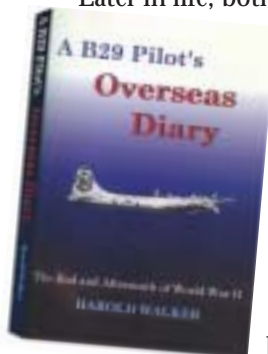
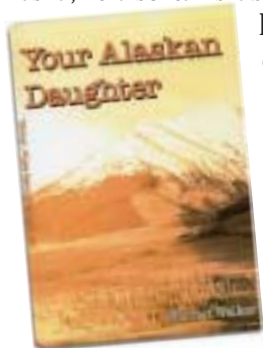
and Harriet went on to earn doctoral degrees, he in Public Administration, and she in Foundations of Education. They have used their talents in many capacities: as teachers, lay ministers, public

speakers, and church and school administrators, among other things. They enjoy hosting summer day-camps for children on their land in northern Idaho. Currently, they are living in Decorah, Iowa. □



To contact the Walkers about their books, email them at hwalker4@mindspring.com

(Above) Overseas Diary entry pg. 67: *My bride, Harriet, in the altered parachute. Its beauty as a bridal gown rivaled its beauty as a blossoming canopy easing me into the ocean.* (Left) Harold in the spirit of last year's alumni reunion, wearing his letterman's sweater.



For the Love of Ministry



Long time York College faculty member Dr. Dottie Schulz has resigned her teaching post to continue her work with

Missions Resource Network, a Texas-based non-profit ministry that serves missionaries and church planting groups.

Schulz has been a part of MRN since its inception in 1998, when she became a board member. In 2004, Schulz announced that she would be taking a three-year leave of absence to work full-time at MRN as the Director for Missionary Care. In January, she decided to make that change permanent, resigning from York College with plans to stay on at MRN.

Schulz is highly qualified for her position at MRN, as she and her late-husband Tom, served as missionaries for 15 years in Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Both graduated from York College, and later went on to earn their doctoral degrees from UNL, specializing in missionary reentry. Both taught at YC for many years and became a vital part of campus life. Dottie served YC as an Assistant Professor of Family Studies from 1978-1985, and a Professor of Psychology and Family Studies from 1991-2006. She was also the Director of the Counseling Center, and the Coordinator of the Crisis Management Program. Both she and Tom were integral to the work of the Master's Apprentice Program (MAP), a missions program designed for college students.

"It is a difficult decision to leave York College because it was Tom's and my physical and spiritual home when we were in Holland and after our return," said Schulz in an email to President Baker. "I am totally convinced that I am in this place because this is where God wants me to be. I just felt God called me here and I needed to be obedient to that call. Everything I have ever learned from every paid and unpaid job I have ever held is useful in this place. It is like God

had been grooming me all along for this unique position."

When asked what she will miss most about York, Dottie's response was an emotional list of things that make up the YC experience. "What will I miss most? Everything! Friday chapels... Sunday evening student worship... speaking to the students in chapel... a good interchange with students in class on most any controversial topic... hearing a student yell out "Dottie" and come running up to join me... special dinners with faculty and staff... impromptu parties... Songfest... the plays... the choir concerts... the Chamber Singers... the baptisms that take place at midnight... having 30 students in my house to eat every Sunday evening.... MY FRIENDS..... what will I not miss?"

There were also a few comments she wanted to share especially with the students at YC: "I love you. Your generation is one of the most spiritual I've seen in a long time. I love the way you love Jesus and hate religion! Jesus hated religion. I love the way you

feel about community! Jesus loved community! I love the way you want to serve - the sacrifices you will make to do God's will. I love it that you want to be mentored. Seek out Godly mentors and measure them by God's word. Don't lose these things. Don't ever stop loving God and seeking after Him and loving the communities you form around Jesus. Hang in there! Your future is more uncertain, but your love for God will help you survive. Go Panthers!" □

by Chrystal Houston



(as seen on the MRN website www.mrn.org)

PBL-SIFE Team Wins State & Regional Awards

The York College Phi Beta Lambda-Students In Free Enterprise Team received eight individual first place awards at the State Leadership Conference this spring. In addition, the chapter received awards for projects done in the York community throughout the year: Gold Level Excellence Award; 1st for the American Enterprise Report, 1st for the Partnership with Business Report; 3rd for the chapter's Community Service Project and a certificate for 2nd Place for Largest 4-year college Percentage Increase of Membership.

Dr. Shawn Bengtson ('80), Portfolio Manager at Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society in Omaha, was honored as the Nebraska Businessperson of the Year.

The following week, SIFE members returned to York as winners after participating in the Denver, Colorado, SIFE USA Regional Competition on March 29. The event was one of 17 SIFE USA Regional Competitions being held across the U.S.

During the year, the York College SIFE



PBL-SIFE: (1st row) Loba Ogunmola, Bobbie Reeves, Vanessa Turvey, Kristen Poppe, Megan Munsell, and Jordan Fortmeyer; (back row) Jared Bady, Brien Alley, Matt Turvey, Josh Rinard, and Dustin Hancock.

Team organized 23 projects in the York community, logging over 1,000 hours of work and impacting over 4,000 people from elementary age to adult.

After presenting a report of their year-long community outreach projects to a panel of business leaders, the York College SIFE Team was named 1st Runner Up in the overall competition and a finalist in the SIFE USA GE Consumer Products Program Sustainability Competition.

The Sounds of Music

The York College Concert Choir and the York Area Children's Choir teamed up for a remarkable cultural event that may have been unlike any other in Nebraska.

Setting the bar higher than ever with the addition of a 25-piece professional orchestra, along with soloists Sue Roush and Tod Martin, the two choral groups at 116 strong, performed John Rutter's *Mass of the Children*. This recent work by the famed British composer incorporates adult voices and the pure tones of a children's choir to create a magnificent effect.

Conductors Toni Hess (Children's Choir) and Dr. Clark Roush (York College) combined their efforts for the past few months to bring this concert together. "I feel that *Mass of the Children* is a significant new piece of music that needs to be shared with singers and audiences alike," said Roush a few days before the concert.

"Being fortunate enough to have an exceptional children's choir in the same town, it seemed like a good artistic decision. I am most grateful for Mrs. Hess agreeing to do this, and for her hard work in preparing the children's choir. It is an absolute thrill for me to be able to offer this musical gift to the campus and community."

Mass Of The Children made its debut at Carnegie Hall in February 2003. It was Rutter's first major work in over ten years. The five movements are I. Kyrie, II. Gloria, III. Sanctus and

Friday night's performance brought out the very best of seasoned musicians and young voices alike. From the top: Dr. Roush directs the combined choirs and orchestra; Tod Martin, YC Director of External Relations, and Sue Roush, Senior Development Officer, sing a duet through the Agnus Dei movement; from the spotlights' view, the camera lens couldn't quite capture all the performers on stage.



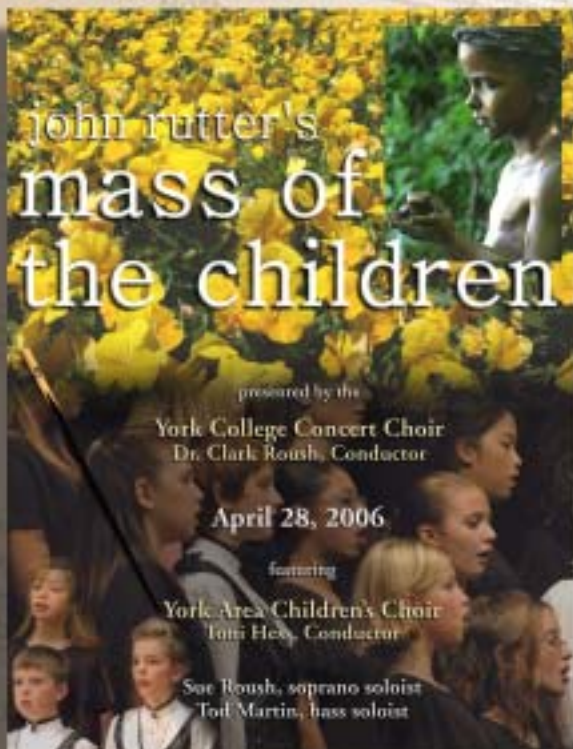
Benedictus, IV. Agnus Dei and V. Finale. Roush said the movement back and forth between Latin and English offers a rare treat to the audience.

"This is just a marvelous work. I think it's the first time in Nebraska that it's been performed with a full orchestra."

An anonymous donor generously provided the majority of the funds for the orchestra, keeping the ticket prices affordable at just \$5 per seat.

With anticipation Roush added, "I'm hoping people will understand the magnitude of the event and that the place will be packed."

He got his wish as over 700 filled the theatre and became part of something very wonderful. It was an evening of rare and special beauty, and for many, the performance of a lifetime. □





Pig Smooching Raises Funds for Local Boy

by Chrystal Houston

A week long fundraising effort on the York College campus netted \$3,052.36 for Dylan Odom, a local 9-year-old that has been battling cancer for two years. The fundraiser was a competition between five YC personalities, to see who would get the most monetary votes. The prize for the contest winner? A public display of affection with a pig at half-time of a men's basketball game.

"I would kiss the ugliest sow in Nebraska if it would just bring a smile to that boy's face," said Dr. Robert Lester, Vice President of Academic Affairs, who was the unfortunately popular candidate forced to kiss the pig.

Lester said he was a little concerned about getting up close and personal with the pig as he said, "I have hunted her relatives and barbequed them...I wasn't sure if she held a family grudge or not." Lester also suggested that the contest was rigged, and that it should have been Campus Minister Tim Lewis that had to smooch the porcine valentine.

The fundraiser was a service project that the York College Student Government Association put to-

gether, under the direction of Crystal Soderholm, Service Projects Coordinator. The five YC personalities involved were Lester and Lewis, Student Body President Rusty Ridley, Assistant Manager of Facilities Dennis Leinen, and Athletic Director Chris Luther.

Though the fundraiser was fun for the students, it was for a very important cause. "It was very humbling," said Rachel Odom, Dylan's mother. "You're deductible resets in January, so it's very helpful to have this extra." Dylan and Rachel would soon spend two weeks in Omaha for a final round of radiation. □

In March, it was official. Dylan was cancer free, and the church family at East Hill threw a "No-More-Chemo Party". Dylan's dad, David, who graduated from York College in 2000, talked about the incredible support they had received over the past two years, crediting the college students with a big part of their faith walk.



Amanda Baldwin holds the pig steady while Dr. Lester introduces himself.



Tyler, Dylan, Rachel, and David were all appreciative of the work put into the fundraiser.



YC Professor Featured on National Television

by Chrystal Houston

York College History professor, Tim McNeese made his debut on national television this past winter, appearing on the History Channel's presentation: *Risk Takers, History Makers: John Wesley Powell and the Grand Canyon*. The hour long program premiered primetime at 7:00 p.m. February 28 and ran twice again in March. McNeese was the documentary's consulting historian, providing background and biographical information on John Wesley Powell.

The subject of the program, one-armed explorer John Wesley Powell, was the first person to lead an expedition down the uncharted portion of the Colorado River in 1869. His voyage included passing through the Grand Canyon, a feat never before accomplished.

"Powell really was the last great American explorer," noted McNeese. "After him, there wasn't much left to 'discover' in the American West, which makes his expedition that much more important."

Powell's expedition party, which included nine other men, faced grueling challenges as they negotiated passages through hundreds of river rapids. Their food supplies became wet and spoiled, and the expedition faced near starvation before completing their journey through the Grand Canyon. McNeese participated in physical challenges designed to replicate incidents Powell and his men experienced during their 100-day, 1,000-mile journey down the Colorado River.

The series' host, Chris Warner, along with Greg Davenport, and McNeese were required to row a 19th century wooden rowboat over a dozen rapids, free

float a set of rapids, be plucked from a rock surrounded by rapids during a mock rescue after a simulated boat wreck, line a boat with ropes through rocky rapids, and scale canyon walls.

This was the first project of this type McNeese had been involved in. "I never thought I'd do something like this...I mean, you watch some of these programs and think, 'hey, I could do that,' but that's not really the same," said McNeese.

YC doesn't have to worry about McNeese 'quitting his day job' to pursue a career as a TV historian, though. "[this opportunity] just showed up out of the blue, and I've enjoyed it, but it's just gravy for me. It's not where I've geared my career," he said. "I don't sit around thinking, gee, I wonder when the next one's going to come along."

The episode of *Risk Takers, History Makers* was made as a pilot for a History Channel series. Even though it was not made into a series, McNeese was excited to see the finished product on TV. "I'm happy with it. They've done a good job with the editing," said McNeese.

As if it were a movie premier, many of the college family gathered in McGehee Hall to watch the airing of the documentary. Complete with popcorn and other refreshments, the program was projected on a wall where McNeese almost appeared larger than life.

McNeese has hosted additional viewings of the exploration with civic groups and special college events such as High School Days and Round Up. York College's national celebrity also gave ra-

dio and TV interviews about the filming. However, when asked how all the attention in the limelight compares with becoming a grandfather... two times over... (Ethan Brooks Dickinson – Feb. 1st and Adrianna Elena McNeese – March 4th), he quickly put things in perspective. "It doesn't compare at all. The highlight of my spring was being there when my grandchildren were born." □

As author of a biography on Marco Polo, McNeese recently previewed and edited the entry on Polo for the 2007 edition of the World Book Encyclopedia. He has also been approached by National Geographic to be a potential consulting historian for a program on The Great Wall of China. Currently, McNeese is planning his 86th book, a joint venture with YC faculty and authors Dr. Shane Mountjoy and Dr. Larry Van Meter. Their eight book series will cover the early colonial settlements.



In May, McNeese was the featured lecturer during Round Up, York College's annual elder hostel. After watching the documentary on Powell's expedition, McNeese answered questions on the filming.



Williams Signs with the Chicago Cubs

NAIA All-American slugger Jeremy Williams is one of those rare exceptions to the rule, extending his playing days beyond those of college ball. On May 7, the 6'5" centerfielder, signed with the Chicago Cubs at the conclusion of the conference baseball tournament. This is the first time in the history of York College that a player has signed a professional major league baseball contract, and along with the contract Williams received a \$7500 bonus for signing early.

"Three years ago the road I was on was a tough one. The life I was living was in and out of things I wasn't suppose to be doing, then I came here and the experience changed my whole life," Williams said. "Coach (Nick) Harlan and Coach (Brian) Walth helped me tremendously, and words can't express what they have done for me. They have helped me out through everything and right now I am overwhelmed. I have built a friendship with Coach Harlan that will last a life time."



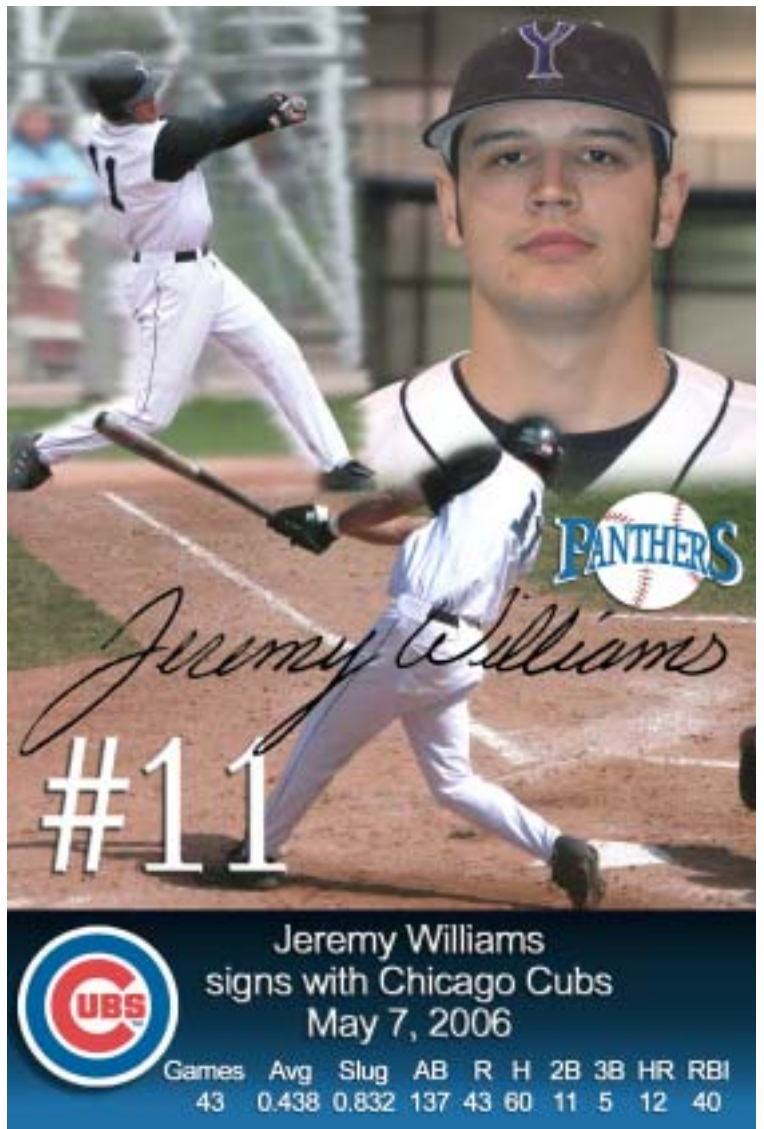
Jeremy inks his contract with the Chicago Cubs as Tom Schaefer, a scout for the organization, looks on.

In an interview with York News-Times Sports Editor, Ken Kush, Williams said the whole thing was still kind of a blur, and that he hadn't really taken in all of what had recently transpired.

"It really hasn't sunk in yet. I'm excited and living every

kid's dream, and I am looking forward to the privilege of playing for the Cubs organization," said Williams. "This is a brotherhood here at York College and we help each other out. All my teammates have been 100 percent behind me on this, and I really can't say enough about them. I'll never forget the friendships I have built here."

Williams is from Dyer, Arkansas and transferred to York from North Arkansas Community College. He led the team this season in batting average (0.438) and in homeruns (12). He was voted Region IV Player of the Year and he was the unanimous choice by the conference coaches for MCAC Player of the Year.



Jeremy Williams signs with Chicago Cubs May 7, 2006

Games	Avg	Slug	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI
43	0.438	0.832	137	43	60	11	5	12	40

When asked if the Cubs were one of his favorite teams growing up, Williams adjusted the new Cubs hat he was wearing, and said, "They are now, no doubt about it." □



Harbin

Terrell Harbin, junior from Rodeo, CA was also named to the All-Conference Team and three players garnered Honorable Mention: Dutch Lawson, Joe Collier, and Angelo Tavelli. Tavelli also extended his playing days, signing with the Chico Outlaws, a member of the Golden Baseball League.



Tavelli

Softball Wins 31 Games on the Season

At the end of the regular season, Coach Rex Reynolds' softball team was ranked second in Region IV behind Peru State. In the first game of the conference tournament, they earned their 30th win of the season.

In Regional play, the Lady Panthers won their first game against Southwestern College, winner of the KCAC regular season conference. They lost their next two games, both going extra innings.

Sara Slovacek, Broomfield, CO freshman, was

named to the All Region Team as the DP, becoming the first York College softball player to receive a Regional honor. The Panthers finished their stellar season 31-23.



Slovacek

Slovacek was named First Team All-Conference, and three lady Panthers were named 2nd Team: Carrie Bartley, Niki Ploen, and Laura Crowson. Samantha Goldammer and Jenny Nesladek were Honorable Mention. □





Wrestling Program Produces First All-American



Greg Smith takes the podium after earning fifth place in the 125 pound weight division at Nationals. Smith became the first Panther grappler to make All-American status.

In the second season of collegiate wrestling, York College qualified three wrestlers for the NAIA National Championships in Sioux City, Iowa. Freshman Weston Fleming (at 157) and senior Lewis Settle (at 149) joined senior 125-pounder Greg Smith for the trip to Iowa to square off against some of the nation's best collegiate wrestlers.

Fleming and Settle found the competition stiff, as both Panthers went 0-2 in the tournament. Smith, a Concordia, KS native who at one time in the season was ranked as high as fourth nationally, had better success with his opponents. After gaining a first round bye, Smith went 3-2 for the tournament finishing fifth



Greg Smith (right) squares off against Delrico Choates of Cumberland, KY in the 125 pound semifinals of the NAIA National Championships. Choates went on to a first place finish while Smith finished fifth, earning All-American honors.

and earning the wrestling program's first All-American honor.

"Making All-American and being the first for York College is a great feeling for me, but I'm hoping more that it helps put York College wrestling on the map. I'm just grateful to everyone who has supported me and supported York College wrestling over the years," said Smith.

Smith may not be competing anymore, but wrestling will still be a part of his life, as he plans on assisting York College wrestling head coach Jordan Nichols in the upcoming season. □

Three NCCAA All-Americans in Track & Field

Three track and field athletes came home with NCCAA All-American honors after participating in the 2006 NCCAA Indoor Championships in Upland, Indiana. McCool Junction, NE senior Michelle Green's shot put mark of 40' placed her 2nd in the event. Freshman Shirley Knight of Torrance, CA earned All-American honors in three events with 2nd place finishes in the 55-meter hurdles (8.97 seconds) and the long jump (17' 2.5") and 3rd place in the triple jump (35' 5"). Justin Carver, senior decathlon standout from Boys Ranch, TX, long jumped 22' 6.5" for 2nd place.

All three athletes competed well in the outdoor season earning All-Conference honors along with 2nd Team All-Conference Jennifer Peterson and Michael Carney. Green and Carver along

with Naples, ID senior marathon runner Martin White, qualified for the NAIA Track and Field Championships in Fresno, California. □



Green



Knight



Carver



Henwood



Kernagis



Lewis

Repeat MCAC Champs

The men's golf team enjoyed a very successful program in its seventh season. Repeating their outstanding performance from last year in postseason play, they again won the MCAC championship with Alberta, Canada sophomore Trevor Henwood as the individual medalist. Henwood and Robbie Kernagis, junior from Mesa, AZ, were named First Team All-Conference and David Romero and Jon Roberts were Honorable Mention. The team went on to place third in Regionals with three players finishing in the top ten. Coach Tim Lewis was once again named Conference Coach of the Year.

For the ladies, Brandi Watkins and Hazley Hamm also earned MCAC Honorable Mention, finishing in the top ten at both the conference and regional tournaments. □

Basketball Seasons Completed with High Honors



Wellman

Ashley Wellman, 6'2" junior center from York was named to the 2005-06 NAIA Div. II Women's Basketball All-American team as an Honorable Mention selection. Wellman led the Lady Panthers in scoring and rebounds for the season and an appearance in the Midlands Collegiate Athletic Conference tournament. She was also named MCAC All Conference First Team.

Adrianna Martin and Lizdeika Rivera were named MCAC All Conference Honorable Mention for the 2005-06 season.

Throughout the season, Nate Harris, 6'3" senior guard from Gardner, KS led his team in total field goals, three-point baskets and percentage, and free throw percentage. He was twice chosen for MCAC Player



Harris

of the Week honors and was awarded MCAC First Team honors along with teammate Andrew Ford, junior guard from Omaha, NE.

Even though his college career is over, Harris kept his basketball dreams alive, signing this spring with the Cranes, a USBL team in Kearney, Nebraska. □



Ford

YORK COLLEGE ALUMNI



1962

Dr. Arthur and Jacqueline (Thayer '61) Williams have called it quits in Louisiana. After the experience of staying in their stilt home during Hurricane Katrina and going through major renovations, they've sold their house and retired to Tennessee. They're near their son Dustin's family and one state closer to their son Kenyon's family. 4330 Kinney's Rd, Springfield, TN 37172 jlwmusic@cablone.net

1966

Phillip and Joy (Voraritskul) Rogers live at 201 Tampico St, Irving, TX 75062. Phillip is a Director of Eniva and Joy is the Executive Director of Prepaid Legal. Their oldest son, Capt. Eric Rogers, is stationed in Iraq and will be returning to the states in October. Joy returned to campus to sing in the Alumni Choir Reunion. joyvhuang@yahoo.com

1969

Kim and Diane Harvey are proud grandparents of three: Chase (6), Cole (2), and Conner (2). Kim is a Section Supervisor for Idaho Dept. of Corrections, Probation and Parole, and Diane is a Dental Hygienist at Benchmark Dentistry. 943 Vista Dr, Nampa, ID 83686 kimbo_84@cablone.net

1970

Ronald and Marilyn (Pollard) Norris are retired and have a new address: 10307 E Danforth Rd, Arcadia, OK 73007. mkn016@wmconnect.com
Dorothy (Jacobson) Smestad has moved from Alaska back to the plains into the house built for her great grandparents: PO Box 753, St. Francis, KS 67756. Her husband Randy will make the move next year when he retires from the Post Office. fuzzypaws@sbcglobal.net
Steve and Diana (Foncannon) Webb recently returned from a five year career assignment in Nigeria. Steve is a Supervisor for ExxonMobil

and Diana is a teacher. They have three grown sons: Jadon, Ryan, and Blake. 13330 Scamp, Cypress, TX 77429 steve.webb@exxonmobil.com

1972

Dr. Dottie Schulz recently retired from her position at York College and is the Director for Missionary Care at Missions Resource Network near Dallas. 7016 Sao Paulo Ct, North Richland Hills, TX 76180 dottie.schulz@mnet.org

1973

Jeffery Kelley (pictured on the far right) hosts his annual Christmas party billed as "Kabab Kef with Chef Jeff", roasting several pounds of



marinated lamb. The flag in the background is Armenian, the first country to adopt Christianity as their official national religion in 305 A.D. Jeff came to YC on a baseball scholarship and won the conference batting title in '73. He is a filmmaker and operates Studio Kelley. Currently he has scripts being considered by a number of Hollywood agencies. 9229 Lubeck St, Downey, CA 90240 studiokelley@yahoo.com

1974

Bob and Deborah (Bradley) Kruse were married Sept. 17, 2005. Bob is a mechanical engineer and Deborah teaches kindergarten at Character Counts Charter School. Both are very active in music ministry at their church. 4348 N Windridge Loop, Tucson, AZ 85749 auntdebbie@earthlink.net

1976

Russell Scott is the Director of Allegro Music Academy which is in its second year, targeting homeschoolers (and others) with music classes and private lessons. His wife Kathy is the Financial Secretary for Waterview CofC. They have two grown children: Christine and David. 1331 Chippewa Dr, Richardson, TX 75080 rdskws@aol.com
Ralph and Lara (Johnson) Fredericksen live at 407 Anise Place, Kissimmee, FL 34759 where Lara owns and operates Lara Fredericksen Photography. Ralph is a retired Union Pacific programmer. They have one daughter Amalia (13). laradfreder@aol.com

1978

Mathew Schlechter has moved: 3131 W 12th St Apt 207, Sioux Falls, SD 57104 mathew28b@yahoo.com

1979

Cindy Ogden has retired from teaching and lives at #34 Teakwood Ln, Abilene, TX 79601. She taught ten years in Abilene and one year in China (ESL). cinko58@sbcglobal.net

1980

Dr. Shawn Bengtson was awarded by the York College PBL-SIFE chapter Nebraska Businessperson of the Year. She is a Portfolio Manager at Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society in Omaha. 201 Kings Dr, Bellevue, NE 68005 csb1260@juno.com

1981

Don Braby, Milestones, pg 19

1982

Greg and Mary (Dean) Horton have moved across the country from Portland, Oregon to near Pittsburg, Pennsylvania: 512 Sword Dance Pl, Cranberry TWP, PA 16066. Greg is the Director of Product Management and Marketing for M*Modal. gmhorton@zoominternet.net

1982

Richard L. High, professional remodeler and Spirit Aerospace mechanic, passed away Feb. 19, 2006. Rick was born in Wichita and was a life-long resident of the area. He was a much loved husband, father, son, and brother. Rick's loves were his family, his many friends, and the outdoors. He is survived by his loving wife, Karolyn, daughters: Jessica and Allison, father, Jim High, mother and step-father, Elaine and Eddie Barber, siblings: **Bob ('80)**, **David ('80)**, **Jimmie**, **Mary Calvert ('83)**, and Cheryl Wintermantel. 9917 Briarwood St, Wichita, KS 67212



1961-2006

1984

Lamona Bird adopted Amber (11), Austin (10), and J.J. (8) in December, 2005 and is currently trying to adopt another niece, Jasmine (10), who has lived with her the last seven years. Lamona is an Avionic Assembler at Raytheon. 2142 W 17th St, Wichita, KS 67203

Dr. Kelley (Keller) Ritter earned her Ph.D. from the Univ. of Missouri - Columbia in 2004. She is the Coordinator of the Family and Consumer Sciences program in the School of Health Promotion and Human Development at the Univ. of Wisconsin in Stevens Point. She has two dogs: Mic and Jagger. 1200 North Point Apt C-11, Stevens Point, WI 54481 Kelley.Ritter@uwsp.edu

1986

Scott and Lisa Harris have

relocated in South Africa: P.O. Box 506, Duiwelskloof, SA 0385. They are missionaries with African Outreach Min. Scott serves as an advisor and trainer of Africans who are planting churches and Lisa is an author, writing Christian fiction for women: www.lisaharriswrites.com. They have three children: Gabriel (9), Mariah (7), and Jayden (5) sgharris@mac.com

1986

Brad and Dawn Fisher have been married for four years and live at 11020 SW Esquiline Circus, Portland, OR 97219. Brad coaches youth sports and travels for his company as a Broadcast Sales Associate. Dawn owns Charisma Salon and runs a wedding photography/videography company in her spare time. Both Linden (16) and Camryn (12) are very active in sports. fisherbrad2@comcast.net

1988

Monte and Evelyn (Cox) Bryant have relocated to their sixth state since their York days. Monte is a Right of Way Land Agent for Wilbanks Resource Corp. and Evelyn is a homemaker. They have two sons: Justin (12) and Jordan (10). 8824 Wagon Trail, Aubrey, TX 76227 evmonte@sbcglobal.net

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Dave and **Jeannie (Romans) Miller**, have a new address: 603 East 4½ St South, Newton, IA 50208. Dave is a tank tester for Shirley Environmental and Jeannie is a Supported Community Living Caseworker for Lutheran Services of Iowa. They have two children: Mackenzie (14) and Tori (13). jeanniemiller@yahoo.com

Steve Simpson is in his third year of being the Worship Minister for Rolling Hills CofC and teaches Teen Leadership for DeSoto ISD. His wife Kristen is an elem. teacher for Cedar Hill ISD. They have two girls: Madison (6) and Ella (2). 618 Magnolia Ln, Glenn Heights, TX 75154 stevesim35@sbcglobal.net

1990

Brett and Beth (Tomasson) Crummer, moved to Redding last March to expand Brett's business as a Financial Analyst for Primerica Financial Services. Beth is a Furniture Sales Assoc. at Gottschalks. They have two sons: Hayden (9) and Colin (5). 20509 Duryee Ln, Redding, CA 96002 bbhccrummer@hotmail.com

Kevin and Traci Morkassel live at 18864 W Deerpath, Wildwood, IL 60030. Kevin preaches for the Waukegan CofC. Traci is a teacher with Woodland School Dist. #50. They have two children: Kaitlin (12) and Kelsey (11). kevin@wcoc.net

BORN

To **Miles and Tiffany (Sparks) '97) Baum**, a boy, Landen Cash, Feb. 8, 2005. Miles is a Financial Consultant with Principal and Tiff is at home with Landen. 15231 R St, Omaha, NE 68137 Baum.miles@principal.com millsparks@cox.net

1991

Armando and Cheryl Gonzales have moved back to Nebraska: 2802 Shirley Rd, North Platte, NE 69101. Armando is the Pulpit Minister at the Walker Road CofC. They have two children: Elijah (12) and Elizabeth (9). jesusnarmando@hotmail.com

1992

Darren and Laura (Lucas) Johnson were married in 2003 and live at 719 West Vermilion, Catlin, IL 61817. Darren is the Minister at the Catlin CofC and Laura teaches Spanish for Westville Public Schools. lauralucas@yahoo.com

1993

BORN

To **Ming and Michiko (Dawson) Lee**, a boy, Holden Takaski, Sept. 26, 2005. Ming is a Financial Analyst for CB Richard Ellis Investors and Michiko teaches special education in the Torrance Unified School Dist. 2110 Artesia Blvd B105, Redondo Beach, CA 90278 michiko_lee_dawson@yahoo.com

1994

Jason and Amy Carnes have a new address: 268 W Settlers Trail, Casa Grande, AZ 85222. Jason is a Maricopy County Deputy Sheriff/ Detective and Amy is a full-time mom. They have three children: Jacob (6), Madison (3), and Mallory (1). carnesaz@yahoo.com

1995

Seth Mohorn was named Dale Carnegie's Global Trainer of the Year for North America as well as the Regional Trainer of the Year, ranking him #2 in the world. **Charity (Sutton)** started an interior redesign company called "Room IV Change" that employs stay-at-home moms and other skilled professionals. She also teaches voice lessons and is the Director of the Kid Power Chorus at her home congregation. They have two sons: Ian (8) and Eli (5). 2721 Adel Ave, Springdale, AR 72762 cmohorn@cox.net

Alan and Christina Strealy live at 8210-A Crampton Ct, Twentynine Palms, CA 92277. Alan is a Meteorological and Oceanographic Analyst/Forecaster in the Marines. They have one son, Caleb (2). alan.strealy@usmc.mil

BORN

To **John and Melissa (Ely) Eck**, a girl, Macey Jo, July 22, 2005. She joins siblings: Summer (15), Ethan (6), and Rebekah (4). John is an Accountant with Everett Bedford, CPA. 212 N 29th, Duncan, OK 73533

To **Nathan and Karen (Harvey) Smith**, a boy, Brady Matthew, May 26, 2006. Nathan is a Physicist at BAE Systems, and Karen is an Associate Client Service Mgr. with Fidelity Investments. 6 Jason Dr, Merrimack, NH 03054 Karen.l.smith@adelphia.net

1996

Dave Smith recently became Youth Minister for the Cedarloo CofC along with Travis Pierson ('97). Dave is also the Retail Mgr. for Jack Links Beef Jerky, and **Jessica (Kearns)** is the Program Dir. for Comm. United Child Care Center. They have two sons: Tyson (6) and Caden (2). 914 1st St SE, Waverly, IA 50677 nyyankeesfan21@yahoo.com

BORN

To **Chip and Lisa (Russell) '98) Bloecher**, a girl, Hope Elizabeth, Feb. 25, 2006. Chip is a Technology Integration Specialist at Coppel Middle School East. 1368 Honey-suckle, Lewisville, TX 75077 cbloecher@coppellisd.com



To **Mary Meador** received the R.N. degree in December from Moorpark College. She is now a Telemetry Nurse at Los Robles Hospital in Thousand Oaks, CA. 581 Canyon Vista Dr, Thousand Oaks, CA 91320 marycharis@msn.com

1997

Billy and Amber (Chastain) Knauss have a new address: 2707 Lakefield Dr, Wylie, TX 75098. Billy is a recruiter for RightStaff, Inc. and Amber is a Probation Officer for Dallas County CSCD. They have one child: Grey (2).

knauss2@comcast.net

Olusola and Remy

Odukomaia have moved: 5164 Meadow Crest Cir, Holly, MI 48442.

Sola is a Retail Credit Analyst with Chrysler Financial.

Oladipupo98@yahoo.com



BORN
To **Jeff and Lynn (Pafford) '99) Smith**, a boy, Shawn Micah, Dec. 8, 2004. Jeff teaches 4th grade in the Riverdale Unified School Dist., and Lynn operates Little Red Wagon Day Care. 10576 N Meridian, Fresno, CA 93720 jeffandlynnsmith@sbcglobal.net

1998

Jory and Katherine (Kendig) Krogsgaard live in Alberta, Canada at 4302 Southpark Dr, Leduc, AB T9E 4P9. Jory is a software developer for Panvion and Katherine teaches grade one at Miyo Wahkotwin Education Authority. They have two daughters: Kiara (4) and Kaylie (2). Kiara has two more years to go for specialist appointments but is doing very well.

Katherine.krogsgaard@shaw.ca

BORN

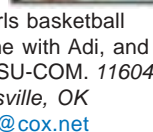
To **Rob and Rachel McKinzie**, a girl, Adison Ella Rae, Feb. 23, 2006. Rob has resigned as a girls basketball coach to stay at home with Adi, and Rachel is a MS3 at OSU-COM. 11604 N 108 E Ave, Bartlesville, OK 74021 robandrachel@cox.net

To **Michael and Sheila (Christian) '97) Wood**, a boy, Cooper Lynn, Aug. 3, 2005, joining older sister Alli (3). Michael is a Senior Analyst with ConocoPhillips and

Sheila is at home with the kids. 4612 Rolling Hills Dr, Bartlesville, OK 74006 mwood@sbcglobal.net

1999

Mary Meador received the R.N. degree in December from Moorpark College. She is now a Telemetry Nurse at Los Robles Hospital in Thousand Oaks, CA. 581 Canyon Vista Dr, Thousand Oaks, CA 91320 marycharis@msn.com



Matthew and Natalie Newton were married July 1, 2006. Matthew graduated with a B.S. in Nursing on May 11 from the Univ. of Texas at Arlington. He will be working in the ICU at the VA hospital in Dallas. 2440 Jefferson Point Dr Apt 1021, Arlington, TX 76006 newtonfig@yahoo.com

Shawn Sherlock, Milestones, pg 19

BORN

To **Brad and Vanessa (Terry '98) Leonard**, a girl, Adelyn Christine, April 27, 2006. She joins her older brother Reese (2). Brad is a Space Contract Mgr. at Schriever Air Force Base. 1928 Traces Ln, Colorado Springs, CO 80915 bradandvanessaleonard@yahoo.com



Grandpa Stanten Sikes ('75) with Adelyn Leonard

2000

Dr. Lavica (Gammill) Gates, see Milestones, pg. 19

Jason and Cheri (Chinn) Haskett purchased their first home in December and are enjoying all the new space: 1437 E Frontier Ln, Olathe, KS 66062. Jason is a delivery driver for UPS and Cheri is a homemaker and preschool teacher. They have two sons: Ethan (3) and Avery (2).

cherijason2000@yahoo.com

BORN

To **Ben and Leana (McDaniel) Crawford**, a boy, Jackson Dean, Jan. 7, 2006. PO Box 224, Pretty Prairie, KS 67570 leanacrawford@hotmail.com

To **Scott and Stacy (Collins) '99) McCall**, a boy, Hunter Scott, Sept. 9, 2005. The McCalls moved to Colorado last summer and both teach Special Education in the Delta Public Schools. 605 Leon, Delta, CO 81416 stacymmccall@yahoo.com

2001

Briana Donley has two new jobs along with her new address: 1420 W Irving Park Rd. #3, Chicago, IL 60613. She is a recruiter/advisor for the Illinois CareerPath Institute, a non-profit school for people with disabilities and/or economic hardship. She also teaches voice class at Harold Washington College. Briana_donley@yahoo.com

Craig and Jeri (Bullock) Ford joined two families in Alotau, Papua New Guinea in May, 2006 to do mission work. Craig completed his M.Div. at Harding Graduate School in December. They have one daughter, Hannah (1). eddieford@hotmail.com

2001 (continued)

BORN

To **Bryan and Leah (McQuiddy) Johnston**, a boy, Payden Edward, Dec. 6, 2005 – who has red hair like his dad. Bryan is the Youth Minister for the North Bend CofC. 1575 Johnson St, North Bend, OR 97459 bryanejohnston@yahoo.com

2002

Darrel and **Kimberly (Dreher) Hoyt** were married March 31, 2006. Darrel is a Construction Foreman for

Ponderosa Concrete and Kimberly is a Physician Assistant at Desert Sun Medical Center. 493 Ridge Ln, Grand Junction, CO 81504 kdreher22@hotmail.com

Jeremy and Pamela (Keese)

Layden were married Sept., 24, 2005. Jeremy is the Campus Minister at Lyons CofC and Pamela is the AmeriCorps VISTA with the Rice County Comm. Foundation. 116 W. Forest Ave, Sterling, KS 67579 palayden@yahoo.com

Dr. Erin Stubblefield graduated in February from Palmer College of Chiropractic and accepted a position as Associate at a clinic in Bloomington-Normal, Illinois. 101 Northfield Dr K-1, Normal, IL 61761 drstubs06@yahoo.com

Lydia (Schlosser) Marshall is midway through a Masters of Educ. Program at Calif. Baptist Univ. She is also working part time at Eddie Bauer and spending as much time as possible with her son Logan (3). 230 N Murray, Banning, CA 92220 pgschlosser@yahoo.com

Cindi Wiese is an Insurance Caseworker for EMSI and lives at 4962 S 156th Ave Circle, Omaha, NE 68135. cindiwiese@hotmail.com

Dr. Kim (Hooten) Williams, see Milestones, pg. 19

BORN
To **Joshua and Amber (North '03) Moore**, a girl, Zoey Rae, July 15, 2005. Zoey recently received a life saving cord blood transplant for Krabbe disease which claimed the life of her older sister Raegen. Josh is an Asst. Manager at WalMart and Amber is a teacher. They also have a son, Xander (2). 1521 Rd M 56, Kirkman, IA 51447 brotherjomo@yahoo.com

To **Seth and Diana (Kruger)**

Nuthak, a boy, Seth Ian, May 10, 2006, joining his sister Sarah (3). Seth is an Insurance Claims Adjuster for Uniprise. 6703 D Westgate Blvd, Duluth, MN 55807 admiralsjn@hotmail.com

2003

Fletcher Hammond returned from two years in the mission field in China to take the Associate Minister of Youth position with the Northland Mission CofC. 1142 E Johnston Ave, Olathe, KS 66061 fletchinator@yahoo.com

Carl and Sarah (Keller '04) Larson have made the big move across the Atlantic: Nydal, Vastras Harg, 59591 Mjolby, Sweden. Carl is converting his Commercial Pilots License to European Standards via Oxford Aviation, and Sarah is a Medical Transcriptionist. larson43000@yahoo.com and slarson700@yahoo.com

Michael Singh has a new address: 617 S Campbell Ave, Springfield, MO 65806. Michael is a professional poker player and entered the World Series of Poker this summer. mikens1003@yahoo.com

2004

Aimee Burney graduates with her Masters in Occupational Therapy from Temple University in Philadelphia, PA in August. She is currently employed as an intern at

Cox Medical Center. 2848 N Pierce, Springfield, MO 65803 arburney@yahoo.com

Titus and Angie (Sobetski) Robison recently moved to Texas to work with Foster's Home for Children. Titus is the Asst. Vice President of Development and working on his MBA in International Management (exp. Aug. 2007). Angie is the Administrative Asst. for Children's Services. 201 Ace Circle, Stephenville, TX 76401 titus@fostershome.org



2006
BORN
To **Mark and Chrystal (Duquette '03) Houston**, a girl, Lily Faith, May 8, 2006. Mark is looking into graduate school and Chrystal is the Cord. for Special Events at York College. 803 Academy, York, NE 68467 cmhouston@york.edu

Profile of Excellence
continued



Last spring, Kathy and her daughter, Nikki (age ten at the time), were selected to each paint on a life-size buffalo sculpture. They were chosen along with 18 other artists to have their designs displayed around the city of Custer, SD, for the summer of 2005. In the fall, the buffalos were auctioned off to benefit the arts and the community.

a short, simple one-on-one lesson. Kathy took what she learned from that small lesson and devoted herself to practice. After considerable struggles and several thrown out paintings later, she was producing some keepers. Many of those works of art are now displayed in collections, galleries, and exhibits across the country.

Kathy attends 10-12 art shows a year, mainly in the Rocky Mountain states and South Dakota. She works with various

galleries and contributes to a few benefit auctions each year that include hospitals, clubs for boys, Women in Crisis, CASA, cancer research, etc. As a signature member of the Northern Plains Watercolor Society and The Artists of the Black Hills, her passion is depicting the western way of life. She was commissioned to paint the portrait of Chief David Bald Eagle, chief of the Lakota Sioux, and the grandson of White Bull who fought in the Battle of the Little Big Horn.

She tries to paint everyday; although, at the current time she is also assisting Jim as a chief carpenter helper in his home building business. She also teaches children's Bible classes at the Northern Hills congregation (Jim designed and oversaw the construction of their building).

Jim and Kathy have three children: Janette (19), David (14), and Nikki (12). Janette recently completed her freshman year at YC.



Kathy's work can be seen at www.kathysigleart.com □

Panther milestones

Don Braby ('81) recently authored "The Approaching Winter: The Next Great Depression", published with Author House. "I believe for some people to become Christians, America might have to hit rock bottom and go through a depression that's described in the book." Don is a Customer Service Rep. for Verizon Wireless. On Sept. 29, 2004 he donated a kidney to his wife Candy and they're both doing well. They have one daughter, Summer (3). 6112 W Ivanhoe St, Chandler, AZ 85226 theapproachingwinter@yahoo.com



P.S. Don will autograph copies purchased directly from him.



SNOW MUCH FUN!!!

It was the first day of spring, and students woke up to a world of white - 19 inches of snow would fall over a three day storm spree. President Baker cancelled classes and York College was officially closed for the day. Although there wasn't much action on campus that Monday, the last hoorahs of winter games and activities were in full action Tuesday. Snow fights, snowmen, sledding, shoveling, and an appreciation for God's beauty were wonderful ways to celebrate the changing seasons.



Shawn Sherlock ('99) graduated on June 25, 2006 with a MBA from Lake Forest Graduate School of Management and is taking an analyst position at The PrivateBank and Trust Co at the bank's main branch in downtown Chicago. His

wife Beth also has been promoted and will be taking on her new position as the Sales Manager at the Marriott Lincolnshire Resort. 2527 Eastwood Ave Apt 5C, Evanston, IL 60201 ssherlock@privatebankandtrust.com



Dr. Lavica (Gammill '00) Gates graduated from Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine on May 12, 2006, and accepted a position as an Associate Veterinarian in a mixed practice in Pond Creek, Oklahoma. She and her husband **Tim ('99)** have been married four years and live at Rt 2 Box 82, Medford, OK 73759 tlgates@pldi.net



Dr. Kim (Hooten '02) Williams graduated from University of Kansas School of Medicine May 21, 2006. She and **Caleb** moved to Lancaster, Pennsylvania where Kim begins her Family Medicine Residency at Lancaster General Hospital. Caleb will be enrolling as a student at Millersville Univ. 151 E. Ross St, Lancaster, PA 17602 khooten@hotmail.com



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It is with deep sorrow that we announce the death of one of our faculty, **Dr. Dennis E. Eddy**. Dr. Eddy passed away March 21, 2006 at the age of 71. He is survived by his wife Ann, his parents, Bill and Myrtle, and his daughter Erica and her husband Stuart Hansen.

Dennis received his Bachelors degree at UNO, and his PhD in Biochemistry at the University of Nebraska in 1973 where he pursued his interest in biological aging.

Continuing on with his research interests, Dr. Eddy obtained a biochemical researchers position at the Quaker Oats Company where he worked for 23 years. The last 15 of those 23 years, he worked in the Gatorade Exercise Physiology Laboratory until he retired in 1999.

After retiring from research, Dennis was hired on at York College as an adjunct instructor teaching Chemistry, Biochemistry, and Cell Biology.

Dennis dedicated four years to the Nebraska American Chemical Society Section, serving the majority of those years as a committee member. It was quoted in their website tribute, "Dennis' dedication and love of Chemistry will always be remembered and appreciated."

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October 13-15, 2006

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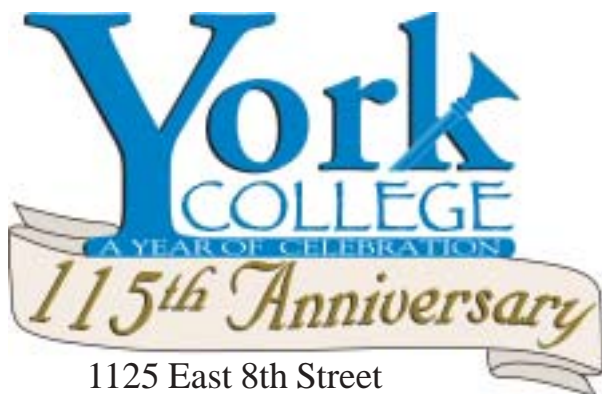
The 29th anniversary of Songfest brought together the likes of movie characters rarely seen together on stage. Even a couple of faculty members like Indiana McNeese

and John I. Eastwood III got into the mix. Winning this year's President's Award for best club show was Delta and Kyodai's "Superheroes." (above)

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

New Student Orientation August 19 - 21
 Opening Convocation of 116th Year August 23
 East Hill Church of Christ
 50th Anniversary Celebration September 2 - 3
 Marriage Enrichment Seminar with
 Carl Brecheen & Paul Faulkner.... September 29 - 30
 Celebration Days October 13 - 15
 (Homecoming and Fall High School Days)
 Fall Break October 19 - 22

Thanksgiving Break November 22 - 26
 Final Examinations December 11 - 14
 Second Semester Registration January 8
 Spring Break March 17 - 25
 Spring H.S. Days & Songfest '07..... April 6 - 8
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