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# C of E NEWS

## ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

The C of E Athletic Hall of Fame committee has released the names of all nominees received to date. You will find the list elsewhere in this newsletter. Deadline for nominations is December 31, 2008. If you have a last minute nomination that you wish to submit, e-mail John Acomb at [jacomb2@mac.com](mailto:jacomb2@mac.com), and you will receive a nomination form by return e-mail.

Inductees will be chosen from the list of nominees at the beginning of 2009. An information form for nominees to fill out is included in this newsletter.

Induction will take place at the reunion scheduled for July 2-4, 2010, in Overland Park, KS. Each nominee along with his or her achievements will be listed in the official Hall of Fame booklet. Presentation of the official Induction Certificate will take place at the reunion.

### Kenyon Hall Alert!

The reapplication for the tax credits needed to restore Kenyon Hall is presently under consideration. There are multiple applicants and limited tax credits. One of the measuring criteria is community interest. There are some indications that there is a belief that community interest in Kenyon Hall isn't strong.

Consequently, Jim Mathis, President of the C of E Alumni Association, is calling upon all C of E alumni and friends to e-mail Mr. Fred Bentley at [fbentley@kshousingcorp.org](mailto:fbentley@kshousingcorp.org) to let Mr. Bentley

know of your interest in and support of saving Kenyon Hall. Alumni are encouraged to share with Mr. Bentley both personal and historic reasons why Kenyon Hall is a treasured historic building.

Those who prefer to write a letter to Mr. Bentley may do so. His address is:

Mr. Fred Bentley  
Kansas Housing Resources Corporation  
611 South Kansas Avenue  
Suite #300  
Topeka, Kansas 66603-3803

## 2010 ALUMNI REUNION

The next C of E Alumni Reunion will be held July 2, 3 & 4, 2010, at the Marriott Hotel in Overland Park, Kansas. The continuing success of this event has made it an Alumni Association priority. The last reunion, held in 2007, drew almost 300 C of E alumni, former students, faculty, friends and spouses.

Co-Chairs for the 2010 event are Les Palmer and Nancy Ebberts. Among the new events planned for this reunion is the initial induction into the C of E Athletic Hall of Fame. It is the intention of the Alumni Association's Board to make the 2010 event the best reunion ever held.

## Tracking Murders

Late in 1998 a journalist pursuing a story in a wild and remote part of Mexico was murdered. A search party eventually discovered his body in a makeshift grave.

The murdered reporter, Philip True, worked for editor **Robert Rivard, X74**, at the San Antonio Express-News. Rivard was a member of the search party and helped to dig out the body with his bare hands.

The experience galvanized Rivard who began a six-year odyssey through the Mexican legal and police system in an effort to bring the killers to justice. There were an incredible number of twists and turns in the path to resolution of the case, many of which were unexpected or bizarre.

After the case concluded, Rivard wrote a book, *Trail of Feathers*, about the entire episode. The book's title refers to the trail of feathers that escaped from a hole in True's sleeping bag, which eventually led searchers to the hidden grave.

The New York Times' William Grimes described Rivard's search for True and Bob's subsequent six-year pursuit of True's killers through the Mexican justice system as "quietly heroic."

Bob Rivard continues today as Editor and Executive Vice President-News at the San Antonio Express-News. This position reflects a lifelong interest in journalism that dates back to Bob's days at C of E when he was a co-founder of The Daily Planet, an off-campus newspaper focused on the college and its students.

Rivard's journalism career included a stint in the early 1980's working for Newsweek as Central American Bureau Chief in El Salvador. While in Central America, he received one of journalism's top awards, the Society of Professional Journalists' Distinguished Service Award for Foreign Correspondents for his coverage of military-backed death squads in El Salvador. During this time, Bob's working partner, Newsweek photographer John Hoagland, was killed in crossfire between soldiers and guerillas.

Subsequently Bob was promoted and returned to the United States. He served in New York City as Newsweek's Senior Editor and Chief of Correspondents until he decided in 1990 to return to Texas where he and his family, wife Monika Maeckle and two sons, had lived previously.

## Membership

by **Gwen (Kerr) Lorenz - Vice President for Membership**

As of September 15, the dues-paying membership of the College of Emporia Alumni Association stands at 576 for 2008. The alumni paying dues for future years number 353 for 2009 and 195 for 2010. One member has even paid dues for every year through 2020! We expect about 1,740 copies of this newsletter to be mailed, and at least 100 of these go to households with two alumni members. Many of these C of E couples pay dues for both of them for each year.

This means that approximately 1,200 (or more) people receiving this newsletter are not paying for a subscription. The association's Board of Directors has visited about this

situation numerous times, but always the decision has been to "keep the connection" by mailing to everyone on our mailing list with a correct address. We know that some of our members are not able to pay the \$10 yearly dues, and we appreciate all that those individuals have done for our association through the years. However, if this means that YOU are one of those who have not paid the \$10 dues for this year and you can afford it, please find the membership form on page 7 and return it with your dues payment.

Thank you!

### YEARBOOK WANTED

One of our members is hoping to locate a copy of the very last C of E yearbook, *The Final Walk*. If you have one available, please notify Gwen Lorenz. Her contact information is in the "Keep Us Informed" article to the right, and also on the back page.

### Keep Us Informed

Please send us news about yourself. We want to hear from you.

You may e-mail either Gwen

Lorenz, Vice-President for Membership, at [cofeglorenz@hotmail.com](mailto:cofeglorenz@hotmail.com) or John Acomb, newsletter editor at [jacomb2@mac.com](mailto:jacomb2@mac.com). If you prefer, please write us at P.O. Box 405, Emporia, KS 66801.



## Football Reunion

A reunion of football players from the early 1960's was held at Eldon and Olivia Moore's farm in Council Grove on Sunday, September 28, 2008. This event marked the second year for this gathering. Many of the former players' wives attended also. Some of the attendees brought scrapbooks that were enjoyed by all. Attendees traded stories and made telephone calls to several former players who were unable to attend.

It should also be noted that those attending reported that Olivia prepared great food. Special praise was reserved for the barbeque.



*Front Row: Jim Mathis, L. J. Corcoran, Eldon Moore, Charlie Kayser, Bill Swartz, Jim Miller*

*Back Row: Jim Corns, Wendell Derritt, Lyle Burkhart, Jim Switzer, Lester Palmer, Marvin Williamson, Bruce Ramage, Neil Crane*



*2008 Kenyon Hall  
Christmas Ornament*

## Kenyon Hall Christmas Ornament

Emporia Main Street is a downtown business organization dedicated to preserving Emporia's community heritage. Each year they produce a collectable Christmas ornament. These ornaments are in great demand among Emporia's current and former residents.

Since preservation of historically significant buildings is important to this organization, this year's ornament honors Kenyon Hall. It is a classic brass, three-dimensional, twist style ornament with the building in the middle. This is a limited edition ornament and is anticipated to sell out quickly.

C of E alumni can order this ornament now. The cost is \$10.00 plus a \$5.00 shipping and handling charge.

Orders can be placed by calling (620) 340-6430 or by e-mailing [main.street@emporia-kansas.gov](mailto:main.street@emporia-kansas.gov). Emporia Main Street accepts both Visa and Master Card.

## Early Preparations

Application forms for C of E scholarships to be awarded for the 2009 - '10 school year are currently available. While the completed applications aren't due until April 1, 2009, obtaining the form early allows orderly accumulation of the required information.

The scholarship program is a major activity of your alumni association. Up to six scholarships per year are awarded. Descendants of C of E alumni and staff are eligible to apply. Note also that descendants of those who attended C of E but did not graduate from there are also eligible for the scholarships.

To get the application form and instructions, go to the C of E website, [www.c-of-e.org](http://www.c-of-e.org), click on the scholarship link, download and print it. You may write for an application at P.O. Box 405, Emporia, KS 66801, or you may call (620) 342-0215 or (620) 342-3112.



## Getting Lean

Implementation of Lean Management Systems is a special area of expertise for World Class Strategies, a successful California-based consulting firm. **Joe Bailey, X60**, is one of the firm's principals.

After leaving C of E, Joe obtained his degree from Kansas University and then served a stint with the Army in Vietnam. Subsequently, his career progressed through service as a Plant Superintendent with Goodyear Tire & Rubber to top management positions with Fairchild Industries and Scientific Atlanta to various consulting companies specializing in enhancing manufacturing efficiency and accelerating corporate growth. He started World Class Strategies in 1990.

The approach utilized by Joe's company stresses instruction on the shop floor rather than in the classroom. The goal is not only to get lean but also to instill a culture of continuous improvement in every client company and to implement the lean philosophy throughout the organization. Positive improvements in client's operations have led to the success of World Class Strategies.

# Athletic Hall of Fame Nominees

## **FOOTBALL (Legacy Award) 1894 - 1950 (Kansas All-Star Selections)**

Ronald Mayo	Jimmie Rink	Raymond Markley	Carl Bertsch	"Rosy" Harr
Harold Grant	Wayne Replogle	Wayne Granger	Don Ek	Ralph Widick
D. C. Schaffner	Vernon Parrington	Bud Selves	Gerald Meek	A. A. Schabinger
Barclay Bond				

## **FOOTBALL 1950 - 1974 (Minimum Requirement: All Conference Selection)**

Lem Harky	Willie Chai	Bruce Upstill	Marv Williamson	John Hart
Eldon Moore	John Howland	Tony Panarese	Larry Wall	Ron Swartz
Tony Snider	Terry Skinner	Chip Barger	Joe Kiley	Keith Blide
Willie Gaines	Larry Taylor	Dennis Brown	Ron Ebberts	Bill Danenhauer
Don Durand	Bill Swartz	Gary D'Aries	Herman Rathman	Tom Coleman
Bill Allen	Art Nichols	"Skip" Devilling	Lloyd Elm	Joe Bailey
Charles Kayser	Bill Heintzelman	Joe Ortiz	Jerry Baker	Jim Switzer
Wendell Derritt	Bill Ames	Otto Ormosi	Steve Draska	Lyle Burkhart
Rex Crane	Rich Tresky	L. J. Corcoran	Rusty Addleman	Eldo Cline
Bruce Bruce	Carlton Moody	Jack Cracraft	Kent Craft	Phil Boban
John Phillips				

## **BASKETBALL 1950 - 1974 (Minimum Requirement: All Conference Selection)**

Jim Young	Steve Muck	Bill Linhart	Charlie Dehlinger	Pete Weng
Bob Bruns	Gary Davison	Charles Golson	Gary Gibb	Lew Jordan
Ray Simpson	Charlie Zecco	Glen Rose	Ken Miller	Rich Freeman
Floyd Reichardt				

## **BASEBALL 1950 - 1974 (Minimum Requirement: All Conference Selection)**

Glenn Davis	Bill Morris	Steve Dickson	Herman Rathman	Jim Tibbets
Rich Ikwild	Steve Draska	Charlie Dehlinger	Jim White	Phil Thomas
Charlie Zecco	Wendell Derritt	Rex Crane	Bob Spinner	Terry Shields
Vernon Parrington	Neal Isaacs	Carol Church	Steve Howard	Floyd Reichardt
John Sparks				

## **TRACK AND FIELD 1950 - 1974 (C of E Record Holders)**

Lloyd Elm	Bob Vernon	Tom Parsons	Willie Gaines	Ned O'Mara
Jim Switzer	John Phillips	Don Schroeder	Bob Bruns	Rock
Steve Sharpe	Angelo Benevento	Neill	Nold	Manly Tubbs
Vincenzo Benevento		Francesce	Doerig	Tom Coleman
Leroy Franklin	Davis	Gaul	John Howland	
Royce McClanahan				

## **TENNIS**

Studt	Newsom	Claude Shoenlank
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## **GOLF**

Lloyd Stevens

## **COACHES**

Gwinn Henry	Bob Johnson	Gene Stauffer	D. C. Schaffner	Dick Perry
Bill Schnebel	Bill Hargiss	Wayne McConnell		

# Athletic Hall of Fame Nominees

## **POST-GRADUATE HONORS**

Keith Blide	Larry Taylor	Rich Freeman	Eldon Danenhauer	Bob Karr
Dick Switzer	Bob Stauffer	Vernon Parrington	Gary Gibb	John Howland
Jack Rickard	Alonzo Salazar	Jim Mathis	Tom Gilmore	Tom Stromgren
Bill Danenhauer	Neil Crane	Rick Bowden	Rich Edmiston	Bob Bodenheimer
Larry Tice	Carl Kopelk			

## **MERITORIOUS SERVICE**

George Day	Price Lewis	Jack Mitchell	Dr. Harold Spencer	Jim Wilcox
Charles Kayser	Clarence Howland	Steve Bodnarchuk	Ed Shupe	

## **CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS**

1913 Football Team - conference champions  
1918 Football Team - undefeated (6 - 0) conference champions  
1919 Football Team - undefeated (8 - 0)  
1925 Football Team - undefeated (8 - 0)  
1927 Football Team - conference champions  
1928 Football Team - undefeated, untied and unscored upon  
1951 Football Team - undefeated (8 - 0)  
1953 Football Team - undefeated (8 - 0)  
1954 Football Team - undefeated regular season, Mineral Water Bowl (8 - 1)  
1955 Football Team - undefeated (9 - 0)  
1959 Football Team - (9 - 1) KCAC Champions, Won Mineral Water Bowl  
1962 Football Team - (9 - 1) KCAC Champions, N.A.I.A. Bowl appearance  
1963 Football Team - (9 - 1) KCAC Champions, N.A.I.A. Bowl appearance  
1966 Football Team - (8 - 1) KCAC Co-Champions  
1954 - '55 Track Team - KCAC Champions  
1963 Track & Field - KCAC Champions  
1960 Baseball Team - Regional N.A.I.A. Tournament  
1967 Baseball Team - KCAC Champions, N.A.I.A. Playoffs  
1968 Baseball Team - KCAC Champions, N.A.I.A. Playoffs  
1965 - '66 Basketball Team - KCAC Champions, N.A.I.A. Playoffs

## **TEAM MANAGERS (Managed for a minimum of two years)**

Tim Davey	Dave London	Les Palmer	Gary Smith	Bill Rinkel
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## **CHEERLEADERS: (Cheered for a minimum of two years)**

Pat Higgins	Nancy Ober	Casey Maracson	Tricia Meriweather	Connie Burt
Elena Novick	Kenny Parsons	Zelodius Williams	Jane Love	Diane Swartz
Russ Skorburg	Lynda Avellino	Chris Fogg	Lynda Layher	Sharon Spencer
Barbara Conkling	Lynda Burt	Jerilynn Jones	Ursula Plinton	Linda Newton
Mary Louise Romero		Janice Isaacs	Dinah Griggsby	Betty Jo Cattani
Doxie Hoover	Kathy Cestare	Browyn Eccles	Janice (Lee) Hardesty	
Irwin Beeson	Gayle Rundell	Debbie Pollock	Claudia Cheadle	
Laura Mae Schlobohm				



# OBITS

**Edward L. Johns, A50**, of Central City, NE, died April 18, 2007, at age 81. He taught and coached in western Kansas, the Wichita area, and in Nebraska schools. In early 1950's Ed also played semi-pro baseball with a Wichita team. He was always active in his church. For 20 years he lived on his wife's family farm near Burlington, KS, before returning to Central City. Ed was a Civil War buff with an extensive collection of books on the subject. His wife, three daughters, 12 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and a brother survive him.

**Lida Belle (Link) Schwegler, X30**, of Liberty, MO, passed away July 17, 2008, at age 99. She completed her degree in foreign languages at KSTC, Emporia, lived two years in Europe, moved to New York where she worked as secretary to the dean of Columbia College and later for Goldman Sachs & Co. She married George Schwegler, a Kansas City attorney; and they were active in Country Club Christian Church and volunteered in many community organizations. Three sons and four grandchildren survive her.

**Mary Ann (Ott) Kriebel, A42**, Santa Maria, CA, died December 15, 2006, at age 88. She had lived in many places with her husband Isaac, an electrical engineer and graduate of K-State. She taught in elementary schools many years before retirement, and then became an avid bridge player and active in the local Presbyterian Church. Her husband and a son preceded her in death. A daughter and one grandson survive her.

**Alice Marie (Lowry) Rickel, X53**, Hoyt, KS, passed away October 25, 2007, at her home from complications of Parkinson's Disease. She was 76. She attended C. of E. two years, 1949-51, and then married George F. Rickel on July 25, 1952. He survives, as do six children, two brothers, ten grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

**Donald M. White, A55**, Colorado Springs, CO, died September 1, 2008. He received his master's degree from Kansas State University and his doctorate from Nova University, FL. He served as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Marine Corps. He had been superintendent of schools in Goddard, KS; La Junta, Co; and Summit County, CO, and was assistant superintendent in Sterling, CO. In addition he served as adjunct professor at Adams State College, CO. He was a member of educational associations, Rotary, Sierra Club and American Civil Liberties Union. He received several awards for his contributions to the educational field, including the Paul Harris Fellowship Award, and was recognized for contributions to the Rotary PolioPlus Program. His wife Marlene, three daughters, eight grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren survive him. A son had died earlier.

**Estelle A. (Voran) Vermillion, A60**, Rockville, IN, passed away December 7, 2006, at age 69. She was survived by her husband James.

**Marilyn Joyce "Dallas" Hill, X62**, of Topeka, died April 23, 2008, at age 59. She was born in Texas, graduated from high school in San Bruno, CA, and attended C. of E. two years. She completed her undergraduate degree at Southern Methodist University in 1963, and in 1975 she received a Masters Degree in Social and Behavioral Science from Webster University, MO. She taught in San Mateo, CA, in St. Louis, MO, and in Topeka. She was active in her community and was a humanitarian. "She had blessings and burdens, and her life

reflected both. She was a caring person who sometimes was not able to be the special person she was." She is survived by her son Jeffrey Dusseault and a brother, with whom she had once won a Twist dance contest.

**A. Murray Brown, FF**, of Broomfield, CO, passed away June 26, 2004 at age 80. He entered the US Navy in 1941. Murray taught physical education and coached college sports and had lived at Broomfield many years. He served as coach and faculty member at C. of E. in the late 1940's. His wife, Lucy, survives him.

**Ruth C. McNair, A57**, of Tonganoxie, KS, died July 28, 2008, at age 73. She worked for Hallmark Cards as a commercial artist and then was a home economics teacher for 35 years in the Kansas City, KS, school district. Four nieces survive her. A group of Ruth's friends and former classmates are contributing to the C of E scholarship fund in Ruth's memory.

**Barbara Jean (Schafer) Mattingly, A55**, of McAlester, OK, passed away on June 18, 2008, at age 75. Her entire career was as an elementary school teacher, having taught in Oregon, Kansas, Arkansas and Missouri. After her retirement from teaching, she remained active giving piano lessons, substitute teaching and playing piano for various churches. A daughter, son-in-law and grandson as well as two brothers, two sisters and numerous nieces and nephews survive her.

**Steven Dickson, A71**, of Tucson, AZ, died on March 16, 2008, at age 60. At C of E Steve was a baseball pitcher on KCAC championship teams in the late 1960's. Baseball was a part of his heritage as his father, Murry Dickson, pitched for eighteen years in the major leagues for the New York Yankees and the St. Louis Cardinals. Steve served as a commissioned officer in the United States Marine Corps from 1971 to '75. He then embarked upon a career as a recreational specialist and senior correctional officer with the Department of Justice, Bureau of Prisons. He worked at the U. S. Penitentiary in Leavenworth and then at the Tucson Correctional Facility. A sister survives him.

**Harold E. Kutz, A52**, of Artesia, NM, passed away on November 13, 2007. He was a retired biology teacher.

**N. Joan (Foraker) Rorabaugh, A50 & FF**, of Emporia, KS, died on July 6, 2008, at age 79. She taught home economics at C of E from 1956 until her retirement in 1969. She is remembered as an excellent teacher. She was also noted for the cakes and other treats that she would bake for the football players and athletic staff as a reward for gridiron victories. Joan was an active member and former state president of the Kansas Republican Women. She was an alternate delegate from Kansas to the Republican National Convention in 1976. A twin brother, three nephews and five nieces survive her. Her husband and another brother predeceased her.

**Betty Lou (Morris) McMURPHEY, A60**, of Emporia, KS, passed away on July 17, 2008, at age 69. She and her former husband operated a Phillips 66 station in Emporia. Later in life she worked in special education, as a nurse's aide and in home health care. A daughter, a son, six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren survive her. Her former husband and a grandson predeceased her.

**Daisy Dolores (Horton) Challender, A37**, of Sedgwick, KS, died on July 15, 2008, at age 92. She was a teacher, dairy farmer and former columnist for the Newton Kansan and the Harvey County Independent. Two sons, three daughters, one sister, 13 grandchildren, one step-grandchild and three great-grandchildren survive her. Her husband, a son, a daughter and a brother predeceased her.

## Athletic Hall of Fame Nominee Information

Dear hall of Fame Nominee:

The Hall of Fame would appreciate more information from you. This will help us to complete the Inductee Booklet where Inductees will be recognized.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Hometown \_\_\_\_\_ Years at C of E \_\_\_\_\_

1. If inducted into the C of E Athletic Hall of Fame, do you or a designated person plan to attend the 2010 reunion in Kansas City to receive the certificate? Yes or No

(If designee, name and e-mail \_\_\_\_\_)

2. Please list your athletic achievements while attending (or after attending) C of E. Please include sports you lettered in, honors received, championship teams played on and post-grad awards (coaching, etc.)

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Deadline for this information is December 31, 2008.

Mail to: C of E Alumni Association  
c/o Athletic Hall of Fame  
P.O. Box 405  
Emporia, KS 66801

## Membership Information for the College of Emporia Alumni Association, Inc.

Please write legibly. Make checks payable to the C. of E. Alumni Association.

Last Name                      First Name                      Middle Initial                      Maiden Name                      \*C. of E. Class

Spouse's Info                      Spouse's First Name                      Middle Initial                      Maiden Name                      \*C. of E. Class

Street/Mailing Address                      City                      State                      ZIP + 4

Phone #                      E-mail

\*C. of E. Class is the graduation year of the class with which students were associated, whether or not they graduated. Please use prefix "A" for alumnus, or "X" for former student or non graduate. "O" here means did not attend.

Membership dues (\$10 per year per member): Number of memberships: \_\_\_\_\_ For Years \_\_\_\_\_

Total for Membership \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship Fund (Voluntary) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to:

The College of Emporia Alumni Association, Inc., P.O. Box 405, Emporia, KS 66801-0405



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## Lost Alumni

Newsletters for these individuals have been returned. If you have a recent address for anyone listed below, please send it to: [cofeglorenz@hotmail.com](mailto:cofeglorenz@hotmail.com) or to P.O. Box 405, Emporia, KS 66801.

**Philip Lacorte**, A69, Woodside, NY

**Mrs. Lauren A. Northrup**, Sun City West, AZ

**Stewart Simon**, X66, Blue Bell, PA

**Gregory Welsh**, A68, Philadelphia, PA

**David L. White**, A73, Myrtle Beach, SC

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## URGENT! HELP WANTED!

A C. of E. 1970 Class ring containing the initials PWH was recently found in Columbus, Ohio. We think it belongs to Paul W. Hamblin who graduated in 1970, but we do not have an address for him. So far internet searches have not located him. Please, if you can contact Paul or give me a way to contact him, please do so. Gwen Lorenz, PO Box 405, Emporia KS 66801; phone 620-342-3112; or [cofeglorenz@hotmail.com](mailto:cofeglorenz@hotmail.com). Thank you.

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