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Submitted/Glen White

Glen White, director of the Research and Training Center on Independent Living and professor of applied behavioral science, front row center, and a group of colleagues visit the Huaca Huallamarca, a pre-Incan monument in the heart of Lima, Peru. White organized a conference on improving accessibility for individuals with disabilities in Peru. White's colleagues include KU visiting scholar Toshiyuki Chiba, second from left in front, and master's student Chiaki Gonda, back row, far right.

All access

KU researcher helps Peru improve independence for people with disabilities

People in the United States with disabilities have found it easier to go where they want, do the things they love and

find meaningful employment since the Americans with Disabilities Act was passed in 1990. Now, a

KU researcher is leading a group of Americans who are sharing what they've learned about independent living with

disability advocates in Peru.

Glen White, director of the Research and Training Center on Independent Living and professor of applied behavioral science, organized the U.S.-Peru Independent Living Working Summit, held in January in Lima. Eight other Americans attended the summit. Also participating were KU master's student Chiaki Gonda and KU visiting scholar Toshiyuki Chiba.

White has made 14 visits to Peru since 1998. As a person who uses a wheelchair, he knows firsthand that the physical and cultural environment for people with disabilities in Peru could be much improved. Yet that has not stopped him from visiting Machu Picchu and other places in Peru that can be challenging to navigate even for the nondisabled. White and his colleagues bring the same determination to improving the quality of life for Peruvians with disabilities.

The Independent Living Working Summit focused on ways to

improve services and advocacy for Peruvians with disabilities. The American team met with leaders in the Peruvian disability community to discuss issues including transportation and equal opportunity laws. They also analyzed ways specific Peruvian communities could benefit from creating a Center for Independent Living.

In the United States, federally funded Centers for Independent Living are located in most major cities. They advocate for the rights of people with disabilities and provide them with training programs and support services to help them achieve self-sufficient and productive lives.

The U.S.-Peru summit culminated in a presentation in the senate chamber of the Peruvian congress. More than 150 people attended to learn about the independent living movement and philosophy in the United States, which focuses on social attitudes and physical barriers rather than a person's limitations. It emphasizes policies and

practices that promote accommodations to help people with disabilities live more independently.

"During my first visit to Peru in 1998, I conducted a survey about problems that frustrated Peruvians with disabilities, such as inaccessible neighborhoods, lack of employment, discrimination and lack of accessible transportation," White said. "Since then I've had a vision of bringing an independent living 'dream team' from the U.S. to help establish an independent living movement and a Center for Independent Living in Peru. We want the momentum from this summit to continue so that real changes can be made to benefit Peruvians with disabilities." The U.S. team is continuing to meet to make plans for the future.

In recent years, White has also helped bring Peruvian disability leaders to conferences in Hawaii and Washington, D.C., to learn more about American approaches to independent living. He credited his colleagues

in Peru for developing increased leadership capacity by conducting workshops for emerging disability leaders on community problem solving and advocacy. In this work, they have used materials developed by the Research and Training Center on Independent

Living as well as materials in Spanish from KU's Community Tool Box, a project of the Work Group for Community Health and Development.

White will return to Peru in June when he takes a study abroad class of KU students to learn

about Peruvian culture and disability. What they experience could lead to a new generation of advocates for people with disabilities in the United States and other countries around the world.



David McKinney/University Relations

Operating like a lending library, the Kansas Center for Autism Research and Training's Autism Resource Center contains nearly 150 books, DVDs and other materials that are available for free checkout. The center officially opened its doors late last month.

Kansas Center for Autism Training and Research opens

Families and practitioners who need

practical advice about autism spectrum

disorders now have a hands-on resource center

as part of the Kansas Center for Autism Research and Training, known as K-CART, at the Edwards Campus.

Nearly 100 people attended the official launch of K-CART's Autism Resource Center at an open house on March 24. The event featured tours, exhibits by Kansas City autism organizations and a talk by Peter Bell, executive vice president of Autism Speaks, the nation's largest autism advocacy organization.

Representatives of the Kansas City Young Matrons also were on hand to announce the group had raised \$110,000 for K-CART at its 2009 Magic Ball. The funds will be used to produce an educational DVD set about autism to be distributed free of charge to families and to remodel a space for social skills groups at the Center for Child Health and Development at the KU Medical Center.

"Today is a great day," said Debra Kamps, director of the center and an autism researcher. "I didn't

know if we were going to be able to accomplish this. I knew we could do research and training. We know how to do that at KU. But I wasn't sure we could connect with the community in this way."

Bob Clark, vice chancellor of the Edwards Campus, who donated the space to K-CART, sees the Autism Resource Center as a perfect match for Edwards and its community.

"In terms of the services it brings to parents and teachers in Kansas City, it is going to be a remarkable success."

Jennifer Currier, a Kansas City-area parent of a child with autism, echoed that sentiment. "I think the resource center is fantastic. It has a centralized location, free parking and a parent can just walk in. It will help grassroots organizations get more information and give us a place in Kansas City where we can talk to each other."

Bell described how his career with autism advocacy organizations was fueled by his son's

diagnosis of autism 14 years ago.

"We are now facing a tsunami of children with autism who are in their adolescent years," Bell said. He stressed the importance of K-CART's resource center for the Kansas City community. "Autism Speaks has the largest online autism resource library in the country but K-CART's center is special because it is something that you can actually see, feel and touch."

The Autism Resource Center, 270 Regnier Hall, is open 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays. K-CART will also sponsor community events at the resource center, including guest lectures and training workshops.

The center includes more than 150 books, DVDs and reference materials, all available for free checkout. Resources are designed for parents and siblings of children with autism as well as teenagers and adults who themselves have autism or related disorders, such as

Asperger's syndrome. Several materials offer practical strategies especially for teachers and service providers.

Materials were purchased with gifts to KU Endowment, including donations

from the Autism Society of America-Heartland chapter and "Caeden's Cause" hosted in July 2008 by families and businesses in the Kansas City area. Interior design students and faculty at Johnson County Community College

volunteered their time to design the space, furnishings and other visual elements of the family-friendly center.

K-CART is one of 13 centers of KU's Life Span Institute.

Visiting scholar to take journalism lessons to Eastern Europe

Kaladze to model training for Georgian journalists on KU

A scholar from the Eastern European nation of Georgia is acquiring new techniques for teaching journalism from experts at KU.

Natia Kaladze, director of the School of Journalism and Mass Communications at the University of Georgia in Tbilisi, will complete her six-month KU residency in May. During her stay, Kaladze has been learning the latest in technology, converged media, instruction methods and school accreditation.



Megan McAtee/University Relations

Natia Kaladze, director of the School of Journalism and Mass Communications at the University of Georgia, is learning techniques for teaching journalism at KU that she will take back to her home country.

The University of Georgia is a relatively young school. Kaladze founded the journalism school there after realizing that the nation was short on trained professional journalists. Georgia, which became an independent country in 1991, previously was under Soviet rule, and media outlets were controlled by the government.

"We want to be more open," Kaladze said. "We want to train a new generation of journalists who value free media."

The University of Georgia offers a bachelor's in journalism and two-year master's programs in media management, public affairs journalism and public relations. Especially important for Kaladze is the public affairs program, the first of its kind in Georgia in the post-Soviet era.

The Georgian journalism school has about 400 students, but the numbers are increasing each year. Kaladze said that 100 freshmen will be

admitted to the school this fall.

"She's soaking up everything she can here," said Tom Volek, associate professor of journalism at KU and Kaladze's mentor. "We've very pleased to have her. She's very smart, and we're learning many things from her."

Perhaps one of the most beneficial aspects of her visit is the opportunity to observe a new class at KU called Media and the Military. The course

explores the relationship — and the tension — between the news industry and the armed forces. Students from both KU and the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth are enrolled. Kaladze plans to teach a similar course at her home university, something she sees as extremely valuable given the recent conflicts between Georgia and Russia.

Appointments of tenure, promotions announced

The Kansas Board of Regents has approved the following promotions and appointments of tenure at KU.

Promotions

To full professor
Marta Caminero-Santangelo, English

David Cateforis, art history
Dietrich Earnhart, economics

Susan Egan, molecular biosciences
Daniel Gailey, music and dance
Donna Ginther, economics
Weishi Liu, mathematics
Rolfe Mandel, anthropology
Jonathan Mayhew, Spanish and Portuguese
Laura Poppo, business
Bangere Purnaprajna, mathematics
Joan Sereno, linguistics
Lin Stanionis, design
Cornelius van der Veen, geography

To associate professor
Brian Barnes, pharmacy practice
Barbara Barnett, journalism
Cory Berkland, chemical and petroleum engineering/pharmaceutical chemistry
Sharon Billings, ecology and evolutionary biology
David Brackett, design
Andrew Chen, business
Sunil David, medicinal chemistry
Leisha DeHart-Davis, public administration

Michael Detamore,
chemical and petroleum
engineering
David Fedele, music and
dance
Jin Feng, mathematics
David Fowle, geology
T. Chris Gamblin,
molecular biosciences
John Kennedy, political
science
Mechele Leon, theatre
and film
Mary Alice L'Heureaux,
architecture and urban
planning
Ann Wierda Rowland,
English
George Tsoflias,
geology
Joy Ward, ecology and
evolutionary biology
Jie Zhang, linguistics
Yan Bing Zhing,
communication studies
Yang Zhang, molecular
biosciences/bioinformati
cs

To associate librarian

Erin Ellis, KU Libraries
Nikhat Ghouse, KU
Libraries
Katherine Greene, law
library

**To associate clinical
professor**

Karen Moeller,
pharmacy practice
Janelle Ruisinger,
pharmacy practice
To associate specialist
Scott Harris,
communication studies

To associate scientist

Sharon Billings, Kansas
Biological Survey

To senior scientist

Kelly Kindscher, Kansas
Biological Survey/
environmental studies
Rolfe Mandel, Kansas
Geological Survey
Richard Miller, Kansas
Geological Survey
Dean Williams, Life
Span Institute

**To associate research
professor**

Mary Abbott, Life Span
Institute
Daniel Deavours,
Information and
Telecommunication
Technology Center
Katherine Froehlich-
Grobe, Life Span
Institute
Jean Hall, Center for
Research on Learning

**Award of tenure, fiscal
year 2010**

Lawrence campus

Brian Barnes, pharmacy
practice
Barbara Barnett,
journalism
Cory Berkland,
chemical and petroleum
engineering/pharmaceuti
cal chemistry

Sharon Billings, ecology
and evolutionary
biology
David Brackett, design
Andrew Chen, business
Jennifer Church-Duran,
KU Libraries
Sunil David, medicinal
chemistry
Leisha DeHart-Davis,
public administration
Michael Detamore,
chemical and petroleum
engineering
Erin Ellis, KU Libraries
David Fedele, music and
dance
Jin Feng, mathematics
David Fowle, geology
T. Chris Gamblin,
molecular biosciences
Nikhat Ghouse, KU
Libraries
Katherine Greene, law
library
John Kennedy, political
science
Tien-Tsung Lee,
journalism
Mechele Leon, theatre
and film

Mary Alice L'Heureaux,
architecture and urban
planning
Holly Mercer, KU
Libraries
Ann Wierda Rowland,
English
George Tsoflias,
geology
Joy Ward, ecology and
evolutionary biology
Jie Zhang, linguistics
Yan Bing Zhang,
communication studies

Yang Zhang, molecular
biosciences/bioinformatics

Kowalchuck named associate dean for School of the Arts

New school to be part of College of Liberal Arts, Sciences

An academic leader who has dedicated her career to preparing art educators and teaching others how the arts contribute to the quality of life and society will take on a pioneering administrative role in the new School of the Arts, which will be housed within the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.



Elizabeth Kowalchuck

Joseph E. Steinmetz, dean of the College, announced Elizabeth Kowalchuk will assume the post of associate dean for the School of the Arts on July 1. Kowalchuk, associate professor in the visual

art education program, has spent nearly three decades teaching art and training art educators. Her research involves the intersection of community art and art education.

“Liz will enter the position with the administrative experience, campus knowledge and enthusiasm that is needed to launch the new School of the Arts,” Steinmetz said. “Her understanding of the strong ties between the arts and humanities will increase opportunities for interconnectedness and synergies involving KU faculty and students. I look forward to working with Liz in developing the new school and bringing more opportunities for participation in the arts to more students while at the same time providing excellent professional training and experiences for our

School of the Arts students.”

Kowalchuk said she is excited about the new configuration of arts in the College and the opportunities it represents for expanding access and awareness of dance, film, theatre and visual arts.

“The arts represent unique ways of knowing, seeing and responding to the world,” she said. “Within the school, the prospects are bright for growth and change. I’m honored to be selected as the first associate dean for the School of the Arts, and I look forward to working with colleagues to support research and teaching in the arts.”

Kowalchuk became an associate professor in 2001. Her administrative portfolio includes serving as associate dean in the School of Fine Arts and acting

chair/associate chair of the Department of Design. Before coming to KU in 1994, Kowalchuk was an assistant professor at Buffalo State College and an art teacher in the Palm Beach County Public Schools in West Palm Beach, Fla.

Kowalchuk has served as Lawrence Arts Commissioner and on the board of the Kansas Art Education Association. She is active in campus affairs, serving on the Public Art on Campus Committee and the Senate Executive Committee. This year,

Kowalchuk was president-elect of the University Senate.

A reorganization of KU's fine arts programs will transform the School of Fine Arts into the School of Music. The Department of Design will join the School of Architecture and Urban Planning. The Department of Visual Art, which will include drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture and expanded media, and a new Department of Dance will become part of the new School of the Arts housed within the College. A few

programs currently within the Department of Design will be added to the Department of Visual Art: ceramics, metalsmithing and jewelry, scenography, textile design, theatre design and visual arts education. The Department of Theater and Film, already in the College, will join this school as separate departments: the Department of Theatre and the Department of Film and Media Studies. The new structure, which will use existing resources, will take effect July 1.

Higher education spared from massive cuts

Reductions come in below original predictions

Legislators have reached a deal that would spare KU and other state universities from feared double-digit budget cuts.

Under the terms of the budget passed last week, in fiscal year 2010 Kansas Board of Regents institutions would see just over a 7 percent reduction in

operating funding from the original FY 2009 budget. Since some previous budget proposals called for a 12.7 percent cut to higher education, this agreement was welcomed by KU leaders.

“This is still a budget cut, but compared to

what had been on the table it will be much more manageable. This agreement largely preserves our ability to carry out our academic and research missions, which is important because both of those contribute to the overall strength of the Kansas economy,” said

Chancellor Robert Hemenway.

“I’m hopeful we will be able to implement this cut through the measures we’ve already taken, such as elimination of certain filled and unfilled positions, identification of new efficiencies and other belt-tightening moves,” he said.

KU already has implemented a 4.25 percent cut in the current budget year.

Because some funding is coming from the federal stimulus package, which sets out certain restrictions for the use of the funds, some details remain to be worked out. For example, it is still unclear exactly how

much money will be required to be devoted to deferred maintenance.

Still looming is the April consensus revenue estimate, which will provide an updated picture of the state’s finances and could spur additional state budget cuts.

Employees recognized for years of service to university

Human Resources and Equal Opportunity will honor KU employees for their service to the university during a luncheon at 1:30 p.m. May 5 in the Kansas Union ballroom.

Honored employees and the number of years of service are below:

Five years

Jennifer Allee, Esteban Alvarez, Alicia Anderson, Marc Anderson, Trena Anderson, Rebecca Annis, Florentino Aragon, James Armstrong, Edward Auer, Beth Baca, Judy

Bachman, James Backes, William Bagwell, Brett Ballard, Richard Barton, Michael Baskett, Robert Bayliss, Mike Beerbower, Stefan Bergstrom, Cory Berkland, Mary Blackwood, Charlette Blubaugh, Quincy Borton, Barbara Bradley, Marie



David McKinney/University Relations

Jun Fu is among employees honored for five years of service.

Browder, Dustin Brown, Nathaniel Brunsell, Vladimir Buglak, Lori Burch, Diann Burright, Sarah Bush, Joseph Buzhardt Jr., Katie Capps, Amy Carlson,

David Carrillo III, Kathy Chaney, Jae Chang, Sandra Cherry, Radha Chigurupati, Kelly Chong, Keith Climer, Jay Coffman, Stacy Cohen Esther Cordle, Bernard Cornet, Susan Corrigan, Janet Corwin, Jacqueline Counts, Sarah Crawford-Parker, Michelle Curtright, Mark Damitio Eva Daniels, Geraldo de Sousa, Michael Detamore, Britt DeTienne, Flora Doleman, Katherine Douglas, Gerald Dreiling, Eleonora Drury, Sanae Eda, Maria Eifler, Eric Elliott, William Elmer II, Ruth Entwistle, Dina Evans, Darryl Fahey, Wendy, Ferguson, Joanna Fewins, Joseph Finan Jr., Christopher Fischer, Jun Fu, Lichelle, Fuchs, Carie Gallagher, Philip Gallagher, Ellen Garber, Debbie Garcia, Donald Gardner, Monte Garren, Alton Gaston, Emmanuel Gauna Jr., Peggy Gentry, William Getz, Allison Gile, Sara Gillham, Jill Glaser, Christina Glauner, Shirley Glover, David Gnojek, Harold Godwin, Dobroslawa Grzymala-Busse, Evelyn Haaheim, Lisa Hallberg, Justine Hamilton, Nancy Hamilton, Jie Han,

CeAnne Harbin, Gregory Harris, Edina Harsay, Nishon Hawkins, Thomas Hays, Roger Heimerman, Bonnie Henrickson, Alejandra Hernandez-Castro, Tracy Horstman, George Hosler, Andrea Hudy, Ronda Hume, Kimberly Hunsinger, Lori Hutfles, Rick Ingram, Asif Iqbal, Vladimir Ivanov, Lucas Jacobsen, Ernest Jenkins, Kirsten Jensen, Lei Jiang, Clinton Johnston, Jorun Kaufman, Sarah Kern, Annie Kiekel, Benjamin Kirtland, Kalyana Koka, William Lacy, Yibonka Lainjo, Karen Lange, Jennifer Laurence, Hyun-Jin Lee, Mary LeGresley, Amanda Leland, Sheri Lemonds, Delores Leonard, Elizabeth Leonard, James Leslie, Sean Lester, Kelin Li, Xiaobao Li, Ashley Lonnberg, Lissa Lord, Janet Lukehart, Joliene Lummis, Roy Lytle, Teresa MacDonald, George Marakas, Danny Marfatia, Justin Marlowe, Travis Marvin, Cornet Mary, Amy McCurdy, Pamela McDiffett, Susan McGee, Ralph McKinzie, Megan McMullen, Lorraine Messinger, William

Metz, Kate Meyer, Ronald Mier, Stacia Mitchell, Karen Moeller, Valerie Moreau, Joseph Morgison, Cary Morris, Jonathan Morris, Jakob Moskovitz, Tania Moulik, Brad Mullenix, Carl Multon, Minae Mure, Mary Muset, Jennifer Ng, Jennifer Nigro, Aleksandr Novosel'tsev, Kathryn O'Connor, Tatiana Odintsova, Shannon O'Lear, Erin O'Neil, Regina Oxford, Moira Ozias, Wendy Parent, So Park, Elise Patrick, Erin Penning, Teresa Pepper, Perez Perez, Adam Peterson, Jennifer Phillips, Tymofiy Plotnikov, Roberta Pokphanh, Nicholas Prewett, Annie Rajaei, Laurie Ramirez, Ryan Rangel, Evelyn Rapport, Kelly Rawlings, Kimberly Rayton, Chadric Reasoner, Angela Riffey, Elizabeth Rine, Steven Robb, Ina Robertson, Miguel Rodriguez, Juan Rodriguez-Quintero, Amy Rossomondo, Gitti Salami, Kay Salami, Evelia Sandoval, Manuel Saumpty, Elizabeth Sawalich, David Scherrer, James Schilling, Lisa Schley, Cecil Schoonover, Karl Schorno, Emily Scott, Paul Scott, Aaron

Scurto, Jeffrey Severin,
Christopher Shaw,
Patricia Shay, James
Sigley, Elizabeth
Six, Laura Hanson
Skarka, William
Skorupski, Erin Slagle,
Galen Smith, Ricky
Smith, William Snavelly,
Nathan Snow, Rodney
Spears, Christopher
Steadham, Jenni
Stinnett, Eric Stomberg,
Corey Stone, David
Stowe, Gordon
Summers, Beth Swank,
Judith Sweets,
Christopher Theisen,
Gregory Thomas, Larry
Thompson Jr., Travis
Thompson, Rhonda
Tingle, Mona Tipton,
Judy Todd, David Topp,
Kurtis Townsend, Janna
Traver, Paul Tucker,
Laci Ulrich, Deborah
Unferth, Margot
Versteeg, Douglas
Ward, Kimberley
Warren, Brandon
Washington, Cynthia
Waterman, Jeffery
Watson, Dan Wenger,
Alice White, Renee
Wiggins, Roy Williams,
Robert Winefield, Alex
Wong, Kari Woods,
Scott Workman, Jeffrey
Worth, Celeste Yaluk,
Cuijuan Yu

10 years

Kurt Aikins, Jan Akers,
Warren Alexander,
Lydia Ash, Patrice

Baker, Nancy Baym,
Jennifer Bean, Amy
Beecher, Kerry Benson,
Mark Bomgardner,
Laura Bond, Cynthia
Bracciano, Aaron
Brown, Tony Brown,
Maurice Bryan Jr.,
Michael Burke, Douglas
Byers, Brad Callahan,
Kyle Camarda, Scott
Campbell, Ray Carter
Jr., Pauly Cartwright,
Elizabeth Cateforis,
Mary Caton, Samantha
Christy-Dangermond,
Valerie Chronister,
Chung-Hoon Chun,
Gwendolyn Claassen,
Paul Clemens, Edith
Clowes, Melinda
Coffman, Kathy
Coggins, Steve Colson,
Billie Conway, Michael
Cormack, Lea Currie,
Robert Dewhirst, Yelena
Dremina, John Dunham,
Apurba Dutta, Bryan
Foster, Mark Francis,
Gregory Freix, Renee
Frias, Traci Fullerton,
John Funk, Brenda
Gach, Nadezhda Galeva,
Mickie Gillispie,
Kenneth Golden,
Andrew Goulden,
Heather Grant, Elizabeth
Gravatt, Andrea
Greenhoot, Peter Griggs,
Carol Hatton, Mark
Haug, Shanda Hayden,
Colleen Hazel, Suzanne
Henderson, Bernard
Herman, Cheryl
Holcomb, Nancy Hope
Kimberly Huggett Craig

Huneke, Lawanna
Huslig, Michiko Ito,
Matthew Jacobson, Karl
Janssen, Allard
Jongman, Ted Juhl, Jude
Kastens, Pamela Keller,
Paul Kelly, Robert
Kinder, Richard Klocke,
Lisa Kress, Adrienne
Kunkel, Noelle Kurth,
Stephen Lambert, Linda
LaPierre, Teri Leahy,
Jialun Liao, Michael
Lickert, Weishi Liu,
Christopher Lorenzen,
Joseph Lorino, Ross
Luther, Owen Mallonee,
Adolfo Matamoros,
Barbara Mayne, Allen
McDaneld, Gayle Mead,
Victoria Mignot, Denise
Modin, Karen
Montgomery, Kimberly
Morgan, Caleb Morse,
David Mucci, William
Myers, Mark Nesbitt
Daly, Fenghui Niu,
Sharon O'Brien, Jason
Olenberger, Richard
Osborn Jr, Dwight
Parman, Amy Patty,
Kristin Pedersen,
Jonathan Perkins, Dana
Peterson, Deborah
Peterson, Wendy
Picking, William
Picking, Robert
Pierrelee, Stephanie
Preston, Kathryn
Pribbenow, Glenn
Quick, Eric Rath, Jean
Redeker, Rick Reeves,
Diana Rhodes, Laurence
Rice, Bethany Roberts,
Teresa Robertson,
Elizabeth Ross, Keith

Russell, Rafael Sanchez,
Bonnie Schafer, Steven
Schrick, Catherine
Schwabauer, Carol
Seager, Elena
Semyonova-Smith, Joan
Serenio, Viktor Sharov,
Rhonda Sharp, Gail
Sherron, William
Siebenaler, Carol Sloan,
Marla Sloop, Sean
Smith, Ronald Spangler,
Bruce Springsteen, Paul
Stevens, Sonja
Stockwell, Matthew
Stowe, Samantha Straf,
Mark Stumbaugh,
Daniel Suchy, Aaron
Sumner, Michelle
Swisher, Timothy
Thomasson, John
Tidwell, Gail Trottier,
May Tveit, Teri
Varuska, Carole Vrbas,
John Wade, Nellie
Wade, Elise Waldron,
Beth Warner, Elaine
Warren, Loretta Warren,
Xanthippe Wedel, Ann
Weeth, Michael
Wehmeyer, David
Wiley, Susan Williams,
Thomas Williams, Rita
Wilson, Susan Zvacek

15 years

Christopher Allen,
Janette Anguish,
William Barnhill, Travis
Berkley, Trudy Bowen,
Benjamin Bretthauer,
Wanda Buck, Jan Butin,
Melissa Caywood,
Karen Christilles, Gay
Clock, Robert Collins,

Luis Corteguera, Mark
Crabtree, Kevin
Criscione, Lawrence
Davidow, Marina de
Fazio, Christopher
Drahozal, Susan Egan,
Ann Ermev, Alan Feltz,
LeAnn Ferguson,
Doreen Fowler, Steve
Fowler, John Gaunt,
Misty Goosen, David
Hann, Jennifer Hanson,
Lisa Harris, Cheryl
Harrod, Michael
Hoeflich, Susan Holt,
Weizhang Huang, Anne
Johnson, Arnold
Johnson, John Johnson,
Edward Kiernan, Liz
Kowalchuk, David
Laflen, Brian Laird,
Claude Laird, Paul
Laird, Susan Lanyon,
Dana Lattin, Connie
Leonard, Phillip
Lowcock, Debra
McCord, Joyce McCray-
Pearson, Deron McGee,
Robert McWilliams,
Hollyce Morris, James
Moutray, Daniel
Narcomey, Trung
Nguyen, Karen
Nordheden, Pat Owens,
Harold Pace Jr.,
Catherine Preston,
Kathy Robbins, Janet
Roecker, Robert Sawin,
Terrie Schulenberg,
William Sharp, Lois
Sierra, Robert Sorem,
Valerie Spicher, Patrick
Stewart, Mark Strand,
Thomas Stubbs,
Rebecca Swearingen,
Yaroslava Tsiovkh,

Herbert Tuttle, Gary
Vernon, Patricia
Wakolee, Darlene Ward,
Beth Wehner, Gina
Westergard, Steven
White, Amy Wierman,
Henry Wilks, Ann
Wimmer, Kerri Wright,
Jianghai Xia

20 years

Charles Ammel, Carol
Anderson, Philip
Barnard, Tammy Barta,
Sheri Phillips, David
Braaten, Nancy Brady,
Denise Brubaker, Loyd
Bryant, Edward Canda,
Rosemary Chapin,
Muriel Cohan, Steve
Colson, Annette
Delaney, Norman Eddy,
Wesley Ellison, Joseph
Evans, Iris Fischer,
Evan Franseen, Charles
Gabel, Suzanne Galle,
Mike Garcia Jr., Sandra
Gautt, Sharon Graham,
Mary Hamilton, Ann
Hartley, Pam Heimerich,
Joanne Hickey, John
Hoopes, Linda Hope,
Peter Jaimez, James
Jewell, Bruce
Johanning, Kimberly
Johnson, Van Kelly,
Dennis Kemberling,
Nancy Kinnersley,
Teresa Krambeer, Kveta
Kugler, Linda Lee, Jama
Lickteig, Jane Live,
Diane Loeb, Beth Lowe,
G. Macpherson, Charles
Marsh Jr., O. Martinez,
Desui Miao, Robin

Miller, Paul Mirecki,
 Sanjay Mishra, George
 Moore, Jeffrey Neavitt,
 Allan Pasco, Glenn
 Prescott, Carolyn
 Rankin, Maureen
 Raymond, Mark Reiske,
 John Richardson, Peggy
 Robinson, Leslie
 Rollins, Stephen
 Sanders, Gail
 Schaplowsky, Catherine
 Schwoerer, Sergei
 Shandarin, Mary Sharp,
 Antonio Simoes,
 Thelma Simons, Edward
 Small, Jewel Smith,
 Marylee Southard, Erin
 Spiridigliozzi, William
 Staples, Sheila Stice,
 Patrick Suzeau, Michael
 Swann, Brian
 Timmerman, Charles
 Vervynck, Thomas
 Waechter, Candyce
 Waitley, Dale Walker,
 Julie Waters, Mickey
 Waxman, Glen White,
 Richard Whitmore,
 Karlawayne Williams,
 Todd Williams, Donald
 Worster, Stanley Yoder,
 Tammie Zordel

25 years



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 Relations

Schuyler Bailey has been at
 KU for 25 years.

Marla Adkins-Heljeson,
 Susie Albers-Smith, Joe
 Anderson, Carol
 Archinal, Schuyler
 Bailey, Gary Baker,
 Vickie Baldwin, Theresa
 Bateson, Roger
 Beckwith, Florence
 Boldridge, John
 Broholm, Frank Brown,
 Judith Carta, Pamela
 Confer, John Connolly,
 Ronda Consolver,
 Glennett Corel, Floyd
 Craig Sr., Karen
 Dawber, Kenneth
 Demarest,
 Rebecca Dunavin, Mary
 Dunlap, Dana Evans,
 Saeed Farokhi, Verna
 Froese, Stephen
 Goddard, Sivaprasad
 Gogineni, Theresa
 Gordzica, Beverly
 Herrman, Cynthia
 Huebner, Dennis
 Karney, Daniel Katz,
 Cheryl Lincoln, Mark
 Lohmeyer, ShyAnne

Mailen, Diane Massey,
 Robert McMahon,
 Cotter Mitchell, Cynthia
 Muckey, Bozena
 Pasik-Duncan, Mindy
 Pendreigh, Dennis
 Prater, John Ralston,
 Kimberly Ray, Delores
 Ringer, Jennifer Sanner,
 Nancy Schwarting, Joey
 Sprague, Kathy
 Suprenant, Karan
 Surana, Ruth Swain,
 Ellen Sward, Fusao
 Takusagawa, Cathy
 Thrasher, Max Utsler,
 Mike Valk, Barbara
 Williams, Mark Witt

30 years

Sandra Albrecht, Susan
 Allen, Timothy
 Bengtson, William
 Bryant, Stephen Bunch,
 Janet Campbell, Linda
 Carter, Paula Courtney,
 Richard Crank, Fran
 Dunavin, Deborah
 Faurot, David Gottlieb,
 John Gronbeck-Tedesco,
 Dale Grube, Janet
 Hamburg, Michael
 Harmon, Christopher
 Haufner, Mary Hoffer,
 Gary Kampfer, Mike
 Kautsch, Cindy Koester,
 Murray Levin, Terrie
 Lindholm, Burdett
 Loomis, P. Macfarlane,
 Renate Mai-Dalton,
 James Matter, Sandra
 McKenzie, James
 Means, Mary Michaelis,
 James Modig, Patricia
 Moody, Thomas

Mulinazzi, Barry
Newton, Lois Pinder,
Richard Ring, Monte
Rogers, Barbara
Romzek, Ian Rowell,
Judy Sawyer, Benjamin
Sax, Ann Schofield,
Daniel Spencer, Barbara
Terry, Teresa Thornton,
Gale Troth, David
Vertacnik, Lynn Votaw,
Cindy Wallis, Sheryl
Williams, Bedru Yimer,
Sandra Zimdars-Swartz

35 years

James Barnes, Patrick
Beard, Richard
Branham, Kathy
Burchett, Dennis
Constance,
David Darwin, Donald
Deshler, Tyrone
Duncan, Cathy
Dwigans, Ronald
Francisco, Bayliss
Harsh, Raymond
Higgins, George
McCleary Jr., Malcolm
Neelley, Ralph Oliver,

Allan Press, Carole
Ross, Randy Samuels,
Wayne Spellman,
Christina Spray, Chester
Sullivan, Connie Taylor,
Robert Turvey, Jack
Weller, William
Westerbeke, Cheryl
Wiley, Jane Wong,
Alberta Wright

40 years

Raymond Ammar, G.
Atkins, Alva Beasley,
David Bushouse,
George Duerksen, Linda
Faust, Peter Hierl,
Kenneth Hopkins,
Michael Johnson, David
Katzman, Butch Larios,

Gerald Lubensky, Joan
McDaniels, Keith
Meyer, Donald Nieto,
Nancy Peterson, Stanley
Rolfe, Orley Taylor Jr.,
Francis Thomas, Gene
Wee, G. Willhite,
Edward Zamarripa

45 years

Don Green, Anita
Herzfeld, Donald
Parson, Richard Reber,
Wayne Reusch Jr.

50 years



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Richard DeGeorge is being
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service to KU.

Richard DeGeorge

Business school expands partnerships with Chinese universities

The School of Business
is expanding its
relationships with two
partner universities in

China to include student
exchange agreements.

Although the signing of
the formal agreement
documents is pending, a

variety of activities have
commenced. The terms
of these agreements will
provide KU business
students with more

opportunities to study in China.

Like KU, Sun Yat-Sen University in Guangzhou is a comprehensive university, and the University of International Business and Economics in Beijing specializes in international business, economics, law and foreign languages. Both of these KU partner universities have top-ranked business schools.

Plans are being made to send three KU business students to UIBE this fall.

“There is scholarship money available to help fund our students for study in China,” said Carol Rose, director of the business school’s Institute for International Business. “We are working with the KU Office of Study Abroad on course offerings and getting these courses approved for KU business credit.”

Exchange students from China have already

arrived at KU. Last spring and again this spring semester, doctoral students from UIBE are at KU working with Tailan Chi, associate professor of business. In addition, two undergraduate students from SYSU are now at KU as part of the new exchange program. Rose said these students were having a meaningful and successful experience at KU. Students from KU will be able to attend the two Chinese universities next year and will be able to earn an additional degree if they study in China for two semesters.

“These universities offer excellent opportunities for our students to gain in-depth knowledge about this rapidly growing economic power in the world and to stay on track toward graduation because of the business courses offered in English,” said Chi.

Two Chinese faculty members also are visiting KU this spring

semester. They are supported by the Chinese government and are involved in research projects with Andrew Chen, assistant professor of business, and Terry Zhao, assistant professor of business.

In May, a group of KU master’s of business administration students will travel to SYSU to get an inside look at Chinese business activity and to participate in an international business case competition sponsored by Wal-Mart.

The KU School of Business thinks international experience is key to preparing students for leadership positions in the global marketplace. KU business students take advantage of study abroad programs at rates well above the national average, and 70 percent of the KU business faculty have conducted international research or taught abroad in the last three years.

Violent crimes on campus drop, statistics show

Thefts by ex-staff account for ten percent of reported property crime

For only the second time in the past decade, the number of reported criminal offenses on campus have reversed the downward trend. The 723 criminal offenses reported in 2008 represent a 9 percent increase from the 664 criminal offenses reported in 2007. The last time there was an increase in reported criminal offenses on the campus was in 2003 when 862 criminal offenses were reported.

Only five violent crimes were reported in 2008, accounting for less than 1 percent of all reported crime. The increases were mostly seen in property crimes, such as burglary and theft. Two men were identified as being responsible for more than 10 percent of all thefts reported in

2008. In unrelated incidents, the suspects were identified in multiple thefts from the Ambler Student Recreation Fitness Center and Facilities Operations. The suspects in both cases were arrested.

“Good police work and valuable assistance from the university community combined to identify the suspects in those cases,” said Ralph V. Oliver, director of the Public Safety Office. “Providing a safe and secure environment on campus is a priority for the department, but we rely on the university community to do its part by reporting any crime on campus and helping us identify the perpetrators.”

The Public Safety Office maintains a 24-hour operation, employing

911 dispatchers, non-commissioned security officers and commissioned law enforcement personnel. Uniformed officers patrol the campus year round. Security officers lock and unlock buildings as needed and monitor for maintenance and security problems. Dispatchers monitor alarms and dispatch police, fire and medical units for emergencies on campus. Detectives assist the patrol unit with criminal investigations. Community-support personnel provide educational safety programs and information to various campus organizations.

A full listing of all offenses reported for 1998 through 2008 can be found at the department’s Web site.

University completes, presents NCAA self study

Report examines athletics' strengths, opportunities

KU administrators presented a draft of an athletics department self-study to a crowd of about 30 at a town hall meeting March 31. The self-study, required by the NCAA, comprehensively reviews the current state of Kansas Athletics as part of the recertification process.

Frank DeSalvo, associate vice provost for student success, and chair of the self study steering committee, led the meeting, giving those in attendance an overview of the self-study, its findings and why it is required.

“The purpose of the report is to document the progress that we’ve made,” he said. “We’re also happy to have the chance to present the university and the public with a transparent look at the University of Kansas athletics.”

DeSalvo was joined by Chancellor Robert

Hemenway, athletics department officials and report coordinators Jerry Bailey, associate professor of educational leadership and policy studies; and Stephen McAllister, professor of law. The report, required every 10 years by the NCAA, takes a look at seven operating principles: institutional control, rules compliance, academic standards, academic support, gender issues, diversity issues and student athlete well-being.

Much of the discussion at the meeting focused on facilities. The report outlines plans for an Olympic village that would add new facilities for track and soccer and renovate facilities for softball and baseball. Jim Marchiony, associate athletics director, assured those in attendance that the project is still in a fundraising stage and that no timetable has been set for work to start.

Athletics officials touted the improvement of facilities for women’s sports, improvements made in gender equity and rules compliance since KU’s last self-study in 1999. A boathouse was recently completed and opened for the women’s rowing team and several women’s locker rooms have been renovated, Marchiony said. There are now also five full-time compliance officials, when five years ago, there was only one.

Hemenway spoke about the importance of the NCAA and student athletics, as well as the symbiotic nature between athletics and the academic aspects of the university. He plans on writing a book about intercollegiate athletics and American society after completing his service as chancellor this summer.

“I think there’s something very

American about competition, about modeling behavior for our young people,” he said. “The NCAA is a large part of what and how student athletes progress at a place like the University of Kansas.”

Work on the self-report began in March 2008, when a 52-member,

university-wide steering committee was formed. Five sub-committees began work in August and report coordinators drafted the version of the report presented at the meeting from documents presented by each of the subcommittees. The committee will now finalize the report and submit it to the NCAA

by May 1. A three-member site-visit team will visit campus in October. The NCAA is expected to issue findings by February 2010.

A draft of the report can be found at <http://www.chancellor.ku.edu/ncaa/>.

Unclassified Senate awards funds to staff for professional development

Employees to take part in training, research

Some will learn how to handle hazardous museum items. Others will study spoken language.

Eight unclassified staff members have received funding from Unclassified Senate to attend conferences and perform research across the country. The senate provided the funding to supplement professional development opportunities for staff members.

Angela Watts, collection manager at the Spencer

Museum of Art, was among the recipients. She'll attend a conference in Illinois about safely identifying and handling potentially hazardous items in museum collections. One might not think of museum items as dangerous, but it can be quite common for items to have been treated with arsenic or pesticides for preservation purposes.

Watts said she'll learn how to identify potentially hazardous materials and how to handle those that could

be problematic. She'll share the information with her colleagues and student employees. KU's museum collections contain some high-profile pieces that must be handled with care.

“One very interesting example from our collection is the Inuit material that was collected by Lewis Lindsay Dyche when he traveled to Greenland. Much of this material is on exhibit right now in the Spencer's Climate Change exhibit, safely sealed in cases, of

course,” Watts said. Dyche was a taxidermist for KU and when he collected animal specimens in Greenland, he also collected hundreds of objects from the local Inuit people. Much of that material was made from animal fur or skin, and because of his training in taxidermy, it was natural that Dyche would treat the fur clothing he collected with arsenic.”

The senate provided four \$500 awards and five \$200 awards. Recipients of the \$500 awards are:

- James Busse, graphic coordinator, Center for Environmentally Beneficial Catalysis. He will attend the Photoshop World Conference in Boston.

- Kimberly Bruns, project coordinator, School of Social Welfare. She will attend the 46th annual Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Conference in New Orleans.

- Karen Hester, director of career services, School of Law. Hester will attend the National Association for Law Placement Diversity Summit in Chicago.

- Angela Watts, collection manager, Spencer Museum of Art. She will undertake the Campbell Center for Historic Preservation Studies course “Know the Hazardous Materials in Your Collections” in Mt. Carroll, Ill.

Recipients of the \$200 awards are:

- Kathy Mason and Robin Merritt, academic advisers, University Advising Center. They will attend the Region VII National Academic Advising Association Conference in New Orleans.

- Jenny McKee, health educator, Student Health Services, and Ken Sarber, public health educator, Student Health Services, will attend the Meeting of the Minds Prevention Education Conference in Kansas City, Mo.

- Peter Richtsmeier, post-doctoral researcher, Bureau of Child Research. He will undertake research in the Spoken Language Lab.

Children's nutrition, family health to be focus of CLAS Acts presentation

Pediatric obesity is a tragic problem in our culture, but it's not unavoidable. Families

who want to learn more about simple changes that can help improve their health immensely are invited to attend

“The Price Is Too High: Balancing Children’s Nutrition,” a CLAS ACTS presentation sponsored by KU’s

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Attendees at the April 19 event will be able to explore healthier choices and lifestyles by visiting multiple stations with hands on activities. Some of those activities include identifying healthier choice in fast foods, learning to calculate target heart rate, comparing serving sizes and sampling healthier snack options from The Merc.

“The Price is Too High” is organized by Ric Steele, a professor of applied behavioral science whose research centers on physical and mental health in children, adolescents and families.

Steele says the presentation is designed to equip families with tools that will help them maintain healthy balances of diet and exercise. The event will also introduce families to the energy balance equation, which explains the relationship between caloric intake and expenditure and weight gain or loss.

“Basically, if calories in is greater than calories

out, then weight gain occurs,” Steele says. “If calories out is greater than calories in, then weight loss occurs.”

According to Steele, the most current estimates show that more than 30 percent of children in the United States are overweight. Although a changed physical appearance is the most recognizable effect, there are other issues that arise from being overweight.

“Other, less obvious conditions may result, including poorer school performance, mood and behavior problems, lower self-esteem and other somatic problems like fatigue,” Steele says.

“The Price is Too High” is free and open to the public, from 2 to 4 p.m. on April 19 in Spooner Hall. For more information, contact Jessica Beeson at eliasb@ku.edu or visit <http://www.clas.ku.edu/outreach/clasacts/>.