

Winter 2000 issue

## Awards and Accolades Committee Seeks Nominations

Each year at the annual conference, we honor our members, former members, and individuals associated with KACRAO for special achievements and service. **The Awards and Accolades Committee needs your help in determining worthy recipients!** Please take a few minutes to read the criteria below for each of the awards, then send your recommendations (names and brief summary of their service/contributions) to the committee. The names of past award recipients are listed on the reverse side of the award nomination form.

**Laura Cross Distinguished Service Award:** Our highest award is presented to individuals who have served in the Admissions/Records/Registrar profession for a substantial portion of their career, and have made significant contributions to KACRAO. \*(LCDS)

**Certificate of Appreciation:** Individuals who have demonstrated loyal and dedicated service to KACRAO should be nominated. CPC hosts, presenters at the annual meeting, non-members and retirees may be considered. \*(CA)

**Richard N. Elkins Special Service Award:** This honor is bestowed for outstanding leadership and special dedication to KACRAO. Active members who have made, or are currently providing significant contributions to the organization should be considered for this award. \*(RNES)

**Honorary Membership:** Individuals who have contributed significantly to the Association, but who are no longer eligible to be institutional members may be considered for this honor. \*(HM)

**Outstanding New Professional Award:** Please nominate candidates who have been in the profession less than six years, are active members of KACRAO, and have served on at least one committee. The nominees must be involved in one or more campus committees. The intent of the award is to recognize new professionals for their achievements, involvement, and potential in the areas of admissions and registration. \*(ONP)

In addition to sending recommendations for these awards, also please provide the names of individuals in your office (including clerical employees) who will **RETIRE** this year. We would like to recognize them at the annual meeting.

Mail, FAX or e-mail your recommendations by JUNE 1, to:

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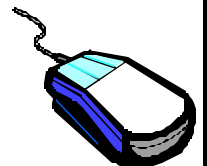
\* Abbreviations of award titles as listed on the reverse side of the enclosed award nomination form

### Subscribe to the KACRAO Listserv Today!

In the future, the KACRAO Current will be available primarily on our new web site, kacrao.org (see "KACRAO Goes Electric" on page 3). An announcement message with a link to the new issue will then be sent over the listserv. To sign up for the KACRAO listserv, simply follow these directions:

1. Send e-mail to: listserv@ksu.edu
2. Skip the subject area
3. Type in the body: sub kacrao-l yourFirstName yourLastName
4. Send the message.
5. Reply to the confirmation message: ok

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## *Listserv Etiquette Can Help All of Us Enjoy the Information Age*

Navigation on the information superhighway can be treacherous. Just when you think you've discovered a wonderful new tool, like the KACRAO listserv, along come countless replies to each message and questions and comments you couldn't care less about. To help us best use the listserv, let's observe some "rules of the road":

1. Don't use the reply button to respond to a listserv message. It replies to EVERYONE on the listserv. This is known as "Spam", or useless e-mail. No one likes Spam (my apologies to Hormel Foods, Inc.) Create a new message to the author using his or her individual e-mail address.
2. Put a subject line on each message sent to the listserv. Identify your audience in it (e.g., "A Question for Private College Registrars"). This allows those people who don't need to read the message to delete from their e-mail without taking the time to open and read the entire message.
3. Include your individual e-mail address in any message to the listserv. This will allow anyone who wishes to comment back to you to do so without replying to the entire list. Offer to summarize the comments in a message posted to the listserv so that those interested can read the results of your query.

Our profession contains a wealth of experience and new ideas. The KACRAO listserv can be one more way to share our knowledge and ideas with our colleagues. But we can't enjoy the benefits of the listserv if it fills our mailboxes with Spam.

Talk to you on the listserv,  
Tom Green, Editor

## Committee Announcements

The **Professional Development** drive in workshop is set for Wednesday, July 12, on the campus of Southwestern College. "New Ideas in a Changing World" is the theme. The committee is preparing what will be an enjoyable and informative day. For further information logon to kacrao.org.

Kacrao 2000 is just around the corner on September 27, 28, and 29. The **Program Committee** is working hard to ensure a fun-filled, informative conference that is interesting for both admissions and registrar personnel. So mark your calendar and get ready for "Tradition and Future" in McPherson Kansas!

The KACRAO Current is published five times a year and is a member-written, member-published newsletter of the Kansas Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers. If you wish to submit an article or have comments, please contact a member of the 1999-2000 Publications Committee listed below:

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## The President's Corner

*Diane Barnes, Associate Registrar  
Wichita State University*

Greetings everyone!

I hope that all of you are off to a good start with the new semester and the new year. I guess the Y2K bug wasn't so bad, after all. We're on the downhill slide to the end of the semester, and it will be summer before we realize what's happened.

I would encourage everyone who can, to attend the AACRAO annual meeting in New Orleans, April 9-12. It sounds like there will be an exceptional program, and the dancing crawfish promises lots of good food and entertainment. The Kansas hospitality night will be on Tuesday, April 11, from 7:00 - 9:00, at the same time as the other state and regional hospitality rooms. We will probably be using a room in the Riverside Hilton, and more definite information on location will be posted on the KACRAO listserv prior to the conference.

The KACRAO Technology Committee has done a fantastic job in getting the KACRAO web site ready to go public. I won't steal the show from Chris Meiers, committee chair, but I do want to commend this hard-working group for reaching a goal that we, as an association, have been talking about for the past several years. Chris and committee, thank you for your service to the association.

We have also been continuing to work with KSCA, and will have two KACRAO members on a panel presentation at the KCA convention in Wichita March 8-10. Joey Linn and Glenn Lygrisse will be presenting "Transitioning Students from Secondary to Post-Secondary Schools", on March 9, at 1:00 PM. If you're at the meeting, please support them with your attendance at their session. Lisa Miller, Vice-President for Admissions, will have a KACRAO table set up in the exhibitors' area, so please stop by and lend a hand there, if you can.

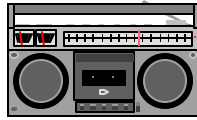
The KSCA liaison to the KACRAO Executive Board, Marylinn Peaslee, is leaving the state, and so will no longer be part of our group. I would like to thank Marylinn for her input and assistance in helping KACRAO work with KSCA - we'll miss you, Marylinn. A new liaison will be announced at the March conference.

Best of luck to all with the rest of the semester, and remember, if you have any comments or concerns regarding KACRAO, please contact either myself, or any Executive Council member. We'll see you in New Orleans.

**Diane**

## KACRAO Goes Electric!

By Chris Meiers, Chair, Technology Committee



The Technology Committee is pleased to announce the launch of the KACRAO On-Line. The web site address is: <http://www.kacrao.org>. Please be sure to bookmark this page. For best viewing of the site, it is recommended that you view the web site with the latest version of Microsoft Internet Explorer or Netscape Communicator. To download a free copy of either browsers there are links to their web sites at the bottom of the KACRAO homepage.

It is the intent of the KACRAO Technology Committee to make the web site an useful resource for kacrao members, high school counselors, and students interested in higher education in the state of Kansas. The success of the web site is dependent on members of KACRAO utilizing the web site and also contributing to the web site. There are several ways that members can contribute to the web site below.

Some of the features of [kacrao.org](http://www.kacrao.org) are:

**KACRAO Current**-The KACRAO Current will now be available for on-line viewing.

**KACRAO News On-Line**-(located on the right side of the home page) KACRAO News On-Line is an area that will complement the KACRAO Current. Timely news articles will be posted in this section with the four most current submissions being placed on the front page. Archived articles will also be available. To submit a news item for the web site, please e-mail to [story@cmeiers@fhsu.edu](mailto:story@cmeiers@fhsu.edu).

**Instant access to KACRAO information**-Visitors are able to view general information about KACRAO: Purpose of KACRAO; Executive Committee Members; Member Institutions; and Information about the Annual Conference, College Planning Conferences, Summer Drive-In Workshops, Committee News, etc.

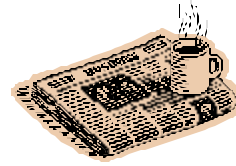
**Career Development**-Members of KACRAO will be able to post job announcements through the web site. To post a job announcement, please send the announcement to [cmeiers@fhsu.edu](mailto:cmeiers@fhsu.edu).

Sections of the web site that are under development are:

**Member Services**-Members with a password will be able to view Membership Directories, High School Directories, College Planning Conferences Schedules, and other information privileged to KACRAO members. Passwords will be distributed to members when this section of the site is complete and will be renewed upon payment of annual dues.

**Professional Development Information**-These sections will contain information and resources for admissions and registrar professionals for use in their daily professional lives. Information for Students and High School Counselors- These sections will contain information and resources for students and high school counselors about post-secondary opportunities in the state of Kansas.

As additional sections of the web site are completed it will be announced to the membership through the KACRAO listserv. For more information or questions, please contact Chris Meiers at [cmeiers@fhsu.edu](mailto:cmeiers@fhsu.edu)



## News About Your Colleagues

Here's what's new with your KACRAO Colleagues:

**April Boyd** and **Michelle Stafford** of Wichita State University are both getting married in May. **Brenda Musil**

started as an Admissions Counselor for Washburn University in January. **Sarah Compton**

joins the admissions staff at Newman University as a counselor. Several staffing changes have been reported

for Tabor college: **Holly Nickel** has resigned as Assistant Director of Admission to pursue a Masters program in English at ESU. **Hayley Abbott**, a January 1999 graduate of Tabor, has been hired as an

Admissions Counselor at Tabor, **Kimberlee Krienke** has been promoted to Assistant Director of Admissions, and **Bruce Jost** will be "moving across the hall" to become Director of Student Financial Assistance.

**Lynnette Brummett**, Assistant Director of Admissions and Student Financial Assistance at KSU, Jason Brummett, and their son Brice welcomed new baby Brady John Brummett to their family on December 16.

**Julie Cook** joined the KSU Admissions staff as Transfer Articulation Coordinator, and **Christy Crenshaw** joined the KSU staff as the Associate Director of Admissions and Student Financial Assistance. At Butler County Community College, **Jana Schartz** resigned and **Connie Craft** has taken over as Registrar. **Rita Luna** is BCCC's new Transcript Analyst, and Mandy Noble is their new Transcript Clerk. **Dot Fernandez** has resigned as Admissions Representative for Dodge City Community College, and her position is currently being advertised.

Colby Community College graduate **Candi Cook** joined the CCC staff early this year, replacing **Lisa Stithem** who has taken a position with Student Support Services at Colby Community College. **Cynthia Evans**, December '99 graduate of Stephens College in Missouri, has been hired as an Admissions Counselor at Southwestern College. In our last issue, we incorrectly stated that **Kara Veverka** is a new Admissions Representative for Pratt Community College. Kara Veverka is actually a *graduate* of Pratt Community College, but she is an *Admissions Representative* for Barton County Community College

Mark your calendar for . . .



Hosted by the Private Colleges of Central Kansas --

Bethel College

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McPherson College

Tabor College

Bethany College

Hesston College

Sterling College

**September 27-29, 2000**

See you there!!

## The Night Before 20<sup>th</sup> Day

'Twas the night before 20<sup>th</sup> day  
and enrollment looked bad.  
If the numbers weren't up,  
Someone's job would be had.

The reports were being run  
By the computers with care,  
In hopes that the Registrar  
Soon would be there.

Admissions reps were nestled  
All snug in their beds  
With visions of Merit Finalists  
Dancing in their heads.

And I in my home  
Nearly asleep in my loft  
Kept thinking and thinking,  
"Banner or PeopleSoft???"

And then from my phone,  
There was a distinctive sound.  
I jumped to the floor  
In a single bound.



When what to my wondering  
Ears I could hear...

"This is the Dean,  
Get your butt down here."

With my mind now racing,  
And fearing the worst.

I was only thinking,  
"Our numbers are cursed!"

When I arrived at the office,  
I was simply amazed.  
All the reports I had seen,  
Indicated enrollment had been raised!!

I couldn't believe  
What my eyes were telling.  
Reps were calling  
And the Dean was yelling.  
"Get the students here,  
that's all I ask. Do it before tomorrow,  
So in glory we'll all bask."

When I began hearing,  
"I've got one," and "Me, too."

I knew I wouldn't have to  
Play sick with the flu.

The stroke of midnight  
Came with a flurry.  
And then I knew  
There was no need to worry.

We all stared at the computer  
As the reports came down.  
The Dean turned to me  
And there was no more frown.

"We all pulled together,  
Everyone at the school.  
We've reviewed the reports,  
And they all look cool."

A cheer went up  
From all who were there.  
A sense of joy  
Was filling the air.

It all came crashing down  
When we heard from Lester,  
"Just think...we'll go through it again,  
*EVERY* semester!"

-submitted by Chris Hett, WSU

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