

-Department of Commerce

Shirley Honig-

In July of 1973, Shirley began working for the Kansas Department of Labor, where she enjoyed running a press and working in printing. She has undertaken similar responsibilities since moving from Labor to the Department of Commerce in 2004. Between work and family, her time with the state has flown quickly, and Shirley has now given 41 years of dedicated service to Kansas.

-Department of Health & Environment

Joe Cronin-

Joe began his state career by working 2 years with the State Highway Commission. He has spent the last 39 years with the Kansas Department of Health & Environment. 25 years of this has been devoted to work involving solid waste management. Joe also worked in the Bureau of Air and the Bureau of Environmental Remediation. He is a Kansas-licensed professional engineer and serves as the Chief, Solid Waste Processing Facilities Unit. His primary duties include the review of permits for transfer stations, household hazardous waste facilities, medical waste processors, composting facilities, waste tire processors and transporters.

-Department of Labor

Warren Miller-

My first job with the agency was in the bill paying section of Fiscal Management. I paid the utility and telephone bills for all of the UI and Job Service offices around the state. Then after about two years I moved to another section in Fiscal where I balanced the property account for all of the real estate and numbered property owned by the Department. Also I was the accountant for the expenses incurred by the WIN program offices around the state. Eventually I was given the job of billing and paying other states for combined wage UI claims. Then when Wayne Franklin was the Secretary my position was moved to Benefits where my activities were confined to working with combined wage UI claims. My job has remained mostly the same since being moved to Benefits.

-Department of Revenue

Teresa Gibbons-

Teresa lives here in Topeka, Kansas. All of her 40 years of state service have been with the Department of Revenue. She began with the Department of Revenue in January of 1974 as a clerk. She has received several promotions and now works as an Accountant III in the Taxation Division.

-Department of Transportation

Frank Coufal-

Frank produces and updates Project Authorization Documents that are critical to the T-Works Programs. These define project location, scope of work, fiscal year, work phases, and funding. He demonstrates flexibility to produce accurate, timely, effective Project Authorizations in a short time - in response to T-Works implementation and phased project announcements, changing project priorities, field checks, and Program Review Committee directives. His work involves coordination, exceptional rapport, and clear communications. Frank's expert knowledge of project development enhances this process. His work is highly professional and brings credit to the Bureau, the Division, and KDOT. He earned his Civil Engineering degree at the University of Nebraska.

Darrell Gwaltney-

Darrell is a Permanent Signing Specialist for the Kansas Department of Transportation. He has a vast wealth of knowledge of the history of most highway signs in Kansas. He is knowledgeable of the signing requirements that transportation agencies must follow. He designs signing plans from the very basic to the most complex roadway configurations, consistently willing to take on the unusual or challenging situations.

Darrell is passionate about his work, and strives to sign roadways to the best of his abilities to provide safe travels for Kansans.

Timothy Horgan-

Tim was hired on March 1, 1974 as an Equipment Operator for District 1 Area 5 Blaine Subarea, where he has remained to this day. On October 18, 1978 Tim promoted to an Equipment Operator II and on August 18, 1991 he again promoted to an Equipment Operator III. He has maintained an Equipment Operator Senior status for the Blaine Subarea for the last 23 years.

John Rome-

John started to work for KDOT on January 9, 1974, as an Automotive Mechanic Helper, at the Hays Area Shop. On May 20, 2007, he was promoted to an Equipment Mechanic Specialist and took on the duties of supervisor for the Hays Area Shop.

Mr. Rome's supervisors have described him as a dependable, self-starter with good communication skills and the ability to easily solve problems.

Mr. Rome is the proud parent of two children Matthew and Monica, who are currently attending college. Mr. Rome shared that, in his spare time he enjoys refurbishing vintage vacuum-tube radios.

Kent Rosdahl-

Kent started as an Equipment Operator at the Atchison Shop. He transferred to the Gage Office as an ET II in 1978. He promoted to Highway Maintenance Supervisor in 1981 at West Gate Shop in Topeka. He returned to Gage Office as an ET in 1988. He promoted to ET Senior at the District One Materials Lab in 2004. He then promoted to ET Specialist and acting Lab Chief in 2011.

-Department of Wildlife, Parks & Tourism**Paula Rudiger –**

Paula graduated from NCCJC in May 1973 and needed to find a job. On July 2, 1973 she was hired as a Clerk Steno II (regional secretary) for KS Forestry, Fish & Game in Chanute, KS. This was the year the department established six regional offices around the state (now there are five) and they hired many fisheries and wildlife biologists in August 1973. Paula didn't pass the shorthand test within the three month requirement part of the civil service testing, so she was bumped out of the job. However, she did pass the test and was able to work at the Pratt headquarters for the department as a Clerk Steno I. She worked in Pratt for one year and two weeks before transferring to the Newton Regional Office in October 1974 as a Clerk Steno II. The position has been reclassified many times throughout the years and now is an Administrative Assistant. The regional office in fact changed locations from Newton, to Valley Center in 1985 and then moved to Wichita in 1996 at the Great Plains Nature Center. The department name also changed through the years to Kansas Fish & Game then to KS Wildlife & Parks and now KS Department of Wildlife, Parks & Tourism/Region 4 Office. She married her husband Steven in 1985. They have a daughter Abby (age 29) and Hayley (age 26); however both girls live out of state and she wished they lived closer. She never thought she would work at this job for this long but she enjoys her job, the people she works with and enjoys helping the public.

-Judicial Branch

Rita McLain-

Rita McLain began her employment with the courts in Salina, Saline County on January 14, 1974 as a Clerk I. She is currently classified as an Administrative Assistant to the Chief Judge of the 28th Judicial District, Jerome Hellmer. She has also had the privilege during her tenure of working with several judges, to include Judge Penland, Judge Robertson and Judge Weckel. When asked how much longer she intends to work for the judicial branch, her response was, "as long as I'm vertical, my work is efficient & accurate, and as long as people are willing to keep me around." Rita's personality, attitude and longevity to the job is admired by all employees of the 28th judicial district as well as others associated with the court, not only within the district but across the state. On a personal note, to my children, grandchildren, sisters and brother, I owe you thanks for all the years you have been by my side.

-Kansas Neurological Institute

Debbie Mesecher-

Debbie began working at KNI in 1973. She was the Director of the Social Work Department for years and has a long, respected relationship with many of the families with loved ones living at KNI. Debbie is known for her strong advocacy of the people living at KNI and people with Intellectual Disabilities outside of KNI. In 2010, a community provider nominated her for the Governor's Award of Excellence for the outreach work she provides. In 2014, TARC awarded Debbie with the Timilli Gartner award for her continued dedication to enhancing the lives of others. KNI has been very fortunate to have such a skilled and loyal Social Worker over the past 40 years.

-Kansas State University 50 Year Employees

Larry Erickson –

Larry E. Erickson is Professor of Chemical Engineering and Food Science, and Director of the Center for Hazardous Substance Research at Kansas State University. After receiving the B.S.Ch.E. and Ph.D. from KSU, he began teaching in Chemical Engineering at K-State in 1964. In 1967-68, he conducted research in biochemical engineering at the University of Pennsylvania, and then introduced courses in biochemical engineering and bioseparations at K-State. Since 1985, he has provided leadership for hazardous substance research at K-State. In order to advance pollution prevention and improve environmental management, he introduced seminars in hazardous waste engineering and sustainability. He has worked with more than 70 graduate students, coauthored more than 450 papers, and participated in more than \$50 million of funded research projects. He helps to provide leadership for the Consortium for Environmental Stewardship and Sustainability, and the annual Dialog on Sustainability.

John Pence –

John joined the Department of Housing and Dining Services at Kansas State University in 1963 as a graduate student. In the years since, he has served as manager of K-State's dining centers, instructor of courses in Hotel, Restaurant, Institution Management and Dietetics, and his current position of senior associate director.

John is a recipient of the prestigious International Foodservice Manufacturers Association Silver Plate Award.

Education:

B.S. Industrial Management, Purdue University, 1963

M.S. Institution Management, Kansas State University, 1970

Professional Service

- National Association of College and University Food Services: National President (1986-87); Co-Chairman, National Conference (1984); National Treasurer (1979-85)
- Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
- Kansas Dietetics Association/Kaw Valley Dietetics Association
- Management in Food and Nutrition Systems (ADA practice group)
- Food and Culinary Professionals (ADA practice group)
- Society for Foodservice Management
- The International Gold and Silver Plate Society

Honors/Awards

- National Association of College and University Food Services Theodore W. Minah Distinguished Service Award, 2000
- Honorary Doctorate, Food Service Management: National Association of Food Manufacturers, 1988
- International Foodservice Manufacturers Association Silver Plate Award, colleges and universities category, 1987
- National Association of Food Equipment Manufacturers Doctorate of Foodservice Medallion, 1987
- National Association of College and University Food Services Meritorius Service, 1981, 1983, 1985

-Kansas State University 40 Year Employees

Dale Lanham –

Dale graduated from KSU in December 1973 with an Animal Science Degree and started his first job in January 1974 as the Woodson County Extension Agricultural Agent. He was a Linn County 4-H member for twelve years and the state livestock project winner in 1968. He was a very active 4-H member in beef, swine, leadership and a variety of other projects, but now most people associate him with sheep and meat goats or the Bressner Research Pasture. It has been his privilege to work and serve the people in Woodson County for forty years.

Deanna Turner –

Deanna has worked for K-State Research and Extension as a County and District Extension Agent in Family and Consumer Sciences for Scott and Clay County and the River Valley District which includes Clay, Cloud, Republic and Washington County. She works with youth and adults in her current position as the Adult Development and Aging District Agent. Deanna is a certified Senior Health Insurance Counseling for Kansas (SHICK) counselor assisting Medicare beneficiaries shop and enroll in a Medicare Part D Plan. She counsels Kansans turning age 65 and eligible for Medicare. Deanna received her B.S. degree from Kansas State University and M.S. degree from the University of Nebraska.

Virginia Mixer –

Virginia arrived in Manhattan in 1972 as a military spouse with a B.S. in Business Education, looking for temporary employment, which happened to coincide with a job opening in a newly funded federal grant in the College of Education at Kansas State. After the grant ended, she completed her M.S. in Secondary Education (1975) while working part time as a graduate assistant with the intention of returning to teaching. Instead, the dean offered her a position as administrative assistant/budget officer for the college. She continued in that position as it has evolved over the years including teaching a few business

education courses at one time. She enjoys the collegiate atmosphere and working with K-State's faculty, staff and students.

Rob Denell –

Rob completed his doctoral studies at the University of Texas, Austin, and spent postdoctoral periods at the University of California, San Diego and the University of Edinburgh. He joined the K-State Division of Biology in 1973. His research focused on using insect model systems to understand the genetic control of embryonic organization and its significance to morphological evolution. He rose through the ranks, becoming a University Distinguished Professor in 2000. In 2002, after he and his wife were treated for cancer, he accepted the directorship of the K-State Johnson Cancer Research Center.

Richard Howerton –

Richard Howerton began working at Derby Dining Center at Kansas State four days before his 20th birthday, on August 24, 1973. He's had many interesting experiences in the past 40 years. His favorite one was when he helped deliver Christmas presents to the family Derby adopted that year. The expression on the family's face was priceless! Richard is looking forward to retiring so he'll have more time to devote to his artwork.

Harvey Jansonius –

Graduated Fort Hays State University—1973

Harvey started at the Fort Hays Experiment Station Sept. 1, 1973, as a range technician. While some people change jobs, he still has the same job although the job has taken different avenues during that time.

Wife-----Susan (41 years)

Daughter-----Jessica (Eddie)

Grandsons-----Chris and Chase

Daughter-----Jayne (Parker)

Connie Kisse –

Connie began working for Kansas State University in 1973 as a Clerk II, she was promoted to Clerk Typist II, Clerk III and LAIII in the main campus library. She was a member of the Classified Senate for 18 years, sitting as president (1 yr.), vice president (1 yr.) and Legislative chair (2yrs.). She served as the Libraries Classified Council president for one year. She is also one of the founders of KLOA – (Kansas Library Operation Associates) which now has a round table at KALA - (Kansas Association of Library Assistants).

Richard Wege –

Richard Wege began working at Kansas State University on May 1, 1973, at Pittman Food Stores packaging meat for the Residence Hall Dining Centers. In 1974 he worked in both Derby and Kramer Dining Centers receiving shipments and stocking the food products. In 1976 Richard was promoted to a meat cutter position after attending the National School of Meat Cutting in Toledo, Ohio. He then began cutting steaks and roasts, and grinding hamburger for the dining centers. In November 2003 he was promoted to a Senior Cook and continued in the Pittman Food Stores slicing all the deli meat served in the Residence Hall Dining Centers. During the summer months Richard is instrumental in counting and updating current inventory levels of the dining centers' china, equipment, employee uniform stock, and food products at Pittman Food Stores. Can't find something? No problem. Richard can save the day. Richard resides in Westmoreland and has driven daily for 40 years to his position at KSU. He had perfect attendance for seventeen of the forty years.

John Devore –

John was hired by the department of Statistics (as a half-time instructor) at Kansas State to teach a course in the summer semester 1970. In the fall 1970, he was hired full-time as a programmer II by the University Computing Center. John served in several positions for the University Computing Center until the fall semester of 1984 when he was hired as an Associate Professor by the Department of Electrical Engineering where he is now a Professor.

Roberta Homolka –

Roberta was a Professor of Mathematics in Arts, Sciences, & Business Department at Kansas State Salina Campus starting on August 27, 1973, and she retired on August 13, 2014.

Marsha Frey –

Marsha, a graduate of The Ohio State University, has taught joyfully a bevy of undergraduate and graduate students at Kansas State University. She also taught at the Ohio State University, the University of Oregon, and the United States Military Academy. Marsha has also lectured for the Smithsonian abroad. Throughout her academic career she has worked in archives in both Eastern and Western Europe and published in tandem with her twin 14 books and over 100 articles in German, Dutch, French, Spanish, and Hungarian-- and English, on 18th Century Europe on topics ranging from Leopold I of Austria to Frederick I of Prussia, to the Hungarian War for Independence, to the War of the Spanish Succession, to the French Revolution, and to the evolution of diplomatic immunity to name but a few. She is currently completing a monograph on the culture of French Revolutionary diplomacy and yet another on the French Revolutionary challenge to international law.

Sandra Chandler –

Sandra K Chandler began her career with the State of Kansas, Kansas State University in the College of Education in 1973. She worked for Curriculum and Instruction for 2 years before moving to the Department of Physics, College of Arts and Science in 1975. In 1983 Sandra was hired in the State and Extension Forestry, College of Agriculture, which became Kansas Forest Service. She worked there for 30 years, retiring in January 2014, making a 40 year career with the State of Kansas, Kansas State University. She was raised and still resides in Manhattan KS. She has one son and a daughter in law with 4 grandchildren that keep her busy and active with their sports and school activities.

Mary Molt-

Mary Molt, PhD, RD says 40 years goes quickly when each year you are having the best time of your life. Mary, in her role as Associate Director of Housing and Dining Services and Assistant Professor in Hospitality Management and Dietetics, says she never tires of seeing the cheerful and innocent faces of each fall's new freshman class nor the confident graduates on graduation day who seem eager to make their mark on the world. Mary was honored with what is considered the highest honor in the foodservice industry, the IFMA Gold Plate Award. She is also a recipient of the National Association of College and University's highest distinction, the Theodore W. Minah Award for distinguished service and the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics coveted Medallion Award, recognizing a lifetime of contributions to the dietetics profession.

-Larned Correctional Mental Health Facility

Vincent Caro – Mr. Caro was hired as an Automotive Driver on February 18, 1974 at Larned State Hospital. He promoted to Corrections Officer I at the Larned Correctional Mental Health Facility on January 18, 1993. Vincent promoted to Corrections Officer II on October 11, 1998 and to his current position of Corrections Specialist I on June 20, 2004.

-Office of Administrative Hearings

Courtney Fulton- Courtney started her state career with the State Fire Marshal's Office in July 17, 1974. In March 1977, she went to work for the Kansas Department of Administration, Division of Purchases. After 27 years, she came to the Office of Administrative Hearing, where she is still employed. Courtney is a sharp, diligent worker who grasps each situation quickly and never needs redundant instruction. She has the heartfelt respect and affection of all her colleagues at OAH.

-Osawatomie State Hospital

Lynn McReynolds- Lynn started working at Osawatomie State Hospital (OSH) in 1973 and has worked in the laboratory since 1974. Lynn was quickly promoted to Laboratory Manager in 1986 and by 1998 she was promoted once again to Laboratory Director. Lynn has played an important role in ensuring OSH earns 100% survey ratings by The Joint Commission. Her dedication and high expectations of herself, the laboratory and the hospital has a whole serve as inspiration to other staff at OSH as well as the patients we provide care to.

-University of Kansas

Richard Branham-Prof. Richard Branham has had parallel careers for 50 years in both academia and professional design consulting worldwide. At KU, he has been the principal advisor to 75+ graduate students. In the professional world, he is a pioneer in design systems, human-centered interaction design and experience design for large-scale wayfinding projects (Kingdom Tower, Saudi Arabia; St. Luke's Health Systems) and branding projects (Ford; JC Penney; Target) and for small-scale wayfinding and interaction for mobile information appliances (Tatung Corp., Taiwan). He has published, lectured and consulted in the Americas, Europe, Africa, Asia and Australia. He is currently interested in the way people use interactive devices to create meaning in their lives and to navigate in the physical and virtual world.

Stephen Grabow-Stephen is Professor of Architecture at KU where he joined the faculty in 1973. He has worked as an architect and planner in North Africa and the Middle East as well as in the United States and is the author of several books and numerous scholarly articles. His writings have been translated into French, Japanese and German. He is the recipient of fellowships from the National Endowment for the Humanities, The National Endowment for the Arts and the Fulbright Commission. He has won awards for both his design work and for his teaching. He has served as Chair of the Architecture Department, as Chief Marshal of the University and currently as a Faculty Ombudsman.

David Henry-Dave began his career as a staff pharmacist at the KUMC hospital but has been with the School of Pharmacy for the last 39 years. His specialty area is Oncology Pharmacy and he has worked with the Pediatric Hematology and Oncology service at the KU Hospital for the last 30 years.

Ann Heptig-Ann started working for the State of Kansas in 1973 in the Department of Revenue in Topeka as a clerk. After 4 years working for the State, she moved to Lawrence and began working for the University of Kansas in a classified staff position, first in the School of Architecture for 4 years, then the School of Education for 21 years, and is now a university professional staff in the Dept. of Pharmaceutical Chemistry in the School of Pharmacy for the past 13 years. She has two children and three grandchildren.

James Mayo-In his academic career, Jim Mayo taught quantitative methods, professional practice, urban design, and history of the American landscape. He authored three books and over 50 journal articles with a particular research interest in politics and design and its presence in the American landscape. He was on the editorial boards of the Journal of Architectural Education and the Journal of Architectural and Planning Research. In the latter part of his career Professor Mayo was Chair of the Department of Urban Planning for twelve years.

Ed Meyen- Meyen came to the University of Kansas in 1973 as professor and chair of the Department of Special education. He has served in a number of administrative roles including Associate Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Studies, Dean of the school of Education and Executive Vice Chancellor for the Lawrence campus. Shortly after returning to the faculty in 1996 he in collaboration with others from different departments on campus established the eLearning Design Lab to do research and development. It was sponsored by the Center for Research on Learning and the Information and Telecommunication Technology Center.

Elias (Eli) Michaelis-Eli Michaelis is University Distinguished Professor of Pharmacology and Toxicology and Director of the Neuroscience Graduate Program at the University of Kansas, Lawrence. He and his wife have taught in the School of Pharmacy and performed research on brain function, brain aging, and neurological diseases, have raised a daughter, and helped several graduate students and post-doctoral associates launch their careers in scientific research and teaching. Being part of KU for the past forty years has been a great experience because of the many supportive colleagues and friends of the University in Lawrence.

Richard Simpson-Richard is Professor of Special Education at KU. He joined the faculty in 1973 and has worked on the Lawrence, medical center and Edwards campuses.

Cheryl Wiley-Cheryl began her career at KU in 1973 with the Student Housing Department as a dining supervisor and then in 1978 as a dietitian and food service manager. In 2004 the dining department merged with the Kansas Memorial Unions where Cheryl, a registered and licensed dietitian, currently works as a Nutrition Coordinator for KU Dining Services. Her passion is in nutrition education. For the past 40 years she has served KU and her professional affiliations, and through the Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics and the National Association of College & University Food Services provided up to date nutrition information to the collegiate community.

-University of Kansas Medical Center

Thomas L. Pazdernik, PhD-

Thomas L. Pazdernik, PhD, is a Chancellor's Club Teaching Professor in the Department of Pharmacology, Toxicology, and Therapeutics. His research has focused on organic synthesis of medicinal agents, immunopharmacology/toxicology, and neuropharmacology/toxicology. He has directed courses in pharmacology and toxicology for students in the School of Medicine, School of Nursing, and School of Health Professions for which he has maintained the Departments Computer-Assisted Teaching System (CATS).

Barbara Petersen-

Barbara Petersen currently serves as the Senior Executive Assistant to the Executive Vice Chancellor of the University of Kansas Medical Center. Prior to this she was the Director of Administration and Finance for the Division of Continuing Education on the University of Kansas Lawrence Campus for 30 years.

Gloria Schroder-

Gloria was employed in the Division of Infectious Diseases and Division of Allergy, Clinical Immunology & Rheumatology, Department of Internal Medicine, from July, 1973, through May, 2003. Employed in the Office of the Registrar, Department of Student Services, from June, 2003, to present.

-Wichita State University

Deltha Q. Colvin- Deltha is the Associate Vice President for Student Engagement at Wichita State University. She is responsible for 9 TRIO Programs: Communication Upward Bound, Disability Student Support Services, Educational Opportunity Centers, McNair Scholars Program, Student Support Services, Talent Search, Upward Bound Math Science, Upward Bound Wichita Prep, and Veterans Upward Bound, and Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) and the Office of Disability Services. She is a major national, regional and local advocate, trainer and leader.

Randy Ellsworth-Randy is a Professor of Educational Psychology in the Department of Counseling, Educational Leadership, Educational and School Psychology in the College of Education at Wichita State University. He has held positions as Department Chair, Associate Dean, and Interim Dean in the College of Education along with primary graduate level teaching responsibilities in educational statistics, research methods, and measurement.

Donald W. Hackett-Donald joined Wichita State University after receiving his doctorate from the University of Oklahoma. A decorated Viet Nam veteran and retired USAR Colonel, Dr. Hackett has received the Regents Excellence in Teaching Award in addition to serving as Director of the Center for Entrepreneurship, Graduate Studies in Business and the Center for Management Development. In addition to his teaching emphasis in management and entrepreneurship, he is widely sought as a speaker and trainer on the topic of management and leadership. He resides in Derby, Kansas with his wife Carol.

Beverly A. Henline-Beverly began employment with the State of Kansas on July 18, 1973 with SRS. In 1977 she transferred to the Wichita State University Library. In the Technical Services area she has moved from Clerk Typist II to Library Assistant III. She has seen many changes from the card catalog system to automation. She says that it has been challenging and rewarding and she loves working at WSU and particularly in the library.

Mary L. Herrin-Mary is the current vice president for administration and finance and chief financial officer at Wichita State University (WSU). She is an alumna of WSU, having earned both bachelor's and master's degrees in accounting. She has served on the Board of the National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO) since 2009 and was Chairman from 2013-2014.

Sandy Oswald-Sandy is a Library Assistant III at the Wichita State University Library. She started her career in the library as an Office Assistant III, moved up to a Library Assistant I, Library Assistant II, and finally Library Assistant III. Before that Sandy worked at the Wichita State University Police Department as a Clerk Steno II, then a University Police Officer, and as an Office Assistant III before transferring to the library.

Frank Rokosz-Frank is an Associate Professor and Coordinator of the Physical Education Activities Program in the Department of Human Performance Studies at Wichita State University. Having written several books and numerous journal articles on the organization and conduct of sports tournaments and events, he is nationally recognized in the recreational sports field. Rokosz also has received awards for excellence in teaching at both the college and university levels at WSU.

Jerry Shaw-Jerry has taught the last 43 years in Ethnic Studies at Wichita State University and enjoyed every moment of it. He would like to thank the State of Kansas for the opportunity. Jerry is Native American and is a member of the Osage Nation. He served from 2002-2006 on the tribal council for the Osage Nation. Over the years, he has won many awards but the dearest to his heart are the LEO REANO Memorial Award by the National Education Association, the Wichita State University Excellence in Teaching Award, and the Wichita State University Academy for Effective Teaching Award. Jerry also served as the announcer for the Wichita State University Women's Basketball team from 1977-1994. He says, "Thanks for the opportunity to teach about my people."

Frances K. Shelly-Frances has been Professor of Flute at Wichita State since 1973 and flutist with the Lieurance Woodwind Quintet, who received the Governor's Arts Award in 1989. She has performed in major concert venues throughout the USA, Europe and Central America. She is a recipient of the WSU College of Fine Arts Teaching Award and the first recipient of the Anita Jones Faculty Fellowship Award.

Deborah H. Soles-Deborah, Professor of Philosophy, received a B.A. from George Washington University (Washington, D.C.) and a Ph.D. in philosophy from Johns Hopkins University in 1975. She has received numerous teaching awards, and has been very active in service to the university and to the profession.