



# William Allen White School of Journalism and Mass Communications

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MONDAY MEMO

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR MAY:

- May 15: **Campaigns presentation** to the administrator of the **Lawrence Transit System**, Cliff Galante, by **Tim Bengtson's** class, 1:30 p.m., Alderson Auditorium, Kansas Union.
- Reception honoring Provost David Shulenburg**, 4 to 6 p.m., Kansas Union Ballroom, with program at 4:30 p.m.
- May 16: **Campaigns presentation** to the director of the **Lawrence Convention & Visitors Bureau**, Judy Billings, by **Tim Bengtson's** class, 1:30 p.m., Alderson Auditorium.
- May 17: **Kansas City area Journalism Alumni event**, 6 to 8 p.m., Indian Hills Country Club, Mission Hills. Directions are on the J-School's Web site. **If you plan to attend but haven't RSVP'd, please do so to Jennifer Kinnard immediately.**
- May 20: **School Graduate Recognition Ceremony and Master's Hooding**, 8:30 a.m., Lied Center, with reception on the lawn of Staffer-Flint. Detailed information for students is on the J-School Web site.
- May 21: **KU Commencement**, 2:30 p.m., Memorial Stadium.
- May 26: **FINAL GRADES ARE DUE TO REGISTRAR BY MIDNIGHT.**

## FACULTY NEWS:

- **John Hudnall** was inducted into the Kansas Scholastic Press Association Hall of Fame May 6 at the KSPA annual meeting held in conjunction with the state contests. He has been executive director of KSPA since 1990.
- **Sharon Bass** received the Student-Athlete Support Service Award May 11 from the Department of Athletics. She and Rich Morrell, associate vice provost for student success, were honored for longtime service as faculty mentors to KU athletes.
- **Max Utsler** will work for ESPN at the College Baseball World Series in Omaha June 15-28.

## STUDENT RECOGNITION:

- **Lisa Coble-Krings** is the winner of the year's top student paper award for the Community Journalism Interest Group of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. The paper was based on her thesis work, looking at ethics and decision-making among five small Kansas weeklies. She will present her research at the AEJMC convention in San Francisco in August. She received her master's degree in journalism in December.

- **Kim Wallace** won the "Most Memorable Mother's Moment" essay contest sponsored by a Lawrence business. She wrote about her mother taking her to Vietnam to meet her grandfather whom her mother had not seen in 25 years.

#### ALUMNI NEWS:

- **Craig Welch**, December 1989, has been named a Nieman Fellow at Harvard University for the next academic year. Welch is the environmental reporter at *The Seattle Times*, where he has worked since 2000. Last year he received a national first place award for beat reporting from the Society of Environmental Journalists.
- **Holly Lawton**, December 1991, has been promoted to sports editor of *The Kansas City Star*. She is a former editor of *The Kansan*.
- **Melissa Bulgren**, BSJ 1991, MSJ 1993, has been promoted to handset promotions manager by Sprint Nextel in Overland Park.

#### DEATHS:

- **Joseph A. Bachofer**, 1970, of Salina, died April 19.
- **Tim W. Kasczak**, 1981, of Pleasant Hill, Missouri, died April 26.