



Campus Close-Up

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Kitty Johnson shot video recently of students walking on the Colby Community College campus.

Broadcast student prepares for art video work in Kenya

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Kitty Johnson is not your typical student at Colby Community College. In addition to taking a broadcast production class, she's working to complete a doctorate from the University of Indiana.

Johnson is taking the class in video and digital graphic production to learn basic techniques which she can use in Kenya to produce a video about public service transportation vehicles known as Matatus.

"I am completing research on the graphic designs on these public transportation taxis," said Johnson. "They are actually works of art with elaborate designs, lights and other amenities such as LCD screens."

A Matatu shared taxi route usually starts and finishes in a central location known as a taxi park, lorry park or motor park, she said. When passengers arrive at a taxi park, they are often assailed by people known as touts, coti-men, or taxi scouts, whose job is to persuade travelers to use their vehicle or taxi company with efforts that range from praising the comfort of their

vehicle to promising a quick journey or grabbing baggage and throwing it atop their car.

Nevertheless, most shared taxis only leave the taxi park after all seats have been sold, whether that be a matter of minutes, hours or days. Taxis headed to more popular destinations generally have lower wait times, she said, though such locales are often serviced by more than one company.

Travelers often opt for the car with the most passengers, leading some companies to sit employees in cars to make them seem fuller than they really are. The cars sometimes follow a loose schedule, though this is seldom made public.

Johnson spent time in Nairobi, Kenya, to learn about the elaborate designs on the Matatus. "Young people in Nairobi learn from the Internet," said Johnson. "Some of the taxi artists have degrees in graphic design. The Matatus are a way for the artists to display their craft. They compete to have the best design or the hottest vehicle on the route."

Johnson's thesis is titled "Esthetics in Action: Matatus Design in Nairobi."

"I am taking the production course at CCC so I can return to Nairobi and put together a tape highlighting the Matatus," said Johnson. "I think the visual representation is essential for people to understand the elaborate designs and significance of these shared taxis. I also plan to publish a book on the taxis and include a DVD with the publication."

The broadcasting department at the college offers radio and television courses. The radio station broadcasts 24 hours a day from studios on campus. The television department produces a newscast and other local programming for channel 188 on the S & T cable system.

Johnson, a graduate of Grinnell High School, earned her bachelor's degree in English from Kansas State University. She has a master's degree in art history from Indiana and a master's degree in museum science from Texas Tech University. Her doctorate will be in art history.

"My ultimate goal is to teach," said Johnson. "I plan to complete my thesis and receive my Ph.D. in December."

She and her 3-year old daughter Naisula live in Oakley.

Regents' grant helps evening classes

The Kansas Board of Regents has made a \$60,000 grant to Colby Community College to expand nursing faculty and supplies. The college received \$74,372 in 2006 and \$63,110 last year.

"The additional funding has allowed CCC to expand its program in Colby and Norton," said college President Lynn Kreider. "We increased the number of LPN students on the Colby campus from 20 to 30. The RN program was also increased from 30 to 40 students."

"This year's grant will help fund the new evening nursing program which began this fall. Completion of the evening program prepares licensed practical nurses to become registered nurses. It is a two-year program which meets one evening each week."

A grant review committee consisting of representatives from the Kansas Association for Homes and Services for the Aging, the Kansas Board of Nursing, the Kansas Health Care Association, the Kansas Hospital Association, the Kansas Organization of Nurse Leaders, and the state Nurses Association reviewed proposals and made award recommendations.

The 2005 Legislature, concerned about a shortage of nurses in Kansas, recommended that the Regents report to the governor and the 2006 Legislature on the resources needed

to increase the state's capacity to educate registered nurses by 25 percent. The Legislature required a time line for building the infrastructure to accommodate up to 250 more nursing student admissions each year.

Among the causes for the nursing shortage in Kansas is increased use of the health care system by an aging population at the same time many nurses will be retiring. Last year, the Kansas Department of Labor predicted that 6,890 new registered nurses will be needed by 2010 to meet rising demand, while 4,460 replacement positions will need to

be filled, for a total projected need of 11,350 new registered nurses.

Implementing nationwide strategies and initiatives within the state, Kansas has succeeded in attracting people to careers in health care. The pressing issue now is not interesting students in nursing careers, but expanding program capacity.

Virtually every nursing program has an extensive waiting list of qualified applicants. Increasing capacity is a complex process that includes additional faculty, new or expanded clinical instruction sites and classroom space and equipment.

Outreach head an alumnus

Troy Bielser, a Colby Community College graduate, has been named to supervise the Outreach Department at the college.

Bielser majored in history education from 2002 to 2004. He transferred to Fort Hays State University, where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree in history in 2007.

He worked for Purple Wave Auction in Manhattan and Derby prior to accepting the job in Colby. The Colby native will be responsible

for the college's 24 outreach sites and for "concurrent enrollment" programs at area high schools.

He is the son of Shelli and Roy Bielser of Colby.

A pioneer in outreach education, the college serves a 14-county area of northwest Kansas.

Outreach classes are held evenings and weekends in 24 towns, via the Internet, and as concurrent enrollment classes in area high schools.



Troy Bielser

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Saturday Evening							September 19, 2009			
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	College Football									Local
KBSL/CBS	CSI: Miami	CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn	48 Hours Mystery			Local			
KSNK/NBC	To Be Announced	Law & Order	Law & Order: SVU				Local	Saturday Night Live		
KSAS/FOX	Cops	Cops	Most Wanted					Talkshow With Spike	Sit Down	Local
Cable Channels										
A & E	CSI: Miami	CSI: Miami	CSI: Miami				The Sopranos		CSI: Miami	
AMC	Lonesome Dove								Pale Rider	
ANIM	Me or Dog	Me or Dog	Dogs 101		It's Me or the Dog		Dogs 101		Me or Dog	Me or Dog
BRAVO	Sweet Home Alabama				Sweet Home Alabama				Practical Magic	
CMT	Terry Fator	In the Army Now						Bill Engvall		Videos
CNN	Campbell Brown	Larry King Live		Newsroom			Campbell Brown	Larry King Live		
COMEDY	Waiting ...	Still Waiting ...								
DISC	Neanderthals	Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs			Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs	
DISN	Sky High	Underdog			Montana	Wizards	So Raven	The Suite	Cory	
E!	Aguilera: THS			Soup	Kendra	The Soup	Chelsea	Soup	Soup	
ESPN	College Football						SportsCenter		Football Final	
ESPN2	College Football						NHRA Drag Racing			
FAM	Dirty Dancing						The Mask of Zorro			
FOOD	Unwrapped		Food Unwrap.	Unwrapped			Iron Chef America		Food Unwrap.	
FX	The Transporter 2		Ghost Rider				Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	30 Days
HGTV	Master Bedrm	Color	Color	House	House	Rate	Design		Master Bedrm	
We Celebrate Hometown Life										
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HIST	Da Vinci Code			Angels-Demons					Da Vinci Code	
LIFE	Rumor Has It ...	Georgia O'Keeffe				Army Wives			Drop Dead Diva	
MTV	True Life	Making His Band		Music Awards					Best Dance Crew	
NICK	iCarly	Jackson	The Troop	iCarly	Chris	Chris	The Nanny	The Nanny	Malcolm	Malcolm
SCI	Phantom Racer	Open Graves					Timber Falls			
SPIKE	UFC 103 Countdown	UFC Prelims			Surviving Disaster		Surviving Disaster		Surviving Disaster	
TBS	Austin Powers				Shanghai Knights				Engvall	Engvall
TCM	Wuthering Heights				Devotion				Hound-Basker.	
TLC	Dancing Tweens	Ultimate Cake Off		Moving Up			Dancing Tweens		Ultimate Cake Off	
TNT	Mission: Impossible					Minority Report				
TOON	Movie			King-Hill	King-Hill	The PJs	Boondocks	Star Wars	Bleach	
TRAV	City Slickers			Man Food	Man/Food	Bizarre Foods		City Slickers		
TV LAND	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Roseanne	Roseanne	
USA	NCIS		NCIS			Psych		Action Sports		
VH1	VH1 Divas				Behind the Music		Behind the Music		Real Chance of Love	
WGN	MLB Baseball			WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	The Bullw	Ransom	
Premium Channels										
HBO	Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa		The Incredible Hulk				True Blood		Death Rce	
MAX	Casino			The Dark Knight					Lingerie	
SHOW	Lions for Lambs			Good Luck Chuck				California		

Sunday Evening							September 20, 2009			
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	King Kong									Local
KBSL/CBS	Emmy Awards									Local
KSNK/NBC	Football	NFL Football								Local
KSAS/FOX	Simpsons	Simpsons	Fam. Guy	Amer Dad		Local				Dateline NBC
Cable Channels										
A & E	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds				CSI: Miami		Criminal Minds	
AMC	Any Given Sunday			Mad Men					Breaking Bad	
ANIM	Monsters Inside Me	Untamed and Uncut		When Animals Strike			Monsters Inside Me		Untamed and Uncut	
BRAVO	The Matrix Reloaded						Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI	
CMT	The Longest Yard	Caddyshack							Videos	Videos
CNN	Campbell Brown	Larry King Live		Newsroom			State of the Union	Larry King Live		
COMEDY	Let's Go to Prison	Accepted					Jackass: Number Two			
DISC	Wild Pacific	Wild Pacific		Wild Pacific			Wild Pacific		Wild Pacific	
DISN	Sonny	Jonas	Agent Cody Banks 2				Wizards	Montana	The Suite	Cory
E!	The Soup	Soup	Kourtney	Kourtney	Kourtney	Reality	The Soup	Chelsea	Kourtney	Reality
ESPN	MLB Baseball						SportsCenter			SportsCtr
ESPN2	NHRA Drag Racing			NASCAR Now			World Series		World Series	
FAM	A Walk to Remember		Dirty Dancing					J. Osteen	Feed	
FOOD	Challenge		Iron Chef America	Chopped			Play	Play	Iron Chef America	
FX	Ghost Rider		Night at the Museum					Sons of Anarchy	Sunny	
HGTV	Income	Estate	House	House	Design Star		For Rent	Renovatn	Income	Estate
HIST	Holy Grail				Pawn	Pawn	MysteryQuest		Holy Grail	
LIFE	Georgia O'Keeffe			Drop Dead Diva		Army Wives		Drop Dead Diva	Army Wives	
MTV	Best Dance Crew		Best Dance Crew		P. Diddy's Stormaker		Best Dance Crew		Pranked	Pranked
NICK	Malcolm	Malcolm	Lopez	Lopez	Chris	Chris	The Nanny	The Nanny	Malcolm	Malcolm
SCI	Interview-Vamp		Book of Blood				Monster Man			
SPIKE	Star Wars VI: Return				Star Wars IV					
TBS	You, Me and Dupree				You, Me and Dupree				Fun With Dick & Jane	
TCM	The Bad News Bears				The Karate Kid				Wild	
TLC	Dateline Myst.		Dateline Myst.		Dateline Myst.		Dateline Myst.		Dateline Myst.	
TNT	Mission: Imp. 3					Mission: Imp. 3				
TOON	Garfield's Fun Fest	Total	Dude		King-Hill	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Robot Chicken		
TRAV	Tribal Odyssey	Tribal Odyssey		Tribal Odyssey		Tribal Odyssey		Tribal Odyssey		
TV LAND	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Roseanne	Roseanne
USA	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Alpha Dog		
VH1	Tool Academy		Tool Academy		My Antonio		Tool Academy		My Antonio	
WGN	Cheers	Cheers	Hill Street Blues		WGN News/Replay		Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby
Premium Channels										
HBO	Madagas	24/7	Curb	Bored	Curb	Entourage	Bored	Entourage	Hellboy-Army	
MAX	The Dark Knight				10,000 B.C.					
SHOW	Dexter		Dexter		Californ	Californ	The Eye			