

# KU honors top students of semester

Several undergraduate students from Colby and surrounding towns at the University of Kansas earned honor roll distinction for the spring 2011 semester.

These are students who meet requirements in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and in the schools of allied health; architecture, design and planning; business; education; engineering; journalism; music; nursing; pharmacy; and social welfare.

### Colby

Andrew Christian Toth, senior, engineering, son of Patrick and Sally Toth, graduate of Colby High School.

April Dawn Gee, sophomore, liberal arts and sciences, daughter of Leslie Focke, Colby, and Frederick Gee, Summerfield, graduate of Axtell Public School.

Matthew Joseph Hull, senior in liberal arts and sciences, son of Andrew and Lynette Hull and Lynette Fry, graduate of Colby High.

### Oakley

Callie Mae Baalman, senior, allied health.

### Selden

Jessica Kaye Fredrickson, sophomore, liberal arts and sciences, daughter of James and Tamri Fredrickson, Selden, graduate of Decatur Community High School in Oberlin.

### Hoxie

Loren Michael Cressler, senior, liberal arts and sciences, son of Herbert and Marita Cressler, graduate of Hoxie High School.

Criteria for honor roll vary among the university's academic units and are available online at [www2.ku.edu/~distinction/cgi-bin/regulations16](http://www2.ku.edu/~distinction/cgi-bin/regulations16).

# Barton college announces spring grads

Barton Community College has announced its graduates who completed their associate's degrees in the Spring of 2011. Cory Sager of Colby has been awarded an Associate of Science degree.

Another student from the area, Jared Marcuson of Oberlin, earned the Associate of Arts degree.

# Signing up for classes



Thursdays were enrollment days for new students in the Colby School District. Forms were available in each of the four school buildings. Returning student enrollment will be from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday in the high school commons area.

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# School doesn't have to break the bank

While back-to-school spending is typically second only to holiday purchases, families are encouraged to check school fees and other fixed costs before shopping.

As a result of budget cuts to education, parents are likely to see increases in fees. In some cases, families may be asked to cover or contribute to costs for activities or services previously provided without cost, said K-State Research and Extension financial management specialist, Carol Young.

As the educational community struggles with how best to manage the current economic climate, Young noted that the increased costs will challenge families. The dilemma also offers a valuable lesson in helping children learn to weigh wants versus needs.

Young, who is based in Kansas State University's Department of Family Studies and Human Services, offered cost-saving tips:

- Check with the school for a list of costs and requirements, such as registration, book and computer rentals or deposits, or other requirements, such as a calculator

for math, art supplies or kindergarten mat, and school breakfast or lunch.

- Note costs for activities, such as rental fees for a band instrument or uniform, or add-ons for transportation, rather than regularly scheduled bus route, and for information about dress code or school uniforms. (Examples might include khaki slacks, T-shirts without names or sayings, or a minimal length for shorts.)

- Ask about options for paying enrollment fees, such as spreading out payments.

- Consider required school-related expenses, including immunizations, health screenings, and athletic physical, and check to see if these needs can be met at an economical or group rate with a local health care provider or through the local Health Department.

- Review the school district list for required supplies. Plan to shop at home first, by checking supplies on hand and hand-me-downs such as a calculator from a previous year, backpack or book bag in good condition to hold down

costs.

- Check sale flyers for the best prices on school supplies; wait to stock up though, as back-to-school supplies are typically reduced once the school year begins.

- Set aside time with each child to inventory and check the condition of clothing; make a list of items needed and note priorities, such as shoes.

# Fort Hays distributes scholarships

Three students from Colby are among those awarded scholarships by Fort Hays State University's College of Business for the 2011-2012 academic year.

Tisha Bieker, a senior, received a \$2,250 Kansas CPA undergraduate scholarship

Juniors Eric Blanton and Jordan Hockersmith were each granted a \$500 Creta Lois Sproul scholarship

Also from our area, Sarah Borneman, a senior from Edson, received a \$1,000 Brungardt Hower Ward Elliot and Pfeifer Scholarship. Kimberly Weber, a freshman from Hoxie, was granted a \$500 William C. and Carolyn Miller Scholarship.

# College offers free adult classes

The Adult Education Department at Colby Community College is offering free General Education Development, or GED, preparation classes beginning next Monday. The general education diploma is widely recognized as credible and valuable by employers and colleges. One in 20 students enrolled in post-secondary education nationwide holds a general education diploma.

The college's Adult Education Center is located in the lower level of the college library. The center provides instruction for adults with a wide variety of goals such as improving basic reading, writing and math skills; preparing for

the general education exam leading to the Kansas High School Diploma; preparing for the WorkKeys test used for obtaining a Kansas WorkReady! credential; raising skills in anticipation of entering post-secondary education or training, learning basic money management; and acquiring basic technology skills.

Morning classes are scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Evening classes will be from 6 to 10 p.m. Monday and Wednesday evenings. All classes will begin on Monday, Aug. 15.

To enroll or for information, call Nance Munderloh at 460-4663.

# Records needed to enroll in school

In preparing students for school enrollment, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment provides the following information related to birth certificates and immunization.

### Birth Certificates

The Bureau of Epidemiology and Public Health Informatics provides the option to get a birth certificate online at: [www.kdheks.gov/vital/birth.html](http://www.kdheks.gov/vital/birth.html). You can also obtain your birth certificates in person from the Office of Vital Statistics from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at 1000 SW Jackson Street in Topeka, or by mail using the form on the site.

There is a \$15 fee for each certified copy of a Kansas birth certificate. The Office of Vital Statistics can be reached at (785) 296-1400.

### Immunizations

The Bureau of Disease Control and Prevention provides up-to-date immunization information, which includes the latest 2011-2012 School & Child Care Immunization information at: [www.kdheks.gov/immunize/schoolInfo.htm](http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/schoolInfo.htm). This site also provides immunization requirements, school entry requirements, Medical Exemptions form and the Kansas Certificate of Immunization.

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# Colby accounting student receives scholarship

Tisha Bieker, a Fort Hays State University accounting student from Colby, has received a \$1,000 scholarship provided by the Public Accountant's Association of Kansas.

The Association's Floyd Lietz Memorial Scholarship

Fund provides scholarships to juniors and seniors in accounting programs in Kansas schools. To qualify for the scholarship, a recipient must be enrolled on a full time basis and have a grade average of 3.0 or better.

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