Jareb Stallbaumer, a freshman in Pre-Pharmacy who participates in men’s track/field, was among those so honored. The Wetmore High School alumnus is the son of Kenneth and Joyce Stallbaumer of Wetmore.

Student athletes enrolled in at least 12 credit hours who achieved a semester grade-point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale during spring or fall 2007 are eligible for the honor. Among those with special recognition are 73 students who earned 4.0 GPAs in one or both semesters.

The Athletic Director’s Honor Roll recognizes students in intercollegiate baseball; men’s and women’s basketball; football; golf; rowing; soccer; softball; swimming and diving; tennis; track and field; and volleyball. KU is a member of the Big 12 Conference.

“The student athletes who represent our program and the University of Kansas are an outstanding group of young people,” said Athletics Director Lew Perkins. “They give every ounce of energy to compete in their sports and then they go home, completely tired, and study. We have every reason to be extremely proud of all their efforts — especially their work in the classroom this past fall. Congratulations to all the student athletes, our terrific KU faculty and to our outstanding athletics academic support staff.”
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Area students earning honor roll distinction include the following:

**Sabetha High School/Sabetha:** Anna Aberle, liberal arts undergraduate senior; Madeline Allen, business undergraduate senior; Margaret Allen, liberal arts undergraduate sophomore; Bradley Girton, education undergraduate senior.

**Wetmore High School:** Ella FundReznicek of Goff, liberal arts undergraduate sophomore; Jareb Stallbaumer of Wetmore, liberal arts undergraduate freshman.

**Nemaha Valley High School/Seneca:** Jamie Bergman, social welfare undergraduate senior; Lindsay Bergman, liberal arts undergraduate junior; Tara Bergman, business undergraduate senior; Jennifer Calderwood, liberal arts undergraduate senior; Julie Eisenbarth, liberal arts undergraduate junior; Amy Gress, education undergraduate senior; Maggie Jones, liberal arts undergraduate senior; Julie Sudbeck, nursing undergraduate senior.

**B&B High School/Baileyville:** Emily Bergman of Seneca, liberal arts undergraduate sophomore; Laura A Rottinghaus, fine arts undergraduate senior.

**Centralia High School/Centralia:** Cassandra Tucker Boyle, liberal arts undergraduate junior; Rachel Feldkamp, allied health undergraduate senior.**

**Hiawatha High School/Hiawatha:** Brianna Barnes of Powhattan, pharmacy professional senior; Blake Barrett, liberal arts undergraduate senior; Kelly Rockey, journalism undergraduate junior; Chelsea Rosenberger, liberal arts undergraduate sophomore; Maggie Searight, liberal arts undergraduate junior; Clarence Hall of Robinson, liberal arts undergraduate senior.

**Horton/Horton High School:** Jordan Sanner of Hiawatha, liberal arts undergraduate senior; Matthew Dunlap, liberal arts undergraduate junior; Whitney Ryan, education undergraduate senior.

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Hiawatha-based speech pathologist takes on partner

By Joey May
Reporter, Hiawatha World
Special to The Sabetha Herald

There is more to being a speech pathologist than helping someone master sounds and words.

Rick Morrison and his new partner, Bryan Potter, along with three other pathologists who work for Morrison, Potter and Associates, are busiest with elderly clients.

While they help people master speech and language difficulties, they see a large portion of their clients in hospitals and nursing homes for swallowing therapy.

Potter said many clients suffer dysphagia, which is a swallowing disorder that can be caused by a number of things.

“We see a large number of clients who have had a stroke,” Potter said. “There are many infants though who have swallowing concerns right off the bat.”

Thanks to technology, Morrison said, they can conduct a swallowing study in the local hospitals that takes only a few minutes with a pudding barium concoction so the swallowing difficulties can be illuminated. The study is conducted in the radiology department, but Morrison and Potter are present while the test is run so they can find the exact problem.

“We want to pinpoint what is not working and attempt to fix the problem,” Potter said. “Sometimes we have them tuck their chin or turn their head a certain way.”

Morrison said treatment often involves head positioning, dietary changes or exercises to increase the strength of the muscles that weaken due to age or various medical conditions.

The business of speech pathology certainly has changed and progressed in the 30 years since Morrison started in the field. He and his wife, Beth, opened the Morrison Speech Pathology Clinic 21 years ago and business in rural Northeast Kansas has been booming since.

Morrison, who graduated from the University of Kansas and achieved his masters degree from Wichita State University, started in Hiawatha schools in 1982, but also worked in Holton, Jackson Heights and Topeka schools.

While Potter has worked for Morrison as a speech pathologist since 2001, he and his wife, Carrie, recently became partners in the business, which relocated from downtown Hiawatha to an office at 201 South Fourth in the basement of the building where Searight Family Practice is located. The building was recently acquired by the hospital.

“The business is going good; it’s been going for 21 years,” Morrison said. “Eventually, I will retire, and I’m preparing for the future so the business doesn’t die.”

Morrison, 54, and his wife have two grown sons, Jeremy and Jarod, who are both married with children of their own.

Potter, 33, graduated from Kansas State University, finished up his masters in Minnesota and started out working in the Twin City areas for an on-call corporation. He and his wife wanted to move back to Kansas to be closer to family, so he contacted Morrison looking for employment.

He and his wife have three sons, Tannim, 6, Jonas, 4, and Beckett, 2.

Both say the practice is very unique and they’ve “fit into a niche.”

“About 90 percent of our business is medical,” Potter said. “But a rural hospital doesn’t have enough work on its own to hire their own speech pathologist.”

Morrison-Potter and Associates contract with hospitals and nursing homes in Atchison, Holton, Horton, Hiawatha, Sabetha, Falls City and the Nemaha County Hospital in Auburn, Neb. They also have several school contracts.

The company has five pathologists, including Morrison and Potter, along with Mandy Graham, Melissa Gilliland and Diana Platt.

Potter said the specialists work with clients not only for swallowing concerns, but also articulation, cognitive and language.

“Speech therapy is so much more than that,” Morrison added. “We offer timely, quality services. People have learned to depend on us.”
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- Baileyville – Laura A. Rottinghaus, Senior.
- Centralia – Cassandra J. Tucker Boyle, Junior; Rachel Ann Feldkamp, Senior.
- Goff – Ella Fund-Reznicek, Sophomore.
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Emily Claire Seifert, Delia, daughter of Leon and Connie Seifert, Fine Arts Undergraduate Senior, St. Marys High School graduate; Ashley Beth Leonard, Belvue, daughter of Nancy Dekat Nursing Undergraduate Senior, Wamego High School graduate; Gregory M. Brunin, St. Marys, son of Dave and Kathy Brunin, Liberal Arts Undergraduate Senior, St. Marys High School graduate; Deborah Ann Diesel, St. Marys, daughter of Mary Diesel, Liberal Arts Undergraduate Sophomore, St. Marys High School graduate; Jacob Brian Landis, Rossville, son of Alicia and Joe Vanatta, Liberal Arts Undergraduate Senior, Rossville High School graduate; Marc Thomas Roth, Rossville, son of Gary and Tina Roth, Liberal Arts Undergraduate Sophomore, Rossville High School graduate; Brianna Rae Barnes, Silver Lake, daughter of Susan Barnes, Pharmacy Professional Senior, Hiawatha High School graduate; Danielle Jean Bulson, Silver Lake, daughter of Patricia Hough, Liberal Arts Undergraduate Freshman, Silver Lake Jr./Sr. High School graduate; Andrew Joseph Jennings, Silver Lake, son of Kathy Jennings, Liberal Arts Undergraduate Senior, Silver Lake Jr./Sr. High School graduate.
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Of those, the following Linn Countians were named:

- Katie Nicole Hobson, daughter of Bonnie and Jon Hobson, of La Cygne, Liberal Arts undergraduate
- David E. Voorhees, son of Alston and Kay Voorhees, of La Cygne, Business undergraduate
- Bowen Tyler Marshall, son of George and Frances Marshall, of Pleasanton, Liberal Arts undergraduate
- Taylor Matthew Murray, son of Kirby and Karen Murray, of Pleasanton, Liberal Arts undergraduate
- Christina Renee Graham, daughter of Barbara Brocker, of Fontana, Pharmacy Professional Prof 1
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Of the students making the list was Alisha Ann Ridgley, Senior, Liberal Arts Undergraduate from Waldo. Alisha’s parents are Brad and Beth Zweifel of Waldo.
ENERGY

Every legislative session begins slowly. The 2008 session is a little different because the discussions about energy began early and are intense!

The reason for so much interest is that House Speaker Neufeld and Senate President Morris are both from southwest Kansas and are both very much interested in the applications for the Sunflower power plants to be approved and for the construction to begin.

My position from the beginning has been the decision should be made based on the laws, rules and regulations of the United States Government and the government of the State of Kansas. Since I believe Sunflower’s applications satisfied all requirements of both governments, I do not believe the legislature should become involved in the process unless the laws, rules and regulations are not appropriate. Then legislation should be initiated to change them.

The Kansas Secretary of Health and Environment disapproved the applications citing excessive carbon dioxide and other pollutants to be emitted into the atmosphere endangering the health of Kansas citizens and contributing to global warming.

I have learned there are high level negotiations taking place with some of the key players in the legislative energy field including chairmen of the House and Senate Energy and Utilities Committees, House and Senate leadership, and representatives of the Sebelius administration.

It is my hope something can be worked out that will be beneficial to the people of Kansas without having to resort to changing the laws, rules and regulations for this issue. I believe this would set a dangerous precedent where every time the Governor would make a decision with which the legislature did not agree, the legislature would jump in and change the rules. This would in effect be “making the rules as we play the game!” The system we have been using has been working until now. I hope we can come up with a plan that will protect the health of the citizens of Kansas and protect our environment. I will do my best to support such a plan if we can work it out.

SCHOOL FINANCE

The State of Kansas is funding K-12 education based on the plan worked out and approved by the courts. The schools are already indicating the funds will not be enough. I heard a report Kansas is falling behind in teacher salaries and we are now 37th in the nation.

This is a major factor in causing the teacher shortage we now have. The Education Department says we do not graduate enough teachers to satisfy the needs from the retirement of our teachers each year. I am sure we will be discussing and debating what we must do to meet the needs for teachers.

BUDGET

This year’s budget (all funds) will total more than $12 billion. About one-half of the all funds budget is in the general fund. The general fund is made up of taxes. Two-thirds of those taxes are income and sales taxes.

Much of the money is already budgeted. About 50% of the money goes for K-12 education and 15% more for higher education. In other words, two-thirds is spent on education and that amount has already been decided.

Approximately 22% goes to human services, 17% of that on Medicaid. That really means education and human services take about 90% of the budget. That leaves only about 10% for everything else.

Twenty mils in property tax is collected by the state and is spent locally on schools. Any amount not covered by this property tax for the schools is paid out of the general fund. I hope the Kansas economy continues to be good so we can meet all the requirements of our budget.

JESSICA

This spring I will be working with Representative Johnson as his Legislative Intern. I will be working hard to ensure that I can assist him during the session. However, I would like to let you know a little about me. I was born and raised in Hays. I am currently a senior at the University of Kansas. This May, I am expecting to graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Studies.

Please feel free to stop and say hi on your trip to the Capitol. I am happy to sit down and discuss your concerns and suggestions to serve all citizens of the 110th District. Also, if there are any other ways I might be of service, do not be afraid to contact the office.

Jessica Mortinger

MY SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 26, 8:30 a.m., Bake Shop, Hays, Legislative Coffee

WORDS OF WISDOM

“Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future.”

John F. Kennedy

I am grateful for the wonderful support from so many as I continue to re-
cover from hip surgery. My doctors have me on long term antibiotic therapy. I am following doctor's orders. I will do my best to represent your interests. I am proud to be your representative. Contact me: At home: P. O. Box 247, Hays, KS 67601-0247, 785-625-6476; In Topeka: State Capitol Building, Room 143-N, Topeka, KS 66612, 785-296-7649; Internet: djohnson2@ruraltel.net, www.dailynews.net/ads/johnson

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Those students honored from our area were:

Stacey Leigh Canton, a Liberal Arts undergraduate. She graduated from Ashland High School and is the daughter of Jay and Kim Canton of Ashland.

Meghan Breanna Lem, a pharmacy professional. A graduate of South Central High School, Meghan is the daughter of Mark and Becky Sherman of Coldwater.
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Connor William Barnes, son of Joe and Arloa Barnes, Liberal Arts Undergraduate, Senior. He is a graduate of Smith Center High School.

Steven Brent Weltmer, son of Michael and Ladonna Weltmer, Pharmacy Professional, Prof 1. He is a graduate of Smith Center High School.

Jake Alan Windscheffel, son of John and Tammy Windscheffel, Pharmacy Professional, Prof 1. He is a graduate of Smith Center High School.