Richard Kidwell is Phi Kappa Phi initiate

With the conclusion of the 2007-08 academic year, the University of Kansas School of Allied Health recognizes students for their exceptional accomplishments with scholarships and awards. Among those recognized was Richard Kidwell of Sabetha, a 2001 graduate of Sabetha High School who is a Phi Kappa Phi initiate.
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LAWRENCE — Several area students were among more than 4,000 students who graduated May 18 during the University of Kansas' 136th commencement.

Students, their hometowns, degrees, parents, and high school as provided by the University of Kansas include:

**Baldwin City**:
- Daniel Alan Beuthien received a bachelor of science in electrical engineering degree. He is the son of Tom and Jan Beuthien. He graduated from Baldwin High School.
- Pamela Sue Dixson received a master of science degree. She graduated from Harcourt High School, Cambridge, Mass.
- Anna E. Gillispie received a bachelor of science in business/accounting degree. She is the daughter of Valita Price. She graduated from Baldwin High School.
- Leslie A. Gillispie received a bachelor of science in business/accounting degree. She is the daughter of Bill Gillispie and Valita Price. She graduated from Baldwin High School.
- Jeffrey Thomas Hill received a bachelor of science in business/accounting and a bachelor of science in business/finance degree. He is the son of David and Pamela Hill. He graduated from Baldwin High School.
- Patrick K. Hinshaw received a bachelor of science in mechanical engineering degree. He is the son of Lewis Hinshaw. He graduated from Olathe East High School.
- Erica Renae Johnson received a bachelor of science in education degree. She is the daughter of Gregg and Allyson Johnson. She graduated from Baldwin High School.
- Rachel K. Miles received a bachelor of science in business/accounting and business administration degree. She is the daughter of Deanna Miles. She graduated from Baldwin High School.
- Colleen Kay Riley received a master of social work degree.
- Nicholas Daniel Schau received a bachelor of social work degree. He is the son of Thomas and Penelope Schau. He graduated from Baldwin High School.
- Glen Lowell Stansberry received a bachelor of general studies/history degree. He is the son of Lowell and Carolyn Stansberry. He graduated from Baldwin High School.
- Adam Ross Todd received a doctor of medicine degree.
- Brian Scott Wendt received a bachelor of science in business/information systems degree. He is the son of Daniel Wendt. He graduated from Baldwin High School.
- Ryanna Sybella Whaley received a bachelor of arts/english degree. She is the daughter of Diana Whaley. She graduated from Jefferson County North High School, Winchester.

**Garnett**:
- Ashli Nicole Bowman received a bachelor of science in education degree. She graduated from Anderson County High School, Garnett.
- Tammy Elizabeth Faries received a bachelor of science in education degree. She is the daughter of Terry Adams. She graduated from Anderson County High School, Garnett.
- Travis Randal Lowe received a bachelor of general studies/political science degree. He is the son of Kenneth and Cindy Lowe. He graduated from Irving High School, Irving, Texas.
- Kaleb Alan Quirin received a master of architecture degree. He is the son of Lloyd and Peggy Quirin. He graduated from Anderson County High School, Garnett.
- Brenda Sue Salazar
received a bachelor of science in nursing degree.

**Greeley:**
- Janell L. Katzer received a doctor of pharmacy degree. She is the daughter of Eileen Katzer. She graduated from Anderson County High School, Garnett.

**Lane:**
- Genevieve Linville received a bachelor of arts/communication studies degree. She is the daughter of Jan Lindsey. She graduated from Paola High School.

**Ottawa:**
- Karen Lynn Barnwell received a bachelor of General Studies/American Studies degree. She graduated from Saint Marys Hall, San Antonio, Texas.
- Dennis Michael Chanay II received a bachelor of Arts/Political Science degree. He is the son of Dennis Chanay. He graduated from Paola High School.
- Erin R. Dunlap received a bachelor of arts/psychology degree. She is the daughter of Robert and Debra Dunlap. She graduated from Ottawa High School.
- Melissa M. Fuller received a bachelor of arts/psychology degree. She is the daughter of Delores and Robert Fuller. She graduated from Ottawa High School.
- Andrew Jacob Garcia received a bachelor of arts/psychology degree. He is the son of Jimmy and Jeanne Garcia. He graduated from Ottawa High School.
- Justin Chase Griest received a bachelor of general studies/geography degree with a business minor. He is the son of Denton and Cheryl Griest. He graduated from Ottawa High School.
- Imogene Eleanor Harris received a bachelor of science in environmental studies degree. She is the daughter of Terry Crane. She graduated from Pomona High School.
- Charlie Ryan House received a bachelor of science in business/finance degree. He is the son of Kay Asbury. He graduated from Anderson County High School, Garnett.
- Lisa Katherine Ketchum received a bachelor of science in mechanical engineering degree. She is the daughter of Bill and Jan Ketchum. She graduated from Ottawa High School.

**Pomona:**
- Buck Allen Bradley received a bachelor of science in business/finance degree. He is the son of Wayne and Starleen Bradley. He graduated from Ottawa High School.
- Daniel Graham Duda received a bachelor of science in computer engineering degree. He is the son of Jenifer Duda. He was attended home school out of state.

**Princeton:**
- Jan Lauren Coons received a master of science/nurse anesthesia degree.

**Rantoul:**
- Jeffery Kyle Gray received a bachelor of science in journalism degree with an English minor. He is the son of Jeffery Gray. He graduated from Wellsville Jr-Sr High School.
- Kyle MacKenzie Kost received a bachelor of science in education degree. He is the son of Kenneth Kost. He graduated from Williamsville High School.
- Christina Marie Terry received a master of arts/microbiology degree. She is the daughter of Michael and Claudia Terry. She graduated from Pomona High School.

**Rantoul:**
- Jan Lauren Coons received a master of science/nurse anesthesia degree.

**Wellsville:**
- Racheal Lynn Johnson received a bachelor of arts/psychology degree. She is the daughter of Greg Highberger. She graduated from Bishop Miege High School, Shawnee Mission.
- Codie Ann Zickel received a bachelor of arts/psychology degree. She is the daughter of David and Cathie Zickel. She graduated from Wellsville Jr-Sr High School.
- Katie Lynn Highberger received a bachelor of social work degree. She is the daughter of Greg Highberger. She graduated from Bishop Miege High School, Shawnee Mission.

**Williamsville:**
- Racheal Lynn Johnson received a bachelor of arts/psychology degree. She is the daughter of David and Cathie Zickel. She graduated from Wellsville Jr-Sr High School.
Officials say Johnson right choice for administrator

By CLEON RICKEL
Herald Senior Writer

County commissioners said it was time to drop "interim" from Lisa Johnson's title.

Johnson, the county counselor who has been serving as interim county administrator since November, will become the county's next administrator on Tuesday.

Franklin County Commissioners unanimously voted Wednesday to make her the administrator.

"I'm looking forward to the opportunity," Johnson said following the vote.

"I think the county residents want a county administrator," Commissioner Roy Dunn said. It was time for the commissioners to move Johnson into the top spot, he said.

"I think it was the only thing to do," Commissioner Don Hay said.

Lisa Johnson is qualified to be administrator and she's shown she can handle the position and that she can work with elected and appointed county department heads, Commissioner Ed Taylor said.

In her time as interim administrator, Johnson had taken over at a tough time and has done a good job, Commissioners Ed Taylor and Don Stottemire said.

"We've been very happy with Lisa," Taylor said.
She's qualified to be administrator and she's shown she can handle the position and that she can work with elected and appointed county department heads, he said.

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Elevating Lisa Johnson spares the county the expense and effort of a new search for an administrator and the county won’t have to pay moving and other costs, Commissioner Don Stottlemire said.

When she became interim administrator, commissioners added $2,000 per month to her salary because of her extra duties, he said.

As county counselor, she was receiving slightly more than $58,000 per year, and as interim administrator and counselor, she makes slightly more than $82,000 per year.

The contract and pay was based on the city’s deal with Wynndee Lee, city planning and codes director who served as interim city manager, he said.

Johnson agreed to virtually the same contract as administrator, Taylor said.

Johnson said the contract is the same she had as county counselor and interim administrator, with the addition of a $300 per month vehicle allowance.

Johnson said she’ll keep the same benefits and retirement package as other county employees.

Johnson’s promotion represents a good deal for the county, Stottlemire said.

“She has been more than fair with us,” Stottlemire said.

Elevating Johnson spares the county the expense and effort of a new search for an administrator and the county won’t have to pay moving and other costs, he said.

“And we know what we’re getting,” Stottlemire said.

Johnson had been taking master’s-degree level courses in public administration from the University of Kansas.

She’ll complete her class work this fall, she said.

Johnson has been interim administrator since November after Doug Harris abruptly resigned in late October.

Johnson, who had been county counselor when she began as the interim administrator, said she’ll continue as counselor for the county.

As administrator, Johnson steps into a position that’s seen its share of turbulence.

Although voters approved the position of county administrator, practice has been thornier than theory with a succession of administrators in the nearly three-year history of the position. The county’s two interim administrators have served longer tenures than the county’s two intended administrators.

Johnson said she knows the commissioners and will be able to work with them.

“I think everyone knows there will be differing opinions,” Johnson said. “But we’ll all work together for the benefit of the county.”