



***WELCOME BACK
BLUE DEVILS!***

New Spaces Welcome KCKCC Students This Semester

Summer 2019 has been a busy one at KCKCC. In addition to the typical summer projects, there have been big changes made in the student area known as the “Watering Hole” as well as to four new technology-enhanced classrooms.

Ambient Learning Spaces/Watering Hole

The Humanities Watering Hole, located on the lower level of the Humanities Building, is a popular study spot on the KCKCC Main Campus. It has been freshly painted with a new color scheme and has a brand new mural on the south wall by artist Vania Soto. New furniture has been added to make the area more conducive to studying, socializing or just relaxing.

Barbara Clark-Evans, director of the KCKCC Intercultural Center and Shai Perry, coordinator of KCKCC’s Art Gallery, said the watering hole has been an underutilized space. An original feature of the college, it has not been updated since the building was constructed. They said the new design for the space enhances the original architecture with a contemporary, updated appearance.

The Watering Hole is the first location to be completely renovated as part of the Ambient Learning Spaces project. In addition, there is a new mural by former KCKCC student J.T. Daniels at the Dr. Thomas R. Burke Technical Education Center and a mural of J. Paul Jewell by Billy Peters in the Student Activities hallway in Lower Jewell. Creating ambient learning environments and adding more art and culture across the college is one of KCKCC President Dr. Greg Mosier’s initiatives. Funds have been identified to continue this work in the years to come.

Student Classrooms

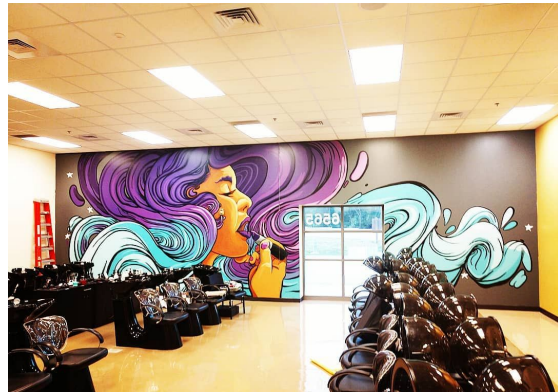
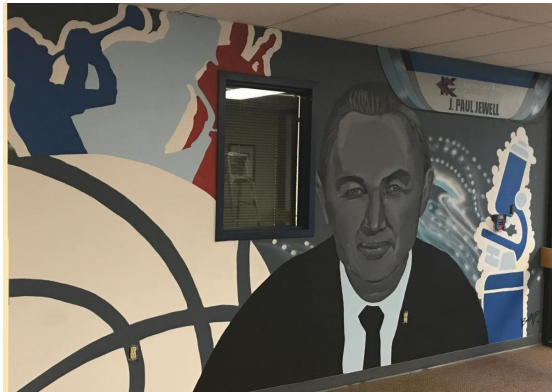
The four new student classrooms are located in the Social and Behavioral Sciences Hallway across from the President’s Office. Each room is equipped with three or four large wall monitors (depending on the size of the room) and individual white boards and all of the classrooms have mobile furniture. The mobile furniture allows the professor to easily configure and reconfigure the room to support different methods of instruction and active learning strategies.

Dr. Jelena Ozegovic, faculty director of the Center for Teaching Excellence and professor of psychology, said this type of configuration allows for students to sit anywhere in the room and be able to see the monitors. It also creates a space where there is no “front of the room,” and the space can be reconfigured to support group work. At least one of the smaller size rooms is a “Zoom” room that allows students from another campus to “Zoom” in and be part of the class.

Ozegovic said the new classrooms are a result of the collaboration of faculty, staff and

administration who worked on the Learning Spaces Task Force during the 2018-2019 academic year. She said the Facility Services crew worked tirelessly over the summer to get the construction completed by the start of the Fall 2019 semester.

“This is a truly exciting time at KCKCC, and the new spaces allow for tremendous flexibility in teaching,” Ozegovic said. “Some faculty members might choose to rearrange the room into a u-shape for a classroom seminar. Another faculty member might rearrange the furniture into smaller table groupings to support group work. A third faculty member might rearrange the room into a ‘fishbowl structure,’ so that an outer grouping of students could observe the discussion/problem-solving of a small group in the middle of the room. The mobile furniture we selected has wheels on both the tables and chairs, and this allows the instructor and students to easily reconfigure the space.”



Farmer's Market Returns to KCKCC



The KCK Farmer's Market is available on the Main Campus from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (or until sellout) every Thursday through the fall.

Enjoy this nutritious, reasonably priced, local and organic food market. These farmer vendors use organic practices, but because of the small size of their farms, have not gone through the full organic certification process because it can be expensive for a small business.

Vendors accept cash, debit, SNAP and Kansas Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition vouchers. It is located in the southwest parking lot on Main Campus under the oak trees at Campus Boulevard and Argentine Lane. Visit the KCK Farmer's Market [website](#) for more info!

Learn Self-Defense with Dr. Mosier

Interested in learning self-defense techniques? Then you will want to make plans to attend a new weekly opportunity KCKCC is offering where you can learn self-defense through a class with KCKCC President Dr. Greg Mosier.

The classes will be from 5 to 6 p.m. Thursdays Sept. 12 to Nov. 14 in Upper Jewell. The courses are free and all faculty and staff are welcome.



KCKCC Staff Spotlight



Taylor Bolls, Graphic Designer

Bolls recently won an A award from AIGA KC's A15 Design Awards contest for her poster "Vote."

The contest featured 26 categories and judges selected 111 winning works out of 232 entries. Winning works will be featured in the A15 Awards Gala & Exhibition on Sept. 27 at the Grand Hall at Power & Light. They will also be cataloged into the A15 winner's catalog.

AIGA is the oldest and largest professional membership organization for design. There are more than 70 chapters representing more than 25,000 members. The organization not only enhances professional development through learning opportunities but also helps to inspire designers, provide tools and resources and works to enhance the value and understanding of design in all areas.

In addition, AIGA members Ann Willoughby, Louise Sandhaus and Steven Heller founded Designed Here KC, a project to archive and celebrate the design history in Kansas City. Designed Here has partnered with the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, who will be archiving all A award winners for the past 15 years, including Bolls' work, as well as influential design from the past 100+ years.

For more information about AIGA, visit the organization's [website](#).

KCKCC Men's Soccer Team Opens Season

The 2019 men's soccer season at KCKCC explodes with a bang. Three home games in a span of 11 days starting Thursday when the Blue Devils host State Fair. The men will also host Crowder Aug. 28 and Iowa Central Sept. 1 before heading into Jayhawk Conference action.

Fourteen sophomores return, most of whom started or played substantial minutes in last year's 6-5 season.

The strength of the squad starts defensively led by veterans Stylianos Papadimitriou and Ignacio Sarasol at the center back position. Sophomores Richard Bowman, of Bishop



Miege and Leonardo Notarnicola will be joined in the battle for starting positions by Brazilian Lucas Santos; Eduardo Lopez, of Harmon; DeVante Ridley, of Blue Valley Northwest and a trio of former Piper standouts, Johnathan Moon, Ronin Richardson and Jack Trumbo III.

There's a wealth of international experience at midfield with veterans Miguel Merida, Vitor Lo, Nicolas Bosemediano, Alejandro Maillet, Marcos Cabral and Luis Alvarado, of St. James Academy. Freshmen challengers include Jessy Zieta, Jorge Monferrer, Felipe Kerr and two graduates of Alta Vista High in Kansas City, Mo., Carlos Rodriguez and Javier Blanco.

Marcos Cabral, Marcus Kawah, Cheslyn Ashby, Rodolfo Valiente, Leonardo Bonelli and redshirt Abdulrahman Khalid provide veteran experience at forward; Khalid setting out last season with an injury. Freshmen attackers include Jorge Fernandez of Wyandotte, Samba Gnokane and Elijah Bathily.

The fiercest competition may come at the goalkeeper position where three freshmen are neck and neck for the starting job - Christian Villegas, of Turner; Chris Favela, of Alta Vista and Bosco Pery, of Madrid, Spain.

In addition to four non-conference games, the Blue Devils will play home-and-home contests with Jayhawk rivals Johnson County, Neosho County, Allen County, Coffeyville and Cowley College.

KCKCC Program Spotlight



KCKCC was pleased to have U.S. Rep. Roger Marshall visit the Main Campus Aug. 21. Marshall represents the 1st Congressional District in Kansas. In addition to meeting with KCKCC President Dr. Greg Mosier, he toured the Veterans Center.



The start of a new semester is always an exciting time in the Physical Therapy Assistant program. Not only are they welcoming a new group of SPTAs, but also new faculty member- Daryn Young. Welcome to KCKCC and good luck this semester!

KCKCC Volleyball Preparing for Tough Season

In the ever-changing world of college volleyball, there has been one constant in Mary Bruno-Ballou's first eight years as head coach at KCKCC - she's never backed away from playing the toughest of opponents.

"Our strength of schedule is unmatched and right out of the gate we play three Top 20 teams including No. 2 Parkland, No. 4. Kirkwood and No. 17 Illinois Central in our opening tournament this weekend," she said.

The Blue Devils open the season in the McHenry Tournament Friday and Saturday in Sugar Grove, Ill. KCKCC is also at Northeastern Oklahoma on Monday before the home opener Thursday, Aug. 29, against Ottawa JV, the only junior varsity team on the schedule.

In all, KCKCC will play 10 of the teams ranked in the NJCAA's Top 20 national poll including the top four ranked teams - No. 1 Coffeyville, No. 2 Parkland, No. 3 Johnson County and No. 4 Kirkland along with two other Jayhawk powers, No. 7 Highland and No. 8 Cowley.

Past records only accentuate the fact that the Blue Devils play as difficult a schedule as any NJCAA Division II team in the nation. In the last three seasons, only once did KCKCC lose to an unranked team. In a 19-16 season last year, 15 of the 16 losses came to teams ranked in the Top 20 in the nation at one time or another. Every loss in 2017 (13-15) came at the hands of a ranked team; same for 2016 when the Blue Devils were 19-15.

In other tournament action this season, the Blue Devils will take on Coffeyville, Des Moines Area (DMAC) and Wabaunsee in their own KCKCC tournament Sept. 20-21 and national finalists Parkland, Moraine Valley and Lincoln Land in the Lincoln Land tourney in Springfield, Ill., Oct. 18-19.

Preparation for the 2019 season by Bruno-Ballou and assistants Allyssa Lutgen and Dee Bruno began almost immediately after the 2018 season ended.



Support the KCKCC Foundation with Chiefs Football

The Kansas City Chiefs Ticket Fundraiser is back for the 2019 season with even more opportunities to cheer on your favorite football team and support the KCKCC Foundation at the same time!

Tickets can be purchased to any home Chiefs game this season. There are a variety of ticket prices and locations throughout Arrowhead available, and \$10 of every ticket sold goes to the KCKCC Foundation Scholarship Fund.

Click [here](#) to purchase Kansas City Chiefs tickets through the Ticket Fundraiser website. Be sure to enter code KCKCCF!



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Lady Blue Devils Prepare for Fall Season

Last season, KCKCC had one of the best defenses in the women's division of the Jayhawk Conference.

"We were second right up until the last week of the season," said fourth year head coach Shawn Uhlenhake. "But we were also right near the bottom in goals scored."

Uhlenhake hopes that can be rectified this seasons with a plethora of attackers who opened the season Thursday.

"I think our strength will still be our defense but for once we have depth at forward," Uhlenhake said. "We'll have multiple players to throw at opposing defenses with hopes of finding the right combinations to give a big infusion to our offense."

Sophomore Abby Petersen, of Wichita South, who missed last season with a hip injury and Kayla Deaver, a Lee's Summit transfer from Central Methodist, are the most experienced of the forwards. They'll be joined by promising freshmen Marissa Stratton and Madison Broeker, who were high school teammates at North Star High School in Lincoln, Neb, and Topeka recruits Jaidyn Yingling (Seaman) and Hannah Nystrom (West).

Returning starters Sydney Guerra, of Perry, Iowa and Alex Schemmel, of DeSoto will anchor the defense along with sophomores Arlene Ruiz and Ruth Nunez, both of Liberal. Guerra will captain the Blue Devils. The goalkeeping will be in the hands of Jaidyn Takaishi, a freshman from Olathe North.

Sophomores Karleigh Enyart, of Olathe Northwest; Jasmine Diaz, of DeSoto and Tina Alvarez, of Seattle, Wash., will be joined at midfield by a quartet of promising freshmen including Kayley Pedersen, of Shawnee Mission West; Corrine Hughes, of Grain Valley; Bryanna Najera, of Washington High School and Melisa Siegel, of Enderby, Germany.

The Blue Devils will open the season with three straight contests at home. Following Thursday's opener against State Fair, the Blue Devils will host Iowa Central on Sept. 1 before opening Jayhawk Conference play against perennial power Butler County Sept. 4.



KCKCC Launches 100 Stories of Impact Campaign



As KCKCC plans for our centennial in 2023, we are collecting stories of IMPACT. We know that KCKCC has a great impact, and the personal 100 stories shared by alums, faculty, staff and community members will help tell our story.

Videos will be posted monthly, so if you have a story to share contact Kelly Rogge at krogge@kckcc.edu for more information.

#KCKCCProud #KCKCCImpact #BlueDevil100Stories

[Click here to see the this month's story of Impact!](#)

KCKCC to Host Free Baseball Clinic in August

Thanks to a group of former players, a free baseball clinic for boys will be held Aug. 25 at KCKCC.

The free clinic is being made possible through sponsorships and donations from local businesses and more than a dozen former Blue Devil baseball players. The clinic will start at 9 a.m. on the KCKCC baseball field, 7250 State Ave. In addition to instruction, participants will receive lunch and a clinic T-shirt. The clinic is limited to the first 50 boys who sign up. Registration is available on-line at KCKCCbaseball.com.



Instruction will be provided by the KCKCC coaching staff and players and will focus on fundamentals in the areas of hitting, fielding, pitching, catching and base running.

Primary sponsors are Heartland Title and KC Sports. Other major sponsors include

Varsity Sports; Rainbow Roofing; Quinn Concreate Construction; Parkway Service Center and Pat Crilly, of Commercial Claims.

Additional commitments have been made by Italian Delight; the Blue Devil Deli; Jeff Nick, of Nill Brothers Sporting Goods; Reid Roberts, of Kansas Lawn; former KCKCC coach Steve Burleson and alums Josh Moulin, Jerry Goza, Greg Beashore, Ray Schmaltz and Jason Haworth.

Blue Devil alums making cash donations include Brad Eikenbary, of Piper Family Dentistry; Tyler Windholtz; Todd Windholtz; Steve Rezin; Mike Hinkle; Rob Morrow; the Goldbeck family and Blue Devil coaches Bill Sharp; Dean Long and Pedro Leon. Others include Pier Haen, Shirley Morrow and Brian Woods.

Donations are still being accepted and can be made on line at <https://www.kckcc.edu/foundation/giving/index.html> and checking on the blue box "Donate to the KCKCC Foundation." Persons using Pay Pal will be asked for a specific location, to which BASEBALL should be designated.

Human Resources Update

Explore Career Openings

Find your place at Kansas City Kansas Community College. We are not just a great place to get an education. It is also a great place to work. KCKCC was voted the 2018 best places to work in Kansas City, Kan. by Zippia.

To view a list of current external and internal opened positions at KCKCC use the following links below:

External postings:

<https://kckcc.applicantstack.com/x/careers>

Internal postings:

<http://kckcc.applicantstack.com/x/openings-internal>

KCKCC Partners With T-Bones to Offer Free Tickets



Are you ready for some baseball?! All teachers as well as KCKCC faculty and staff get FREE admission to T-bones baseball every Sunday through Friday this summer!

Just show your ID at the box office and sit in the Blue Devil Den!

And be on the lookout for special giveaways throughout the summer at select baseball games!

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