

# Black & Veatch, KC STEM Alliance Partners with KCKCC's Kids on Campus

Black & Veatch's *growSTEM* and the KC STEM Alliance partnered with KCKCC's Kids on Campus this summer for fun STEM activities.

"Black & Veatch and the KC STEM Alliance are excited to collaborate with Kids on Campus as a way to reach more youth from KCKPS," said Martha McCabe, execuitve director of the KC STEM Alliance. "We had 33 middle school students doing hands-on building of FIRST Tech Challenge robots in teams with high school mentors as well as a couple of Sporting KC players. We value KCKCC as a trusted source of summer experiences so the opportunity for us to bring robotics and other STEM education programming to more students is valuable."

Kids on Campus is working to reduce summer learning loss for 200 Wyandotte County youth over the six week program this summer. Students explored college and career pathways through a variety of hands-on, creative and fun learning activities, including a week focused on STEM education.









# **Student Spotlight**

Megan Baker, a student in Sean Murphy's U.S. History since 1877 course (HIST 105-80), recently displayed her Museum Reflection project - a cake that depicts the museums she attended and descriptions of the artifacts she found interesting.

As part of the summer HIST 105 course, each student was required to visit and then report on the Negro League Baseball Museum, the Jazz Museum and the National World War I museums in the greater Kansas City area as part of their class experience researching the 20th century.



# **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.

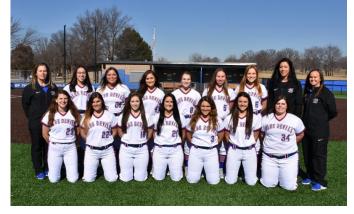
Enjoy this nutritious, reasonably priced, local and organic food market. These farmer vendors use organic practices, but because of the small size of their farms, have not gone through the full organic certification process because it can be expensive for a small business.

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 <a href="website">website</a> for more info!

#### KCKCC Softball Two-Time Academic All-American Team

KCKCC's softball team made a sweep of Academic All-American team honors this past spring which should come as no surprise.

In 15 years of college coaching, teams coached by Lana Ross have



achieved Academic All-American honors every year - 13 years at lowa Western and one year each at Fort Scott and KCKCC.

Designated an Academic Team of the Year by the NJCAA (National Junior College Athletic Association), the Blue Devil program ranked No. 23 among 135 teams academically. With a grade point average of 3.46, the Blue Devils were also recognized

nationally as an Academic All-American team by the NFCA (National Fastpitch Coaches Association).

Seven Blue Devils earned NJCAA Academic All-American honors including five on the first team with 4.00 grade point averages - three sophomores, Kaylee Arnzen, first baseman from Pampa, Tex.; Gracie Gentry, infielder from Turner; and Britney Smith, second baseman from Basehor-Linwood; and two freshmen, shortstop Hannah Redick of SM North; and pitcher Shaylun Grosstephan of Girard, Kan.

Devin Purcell, a freshman outfielder from Eudora, was named to the second team with a 3.90 GPA; and Alexis Rymer, a freshman outfielder from Piper, was named to the third team with a 3.72 GPA.

All seven were also recognized as NFCA All-American Scholar Athletes along with Brittney Beck a sophomore catcher who graduated from Ellinwood High School in Bushton, Kan.

# Volleyball Team Named Academic All-American for 4th Consectuive Year

Led by three Academic All-Americans, the 2018-19 KCKCC team is an NJCAA All-American Academic team. It's the fourth straight year the Blue Devils have been designated at Academic All-American team.

Allayah Stillwell, a freshman middle-blocker who graduated from Summit Christian in Lee's Summit, Mo., earned first team Academic All-American honors with a 4.0 grade point average.

Sophomore Libero Kelli Sleefe of Andover Central earned second team honors with a 202 CD Control of Con

3.83 GPA and freshman setter Gracie Golay of Wichita's Trinity Academy is a third team selection with a 3.68 GPA.

Two of this year's four sophomores will continue their volleyball careers. Middle blocker Randi Johnson of Lee's Summit at NCAA Division II Bemidji State University in Bemidji, Minn. and setter Kelsey Rankin of Omaha at Mid-America Nazarene University, an NAIA member in Olathe.

The other two are bypassing more volleyball to pursue lifetime careers. Sleefe is enrolled in the dental hygiene program at UMKC; setter Paige Dresslaer of Diamond, Mo., is pursuing a career in nursing at Pittsburg State.

And that trend will continue as neither of the two freshmen Academic All-Americans plan to play collegiate volleyball after the 2019 fall season. Stillwell will enroll in the University of Kansas pre-med program in January; Golay will enter the nursing program at KCKCC.

## **Volunteers Needed for Annual Back to School Fair**



The Wyandotte County Back to School Fair returns to the KCKCC Main Campus from 8 a.m. to noon Aug. 3!

There are a variety of volunteer duties that need to be filled including registration, greeters and hall monitors, library book or bag distribution, parking attendants and more!

<u>Sign up</u> for a shift and help out this terrific community event!

If you need further assistance, contact Cathi Hahner at chahner@unitedway-wyco.org or 913-371-3674 ext 1324.

# **KCKCC Program Spotlight**



EMT students have been working on applying their Triage skills in class this summer, using the creek on the east side of the campus. Students were responding to a "boating accident" with nine victims during this exercise.



Just a behind the scenes look at a recent KCKCC photo shoot. Be on the look out for these new photos in future KCKCC marketing projects!

#### 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 <u>here</u> to purchase Kansas City Chiefs tickets through the Ticket Fundraiser website. Be sure to enter code KCKCCEF!







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## **Foundation**

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## 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!

## **Eight Soccer Players Headed to 4-year Universities**

Four-year colleges and universities are finding a soccer bonanza at KCKCC.

Eight Blue Devils will be continuing their soccer careers including three at the highest level, NCAA Division I. That's the most ever for the program directed by head coach Ruben Rodriguez and assistant Burke Slusher.

Headed for NCAA DI universities are Reed Axthelm, a sophomore mid-fielder from Riverton, Wyo., who will compete for the University of North Carolina-Greensboro; Gustavo Palmieri, a sophomore defender from Sao Paulo, Brazil, Grand Canyon University in Phoenix, Ariz. and Justin Hynes, a freshman defender from Bishops Stortford, England, University of South Carolina Upstate-Spartanburg.

Ethan Pfeifer, a sophomore defender from Wichita Maize and Fabian Keiblinger, a freshman goalkeeper from Sitzenberg-Reidling, Austria, have signed with NCAA Division II universities - Pfeifer at Rockhurst and Keiblinger at Spring Hill in Mobile, Ala.

Three sophomores have been recruited by NAIA universities - forward Guilherme Grave, Oklahoma City University; mid-fielder Hector Valles, of Valencia Spain, Mid-American Christian University in Oklahoma City and mid-fielder Bruno Rovares of Sao Paulo, Shawnee State University in Portsmouth, Ohio. Grave played the 2016 and 2017 seasons at KCKCC and served as team manager the past season while completing his degree requirements.

That so many Blue Devils were recruited (only nine sophomores on the 2018 squad) is not by accident. The 2017 team qualified for the NJCAA DI national tournament for the first time in KCKCC history and the 2018 team led by Palmieri was named an All-America Academic team by the NJCAA. Boasting a 3.82 grade point average, Palmieri was named to the All-American Academic second team.



# **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:

http://kckcc.applicantstack.com/x/openings

#### 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!





#### KCKCC EVENING CLASSES AT WYANDOTTE HIGH SCHOOL FALL 2019

- General College Credit Courses
   Developmental Courses
- Administrative Office
   Professional Course

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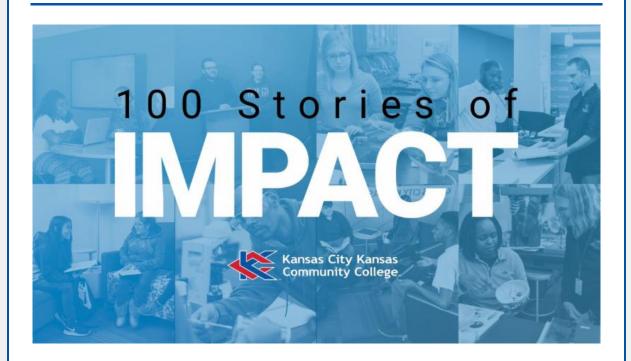
On behalf of patients at all area hospitals, thank you for hosting a Community Blood Center blood drive. Your commitment saves lives in our community.

Today 41 donors registered to donate blood and 34 units Save a Life. Right Here, Right Now.

Jeff Froman 7/11/19
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