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*Achievements of Distinction*  
2002-2003

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of WKU Students**

**Notable Achievements  
of WKU Faculty and Academic Programs**





## National Academic Recognition of WKU Students 2002-2003

### From Potter College

#### Department of Communication

#### Forensics Team Sweeps National Titles

Western Kentucky University's forensic team made history in April by completing an unprecedented sweep of major speech and debate championships. By winning the National Forensic Association title, Western's William E. Bivin Forensic Society became the first team to win the NFA, the American Forensic Association National Individual Events Tournament, the International Forensic Association tournament and the Delta Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha National Tournament in the same year.

"We did something that no other school has done before us," said Judy Woodring, forensic director. "We are only the second team in the nation to have won both NFA and AFA in the same year. Bradley was first. No other team has won Internationals, DSR, AFA and NFA in the same year. History was made. We will just sit back and see if anyone can break this record. I don't look for it to happen in my lifetime."

WKU President Gary Ransdell called the team's success "a great accomplishment." "This has been a year of remarkable national successes through our campus, but the performance of our forensics team this spring is the single most impressive achievement of this University for this or any other year," Dr. Ransdell said. "To achieve an unparalleled and unprecedented sweep of all three national forensic tournaments and the international championship in a single year is truly amazing. This is the most significant evidence yet of Western's push to become a university of national prominence."

### School of Journalism and Broadcasting

#### *College Heights Herald Takes Top Prizes*

Two national awards were won by the *College Heights Herald* this year: the Pacemaker Award presented by the Associated Collegiate Press and the Gold Crown from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. The awards are considered the Pulitzer Prizes for college newspapers.

The 2002 Pacemaker was the *Herald's* ninth. The papers are judged on writing/editing, design, content, concept, photography, art and graphics. The editors for the period judged were **Ryan Clark** (fall 2001) and **Brian Moore** (spring 2002), both of Louisville. Clark was a sports writing intern this spring at The Orlando Sentinel and will be heading to *The Washington Post* for a summer internship. Moore has accepted a reporting position at *The Courier-Journal*.

The Gold Crown was the paper's fifth in the past five years. **Taylor Loyal**, now education reporter at the *Daily News*, Bowling Green, placed second in general features and received a certificate of merit in news features.



**Western's photojournalism program won first-place overall in the William Randolph Hearst Intercollegiate Photojournalism competition.** Our cash award for finishing first overall in Photojournalism is \$10,000. Individual winners: **Brian Wagner**, second, and **John Lok**, sixth, feature photography; **Brett Flashnick**, second, and **Amanda Odeski**, third, news and sports; **Shannon Guthrie**, second, and **Lauren Clifton**, third, picture story.

**Ryan Clark** won first place in the William Randolph Hearst Foundation feature writing competition and is a finalist for the June 2003 national write-off. The writing program finished seventh. Other winners: **Abbey Brown**, seventh, personality profile; **Kyle Hightower**, ninth, sports; **Brian Moore**, 19th place tie, in-depth; and **Rex Hall Jr.**, 13th tie, spot news writing. **Clark** was also named to 2002-2003 USA Today All-USA College Academic Team.

In the Hearst broadcasting competition, **James Brandenburg** finished eighth, radio features, and **Rebecca Leigh DeSensi** won 10th in radio news. The broadcasting program finished eighth nationally.

Twenty college photographers from WKU have been named finalists in the second photojournalism competition of the 2002-2003 Hearst Journalism Awards Program. This was the second of three annual photojournalism competitions, entered by 49 students nationwide, in the category of "sports and news."

**Kelly Guenther**, 1997 graduate of WKU's photojournalism program, shared in the 2002 Pulitzer Prize for Breaking News Photography won by the *New York Times*.

**Jeanie Adams-Smith** received a third-place award in the Pictures of the Year International competition for a picture story she photographed last year.

**Kyle Hightower**, a junior news/editorial major from Paducah, has been selected as one of the Freedom Forum-NCAA Sports Journalism Scholarship winners for the 2003-04 academic year. Kyle will receive a \$3,000 scholarship for his senior year.

In the College Newspaper Business & Advertising Managers Inc. competition: **Matt Rountree**, **John Tebault** and **Michael Reuter**, best newspaper promotion; and **Rebecca McFarland**, second place, training manual. Society of Professional Journalists Region 5 (includes Illinois, Indiana and Kentucky) Mark of Excellence competition.

Of the 12 national winners selected last fall in the Roy W. Howard National Reporting Competition, four were from Western. **Brandy Warren**, a Louisville junior, and **Brian Moore** were runners-up and **Ryan Clark** and **Caroline Lynch**, a December graduate from Louisville who was *Herald* editor in the fall of 2002, were honorable mention. Warren and Moore each received \$2,000 scholarships and Lynch and Clark received \$1,000 each.

Ad major **Maggie Hilliard Scott** was awarded the Fifth District American Advertising Federation 2002 scholarship in the amount of \$5,000.

In the Atlanta Photojournalism Seminar competition: Student Portfolio: first, **Brian Wagner**, and honorable mention, **Nina Greipel**.

In the 57th College Photographer of the Year Competition of the Missouri School of Journalism, Documentary: **Andreas Fuhrmann**, first place; Sport News: **Jed Conklin**, **Justin Fowler** and **Fuhrmann**, Awards of Excellence (AoE); General News: **Estell Williams**, **Fowler** and **Wigan Ang**, AoE; Feature: **Conklin**, third; Sports Feature: **Thomas Cordy** and **Sang-Hyuck Park**, AoE; Portrait: **Cordy**, AoE; Pictorial: **Ang**, third, **Jeremy Lyverse** and **Brian Wagner**, AoE; Picture Story: **Jim Winn**, second; and Sports Portfolio: **Brett Flashnick**, third.



*The Herald* competed in the Society of Professional Journalists national **Mark of Excellence** competition: third place, Best All-Around Non-Daily Student Newspaper (published 2 to 4 days a week); finalist for "9-11-01," spot news reporting; **Thomas Cordy**, second place, photo illustration.

*The College Heights Herald Extra* published Sept. 12, 2001 was named the **Best of Show** winner for non-daily tabloid student newspapers at the National Student Media Convention in New Orleans. In its category in the overall Best of Show competition, the *Herald* was second.

**Caroline Lynch**, managing editor for news, received \$1,000 as the Associated Collegiate Press four-year College Reporter of the Year, and placed second in the ACP/Los Angeles Times News Story of the Year competition; *Herald* editor **Ryan Clark**, second in the same competition's diversity category; and **Erica Walsh**, honorable mention, feature category.

Several *Herald* staff members were recognized with Gold Circle Awards from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. **Taylor Loyal**, a May 2002 graduate, placed second in general features and received a certificate of merit in news features. **Brandy Warren** placed second in in-depth news/feature story. Crestwood senior **Stephanie Gladney** and **Robyn Larsen**, a May 2002 graduate, placed third in sports page design. Receiving certificates of merit were **Moore** and Louisville junior **Joseph Lord**, news writing; **Kyle Tucker**, a senior from Clarksville, Tenn., sports news; and **Lynch**, opinion page design. The contest attracted more than 3,700 entries.

**Mai Hoang**, a Louisville junior, won the Business and Economics Reporting competition sponsored by the College Media Advisers. The award was presented at the national convention in Orlando.

The *Herald* advertising staff won the **Best in Category** award for the Best Newspaper Promotional Campaign in competition sponsored by the College Newspaper Business and Advertising Managers. The *Herald* was second for Best Training Program for papers under 40,000 circulation and third for Best Electronic Banner - House Ad.

For the second time in three years, WKU has produced multiple winners of 2002-03 Radio/Television News Directors Foundation scholarships: **Brandon Bratcher** won the \$1,000 Jim Byron undergraduate scholarship, and **Kyle Edelen**, the \$1,000 Lou and Carole Prato sports reporting scholarship. The School of Journalism & Broadcasting received a \$12,000 grant in the Broadcasters-in-Residence program of the Association of Schools of Journalism and Mass Communication to fund week-long visits by four staffers of WQAD-TV of Iowa in 2002-03.

The *Herald* won 26 awards, 30 percent of the total, including **Best All-Around Non-Daily Student Newspaper**, **Daily Radio Newscast** and **Best All-Around Online Student Newspaper**. Categorical awards include NEWSPAPERS -- Editorial Writing: first place, **Caroline Lynch**; Sports Column Writing: first, **Kyle Tucker**, and second, **Kyle Hightower**; Spot News Reporting: third, **Rex Hall Jr.**; General News Reporting: third, **Taylor Loyal**; In-Depth Reporting: second (tie), **Dave Shinall**; and Sports Writing: second (tie), **J. Michael Moore** and **Ryan Clark**.

MAGAZINES -- Non-Fiction Article: second, **Shinall**, *The Western Scholar*.

PHOTOGRAPHY -- Spot News: first, **Thomas Cordy**, second, **Robyn Larsen**, third, **Henrik Edsenius**; General News: second, **Jenny Sevcik**; Photo Illustration: first, **H. Rick Mach**, second, **Cassandra Shie**, third, **Sevcik**; Sports Photography: second (tie), **Larsen**.

RADIO-- Feature: first and second, **Shinall**; In-Depth Reporting: first, **Shinall**; Sports Reporting: third, **Kyle Edelen**. TELEVISION -- Spot News Reporting second, **Kelly Sparks**; Feature: third, **Kyle Edelen**.

## Department of History

**Luke Harlow**, a History and Religious Studies major, has received a **Phi Kappa Phi Award of Excellence**, which provides \$1500 to use in pursuing his doctorate in History. Luke is one of only 30 seniors nationwide to receive an Award of Excellence from Phi Kappa Phi, one of the nation's most prestigious honor societies.



## Department of Theatre and Dance

**Michael Rosenbaum**, a December 1994 Theatre and Dance graduate, has had significant roles in several movies and has a regular role in the WB network series *Smallville*.

## Department of Government

In only its second year of competition, the **WKU Mock Trial team** has won a bid to the National Tournament of the American Mock Trial Association. Members of the 2002-2003 Mock Trial Team include **Kristie Alfred, Alaina Green, Adam Hogan, Greg McFall, Kimberly Pedigo, Ashley Perry and Jessica Weber**. The Mock Trial team advanced to the Nationals following their 4th place finish in the Regional AMTA competition held in Birmingham, AL. Earlier this season the team placed second at the Miami University Invitational Tournament and tied for first at the Eastern Kentucky University Invitational Tournament.

## Department of Music

**Brandon Jones**, a junior euphonium music education major from Bremen, KY, placed second in the 2002 **International Tuba/Euphonium Conference**, which was held in the United States this year. At last year's competition, held in Finland, Brandon placed third in the world.

**Amanda Biggs** placed first in the National Association of Teachers of Singing competition for the state of Kentucky in Fall of 2002, and placed second in the Mid-South Regional competition in Spring of 2003. Amanda is a sophomore vocal music performance major from Glasgow, KY.

**Matthew Carmichael**, a junior saxophone music education major from Bowling Green, was selected as one of the nine **Yamaha Young Artists in America** in April 2003. This award will be presented in June of 2003, and is designed to provide early career recognition for 9 outstanding instrumentalists in the United States.

## Department of Art

**George Taylor**, a graduating senior Graphic Design major from Hopkinsville, Kentucky, won first place in the Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts Face of America National Design Competition. All five of the finalists in this national juried show were WKU students.

## From the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

**Ashley Miller**, a second-year student, received a \$1000 scholarship from the American Dental Hygienists Association Institute Scholarship Program. Such scholarships are very competitive and Ashley was one of few students across the nation to receive funding from the national organization.

**Jacob Huber** received the George Marshall Leadership award. This award is given annually to the top Military Science student at each university hosting Army ROTC. Cadet Huber attended a National Security Conference in Virginia, meeting with national leaders to discuss issues of national security and leadership. This is the most prestigious award Army ROTC gives students.

**Maria Rothman, Bradley Denisar, and Michael Walters** each received the Distinguished Military Graduate Award (DMG). This designation is awarded to only the top 20% of the national order of merit list (OML) for college seniors. The national OML is based on their academic performance, demonstrated leadership abilities on campus and during summer camps, and their commitment to service in our nation's Army.

The Family and Consumer Sciences Education Organization student organization was recognized at the Association of Career and Technical Education Convention in December, 2002. The chapter was recognized for affiliating with the national organization of ACTE, the Kentucky Association of Career and Technical Education, as well as the National Association Teachers of Family and Consumer Sciences and Kentucky Association Teachers of Family and Consumer Sciences.



## From Ogden College

### Western's team finishes second in the nation!

The **2003 North American Intercollegiate Dairy Challenge** contest was held April 11-12 at Michigan State University in East Lansing, Michigan. Twenty-four teams from the top dairy science schools in the U.S. competed in the contest. This was the second year for the contest but Western's first entry into the contest. Western's team made up of **Chad Bishop, Brandon Davis, Brent Mays and Andy Pike** finished **second in the nation**, behind only Vermont Tech and ahead of other schools including Ohio State, Penn State, Texas A&M, and Purdue. The judges gave the team extremely high marks for accuracy, presentation, equal team member participation and the correctness of answers given by the team to questions from the judges.

Undergraduate student **Brandon Bratcher**, majoring in climatology and meteorology in the Geography program, received a \$1,000 scholarship from the Radio and Television News Directors Foundation in July.

Western physics major **Gavi Begtrup**, who graduated in 2002, was awarded an NSF Graduate Student Research Fellowship to support his research activities at the University of California, Berkeley.

Graduate student in Biology **Kelly Vowels** attended the Fourteenth International Bear Management and Research Conference in Steinkjer, Norway during the summer of 2002. She won the Best Student Presentation award for her paper. Kelly was awarded her MA from WKU in August, 2002.

**Thomas Ruley**, a graduate student in Biology who works in the Biotechnology Center of Applied Research and Technology, was awarded 2nd prize for his oral presentation in the annual meeting of American Society of Agronomy (southern section) in Mobile, AL, in competition with PhD candidates. He received a cash prize of \$150 and a certificate from the society.

**Vanessa Siffrin**, who received a Computer Science degree from WKU in 2002, was selected to the United States Air Force Program Acquisition/Program Management specialty. She was the only person selected from Kentucky and Indiana.

Geoscience Graduate student **Joel Despain** won the only \$3,500 Cave Research Foundation Fellowship awarded in a nationwide competition.

Undergraduate Agriculture student **David Newsom** was one of ten students chosen from a nationwide competition to serve as an intern at the National Cattleman's Beef Association Annual Convention held in Denver, CO in February. Last summer David was one of ten students in the nation chosen to participate in the Collegiate Livestock Leadership Institute.

The **WKU Concrete Canoe Team** successfully defended the Ohio Valley Regional championship with its 8th straight regional victory. Now it is on to Philadelphia for the National Championships. The team swept the competition with the exception of one of the paddling races. The team earned its best finish ever in 2002, placing fourth in the country overall and first in the academic portion of the National Concrete Canoe Competition.



## From the Gordon Ford College of Business

The Kentucky Society of CPAs honored WKU graduate **Kristina Zoglmann** at its Spring Awards Banquet for her outstanding scores on the November 2002 CPA Exam. She received 99s in both ARE and FARE, a 97 in Audit, and a 92 in Law. These scores were the highest in Kentucky and within the top 120 in the nation. Kristi graduated from Western with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting in Spring 2002 and is currently working on her MBA at the University of Kentucky.

**Kevin Hughes**, a senior from Paris, Ky., placed first in the National Finance Competition at the Phi Beta Lambda National Leadership Conference. He advanced to the finals by winning the state competition and has won national awards three consecutive years.

**MBA students** placed **first in Best Company Business Plans and Annual Reports** at the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual International Collegiate Business Policy Competition in San Diego, California. This competition involves 36 other universities from all over the globe. WKU students have won awards at this prestigious business competition for the past three years.

**Management students in the Entrepreneurship program** competed for the first time in the Small Business Institute case analysis competition. Their analysis of local restaurant "Mariah's" finished second in the Southern nine-state region, in competition with 34 other universities. Another team competing in Comprehensive Analysis finished first and went on to national competition against 183 other universities, where they finished third.

## Athletic Academic Accomplishments

**Brian Lowder (Football)** and **Kristalyn Smith (Women's Softball)** were named WKU's Scholar-Athletes of the Year and Academic All-Americans. **Lowder**, a Government and Sociology major from Bowling Green, was named to the First Team Verizon Academic All-America team, the first Hilltopper to earn such honors since 1995. He also was named to the I-AA Athletic Directors Academic All-Star Team, First Team Verizon Academic All-District IV, and Gateway Conference All-Academic Team. **Smith**, a Public Health major from Portage, MI, was named to the 2002 First Team Verizon National Academic All-American team as well as District IV Academic All-American.

**Jason Michael (Football)** and **Sara Noe (Volleyball)** were named WKU's Athletes of the Year and Academic All-Americans. **Michael**, a Civil Engineering Technology major from Louisa, KY, was named to the First Team Gateway Conference All-Academic Team, the I-AA Athletic Directors' Academic All-Star team, and Second Team Verizon Academic All-District IV. **Noe**, a Finance major from Louisville, KY, was named Second Team Academic All-District IV and was also the 2002 Sun Belt Conference Player of the Year.

**Peter Martinez (Football)** was named an Academic All-American. **Martinez**, an Agriculture major from Nashville, TN, was named First Team Verizon Academic All-District IV and second team Gateway Conference All-Academic Team. He also set Western's new records for points by kicking and field goals.

Western's 2002-2003 **Academic All-Americans** also included: **Allison Silver (Softball)**, First Team Academic All-District IV, **J.C. Faircloth (Baseball)** and **David Lower (Baseball)**, Second Team Academic All-District IV.

The following teams were also named as Academic All-American teams. They were awarded this distinction by the national coaches association in each sport, for having distinguished themselves both academically and athletically. The teams are: **Women's Soccer**, **Women's Swimming**, and **Volleyball**. This is the third straight Academic All-American Team award for the volleyball squad, making them one of only seven teams in the country to accomplish this "three-peat."



# Notable Achievements of WKU Faculty and Academic Programs 2002-2003

## College of Health and Human Services

**Dr. Dale Smith**, Associate Professor of Social Work, was recently appointed to a four-year term on the Kentucky Board of Social Work by Governor Paul Patton.

**Dr. Doug Schutte**, Head of the Department of Allied Health and Human Services, received a **Fellowship Award** from the Kentucky Dental Association in recognition of his contributions to dentistry in Kentucky. Dr. Schutte was also **appointed Chair of the Kentucky Dental Association Council on Dental Practice** and was appointed to the Executive Board of the Kentucky Oral Health Coalition.

**Dr. Randy Deere** received a **Distinguished Service Award** from the **Kentucky Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (KAHPERD)** at its annual conference.

The **Institute for Rural Health Development and Research** was recognized for its innovative program that meets community needs. The Institute's **Mobile Health and Wellness Unit** received **second place in the Regionalization category**. The award was presented by the Certified Community Partnership Program sponsored by some 20 organizations including the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce.

**Michelle Wolf Acree**, former WKU student, was awarded the **Outstanding Dissertation Award** from the **Society for Social Work and Research**, January 2003, for her dissertation "The Fit Between Low Income Elders and Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Services." She completed her doctorate at Virginia Commonwealth University in May, 2002 and joined the faculty there as an assistant professor last fall.

**Dr. Alton Little**, retired professor in the Physical Education and Recreation department, received a **Presidential Citation** for outstanding service to the Kentucky Recreation and Park Society.

## College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

**Dr. Terry Wilson**, Director of the Center for Mathematics, Science and Environmental Education at Western, has been selected as **president-elect** of the **North American Association for Environmental Education**.

**Dr. Bill Greenwalt**, Department of Counseling and Student Affairs, and **Dr. Linda Todd**, Community College, were among those to receive the first KYVU Online Excellence Award (5 were awarded throughout the state.)

**Patrice McCrary**, a graduate of WKU, was named **Kentucky Teacher of the Year**. She is a kindergarten teacher at Cumberland Trace Elementary. She is also the **Elementary Teacher of the Year** for Kentucky. The **Middle Grades Teacher of the Year**, **Patrick Black**, holds his undergraduate and masters degree from Western and teaches mathematics at T. K. Stone Middle School in Elizabethtown. It is highly unusual for **two of the three individuals awarded** to have degrees from the same institution.

**Dr. John Moore**, Interim Department Head of Middle Grades and Secondary Education, was elected to serve on the **Steering Committee of the House of Delegates** for the **National Council for the Social Studies**.



**Dr. Bill Greenwalt**, Department of Counseling and Student Affairs, was nominated to receive the **Award for Innovative Excellence in Teaching, Learning, and Technology** presented at the 14th International Conference on College Teaching and Learning in Jacksonville, Florida.

**Dr. Vernon Lee Sheeley**, the senior member of the Counseling faculty, received the Counselor-Educator of the Year award from the Kentucky Counseling Association.

**Dr. Julia Roberts**, Director of The Center for Gifted Studies, was recently appointed by the Governor of Kentucky to serve on the board of the **Kentucky Advisory Council for Gifted and Talented Education**.

The **Department of Educational Administration, Leadership, and Research** was selected as a member of the SREB University Leadership Development Network (one of 11 institutions from 11 states).

The **Communication Disorders Program** has signed a major contract with the New York City United Federation of Teachers to provide on-line distance education graduate programs to speech therapists employed with the NYC Department of Education. The CD web-based DLE master's degree program was selected after an extensive review of distance education programs offered across the country. This program is being recognized as a leader in on-line programming in this field.

## **Potter College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences**

**Dr. John Carmichael**, Director of Bands in the Department of Music, has been **elected to the American Bandmasters Association**, the highest professional honor that can be received by any band director. He is only the **second band director in Kentucky** to receive this recognition. He also recently was **named the 2003 Outstanding College/University Music Teacher of the Year for the state of Kentucky** by the Kentucky Music Educators Association.

**Dr. Laura McGee**, assistant professor in the German program, received a **Fulbright Award** to support her research in Berlin during the 2002-2003 academic year. Fulbright Awards for research are extremely competitive and are primarily awarded to senior scholars. Receiving this award is an especially impressive achievement for an untenured assistant professor.

**Dr. Charles Bussey**, professor of History, has been selected as a **Fulbright Scholar** for 2003-2004. Dr. Bussey will teach and lecture in Norway.

**Dr. Erika Brady**, a professor of Intercultural Studies, **received the Acorn Award**, which recognizes the outstanding professor in the state, from the Kentucky Advocates for Higher Education at the Governor's Conference on Trusteeship. This is the first time that a Western faculty member has been recognized since 1997.

**Jooyong Ahn** has been chosen to **conduct the Washington Korean Symphony Orchestra's Inaugural Concert** at the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C.

**Dr. Joe Survant**, professor of English, has been named as the current **Kentucky Poet Laureate**. Survant is the author of *The Presence of Snow in the Tropics*, *Anne and Alpheus, 1842-1882*, (winner of the Arkansas Poetry Award,) and *Rafting Rise*, a companion piece to *Anne and Alpheus*, and the second book of a Kentucky trilogy.

**Dr. Terry Likes**, an associate professor in Western Kentucky University's School of Journalism and Broadcasting, has **won national honors for his radio documentary on "The Media Coverage of 9/11."** Likes received "Best Of Festival" designation from the Broadcast Education Association.



The Robert Penn Warren Center's acquisition of the James A. Grimshaw, Jr. collection has received national attention in various journals and newspapers. This is the largest private collection of Warren's papers outside the family holdings. It has 1200 items and was collected over a period of forty years by Warren's official bibliographer, Prof. Grimshaw. Our Center for Warren Studies is nationally known and the only one of its kind since we have Warren's private, working library (a gift from Mrs. Warren) and the papers of Warren's official biographer, Prof. Joseph Blotner. The Warren annual is circulated nationally and internationally. Our annual symposium attracts scholars from all over the country and the world.

## Gordon Ford College of Business

**Beta Gamma Sigma**, the national honor society for AACSB accredited business schools, recognized the Western Kentucky Chapter in the Gordon Ford College as a "premier" chapter at the recent Mid-continent East AACSB Conference in Chicago. Western Kentucky University was one of the five universities recognized from among more than 60 universities.

**The Office of Global Business** was recognized by the National Association of Small Business International Trade Educators (NASBITE) and the Kentucky World Trade Center (KWTC) as one of the outstanding service providers in the area of international business education.

**Dr. Kenneth Utley**, Professor, Business and Computer Studies Division, has been given special recognition by the **Kentucky Business Education Association**. He was presented with an **Honorary Life Membership Award** in recognition of his many years of service to the organization and to Kentucky's business teachers. This was the first time the award has been given since 1996. KBEA previously named him **Teacher of the Year in 1991** and presented him the **Kentucky Outstanding Service Award in 1999**.

**Dr. Jan Colbert**, the James R. Meany Professor of Accounting, has been named **Chair of the Board** for the Composition for Regulatory Structures Committee of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy.

## Ogden College of Science and Engineering

**The Materials Characterization Center** has been certified as one of only five laboratories in the country to be able to monitor mercury emissions from coal-fired power plants. National recognition and collaboration with Vanderbilt University to model coal-fired chemistry and emissions has resulted.

**Dr. David Coffey**, Professor in the Agriculture Department, was named **Vice President of the Southern Region Agricultural Association** for 2002-2004.

**Dr. Gordon Jones**, Professor in the Agriculture Department, was named **President and Board of Directors member of the National Swine Improvement Association** for 2001-2003.



## University Libraries

The **Southern Kentucky Festival of Books** was selected as one of the Kentucky Tourism Council's Top Ten Festivals and Events for 2002. Attendance, duration of the event, unique aspects and the impact on the community are some of the criteria used to select the Top Ten Festivals and Events.

## Bowling Green Community College

**Carla Hinton**, Director of the Real Estate grant and Instructor in the Real Estate program at Bowling Green Community College, has been elected **President of the Kentucky Real Estate Educators**.

## Interdisciplinary

**Mrs. Freida Eggleton**, Registrar, has been elected to the position of **President-Elect of the Kentucky Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers**.



*Congratulations!*