

# ***This Is Washburn Volleyball***



- **2002, 2004 NCAA National Tournament**
- **2002 MIAA Champions**
- **No. 4 in NCAA in volleyball attendance in 2004**
- **Five Lady Blues received All-MIAA Honors in 2004**
- **One AVCA All-American pick in 2004**

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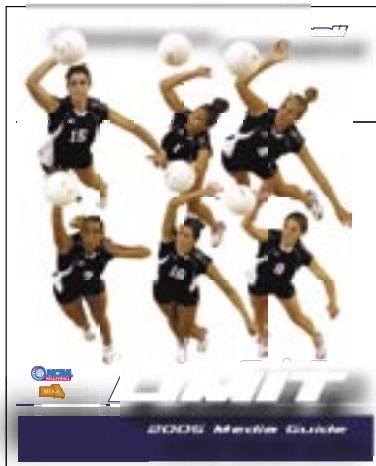
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## On the cover

The six returning Lady Blues for the 2005 season: (top-left to right) sophomores Mandi Cox, Ashley Ruzick, Monica Meiesner. (bottom-left to right) sophomores Erica Cowhick, Anna Byers and junior Valerie Peterson.

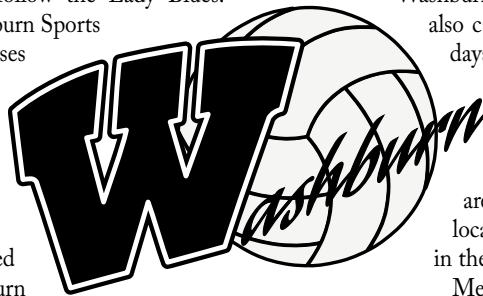




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Washburn University is in Topeka, Kan., at the intersection of 21st street and Washburn Avenue. Lee Arena is located in the Petro Allied Health Center at the east edge of the Washburn campus. Parking for the facility is adjacent to Washburn Avenue.

The Washburn University Sports Information Office is located in room 200D of the Petro Allied Health Center. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Phone: (785) 670-1791 or 670-1948; Fax: (785) 670-1091.



Media credentials are available to personnel from accredited media outlets by contacting Gene Cassell, Sports Information Director, Washburn University, Topeka, Kansas 66621. Media may also call the office for passes. Please call at least three days in advance to guarantee a seat in press row.

Radio stations wishing to broadcast from Lee Arena should make broadcast requests through the Sports Information Office.

Telephones for writers from which to file are available in the Washburn Athletics Office located on the second floor of the Petro Center and in the press box overlooking the court.

Media services include a game program and line-ups, plus statistics and game notes for each team. Complete stat packets will be available approximately 15 minutes after the completion of the match.

Postgame interviews with Coach Chris Herron are available to media personnel after his brief meeting with the team immediately following the game. Players will be brought, by request, to Lee Arena pressbox.

## Lady Blues Volleyball Quick Facts

### General Information

Name of School ..... Washburn University  
City/Zip ..... Topeka, KS 66621  
Founded ..... 1865  
Enrollment ..... 7,002  
Nickname ..... Lady Blues  
School Colors ..... Yale Blue and White  
Home Court/Capacity ..... Lee Arena / 3,902  
Surface ..... Hardwood  
Affiliation ..... NCAA Division II  
Conference ..... Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association  
President ..... Dr. Jerry Farley  
Alma Mater, Yr. .... Oklahoma '68  
Athletics Director ..... Loren Ferre'  
Alma Mater, Yr. .... Texas Christian '71  
Athletic Dept. Phone ..... (785) 670-1135  
Ticket Office Phone ..... (785) 670-1092

### History

First year of Volleyball ..... 1969  
Overall all-time record ..... 609-669 (.447)  
No. of years in NCAA national playoffs ..... 3  
Last Postseason Opponent .... 2004 - L 3-0 to CMSU in regional semifinals

### Coaching Staff

Head coach ..... Chris Herron  
Alma mater, Yr... College of the Ozarks, 1980  
Record at school (yrs) ... 84-22 (.793), (4th)  
Career record (yrs)..... 159-53 (.750), (7th)  
Volleyball office phone ..... (785) 670-1946  
Best time/day to call ..... 9 a.m. to noon  
Assistant Coaches ..... Trent Jones (Graceland College, 2002)

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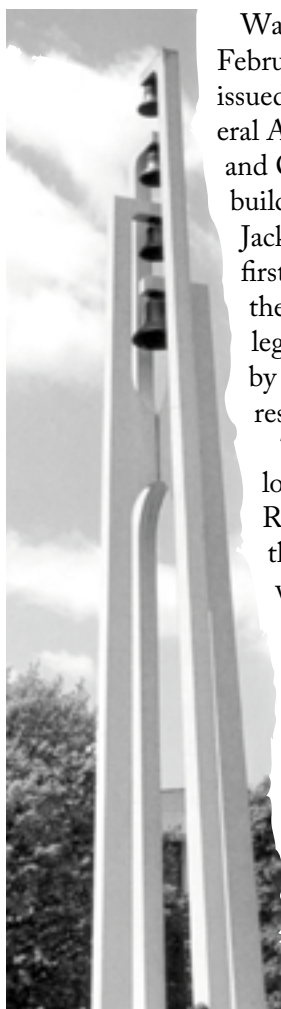
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Washburn University was established in February 1865 as Lincoln College by a charter issued by the State of Kansas and the General Association of Congregational Ministers and Churches of Kansas. A two-story brick building on the northeast corner of 10th and Jackson Streets was soon erected and the first classes began in January 1866. In 1868, the school was renamed Washburn College, in recognition of a \$25,000 donation by Ichabod Washburn, a church deacon and resident of Worcester, Mass.

The university was granted a permanent location in 1865 when Topekan Col. John Ritchie donated a 160-acre site, which at the time was a considerable distance southwest of the city. Construction on the first building began in 1872, with occupancy

taking place in 1874. For the next two decades, college President Peter MacVicar conducted an aggressive development campaign. His efforts resulted in the establishment of numerous Victorian limestone structures which characterized the campus for the next 90 years.

Expansion of the school was constant. The School of Law was organized in 1903, as was a School of Fine Arts and a medical school, which educated physicians until 1913. During the next three decades structures such as the Mulvane Art Museum, Benton Hall and Whiting Field House were added to the campus. In June 1966, a tornado struck Topeka and several historic buildings on campus were demolished. The Washburn community rallied and financial support from friends and alumni made possible the rebuilding of many school facilities during the coming years.





Today, university facilities offer more than one million square feet of modern academic and support space.

In 1941, the citizens of Topeka endorsed Washburn by voting to establish a municipal university, supported in part by the city and governed by a local board of regents.

In 1952, the Washburn Board of Regents officially changed the name of the school to Washburn University of Topeka. In 1999, the university's primary funding was moved from city property tax to county sales tax sources, with the school retaining status as a municipal subdivision of the state.

In addition to local financial support, Washburn has received state funds since 1961, which have been coordinated by the Kansas Board of Regents since 1991. Washburn is governed by its own nine member Board of Regents.

Washburn provides broadly-based liberal arts and professional education through more than 190 certificate, associate, baccalaureate, master's and juris doctor programs through the College of Arts and Sciences and the Schools of Law, Business, Nursing and Applied Studies. Ninety-seven percent of the faculty hold a doctorate or the highest degree available in their discipline.



**Dr. Jerry B. Farley**  
University President

Jerry Farley became the 14th President of Washburn University in 1997 following an extensive career in finance and business affairs at several Oklahoma higher education institutions. Aside from a full schedule of Washburn responsibilities, Dr. Farley speaks and teaches around the United States on topics related to Higher Education Finance, Auditing, Management and Leadership. He is a C.P.A. and has been the president and chair of the board of several state and national professional organizations. He has

authored or co-authored numerous articles and books on finance and accounting.

Dr. Farley holds a degree in finance and accounting, an MBA, and a Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration - all from the University of Oklahoma.

Serving on local and state boards has always been a priority for Dr. Farley. He is past president of the Topeka Chamber of Commerce. He has served on the board of directors of Red Cross, American Cancer Society, Boy Scouts, United Way and economic development corporations including Go Topeka.

He is the recipient of awards for outstanding contributions in public service, accounting, and higher education.

## Academic Majors

\* Denotes fields in which Secondary Education teaching certificates are available.

Degrees are listed after majors (C=Certificate of Completion)

# Denotes joint programs with Kaw Area Technical School

Accounting, BBA, MBA	Legal Studies, C, AA
Addiction Counseling, C, AAS, BAS	Liberal Studies, MLS Management, BBA
Adult Care Home Administrator, C, BAS	Marketing, BBA
Allied Health C, AS, BHS	Mass Media, BA
Anthropology, BA	Mathematics*, BA, BS
Art History, BA	Medical Imaging, BHS
Art*, BA, BFA	Medical Office Administration, C
Athletic Training, BS	Medical Technology, BS
Banking, AAS	Mental Health and Disabilities, AAS, BAS
Biology*, BA, BS	Military and Strategic Studies, C
Business Administration, MBA	Music Education, BM
Business Education, B.Ed	Music Performance, BM
Cardiac Sonography, C	Music, BA
Chemistry*, BA, BS	Natural Science and Mathematics, AA
Clinical Psychology, MA	Non-Profit Management, C, BPA (in association with Public Administration)
Communication, BA	Nursing, BSN
Computer Information Science, BS	Office Administration, C, AA #
Computer Information Systems, AA, BA, BS	Philosophy, BA
Correctional Administration, MCJ	Physical Education*, BA, B.Ed, BS
Criminal Justice, AA, BSCJ	Physical Therapy Assistant, AS
Criminal Justice, MCJ	Physics*, BA, BS
Curriculum and Instruction, M.Ed.	Political Science, BA
Design Technology, AAS #	Pre-Dentistry
Developmental Disabilities, AAS, BAS	Pre-Engineering
Diagnostic Medical Sonography, C	Pre-Law
Early Childhood Education, AA	Pre-Medicine
Early Childhood Education, B.Ed	Pre-Optometry
Economics, BA	Pre-Pharmacy
Economics, BBA	Pre-Theology
Education, M.Ed.	Pre-Veterinary Medicine
Educational Administration, M.Ed	Psychology*, BA, MA
Elementary Education, B.Ed	Public Administration, C, BP
English*, BA	Public Health Nursing, C
Executive Administrative Assistant, C	Purchasing, C, AAS #
Finance, BBA	Radiation Therapy, C
Food Service, AA #	Radiologic Technology, AS
Forensic Chemical Science, BS	Reading, M.Ed.
French*, BA	Religious Studies, BA
General Business, BBA	Respiratory Therapy, AS
General Science, BS	RN Articulation, BSN
General Sonography, C	RN Refresher
German*, BA	School Nurse Certification, C
Gerontology, AAS, BAS	Secondary Education, M.Ed
Health Information Technology, C, AS	Social Work, BSW
Health Services Administration, BHS	Social Work, MSW
History*, BA	Sociology, BA
Human Services, C, AAS, BAS	Spanish*, BA
Humanities and Creative and Performing Arts, AA	Studio Art, BA
Industrial Technology, AAS #	Technology Administration, BAS
Integrated Studies, BIS	Theatre, BA
Interrelated Special Education, M.Ed.	Vascular Sonography, C
Law Enforcement, MCJ	Victim/Survivor Services, C, AAS, BAS
Law, JD	Word Processing, C
Legal Office Administration, C	Youth Services, AAS, BAS



**Steve Anson**  
Baseball



**Bob Chipman**  
Basketball (M)



**Craig Schurig**  
Football



**Doug Hamilton**  
Golf



**Jennifer Hastert**  
Tennis (M/W)



**Tim Collins**  
Soccer (W)



**Lisa Carey**  
Softball

## 2004-05 Season Flashback

Team	Overall W-L	MIAA	MIAA Finish	Postseason
Baseball	23-31	10-21	8th	None
Basketball-M	24-8	15-3	1st	NCAA Rnd. 64
Basketball-W	35-2	16-2	1st	<i>National Champions</i>
Football	8-4	6-3	3rd	Mineral Water Champs
Golf	120-37	30-0	1st	10th at NCAA National
Soccer-W	5-11-3	3-9-2	5th	None
Softball	30-26	5-13	9th	None
Tennis-M	10-9	2-2	3rd	None
Tennis-W	21-5	5-1	2nd	NCAA Rnd. 32
Volleyball	29-7	13-3	3rd	NCAA Rnd. 32
<b>Totals</b>	<b>305-140-3 (.684)</b>	<b>105-57-2 (.646)</b>		

**Overall athletic department  
winning percentage - .684**



**Chris Herron**  
Volleyball



**Ron McHenry**  
Basketball (W)



**Loren Ferré**  
Athletic Director

Loren Ferré became Washburn's director of athletics in February of 1996 after a six-year appointment at Black Hills State University in Spearfish, S.D. Ferré is a dynamic leader who has implemented many internal changes within the athletic department since arriving on campus. He has put increasing scholarships and departmental fund-raising at the top of his list.

This past season, Ferré was named the Central Region Athletic Director of the Year.

At Washburn, Ferré has been instrumental in the establishment of a strong Ichabod Club support team and the raising of funds for athletic scholarships.

While at BHSU, Ferré was also director of the Donald E. Young Sports Fitness Center, a 172,000 square foot, \$10.2 million facility. During his Black Hills tenure, the athletics department nearly tripled its outside revenue, including large increases in ticket sales and scholarship funding. All 10 varsity teams won a conference title in his final three years.

Before joining the staff at Black Hills State, Ferré spent 17 years at the University of North Texas. He was the director of the Coliseum (1987-90) and was the associate and assistant director since 1980. He held the post of event coordinator (1978-80).

Ferré is a 1971 graduate of Texas Christian University, earning a bachelor of arts degree. He earned a master's in journalism from North Texas in 1982.

Ferré has just finished a three-year term as Chair of the NCAA Division II Men's Basketball South Central Regional Chairman.

Ferré and his wife Sarah, have two daughters, Caitlin and Hope.

## THE ICHABOD CLUB

WASHBURN ATHLETICS

The Ichabod Club is a booster club that works to promote Washburn University Athletics and provides financial support to its athletic programs.

Membership in the

Ichabod Club has played a major role in supporting the annual scholarship drive and making a difference in the lives of Washburn student-athletes for the past 20 years.

Washburn Athletics depends upon the annual contributions to the Ichabod Club Scholarship Fund to continue offering scholarship aid to our student-athletes.

The mission of the Ichabod Club is simply to provide the scholarship assistance to young men and women student-athletes (tuition, fees, books, room and board) unless the contribution is restricted to a specific sport or some other specific purpose. All gifts to the Ichabod Club are tax deductible to the full extent allowable by law.

Opportunities for alumni, friends, parents and boosters to become involved with the Ichabod Club program are available through pregame parties, golf tournaments, the Ichabod Club newsletter, monthly luncheons, the kick-off party and other special events.

For more information, call the Washburn Athletic Department at 785.231.1135.

# Washburn wins 3 MIAA Titles, 5 NCAA appearances, 1 National Championship

## Football – 8-4 / 6-3 MIAA (3rd)

- 2004 Mineral Water Bowl Champions
- MIAA First Team All-MIAA: Curtis Massey
- MIAA Second Team All-MIAA: Sam Sissom, Rudy Su'e, Trey Lewis, Fletcher Terrell
- MIAA Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Tyler Schuerman, Ra'Shawn Mosley, Mike Odupitan, Rawshawn Bland, Tyrone Barrett, Grant Gould
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Adam Azeltine, Evlin Beck, Ben Boswell, Matt Durler, Zach Hemmerling, Dustin Hickel, Josh Looney, Pat Mack, Chris McCann, Blake Meyer and Tyler Schuerman
- All-Southwest Region Second Team: Sam Sissom
- CoSIDA Academic First Team All-Region: Matt Durler
- Academic All-MIAA: Tyler Schuerman
- Offensive Team MVP: Tyler Schuerman and Sam Sissom
- Defensive Team MVP: Grant Gould
- Overall Team MVP: Tyler Schuerman

## Volleyball – 29-7 / 13-3 MIAA (3rd)

- Ranked No. 16 in final AVCA National Poll
- First Team All-MIAA: Dani McHenry and Emily Foster
- Second Team All-MIAA: Katie Brandt
- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Julie Sackman and Wendy Kobbeman
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Emily Foster, Wendy Kobbeman, Dani McHenry and Valerie Peterson
- American Volleyball Coaches Association First Team All-Region: Dani McHenry and Emily Foster
- American Volleyball Coaches Association Honorable mention: Katie Brandt
- American Volleyball Coaches Association Third Team All-American: Dani McHenry
- Academic All-MIAA: Emily Foster
- Team MVP: Dani McHenry

## Soccer – 5-11-3 / 3-9-2 MIAA (5th)

- Second Team All-MIAA: Meagan Horvath and Lauren Schwindt
- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Jenna Hatlestad and Jenna Lawless
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Laura Barnaby, Virginia Barnes, Stephanie Bruegger, Anna Fahey, Amanda Geist, Deidre Gorynski, Meagan Horvath, Erica Painting, Erica Schmidt, Celese Siebert and Jolene Silovsky
- MIAA Presidential Scholars: Deidre Gorynski
- Team MVP: Meagan Horvath

## Men's Basketball – 24-8 / 15-3 MIAA (1st)

- MIAA Most Valuable Player: Travis Robbins
- First Team All-MIAA: Travis Robbins
- Second Team All-MIAA: Karlton Mims
- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Steve Bonner
- First Team NABC All-American: Travis Robbins
- First Team NABC All-Region: Travis Robbins
- Daktronics Co-Region Player of the Year: Travis Robbins
- First Team Daktronics All-Region: Travis Robbins
- Team MVP: Travis Robbins

## Women's Tennis – 21-5 / 5-1 MIAA (2nd)

- First Team All-MIAA: Julie Huyberechts (singles)
- Second Team All-MIAA: Kris Castillo (singles)
- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Alicia Gardner (singles), Kris Castillo (doubles), Julie Huyberechts (doubles), Lauren Harris (doubles), Alex Rodenbeek (doubles)
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Caitlin Day, Julie Huyberechts
- All-MIAA Academic Team: Alicia Gardner and Lauren Harris
- MIAA Presidential Scholar: Audrie Miller and Lauren Harris
- Team MVP: Kris Castillo

## Women's Basketball – 35-2 / 16-2 MIAA (1st)

- 2005 NCAA National Champions
- MIAA Most Valuable Player: Carla Sintra
- First Team All-MIAA: Carla Sintra, Brooke Ubelaker
- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Lora Westling, Jennifer Harris
- All-MIAA Defensive Team: April Roadhouse
- NCAA South Central Regional Team: Carla Sintra, Brooke Ubelaker, Jennifer Harris
- NCAA South Central Regional Most Outstanding Player: Jennifer Harris
- Elite 8 Most Outstanding Player: Carla Sintra
- Elite 8 All-Tournament Team: Carla Sintra, Lora Westling, Juwanna Rivers
- WBCA/Kodak First Team All-American: Carla Sintra
- WBCA/Kodak First Team All-District: Carla Sintra
- Daktronics Second Team All-Region: Carla Sintra, Brooke Ubelaker
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Alison Garrett, Dani McHenry, Lora Westling, Holly Henrichs, Cindy Keeley, Erin Menard, Carla Sintra, Megan Sullivan, Brooke Ubelaker, Stacey Becker
- All-MIAA Academic Team: Lora Westling
- D2 Bulletin National Coach of the Year: Ron McHenry
- MIAA Coach of the Year: Ron McHenry
- Team MVP: Carla Sintra

## Baseball – 23-31 / 10-21 MIAA (8th)

- Second Team All-MIAA: Jake Lenherr
- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Nolan Deitrich, Jerad Head, Jesse Schmidt, Sam Sissom and Randy Wild
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Nolan Deitrich, Kenny Howard, Brian Martinek, Jesse Schmidt and Brett Unrein
- Team MVP: Randy Wild

## Softball – 30-26 / 5-13 MIAA (9th)

- First Team All-MIAA: Kala Huske, Ashley Webb
- Second Team All-MIAA: Brooke DeVader
- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Amanda Carey, Jackie Sells, Mandy Tarbutton
- NFCA First Team All-Region: Kala Huske
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Mikala Mohler, Erin Pierce, Jackie Sells
- MIAA All-Academic Team: Brooke DeVader
- Team MVP: Jackie Sells

## Men's Tennis – 10-9 / 2-2 MIAA (3rd)

- Second Team All-MIAA: Nathan Martin (singles), Rick Vleeshouwers (singles)
- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Rutger Vliegenberg (singles/doubles), Tyler Kinder (singles/doubles), Blake Edwards (singles/doubles), Nathan Martin (doubles), Andrew Plum (doubles)
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Tyler Kinder
- All-MIAA Academic Team: Nathan Martin
- Team MVP: Nathan Martin

## Golf – 110-28 / 30-0 MIAA (1st)

- First Team All-MIAA: Chris McGown, Paul Resner, Taylor Dunham, Jeremiah Nelson, Ryan Deutsch
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Paul Resner, Jason Robbins, Matt Warnock, Tyler Alt, Taylor Dunham, Spencer Hemmingway, Chris McGown
- MIAA Coach of the Year: Doug Hamilton
- Eaton/Golf Pride Regional Coach of the Year: Doug Hamilton
- PING All-Region Team: Ryan Deutsch, Chris McGown, Jeremiah Nelson, Paul Resner and Matt Warnock
- All-MIAA Academic Team: Chris McGown
- Presidential Scholar: Jason Robbins
- Cleveland Golf All-America Scholars: Chris McGown and Matt Warnock
- CoSIDA Academic First Team All-Region: Chris McGown
- CoSIDA Academic First Team All-America: Chris McGown
- All-MIAA Academic Team: Chris McGown
- NCAA All-American: Chris McGown and Jeremiah Nelson
- Team MVP: Chris McGown

**Cumulative  
Athletic  
Department Grade  
Point Average as  
of Spring 2005**

**2.97**

**2004-05 MIAA  
Commissioner's  
Academic Honor  
Roll Members**

**54**

**Of 221  
Student-Athletes,  
number who had  
3.0 GPA or higher**

**152**

**Of 221  
Student-Athletes,  
number who had  
3.5 GPA or higher**

**57**

**Of 221  
Student-Athletes,  
number who had  
4.0 GPA or higher**

**14**

**Number of  
Student-Athletes  
to receive all-  
MIAA Athletic  
Honors**

**64**



# ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF



## Kerry Dickerson

Former Ichabod assistant basketball coach Kerry Dickerson is in his third season as the Ichabod athletic department's director of development after serving six seasons on the Ichabod coaching staff. A native of Blue Springs, Mo., Dickerson was a two-year starter for the Ichabods at point guard and played on the team from 1988 to 1993. He started 38 of 116 games for Washburn and his team leadership on two MIAA championship and NCAA Division II tournament teams was a mark of success.



## Janet Degginger

Janet Degginger is in her 19th year as Washburn's assistant athletics director. Degginger returned to her alma mater in 1987 as assistant director of athletics. In that capacity, she is responsible for managing and monitoring the eligibility of student athletes as the compliance director. During the 1995-96 academic year, Degginger served as the interim director of athletics. She also currently serves as the university's senior women's administrator.

Degginger has served on several university, conference and national committees. She is currently a member of the NCAA Professional Sports Liaison Committee and has served on a subcommittee of the NCAA Research Committee for developing a financial analysis report. She is a member of Washburn's Faculty Athletics and Financial Aid committees.

Degginger is a 1967 graduate of Washburn and has done postgraduate work at Kansas. She has a son, Preston.



## Gene Cassell

Gene Cassell is in his seventh season as Washburn Sports Information Director after starting in December 1998. Cassell is a 1997 graduate from Northwest Missouri State University, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science in journalism accompanied with a minor in broadcasting.

Besides overseeing the media relations of Washburn's 10 athletic teams, Cassell also runs game administration and is the webmaster of "The Blue Zone" - The Official Site of Washburn Athletics. Cassell is a member of CoSIDA and a member of the Publications Contest Committee.

Cassell has received 33 citations for excellence for office publications, including four best in the nation, 11 second place finishes and six best covers in the nation.

Cassell and his wife, Regina, live in Topeka with their two sons, Jacob who was born on March 23, 2003, and Jared who was born on May 26, 2005. Regina the director of student publications and is a professor in the Washburn mass media department.



## Summer Broeckelman

Summer Broeckelman is in her first season as the Marketing/Ticket Coordinator for Washburn. She will also focus on increasing interest and attendance on Ichabod and Lady Blues game nights. Prior to joining the athletic department, Broeckelman worked as a sales rep for Alternative Business Systems in Lenexa, Kan.

Broeckelman is a 2004 graduate of Washburn University with a Bachelor's Degree in Mass Media/Public Relations and a minor in Communications.



## Brad Noller

Brad Noller has worked in the WU sports information office since arriving in Topeka in the fall of 1998. As a student he served as the interim sports information director at Washburn when the sports information director's position was vacated soon after his arrival. He remained on staff as the student assistant until his graduation in December 1999. In the fall 2004, Noller added marketing

and promotion duties to his responsibilities.

Noller has also worked as a part-time sports reporter for the Topeka Capital-Journal. Prior to that, he worked in the Johnson County Community College's sports information office during the 1997-98 season.

In the summer of 1999, Noller was honored as one of three initial recipients of the CoSIDA undergraduate internship grant.

The Clinton, Mo., native earned a bachelor of arts degree from Washburn in mass media with a journalism emphasis. He also received a business minor in marketing. He lives in Topeka with his wife Tiffany, 'bsn 02.



## Steve Ice

Steve Ice enters his 24th year as the Head Athletic Trainer at Washburn University.

Ice took over the Ichabods and Lady Blues programs in the fall of 1982 after a three-year assignment as the Associate Athletic Trainer at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Penn.

During Ice's tenure at Washburn, the athletics training staff has seen the addition of the Petro Allied Health Center as a valuable resource for the prevention and rehabilitation of WU student-athletes.

Ice received his bachelor's degree from St. Mary of the Plains College in Dodge City, Kan., in 1977 and earned his master's from the University of Kansas in 1980. Ice also served as a graduate assistant athletic trainer for the Jayhawks from 1977 to 1979.

In addition to his duties at Washburn, Ice works in conjunction with the Tallgrass Orthopedic Group of Topeka.

Steve and his wife Janis have four children; Brian, Patrick, Jenna and Alyssa.



## Ron Wessel

Ron Wessel enters his 26th year at Washburn University as the head equipment manager for the athletics department.

Wessel, a native of Sierra Vista, Ariz., is in charge of maintaining all of the athletic department's equipment needs. He attended Baker University in Baldwin City.

Wessel then accepted the equipment manager's position at Washburn in the spring of 1980.

He is a member of the American Equipment Managers Association and became certified in 1992. Wessel has served as a District Director of the AEMA since 1993. In addition, he serves on the Continuing Education Committee of the AEMA.

Ron lives in Topeka and enjoys sports, traveling, science fiction and physical fitness.



## John Burns

John Burns is in his third season as a Certified Athletic Trainer after joining Washburn Athletics in August of 2003.

Burns, a native of Salina, Kan., has job responsibilities with both athletics and academics. His primary athletic training responsibilities is with the football team, and academically, he oversees and teaches athletic training students as the Clinical Education Coordinator in the Athletic Training Education Program for the HPEES department.

He is an alumnus of Washburn, receiving his bachelor's degree in 1992. Burns then earned a Master of Science degree in exercise and sports science from the University of Arizona in 1994. Prior to returning to Washburn, he was a staff athletic trainer at Freeman Hospital in Joplin, Mo., and most recently, the Coordinator of Sports Medicine for Integris Baptist Regional Health Center in Miami, Okla., where he also served as a consultant athletic trainer for the Northeastern Oklahoma A&M Junior College Norsemen.

John is married to Linda Oldham Burns, also a Washburn alumn and scholarship coordinator in the financial aid department, and they have a son, Tyler.





**Steve Anson**  
Head Baseball Coach



**Ewan Auguste**  
Assistant Men's  
Basketball Coach



**Larry Blumberg**  
Faculty Athletics  
Representative



**Chris Brown**  
Assistant Football Coach  
Defensive Coordinator



**Lisa Carey**  
Head Softball Coach



**Bob Chipman**  
Head Men's  
Basketball Coach



**Tim Collins**  
Head Women's  
Soccer Coach



**Sandy Foster**  
Athletics Secretary



**Doug Hamilton**  
Head Golf Coach



**Cooper Harris**  
Assistant Football Coach  
Special Teams Coordinator



**Jennifer Hastert**  
Head Men's and Women's  
Tennis Coach



**Gil Herrera**  
Petro Facilities  
Coordinator



**Chris Herron**  
Head Women's  
Volleyball Coach



**Trent Jones**  
Assistant Women's  
Volleyball Coach



**Ron McHenry**  
Head Women's  
Basketball Coach



**Brian Miller**  
Assistant Football Coach  
Offensive Coordinator



**Dustin Odum**  
Assistant Women's  
Basketball Coach



**Rob Robinson**  
Assistant Football Coach  
Recruiting Coordinator



**Craig Schurig**  
Head Football Coach



**David Trupp**  
Assistant Football Coach  
Strength/Conditioning



**Jamie Weber**  
Administrative Assistant  
for Development



**Jessica Wilhelm**  
Assistant Women's  
Soccer Coach

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Vice President / Academic Affairs .....	Dr. Ron Wasserstein .....	670-1649
Vice President / Student Life .....	Dr. Denise Ottinger .....	670-1390
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Sports Information Director .....	Gene Cassell .....	670-1791
Marketing / Ticket Director .....	Summer Broeckelman .....	670-2637
Assistant Sports Information/Marketing Director .....	Brad Noller .....	670-1948
Faculty Athletics Representative .....	Larry Blumberg .....	670-1493
Head Athletic Trainer .....	Steve Ice .....	670-1753
Head Equipment Manager .....	Ron Wessel .....	670-1761 or 670-1338
Athletic Facilities Manager .....	Gil Herrera .....	670-1304
Athletics Secretary .....	Sandy Foster .....	670-1339
Administrative Assistant for Development .....	Jamie Weber .....	670-1466

## Washburn Coaching Staff

### Football

Head Coach .....	Craig Schurig .....	670-1340
Offensive Coordinator .....	Brian Miller .....	670-1705
Defensive Coordinator .....	Chris Brown .....	670-1795
Defensive Line Coach/Strength and Conditioning .....	David Trupp .....	670-1335
Linebackers/Special Teams Coordinator .....	Cooper Harris .....	670-1798
Wide Receivers/Recruiting Coordinator .....	Rob Robinson .....	670-1947

### Volleyball

Head Coach .....	Chris Herron .....	670-1946
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### Women's Soccer

Head Coach .....	Tim Collins .....	670-1756
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### Baseball

Head Coach .....	Steve Anson .....	670-1793
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### Softball

Head Coach .....	Lisa Carey .....	670-1797
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### Men's Basketball

Head Coach .....	Bob Chipman .....	670-1355
Assistant Coach .....	Ewan Auguste .....	670-1881

### Women's Basketball

Head Coach .....	Ron McHenry .....	670-1796
Assistant Coach .....	Dustin Odum .....	670-1462

### Golf

Head Coach .....	Doug Hamilton .....	670-1764
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### Men's and Women's Tennis

Head Coach .....	Jennifer Hastert .....	670-1757
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## About the city of Topeka:

Topeka is the capital city of Kansas and supports most of the state agencies.

It is the home of national companies such as Frito-Lay, Goodyear, Payless Shoe Source, American Investors, Hill's Pet Nutrition and Josten's.

Topeka has more than 200 restaurants and 30 attractions, galleries and entertainment venues and more than 3,200 hotel rooms.

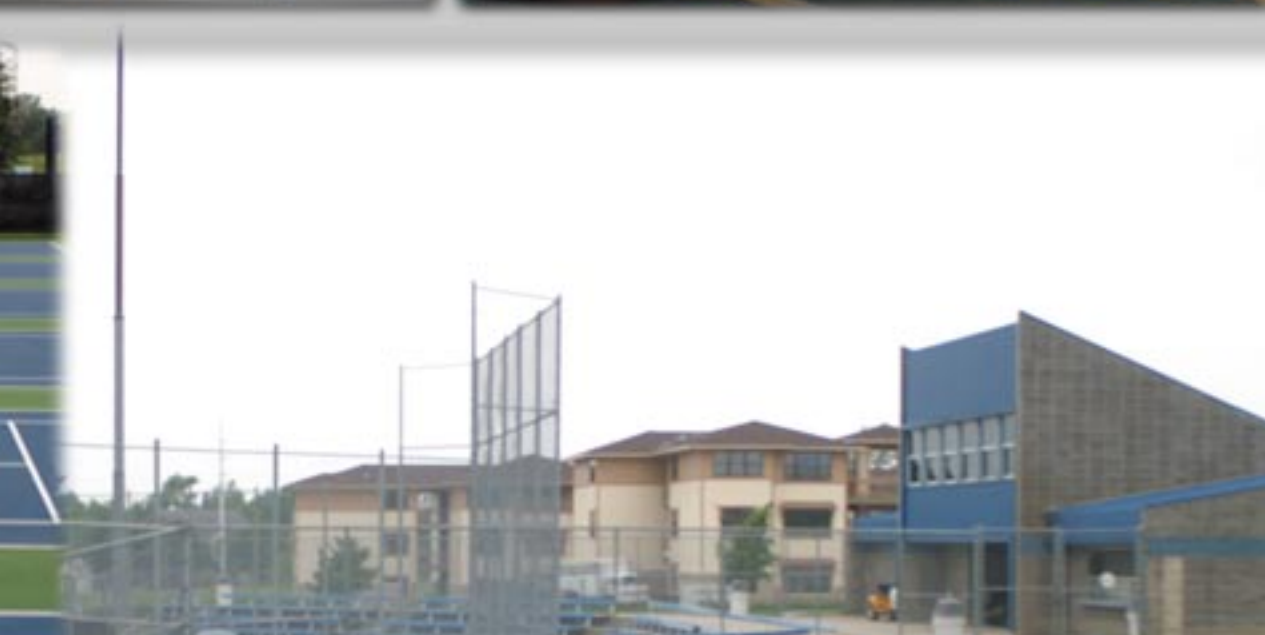
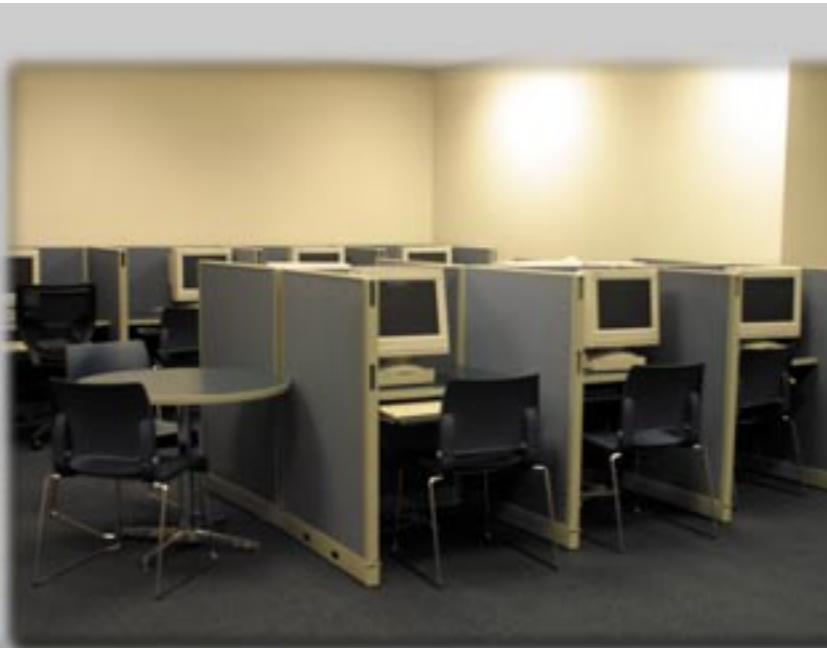
Heartland Park, Topeka (left) has been a world-class destination since 1989 and was the first major motorsports facility to be built in North America since 1968.











Washburn has some of the best facilities in NCAA Division II Sports. (Top row from left) Lee Arena holds 3,804 people and is the home to Ichabod and Lady Blues basketball. The Washburn Softball Complex has two fields with a new press box in between allowing game management for both fields. The Southwestern Bell Student Technology Center has 16 computers where student-athletes can do their homework. (Middle row) The Lady Blues volleyball team play their matches in Lee Arena. Yager Stadium is the home of Ichabod football and underwent a major facelift with the addition of Bianchino Pavilion before the 2003 season. The McPherson Booster room allows fans and alumni to watch games in Lee Arena from a second level vantage point. (Bottom row) The Lady Blues soccer field is in its second year of existence. The Washburn tennis complex played host to both the men's and women's NCAA North Central Regional in 2004. Falley Field has been the home of Ichabod baseball since 1990.



Lee Arena has served as the home of Washburn volleyball since the 1984 season. The arena has a capacity of 3,904, twice that of Whiting Fieldhouse, which housed the home court prior to 1984.

Lee Arena has provided an outstanding homecourt advantage for both the Ichabods and Lady Blues volleyball and basketball squads.

Washburn owns a 93-81 record (no records kept until 1990) in Lee Arena, but the Lady Blues have had winning marks in the arena five of the last six seasons. Washburn's best mark was a 11-1 mark in 2004.

The Lady Blues have gone 22-5 the last two seasons and hosted the 2002 South Central Region Tournament in Lee Arena. Washburn clinched its first MIAA title Nov. 16, 2002 in Lee Arena against

Pittsburg State.

On July 6, 1999, Lee Arena was fitted with a new court design. The previous design was the original found on the court when Lee Arena opened for a basketball game on Nov. 17, 1984.

The new court, which was designed by Sports Information Director Gene Cassell, features major changes, including a filled-in 3-point circle and an enlarged Washburn "W" in the center of the court.

The arena was built as part of the \$8.4 million Kelsey

H. and Edna B. Petro Allied Health Center, the largest building on campus covering more than 126,000 square feet. Lee Arena is named after former Washburn baseball coach and player Bob Lee and his wife, Sallee, to recognize their \$250,000 donation.

## Lady Blues in Lee Arena

Year....	Record ....	Pct.	Year....	Record ....	Pct.
1990 .....	6-4 ...	.600	1998 .....	8-7 ...	.533
1991 .....	2-8 ...	.200	1999 .....	3-8 ...	.272
1992 .....	1-8 ...	.111	2000 .....	5-4 ...	.555
1993 .....	8-11 ...	.421	2001 .....	4-7 ...	.367
1994 .....	3-10 ...	.231	2002 .....	12-2 ...	.857
1995 .....	7-6 ...	.538	2003 .....	10-3 ...	.769
1996 .....	8-3 ...	.727	2004 .....	11-1 ...	.916
1997 .....	9-6 ...	.600			

**Record since 1990 -- 93-81 (.534)**