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General Information

Name of School	Washburn University	
City/Zip	Topeka, KS 66621	
Founded	1865	
Enrollment		
Nickname	Lady Blues	
School Colors	. Yale Blue and White	
Facility	Lee Arena	
Surface		
Affiliation	NCAA Division II	
ConferenceMid-	America Intercollegiate	
	Athletics Association	
President	Dr. Jerry Farley	
Alma Mater, Yr	Oklahoma '67	
Athletics Director	Loren Ferre'	
Alma Mater, Yr	Texas Christian '71	
Athletic Dept. Phone		
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First year of basketball	65
Overall all-time record 573-313 (.64	17
No. of years in national playoffs	11
National Playoff Record 11-	-12
No. of years in NCAA-II playoffs	. 7
NCAA Playoff Record	7-7
Last postseason opponent Dru	ury
South Central Regional semifinals/L 55-67	

Coaching Staff

Head Coach	Ron McHenry
Alma Mater, year	Washburn, 1984
Record at Washburn, yrs	92-30 (.754), 5th
Overall Record	$\ldots\ldots Same$
Basketball Office Phone 785	5.231.1010 x1796
Best time of day to call	$\ldots \ldots mornings$
Assistant coaches	$\dots Dustin\;Odum$
Λ	Montoya Whitfield
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Team Information

	Total	Home	Away	Neut	
2003-04 Record	26-5	13-1	9-3	4-1	
MIAA Record	15-3	8-1	7-2	0-0	
Non-Conference	11-2	5-0	2-1	4-1	
Final National				.13th	
Lettermen Returning					
Lettermen Lost				3	
Starters Returning]			5	
Startors Lost				1	



The 2004-05 Washburn University Women's Basketball Media Guide is intended to provide information for writers, broadcasters, sports editors, sports information personnel and fans who follow the Lady Blues. Additional information is available in the Washburn Sports Information Office and through weekly releases available to personnel from accredited media outlets covering the Ichabods.

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 200 of the Petro Allied Health Center. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Phone: 785.231.1010 x 1948; Fax: 785.231.1091. You may e-mail the SID office at brad.noller@washburn. edu.

Media credentials are avail-

able to personnel from accredited media outlets by contacting Brad Noller, Assistant Sports Information Director, Washburn University, Topeka, Kansas, 66621. Credentials are available 60 minutes before tipoff at the Will Call window at the southeast entrance of Lee Arena. All media seating in the Lee Arena press box is reserved on a game-by-game basis and space is limited. Please contact the Sports Information Office at least four days before the game date to ensure a seat in the press box.

Radio stations wishing to broadcast from Lee Arena should make broadcast requests through the Sports Information Office at least one week prior.

One courtesy line will be made available to the official station of each visiting team. Additional stations wishing to broadcast must install their own line. AM 580 WIBW is the official broadcast station of the Washburn Ichahods

Telephone lines for writers to file their stories are available in the Sports Information Office. There are two telephone for writers to file stories in the Lee Arena press box. Writers wishing to file via telephone lines should contact the Sports Information

Office to make arrangements.

Media services include a game program and lineups, plus statistics and game notes for each team. Halftime stats are provided as well as individual and team stats and a play-by-play summary. Statistics are kept on the Automated Scorebook computer system by MRR Systems. Pizza and refreshments are available before each game.

Postgame interviews with

Coach Ron McHenry 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 press

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on Radio and the Internet





Washburn Basketball games are broadcast in northeast Kansas on one of the strongest stations in the Midwest - AM580 WIBW Topeka. Former Washburn quarterback Mark Elliott is the play-by-play voice of the Lady Blues basketball squad and Bruce Steinbrock

will provide color commentary.

The AM580 signal has a signal strength of six states.

All Washburn Ichabod and Lady Blues games will also be broadcast on the World Wide Web at www.wusports.com by following the



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Topeka Capital-Journal (daily)

785.295.1188 785.295.1230 Fax 616 Jefferson, Topeka, KS 66607 1.800.777.7171 Sports Editor: Eric Turner WU Beat Writer: Ken Corbitt 785.295.1123

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800.825.6397 316.268.6536 Fax 825 East Douglas, Wichita, KS 67201

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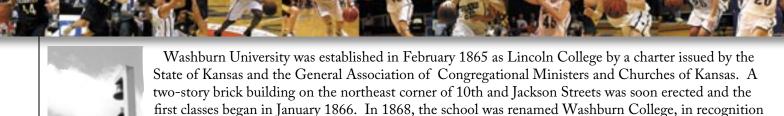
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The university was granted a permanent location in 1865 when Topekan Col. John Ritchie donated a 160-acre site, which at the time was a considerable distance southwest of the city. Construction on the first building began in 1872, with occupancy taking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

of a \$25,000 donation by Ichabod Washburn, a church deacon and resident of Worcester, Mass.

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,

ness, 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 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 coauthored 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 Maiors

Denotes fields in which Secondary Education teaching certificates

Degrees are listed after majors (C=Certificate of Completion) Denotes joint programs with Kaw Area Technical School

Accounting, BBA, MBA Addiction Counseling, C, AAS, BAS Adult Care Home Administrator, C, BASAllied Health C, AS, BHS Marketing, BBA Anthropology, BA Art History, BA Art*, BA, BFA Athletic Training, BS Banking, AAS Biology*, BA,BS Business Administration. MBA Business Education, B.Ed Cardiac Sonography, C Chemistry*, BA,BS Clinical Psychology, MA Communication, BA Computer Information Science, BS Computer Information Systems, AA, BA, BS Correctional Administration, MCJ Criminal Justice, AA, BSCJ Nursing, BSN Criminal Justice, MCJ Curriculum and Instruction, C, AA Design Technology, AAS Developmental Disabilities, AAS, BAS Diagnostic Medical Sonography, C Early Childhood Education, AA Early Childhood Education, B.Ed Economics, BA Economics, BBA Education, M.Ed. Educational Administration, M.Ed Elementary Education, English*, BA Executive Administrative Assistant, C Finance, BBA Food Service, AA Forensic Chemical Science, Reading, M.Ed. French*, BA General Business, BBA General Science, BS General Sonography, C German*, BA Gerontology, AAS, BAS Health Information Technology, C, AS Health Services Administration, BHS History*, BA Human Services, C, AAS, BAS Humanities and Creative

and Performing Arts, AA

Industrial Technology, AAS

Integrated Studies, BIS

Law Enforcement, MCJ

Interrelated Special

Education, M.Ed.

Legal Office Administration, C Legal Studies, C, AA Liberal Studies, MLS Management, BBA Mass Media, BA Mathematics*, BA, BS Medical Imaging, BHS Medical Office Administration, C Medical Technology, BS Mental Health and Disabilities, AAS, BAS Military and Strategic Studies, C Music Education, BM Music Performance, BM Music, BA Natural Science and Mathematics, AA Non-Profit Management, C, BPA (in association with Public Administration) Office Administration Philosophy, BA Physical Education*, BA, B.Ed, BS Physical Therapy Assistant, Physics*, BA, BS Political Science, BA Pre-Dentistry Pre-Engineering Pre-Law Pre-Medicine Pre-Optometry Pre-Pharmacy Pre-Theology Pre-Veterinary Medicine Psychology*, BA, MA Public Administration, C, BP Public Health Nursing, C Purchasing, C, AAS Radiation Therapy, C Radiologic Technology, AS Religious Studies, BA Respiratory Therapy, AS RN Articulation, BSN RN Refresher School Nurse Certification, Secondary Education, M.Ed Social Work, BSW Social Work, MSW Sociology, BA Spanish*, BA Studio Art, BA Technology Administration, Theatre, BA Vascular Sonography, C Victim/Survivor Services, C. AAS. BAS Word Processing, C Youth Services, AAS, BAS



Steve Anson Baseball



Bob Chipman Basketball (M)

2003-04 Season Flashback

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Team	Overall W-L	MIAA	MIAA Finish	Postseason
Baseball	26-23	15-15	6th	None
Basketball-	M 27-5	15-3	1st	NCAA Rnd. 32
Basketball-	W 26-5	15-3	1st	NCAA Rnd. 32
Football	5-6	3-6	7th	None
Golf	131-40-1	35-5-1	1st	NCAA Nationals
Soccer-W	4-13-1	2-11-1	8th	None
Softball	32-25	8-10	8th	MIAA Tourney
Tennis-M	18-8	2-2	2nd	NCAA Sweet 16
Tennis-W	22-6	5-1	1st	NCAA Sweet 16
Volleyball	26-10	9-7	5th	MIAA Tourney
Totals 3	317-141-2 (.68	8) 109-6	3-2 (.679)	·

Overall athletic department winning percentage - .688



Chris Herron Volleyball



Ron McHenry Basketball (W)



Craig Schurig Football



Doug Hamilton Golf



Jennifer Hastert Tennis (M/W)



Tim Collins Soccer (W)



Lisa Carey Softball



Loren Ferre' Athletic Director

Loren Ferre' became Washburn's director of athletics in February of 1996 after a six-year appointment at Black Hills State University in Spearfish, S.D. Ferre' 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.

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

While at BHSU, Ferre' was also director of Fitness Center, a 172,000 square foot, \$10.2

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, Ferre' 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).

Ferre' 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 is the NCAA Division II Men's Basketball South Central Regional Chairman serving his third year on the committee last season.

Ferre' and his wife Sarah, have two daughters, Caitlin and Hope.



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 4 MIAA Titles for second straight season, 5 NCAA appearances

Football - 5-6 / 3-6 MIAA (7th)

- · MIAA Second Team All-MIAA: Tim Watts, Trent Hearn
- MIAA Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Tyrone Barrett, Mike Odupitan, Eric Taylor, Grant Gould, Josh Looney, Fletcher Terrell
- MIAA Freshman of the Year: Trent Hearn
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Joe Corcoran, Morgan Dewey, Matt Duler, Dustin Hickel, Chris Huelsman, Josh Looney, Blake Meyer, Brooks Myers, Brian Peel, Kevin Pierce, Tyler Schuerman, Eric Taylor, Adam Toby, Tim Watts, Jeff Wimpy, Andre Zandevakili
- CoSIDA Academic First Team All-Region: Matt Durler, Eric Taylor
- CoSIDA Academic Second Team All-America: Eric Taylor
- Academic All-MIAA: Josh Looney, Eric Taylor
- Offensive Team MVP: Trent Hearn
- Defensive Team MVP: Morgan Dewey
- Special Team MVP: Mike Odupitan

Volleyball - 26-10 / 9-7 MIAA (5th)

- First Team All-MIAA: Dani McHenry
- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Alecia Barron, Anna Neufeld, Susan Crooks
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Alecia Barron, Kandice Connell, Dani McHenry, Anna Neufeld, Ann Weygint
- American Volleyball Coaches Association First Team All-Region: Dani McHenry
- American Volleyball Coaches Association Honorable Mention All-American: Dani McHenry
- Team MVP: Dani McHenry

Soccer - 4-13-1 / 2-11-1 MIAA (8th)

- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Meagan Horvath, Monica Ruiz, Jenna Lawless
- Presidential Scholar: Deidre Gorynski
- Team MVP: Meagan Horvath

Men's Basketball - 27-5 / 15-3 MIAA (1st)

- First Team All-MIAA: Jeremy Cunningham
- · Second Team All-MIAA: Troy Douglas, Travis Robbins
- First Team NABC All-Region: Jeremy Cunningham
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: J.P. Meitner, Matt Tinsley
- MIAA Coach of the Year: Bob Chipman
- · Regional Coach of the Year: Bob Chipman
- Team MVP: Jeremy Cunningham

Women's Basketball - 26-5 / 15-3 MIAA (1st)

- · Second Team All-MIAA: Carla Sintra, Lora Westling
- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Juwanna Rivers
- · All-MIAA Defensive Team: April Roadhouse
- NCAA South Central Regional Team: Juwanna Rivers
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Alison Garrett, Dani McHenry, Lora Westling
- · All-MIAA Academic Team: Lora Westling
- Team MVP: Juwanna Rivers

Baseball - 26-23 / 15-15 MIAA (6th)

- Second Team All-MIAA: Jerad Head, Mike Koontz
- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Jake Lenherr, Jake Loveless, Cameron Clurman, Sam Sissom, Randy Wild
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Matt Deutsch, Adam Fennema, Jake Lenherr, Kyle Loschke, Dan Newton, David Nimz, Blake Rice, Jesse Schmidt
- Presidential Scholar: Brian Martinek
- Team MVP: Jerad Head

Softball - 32-25 / 8-10 MIAA (8th)

- Second Team All-MIAA: Molly Gleisberg, Kala Huske
- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Joanne Fluker, Dara Clouse, Katie Schmidt, Ashley Webb
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Erin Pierce, Katie Schmidt, Jackie Sells, Ashley Stewart, Tiffany Whitt
- Team MVP: Dara Clouse

Women's Tennis - 22-6 / 5-1 MIAA (1st)

- First Team All-MIAA: Holly Munro (singles)
- Second Team All-MIAA: Erin Underwood (singles/doubles), Julie Huyberechts (singles/doubles), Caitlin Day (singles/doubles), Lindsay Sullivan (singles/doubles), Kris Castillo (doubles), Holly Munro (doubles)
- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: Kris Castillo (singles)
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Caitlin Day, Holly Munro, Erin Underwood
- MIAA MVP: Erin Underwood
- ITA North Central Regional Coach of the Year: Jen Hastert
- MIAA Coach of the Year: Jen Hastert
- All-MIAA Academic Team: Erin Underwood, Julie Huvberechts
- Team MVP: Erin Underwood

Men's Tennis - 18-8 / 2-2 MIAA (2nd)

- First Team All-MIAA: Brett Coleman (singles)
- Second Team All-MIAA: Rafeal Valdez (singles/doubles), Sydney Bwalya (singles), Tyler Kinder (singles), John Johnson (doubles)
- Honorable Mention All-MIAA: John Johnson (singles), Blake Edwards (singles)
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Brett Coleman, John Johnson, Tyler Kinder
- MIAA Coach of the Year: Jen Hastert
- Team MVP: Rafeal Valdez

Golf - 131-40-1 / 35-5-1 MIAA (1st)

- First Team All-MIAA: Chris McGown, Matt Warnock, Matt Johnston, Garrett Donovan
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Paul Resner, Jason Robbins, Matt Warnock
- MIAA Coach of the Year: Doug Hamilton
- · All-Central Regional Team: Matt Warnock
- Recognized as having highest GPA out of all teams at NCAA Golf Championships
- Division II PING Honorable Mention All-America: Matt Warnock, Matt Johnston
- All-MIAA Academic Team: Matt Johnston, Chris McGown, Matt Warnock
- Presidential Scholar: Jason Robbins
- Team MVP: Matt Warnock

Cumulative Athletic Department Grade Point Average as of Spring 2004

3.03

2002-03 MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll Members

48

Of 232 Student-Athletes, number who had 3.0 GPA or higher

116

Of 232 Student-Athletes, number who had 3.5 GPA or higher

50

Of 232 Student-Athletes, number who had 4.0 GPA or higher

19

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

60



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Kerry Dickerson

Former Ichabod assistant basketball coach Kerry Dickerson begins his second season as the Ichabod athletic department's Athletic Director for 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 entering her 18th 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.

Karmen Byers

Karmen Byers is in her fourth year as the Assistant Athletic Director of External Relations.

At Washburn, Byers serves as ticket manager for all sports. She also focuses on marketing and public relations for increasing interest and attendance on Ichabod and Lady Blues game nights.

Prior to joining the athletic department, Byers worked at Atwood Publishing in Overland Park, Kan. where she was an advertising sales executive for four different publications.

Byers is a 1999 graduate of Kansas State University with a Bachelor's Degree in journalism and advertising.

Gene Cassell

Gene Cassell is entering his fifth full 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.

Beside 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 son Jacob who was born on March 23, 2003. Regina is the Director of Student Publications and an instructor in the Washburn mass media department.

Brad Noller

Brad Noller has worked in the WU sports information office since arriving in Topeka in the fall of 1998. 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 Decemeber 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 two-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 25th 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 second 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, OK, 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 alumnus and employee in the financial aid department, and they have a son, Tyler.

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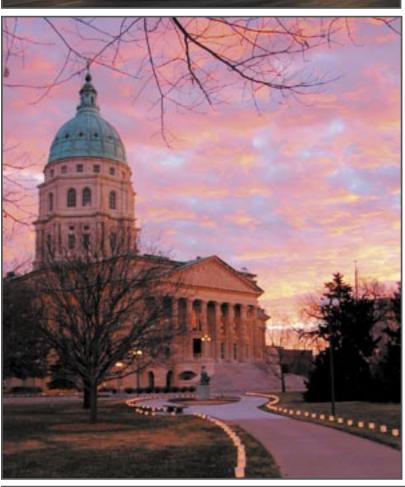


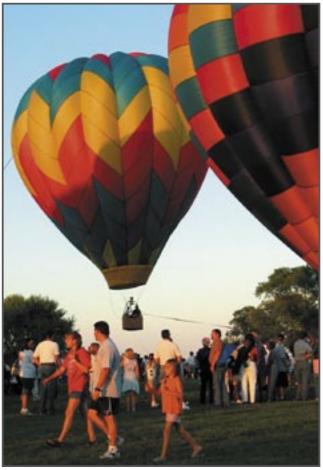
Topeka is the capital city of Kansas and supports most of the state agencies.

Topeka is the home of such 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 firs major motorsports facility to be built in North America since 1968.







THREE STRAIGHT NCAA TOURNAMENT APPEARANCES



BACK-TO-BACK MIAA CHAMPIONSHIPS



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Lee Arena has served as the home of Washburn basketball since the 1984-85 basketball season. The arena has a capacity of 3,804, twice that of Whiting Fieldhouse, which housed the home court before 1984.

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.

Following the 2000-01 season, Lee Arena underwent its first construction work since it opened with the second level addition of new coaching offices, conference room, booster

room and student-athlete computer room. The addition makes Lee Arena one of the best Division II complexes in the nation.

Lee Arena has provided an outstanding homecourt advantage for both the Ichabods and Lady Blues. Since the Lady Blues christened Lee Arena with an 89-65 victory over Friends on Nov. 20, 1984, the team has posted an overall home record of 230-52 (.816).

The recent success of the Washburn basketball teams combined with an outstanding facility in Lee Arena has led



the NCAA to select Washburn as a host site for postseason competition. The Lady Blues are 7-3 in NCAA postseason play at Lee Arena. On July 6, 1999, Lee Arena was fitted with a new basketball court design. The previous design was the original found on the court when Lee Arena opened for its first 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.

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Lee Arena Records

Most Points

Team: 106, Washburn vs. St. Mary College, Nov. 22,

Individual: 35, Brenda Shaffer-Dahl, vs. Northeast Missouri State, 11/25/89

Most Rebounds

Team: 58, Washburn vs. Benedictine, 2/6/89 **Individual:** 18, Brenda Shaffer vs. Missouri Western, 1/21/89; Brenda Shaffer-Dahl vs. Central Missouri State, 1/17/90; Amy Renyer vs. Northwest Missouri State, 1/8/92

Most Three Point Field Goals

Team: 14, Missouri-St. Louis vs. Washburn, 2/28/94;

Washburn vs. Truman State, 1/17/04

WU Team: 14, Washburn vs. Truman State, 1/17/04

Individual: 10, Erin Menard, vs. Truman State,

1/17/04