



# Topeka Jayhawk Club

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## Upcoming Activities

### TOPEKA JAYHAWK CLUB

February

22	Membership Table/Fairlawn Mall
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March

4	Hawkwatch KU vs KSU
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14	Board Meeting
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### MEN'S BASKETBALL

February

21	Baylor
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25	@ Texas
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March

1	Colorado
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4	@ KSU
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9-12	Big XII Tournament
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22	Northern Colorado
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29	New Orleans
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### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

April

2	@ KSU
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7-11	Big XII Tournament
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### TRACK

April

20-22	Kansas Relays
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## MEMBERSHIP DRIVE DATES SET

Wednesday February 15th 5pm - 7pm

Wednesday February 22nd 5pm - 7pm

Saturday March 4th 10am - 12pm

## TJC ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

TJC has elected new officers for 2006: President: Justin Glasgow; Vice-Presidents: Gerry McGuire, Diane Bean & Phyllis Kelly; Secretary: Paulette Leeper; Treasurer: Mary T. Decker; Membership: Nancy Kelley; Historian: Matt Dowd; Media: Mike Werner. Larry Tenopir continues as Newsletter Editor, and Pat Maxon continues as TJC Webmaster.

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## SELF KEEPS EM LAUGHING

Over 350 Jayhawks gathered at the Ramada Inn for fellowship and encouragement at a time when the men's basketball future for this season was questionable. Perhaps the

most memorable moment came when Coach was discussing the then-problematic free throw problem. He suggested that fans might want to change their free throw "both hands in the air" sign to a "clasped hands" in the air sign to pray that the ball goes in. The local alumni band again provided the extra zip which other similar gatherings across the state can't match. TJC members also were able to pick up the new cooler bag which serves as this year's membership "gift".

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### **HAWKWATCHES GROWING IN POPULARITY**

Over 80 TJC members and guests attended the ISU Hawkwatch at Jeremiah's Live, Huntoon and Gage. The main part of the Hawkwatch, including door prize drawing, takes place in the non-smoking room with a huge-screen TV. Smokers can either step out into the smoking section of the bar or watch the game in the smoking section and just come in for the drawing. Kids can feel very comfortable in the non-smoking part, and more and more are coming along. Look at the calendar above for remaining dates.

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### **NEXT MEMBERSHIP CONTEST BEGINS**

Any TJC member can compete in the current membership contest to sign up brand-new members to TJC. Brand-new members get the usual membership packet of a license plate, buttons, cards and the 2006 cooler bag, but brand-new members also get a free subscription to Jayhawk Illustrated. The person who signs up the most brand-new members before the Mangino summer picnic (we'll establish a final contest date when we know the Mangino picnic date) gets two seats at Coach Mangino's table at the picnic as well as 2 tickets to a football game. All you have to do is attach a note to each new membership you sign up--you can even write on the actual membership form--your name and "membership contest." Our membership chair, Nancy Kelley, keeps track of all contest memberships as they come in. Susan Draffan won the most recent TJC membership contest. The Jayhawk Illustrated offer runs through the month of March, so act quickly!

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### **RECRUITING GOOD STUDENTS FOR KU**

Don't ever make any contact with a prospective student athlete without first visiting with the compliance office at the athletic department. We don't ever want any TJC member involved in any action that can hurt our teams and the university. If you think KU should take a look at a given high-school athlete, contact KU Athletics and pass on your tip.

However, you can help KU recruit non-athletes by passing on contact information to the Department of Admissions who will be sure to send appropriate information and letters to the high school student. Basic requests for info can be made by emailing [adm@mail.ku.edu](mailto:adm@mail.ku.edu). If you know of a good student that could use some special attention such as particular information about a specific program, you can contact Lisa Pinamonti Kress directly at [kpkress@ku.edu](mailto:kpkress@ku.edu). In its continuing efforts to achieve Top-25 public university status, KU wants to know about good students and do everything it can to get them to enroll at KU.

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### **WINNINGEST TEAMS PLAY WHERE?**

The three basketball teams with the most all-time wins are Kentucky, North Carolina and KU with KU continually chasing North Carolina for second place. The three teams play home games in Rupp Arena, The Dean Dome and Allen Fieldhouse--all three named for KU graduates.

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### **16,300 NOT THE NORM (Or the Quin either)**

KU's 16,300 seat Allen Fieldhouse is perpetually sold out with some tickets sold a second time during semester breaks. The Lawrence Journal-World reports that no other Big 12 teams draw regular sellouts. Only four other teams (Texas, Iowa State, Oklahoma & Oklahoma State) average more than 11,000. Nebraska draws almost 9,000, but no other Big 12 team is averaging 8,000 a game, including the place upriver and the home of Norm and the soon-to-be-former home of Quin down the river.

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### **Carry your card... It has benefits...TJC Friendly Merchants**

**[Performance Tire](#)**—Get a rotate and balance for \$20.00 when presenting your TJC membership card.

**[Quizno's](#)**—Receive 10% off your order [downtown](#) and [29th and Wanamaker](#) locations in Topeka.

**[J & Co Frameshop](#)**—15% off custom frame.


**[KU Bookstore](#)**—Receive 10% off on purchases, excluding sales merchandise, includes [online shopping](#).


If you own a business or know of a business that would like to participate in the TJC Friendly Merchant Campaign, let me know and I'll contact them. Fans helping fans...Call 271-1224 or email me at [pat@topekajayhawkclub.com](mailto:pat@topekajayhawkclub.com). We will continually be adding to the list, so check out our website often! This is just starting to roll, so get in on the ground floor.


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### **BEAKS & TAILS**


 Longtime former marching band director Bob Foster was recently inducted into the National Band Association Hall of Fame of Distinguished Conductors.

 This season marks the first time Kansas Freshmen have been named Big 12 Rookie of the Week for three different weeks--Brandon Rush twice and Mario Chalmers once--and the season's not over!

 The TJC board held its January 3 meeting at the Wagon center, and many board members stayed to cheer on the women's basketball team to victory over Texas.

 The Allen Fieldhouse scoreboard operators are adding new tricks and shows, showing steady progress through the season. The football scoreboard has become an integral part of KU's football experience, and the basketball board is catching up quickly.


 Watch for the TJC ad in three upcoming issues of Jayhawk Illustrated. TJC is grateful to Jayhawk Illustrated for its underwriting of much of the expense of our annual tailgate party and especially for this year's offer of a free year's subscription to our brand-new members.


 Three of the four 2006 inductees to the Topeka Business Hall of Fame are KU grads: Andy Chandler, '48; Jack Dicus, '55; and the late Balfour Jeffrey, '28. Both Chandler and Dicus are TJC members. CONGRATULATIONS! The Business Hall of Fame is located at the Topeka Capital Journal and is a project of Northeast Kansas Junior Achievement. TJC member Linda Smith is executive director of NE KS JA.


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### **STOLEN FROM THE MOST RECENT KU ALUMNI MAGAZINE ( With editorial comment):**


In your editor's opinion, the KU Alumni magazine by itself is easily worth the cost of Alumni Association membership (\$50/yr--prices also available for lifetime membership). Anyone can join. You don't have to be an alum. Anyway, from this month's edition--


 Topeka sophomore Sam Schneider and a couple friends have started Royal Canadian Mounted Leaf Service--a Lawrence leaf raking service in which the workers wear uniforms of the RCMP--attracting lots of attention and new customers while they work.

 Another group of students has resurrected the KU juggling club. (Wonder if they juggle clubs?)

 The late Larry Haskin, Phd '60 received a posthumous honor of having a 2 mile long rock outcropping named "Haskin Ridge." The 348 ft tall ridge is on Mars. (Crimson & Blue on Red Planet?)

 Mark Edom of Leawood drives a Harley custom-painted with KU campus scenes and one fast-looking Jayhawk. (Does that make his wife a biker Jayhawk chick?)

 KU's Johnson County Edwards campus is expected to soon see the nation's third Confucius Institute, a joint program with China's Ministry of Education which will offer Chinese language courses and promote tourism in China.

 Survivor winner, former Miss Kansas-USA and former KU student and still-KU fan Danni Boatwright is reported by her mother as such a devoted fan that when 6 years old, whenever KU lost a basketball game, Danni would go to her room and cry.



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