

NOVEMBER 2013

## ETPA graduate begins police chief duties



(Above) Chief Heath Cariker comes to work at KC from Trinity Valley Community College where he served as Director of Police and Public Safety.

Kilgore College hired a KC graduate to take over as head of police and public safety for the college, taking over for Martin Pessink who served as the college's police chief for four years.

Heath Cariker was approved as KC's new police chief at the Oct. 14 KC board meeting, coming from Trinity Valley Community College where he served in the same capacity.

"I'm really excited to get the opportunity to work here at the college," Cariker said. "Everyone at the college has been very welcoming and I'm thrilled to be back at the

college where I began my police training."

Cariker, a graduate of the East Texas Police Academy, earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Stephen F. Austin State University and a master's degree in public administration from UT Tyler.

Cariker is in his twentieth year of law enforcement.

He began his career as a police officer in Carthage and has held jobs more recently as a criminal investigator with the Texas Attorney General's Office, police sergeant at UT Tyler and assistant police chief at San Jacinto College in

Pasadena.

"After an extensive search, we are excited to welcome Chief Cariker back to Kilgore College. His employment is especially distinctive given that he is an alumnus of Kilgore College's East Texas Police Academy," said Dr. Mike Jenkins, Vice President of Student Development.

"Chief Cariker brings a great amount of experience not only in law enforcement but also in crisis management in college and university settings. We're thrilled to have him here to lead the Kilgore College Police Department."

## Community Chorus will present concert Nov. 5 in Longview

The East Texas Community Chorus will present "The Sublime and the Ridiculous" in Longview that will consist of a 50-voice chorus of professional and amateur musicians.

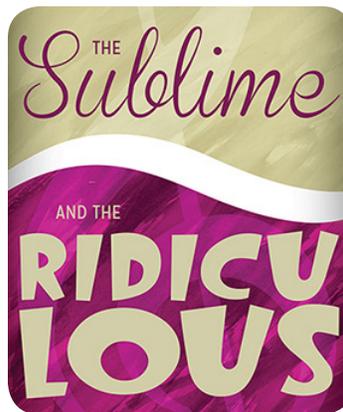
The concert is set for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 5, at Longview's First United Methodist Church, located at 400 N. Fredonia St.

Admission to the concert is

free and the public is invited.

"The concert will consist of choral works of great beauty and profundity as well as those that are fun and wacky," said Dr. Jim Taylor, KC's director of choral activities.

Composers represented in the concert will include Haydn, Martini, Clausen, Rutter, F. Melius Christiansen, Taylor, Gilbert & Sullivan, P.D.Q. and Bach.



## Registration for current students begins Nov. 4

Registration for Christmas Mini and spring 2014 classes will begin Nov. 4 for current students.

New students to Kilgore College or students who are returning after a lapse in enrollment can register beginning Nov. 11.

Students are encouraged to enroll as soon as possible to ensure class availability.

Faculty advisers will be available by appointment Nov. 4 through Nov. 26 on both the Longview and Kilgore campuses.

Christmas Mini courses will begin Dec. 16 and the spring semester begins Jan. 13. Please encourage students to register as early as possible.

## 'Rubin's Colors' on exhibit Nov. 4 - Dec. 6 in arts gallery

The Kilgore College Visual Arts Department will display "Rubin's Colors" by artist Hans Molzberger from Nov. 4 through Dec. 6 in the Anne Dean Turk Fine Arts Gallery.

The public is invited to attend a discussion

with Molzberger from 10 a.m. to noon on Monday, Nov. 4, in the gallery.

Gallery hours are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday. Admission is free. The exhibition is collaboration between the German artist Molzberger and Rubin

Samelson who was a World War II concentration camp survivor.

Samelson, who died in January, used knowledge of glass production from the camp to collaborate with Molzberger to produce butterflies in colored glass.



# Student Success: Mandates, Promising Practices & Challenges



President Dr. Bill Holda

At a recent trustee meeting, Dr. Byron McClenney detailed information about current research results and the emerging data from the field, provided by ATD colleges. Dr. McClenney listed 10 promising mandates, promising practices and interventions, and finally a list of challenges. I thought it would be helpful for us to review his list and conduct our own inventory to see how many of these practices and interventions we have already instituted at Kilgore College as part of our efforts to improve student success.

### Ten Promising Mandates:

1. Stop late registration and create late start classes
2. Refresher/Review before assessment
3. Required Assessment (Diagnostics/Transcripts)
4. Required Placement (alternative interventions)
5. Required Orientation
6. Required Advising
7. Immediate enrollment in DE (and continuous)
8. Required Individual Education Plan
9. Required Student Success course for DE students
10. Specific Interventions after a failure in DE

### Promising Interventions and Practices:

1. Align Developmental Ed and Gateway course competencies
2. Course redesign (Integrate reading and writing)
3. Dual Enrollment in high school
4. Summer Bridge Programs
5. Case management/Success coaches
6. Focused professional development (adjuncts)
7. Early alert systems
8. Degree audit process
9. Basic skills in context/integrative assignments
10. Active and collaborative learning (cooperative learning)
11. Alternative math pathways (statistics/quantitative reasoning)
12. Fast-track math/modular math (Emporium)
13. Learning communities (including counselors and advisors)
14. Link student success and DE course
15. Supplemental instruction
16. Require Learning Lab participation (Drop below "C")

### Challenges Across the Nation:

1. Enrollment increases
2. Staff turnover/reduction in force
3. Slow committee process
4. Technology glitches
5. Insufficient enrollment in Interventions
6. Resistance to change
7. Conflicting priorities

As you can see from this list, there are a number of mandates and interventions that we have embraced and there are others which we still need to implement. I feel pretty good about the institutional efforts we have expended to improve student success.

I think the next steps are to see the actual marked progress of our students as a result of these efforts and to evaluate the effectiveness of our many efforts. We will never give up on the quest for improvement!



**Michael Ferguson** (Deputy Director of the East Texas Police Academy) served over the summer on the TCOLE committee that wrote the curriculum for the mandatory state and federal law update now in use across the state. Ferguson was also a presenter at this year's TCOLE training coordinators' conference in Corpus Christi where he spoke to about 630 law enforcement training professionals on "Virtual Classrooms: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly."

**The Early Childhood Center** thanks those who donated money toward the KCECC Miracle Mile Walk on Oct. 10. The ECC children raised a whopping \$1,018.53 to help St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Employees from the **KC Early Childhood Center** attended a one-day conference at Tyler Junior College Oct. 12. The theme for the conference was "Imagine This! Learning through Creative Play!" Attending from KC and serving as session facilitators were **Janet Baxter**, Support Specialist; **Dora Owens**, Toddler Lead Teacher; **Debbie Muklewicz**, Preschooler Lead Teacher; and **Lauren Terry**, Teacher Assistant.

### Good News!

Congratulations to **Rick Moser** (Government Instructor) on the birth of Amie Fitch. Amie is Rick's fiancée's granddaughter. She was born Oct. 11, weighed 5 lbs., 8 oz. and was 19 inches tall.



**Rosemary Owens** (Purchasing Support Specialist) is pleased to announce that her four grandchildren all received excellent grades on their first six weeks report cards and numerous awards for academic achievements. Her grandchildren are Karmell Hollis (kindergartner at Big Sandy), JaKiya Johnson (1st-grader at KISD), Christian Owens (2nd-grader at Gladewater) and Amauria Hollis (3rd-grader at Gladewater).

Congratulations to Keith L. Gray, nephew of **Toni Perry** (Mail Technician), on his bid for the office of State Delegate in Maryland, District 26, in 2014. Toni said she is honored to serve on his committee in Texas.

Congratulations to **Janet Baxter** (Support Specialist, Child Development & Education) on the birth of granddaughter Rory Mae Elliott. Rory is the daughter of Amy and Tyler Elliott of Tyler. She was born Oct. 18 and weighed 10 lbs., 13.5 oz. Rory's mother, Amy (Baxter) Elliott, is a graduate of KC.

### News & Reminders

#### Employees encouraged to give to Campaign for Excellence

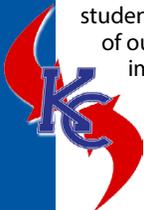
KC thanks those who have pledged to this year's Annual Campaign for Excellence. If you haven't pledged a donation to this year's campaign, there is still plenty of time. As in the past, you can elect to do payroll deductions or make a one-time gift to the Annual Campaign for Excellence. You still have the option to choose where your gift will be directed, as well. For more information contact Leah Gorman (Director of Development) at (903) 988-7521, [lgorman@kilgore.edu](mailto:lgorman@kilgore.edu) or visit the [campaign website](#).

#### Woodfin Center hosting Thanksgiving food drive

Please help make the holiday season better for needy families by donating non-spoiling food items, toiletries or paper products to the Woodfin Center Thanksgiving Food Drive. Items will be collected through Nov. 11. Bring the donation to the Woodfin Center or e-mail Schulunda Hall: [schall@kilgore.edu](mailto:schall@kilgore.edu) to pick up your items. The donations will be given to the Helping Hands of Kilgore Food Pantry.

#### Ranger cafeteria has free new mobile app available

The Ranger cafeteria now has its menus available through an app for your smartphone. The new app, Campus Dish, is available for free download in the iPhone, iPad and Android app stores. The app displays menus, nutrition information and much, much more.



## calendar

- 2, SAT Administration, Old Main, 8 a.m.
- 3, Daylight Saving Time ends (fall back one hour)
- 4, Ranger basketball reception for last year's team, Devall Room, 6:30 p.m.  
Men's basketball vs. SFASU Club Team, 7:30 p.m.  
Spring Advisement/Registration begins for current students
- 5, Intensive College Readiness Ceremony, Devall Room, 6:30 p.m.
- 7, Early Childhood Professions Advisory Meeting, ECC, 4 p.m.
- 8-9, Ranger Basketball Kilgore Classic, Masters Gym
- 11, Spring Advisement/Registration begins  
Veterans Day Appreciation Program, DSC Ballroom, noon to 4 p.m.
- 12, KC Retiree's Luncheon, DSC Ballroom, 11 a.m.
- 13, KCEOPA Meeting, McLaurin Building, 2 p.m.
- 14, KC Foundation Scholarship Luncheon, DSC Ballroom, Noon  
KC Foundation Board Meeting, Devall Room, 1 p.m.
- 16, Vickie Bowden Mobbs Twirling Classic
- 19, Job Search Seminar, DSC Ballroom, 11 a.m.
- 20, Texas Woman's University Recruiter, DSC Hallway, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Camino Al Éxito (Road to Success), DSC Ballroom, 6:30 p.m.
- 21, UT Tyler Recruiter, DSC Hallway, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 22, ECC Thanksgiving Feast, Early Childhood Center, 12:30 p.m.
- 23, Women's basketball vs. McLennan C.C., Masters Gym, 2 p.m.  
Men's basketball vs. NW State JV, Masters Gym, 4 p.m.
- 26, Campus closes at 4 p.m. (no evening classes)  
Men's basketball vs. Angelina, Masters Gym, 7:30 p.m.
- 27-29, Thanksgiving Holidays (campus closed)
- 30, Men's basketball vs. East Texas Flight, Masters Gym, 6 p.m.

**It's not too late to join KC Employee Association**

Thanks to everyone who has joined Kilgore College Employee Association (KCEA). The cost of membership is \$10. Dues are used for scholarships to KC employees' children, gifts to KC retirees and expressions of condolence or congratulations to KC employees. If you would like to join please write a check payable to KCEA in the amount of \$10 and send to Jerri Saenz.

**Scarfs for sale to benefit KCEOPA, Relay for Life**

Jeannie Butler (Housing) is selling scarfs for \$12 to raise money for the KCEOPA scholarship fund and Relay for Life. To purchase a scarf, contact Jeannie Butler at (903) 983-8191 or e-mail: [jbutler@kilgore.edu](mailto:jbutler@kilgore.edu). They are available to view in Jeannie's office in the Devall Student Center.

**Volunteers needed on campus Nov. 9 to 'Make Kilgore Shine'**

You're invited to participate in this year's "Make Kilgore Shine!" event from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 9, on the Kilgore campus. This is an excellent opportunity for you to participate in improving KC's appearance. It is also a good opportunity for any student group that needs a service project this semester. For more information, contact Robin Huskey, KC's representative for the Kilgore Improvement and Beautification Association, at (903) 983-8620 or [rhuskey@kilgore.edu](mailto:rhuskey@kilgore.edu).

**Instructors need to take online Service Learning survey**

If you are a KC instructor, please take a few minutes to complete a [Service Learning Project Survey](#) before Nov. 8 to report how you use Service Learning as a part of your classes. The survey is important because the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board is now requesting that specific information regarding KC's Service Learning Programs be included in the Accountability System report each December. Accurately reporting your Service Learning components will ensure that you and your students receive appropriate recognition for all Service Learning Programs conducted at KC.

## birthdays



## NOVEMBER

- 11/1 Elease Biondy
- 11/2 Nancy Carter
- 11/3 Melissa Johnson
- 11/4 Dewey Greer
- 11/4 Trudie Jackson
- 11/7 Susan Black
- 11/7 Virgel Conner
- 11/8 Patty Bell
- 11/13 Pam Gatton
- 11/13 Eric Good
- 11/13 Betsy Rodriguez
- 11/13 Dora Owens
- 11/14 Gail Jackson
- 11/16 Jeannie Butler
- 11/17 Dawn Apple
- 11/19 Randy Callaway
- 11/21 Traci Thompson
- 11/22 Kelly Thompson
- 1/22 Michaëlle Green
- 11/24 Sandra Siler
- 11/26 Eloise Ashley
- 11/26 Leon Wooten
- 11/28 Mike Smith
- 11/28 Mitch Smith
- 11/28 Lakendra Woods
- 11/29 Heath Cariker
- 11/30 Lou Ann Parrott