



## T-BIRD Monthly

June 2017

CCCC Marketing Department

### Employees honored at annual luncheon



Employees recognized for five and 10 years of service were, front row, left to right: Roger Jacobs and Mitch Stimers. Back row, left to right: Bruce Graham (10 years), Brad Avery, Tom Roberts (10 years), and April Benne. Not pictured: Gwen Carnes, Peggye Faulkner, Cassie Wurtz, and Patrick Sieben (10 years).



Employees recognized for 15 years of service were, left to right: Brenton Phillips and Suzette Knoettgen. Not pictured: Aaron Acree, David Shirkey and Dennis Smith.



Carleen Nordell was honored for 25 years of service to the college.



Mary LaBarge was honored for 30 years of service to the college.



Janice Stangel, coordinator of the Student Success Center, left, received the Board of Trustees Student Service Award. Annette Starr, right, administrative assistant for Vice President for Academic Affairs, received the Board of Trustees College Service Award.



Vinton Burgess maintenance supervisor in Residence Life, left, and Amanda Wolf, secretary/lab assistant for Science, Math and Applied Sciences, right, received the Support Staff Appreciation Awards.



Patti Detrixhe and Kevin Pounds were honored for 35 years of service to the college.



Daniel Cyre, Brenda Edleston, Krista Bryant, and Pattie Detrixhe were presented gifts to commemorate their retirements from Cloud County Community College.

Also recognized during the event, but not pictured, were: National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD) Faculty Awards – Jamie Durler, instructor of English and Speech; Cynthia Lamberty, instructor of Science; and Beth Whisler, instructor of Psychology and Education.

#### Upcoming Events

**Saturday, June 17**  
Astronomy Day at Broadway Plaza  
Noon - 2 p.m.

**Sat., June 17 ~ Tues., June 20**  
Thunderbird Wrestling Camp

**Saturday, June 24**  
**19th Annual T-Bird Golf Classic**  
at Concordia Golf & Wellness  
To register, contact Matt Bechard  
785.243.1435, ext. 291  
mbechard@cloud.edu

**Mon., July 2 & Tues., July 3**  
College closed in observance of Independence Day

**Mon., July 10 ~ Thurs., July 13**  
Kid's College  
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.  
Contact Carleen Nordell to register

785.243.1435, ext. 344  
cnordell@cloud.edu

**Mon., July 10 ~ Thurs., July 13**  
Junior T-Bird Baseball Camp  
Contact Eric Gilliland to register  
785.243.1435, ext. 316  
egilliland@cloud.edu

# CCCC Children's Center

## June Department of the Month

Michelle Charbonneau –  
Director & Toddler Teacher

Raquell Clark –  
Assistant Director & Toddler Teacher  
Katie Paige – Preschool Teacher  
MacKenzie Breuer – Infant Teacher

The Cloud County Community College Children's Center opened its doors to children and families in August 1986, but not at its current location. The Baptist Church was our home until we were able to move into our current location on Nov. 1, 1986.

There were two main objectives to having a Child Care Center on campus; first was the need to have an on-campus training site for Early Childhood Education students, and second was to provide a high quality care and learning experience for CCCC students with children.

Faculty and staff may utilize the Child Care Center. If there are any openings after that, we can serve families in the community. We are a licensed Child Care Center/Preschool that serves children six weeks to 6-years-old and our maximum capacity is 28 children. We have three classrooms: Infant, Toddler and Preschool.

The Center's hours of operation are 6:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m., Monday through Friday, and we observe the same holidays as the college.

All staff members attend various trainings throughout the year on a variety of subjects.

Throughout the years we have seen many children and families go through our program. We have had many children attend the Center who are now having their own children and have enrolled them.



Many of our families start at six weeks old and are with us until they are between five and six years old, graduate Preschool to go off to Kindergarten. Seeing the child grow and develop through the years is a rewarding experience for staff members.

For those who are interested or have questions about enrollment or other information regarding the Center please contact Michelle Charbonneau, Director or Raquell Clark, Assistant Director.

## Erkenbrack one of Ingram's '50 Kansans You Should Know'

Cloud County Community College Women's Basketball Coach Brett Erkenbrack was recently featured in Ingram's Magazine's "50 Kansans You Should Know."



ceived to recognize and promote those who have excelled in Kansas. The following is Erkenbrack's excerpt in the magazine:

In 1989, then-athletic director Dennis Erkenbrack didn't have to look too far to find his next women's basketball coach at Cloud County Community College: his son, Brett.

Turns out, it was a great hire. In 28 years at Cloud County in Concordia, Brett Erkenbrack has

amassed 634 victories, the most in Region VI women's basketball. In 2001, Erkenbrack's Lady Thunderbirds became the first Kansas team to win the NJCAA Division I national championship.

This year, Erkenbrack earned induction into the NJCAA Women's Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

"I am very proud of the fact that Cloud County Community College women's basketball has been able to

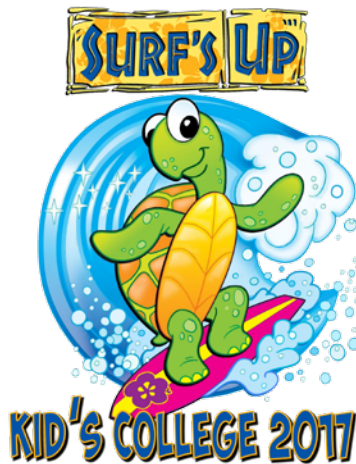
provide life-changing opportunities to so many young ladies from Kansas as well as those from all over the country and world," says Erkenbrack, a graduate of Concordia High School, Cloud County and Kansas State University.

Dennis Erkenbrack, by the way, has the most wins (502) in Cloud County men's basketball history.

"Concordia and north central Kansas," Brett says, "have been good to our family."

## Area youth invited to Kid's College

Area youth are invited to Cloud County Community College's eighth annual Kid's College July 10-13 on the Concordia campus. The theme of this year's event is "Surf's Up," and classes will run from 1-4 p.m. each day.



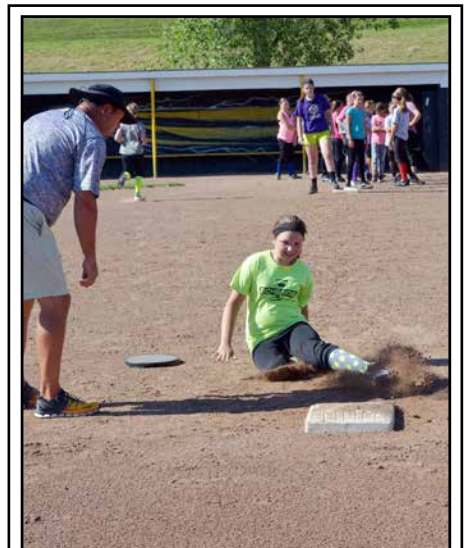
Kid's College is open to students who will be entering kindergarten through sixth grade in August. The cost to attend is \$20 per child, which gets students a Kid's College t-shirt and enroll-

ment in three classes.

Early enrollment deadline is June 30. Individual classes are limited to 20 students each, so early enrollment is suggested. Classes are based on age groups to better facilitate learning for the students. A t-shirt cannot be guaranteed without early enrollment.

Some of the classes to be offered this year include Luau Munchies, Wildlife of Hawaii, Erupting Volcanoes, Wrestling World, and Super Hero Math. A full list of classes and their descriptions can be found on the College's website at [www.cloud.edu](http://www.cloud.edu).

For more information about registering for Kid's College, or volunteering to assist during the week, contact Carleen Nordell at 1.800.729.5101, ext. 344. Kid's College registration brochures were delivered to area schools in May, and can also be downloaded on the Cloud website at [www.cloud.edu](http://www.cloud.edu).



CCCC Head Softball Coach Aaron Acree instructs Katelyn Reedy on the finer points of sliding during a softball clinic on June 15. More than 50 girls, ages 7-18 attended the two-day clinic June 13 and 15.