

## Eastern Kentucky University

# Spring 2013 President's List

Eastern Kentucky University recognized 1,708 graduates at the conclusion of the Spring 2013 semester.

The graduates were honored at commencement ceremonies May 11. The keynote speakers that day were U.S. First Lady Michelle Obama, former University of Kentucky President Dr. Charles Wethington and author/educator Silas House.

Irvine EKU graduates include: Kristina Danielle Belcher, BS in Psychology; Teia Ashten Brandenburg, Summa Cum Laude BA in Chemistry; Mallory Katherine Brezeale, BSW in Social Work; Sarah Brooke Crank, Magna Cum Laude BS in Biology Pre-Veterinary Science; Andrew Jeffrey Curtis Hatton, BS in Sport Management; Thomas Connor Lively, Magna Cum Laude BS in Criminal Justice; Wendy Renee Long, ASN in Nursing; Crystal RaShaye McGee, BS in Psychology; Brianne Eliza-

beth McKinney, BS in Biology Pre-Medical Science; Stevie Lane McMaine, BS in Environmental Health Science; Aimee Michelle Ormes, ASN in Nursing; Lynne Thomas Parks, MM in Music; Whitney Blair Pendergrass, BS in Health Education; Shelby Katlyn Powell, BA in Sociology; Gina L. Purdue, DNP in Nursing Practice; Carrie Ann Richardson, BS in Recreation & Park Admin.; Shane Matthew Richardson, Magna Cum Laude BS in Biology Pre-Medical Science; Matthew Wayne Robertson, Magna Cum Laude BBA in Computer Information Systems; and Courtney Brianne Nichole Winkler, BS in AGR Pre-Veterinary.

Sarah Elisabeth Hood of Ravenna received a BS in Middle Grade Education.

Area students included Hannah Michal Carlin, Waco, BA in History; and Amber Carrin Simpson, Waco, Cum Laude BS in Computer Sci-

ence.

The new degree holders join approximately 140,000 Eastern alumni in Kentucky and across the United States and world.

An increasing number of EKU graduates complete their degrees online. At this commencement, 74 undergraduate degrees and 44 graduate degrees were awarded to EKU Online students, who took the same courses as on-campus students and earned the same fully accredited degree. The University offers more than 20 online degree options in a variety of academic fields.

Eastern Kentucky University is a comprehensive university serving approximately 15,500 students on its 725-acre Richmond campus, at its educational centers in Corbin, Danville, Manchester, Somerset and Lancaster and throughout Kentucky, and through its EKU Online courses.



With the recent rainy forecast came the fog. You cannot see the mountains in the background in this photo. Old-timers said that for every fog in August, there will be a snow in the winter.

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# Spring 2013 Dean's Award

Eastern Kentucky University has announced 338 Dean's Award recipients for the Spring 2013 semester.

Award recipients include: Stephanie Carol Moore of Irvine, a senior Biology major; Elaheh A. Siahkouhi Alamdari of Irvine, a senior General Dietetics major; David A. Hall of Waco, a junior Gen-

Studies in Business & Tech major; and Tyler Shawn Tipton of Waco (40385), a junior Accounting major

To earn the Dean's Award, students must achieve Dean's List honors at EKU for three semesters, not necessarily consecutive. A lapel pin is presented to students by the dean of their academic col-

lege.

To achieve Dean's List honors at Eastern, students attempting 14 or more credit hours must earn a 3.5 grade point average out of a possible 4.0. Students attempting 13 credit hours must earn a 3.65 GPA, and students attempting 12 credit hours must earn a 3.75 GPA.

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# Spring 2013 President's List

Eastern Kentucky University has announced that 1,145 students earned President's List honors for the Spring 2013 semester.

Irvine students making the list includes: Chelsea Alexander, a junior Biology major; Cindesta Belcher, a junior Pre-RN Pre-Nursing major; Jerrica Brandenburg, a sophomore Public Relations major; BreAnda Browning, a senior Child and Family Studies major; Aaron Elliott, a junior Homeland Security major; Chelsea Honchell, a sophomore Pre-RN Pre-Nursing major; Thomas Lively, a senior Criminal Justice major; Katelyn Martin, a sophomore Elementary Education Teaching major; Savannah Martin, a senior Pre-Pharmacy major; Crystal McGee, a senior Psychology major; Sophie Peterson, a junior Pre - Art/Design Studio major; Noresa Powell, a senior Psychology major; Hannah Reagan, a senior Psychology major; Shane Richardson, a senior Biology Pre-Medical Science major; Briana Swanson, a freshman Nursing major; Jordon Tate, a senior Public Health major

and Leah Wiseman, a sophomore Pre-Occupational Science major.

Ravenna students making the President's List include: Rachel Godby, a senior Nursing (Post-RN) major; and Brooklyn Meek, a sophomore Pre-RN Pre-Nursing major. Area students make in the list included Brian Overall of Waco, a junior Economics major.

The President's List was established by the University to recognize outstanding

academic achievement. It is bestowed upon full-time undergraduate students who attain a perfect 4.0 grade point average for a semester.

"All of us at EKU are committed to academic excellence and the success of our students," EKU President Doug Whitlock said, "and we are especially pleased to recognize those students who have excelled to the point of perfection during a semester's work."

## Sabrina LeAnn Moore Is Awarded Phi Kappa Phi Study Abroad Grant

Sabrina LeAnn Moore of Irvine, Ky., recently was awarded a Study Abroad Grant worth \$1,000 from The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi--the nation's oldest and most selective collegiate honor society for all academic disciplines. Moore is one of 50 students nationwide to receive the award.

Currently a junior majoring in mathematics at Eastern Kentucky University, Moore

will use the grant to study abroad in England.

Phi Kappa Phi Study Abroad Grants are designed to support undergraduates, both members and nonmembers, as they seek expanded knowledge and experience in their academic fields. Since the program's inception in 2001, the Society has awarded more than \$500,000 in Study Abroad Grants.

# 2 members of Ravenna council decline voting to keep same tax rate

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Councilwoman Betty Hisel said that she felt that the right thing to do would be to wait until next year to lower the taxes after all the restructuring of the bills was completed.

Amy Crowe stated that it didn't appear like there had been any unnecessary spending in the past few months within the budget.

"There hasn't been, I can promise you that," Mayor Tipton stated.

Members of the council put it to a vote. All were in favor of keeping the tax rate the same except VanCleve. Louis Officer abstained from the vote.

Mayor Tipton said that the restrooms at the Veter-

ans Memorial Park are still not working and she had ordered two port-a-potties to be placed down at the park until the restrooms could be repaired. She said that the cost of the portable restrooms is \$75 per month.

VanCleve asked if a letter had been sent to the county and the city of Irvine asking them for help with the park. City Clerk Susan Lay said that she had been working on the letter and hoped to have that ready to send out in the next few days.

"The whole county uses that park and the citizens of Ravenna foot the bill for it," stated Councilman Jim Richardson.

Joe Crawford and Ian Mooers from Estill Develop-

ment Alliance addressed the council about a new project that they are working on called Vision Estill County. Crawford said that this project is something similar to the project they worked on back in 2008 called EC2. He said that the goal is to form a steering committee from both cities and the county and to come up with ideas to make things better for Estill County.

"Communities that are not looking to the future with strategic planning are really falling behind," added Mooers.

The council agreed that they would discuss the committee and try to find someone that would be willing to participate in the project.

# Ravenna resident is charged with making false statements to prevent benefits reduction

A Ravenna resident has been arrested for allegedly making false statements to prevent reduction of benefits.

James F. Brantley, 37, of Sixth Street, was arrested August 6 by Constable Danny Conrad on a warrant obtained by Emma Wireman, investigator.

The warrant states that between July 21, 2010 and

March 5, 2011, Brantley received unemployment benefits from the Kentucky Division of Unemployment while working for PSI Plumbing.

The warrant states that Brantley obtained \$930.00 as the result of making a false statement.

The offense is a Class D felony, punishable by one to five years in prison.

Brantley was arraigned August 9 in Estill District Court where he pleaded not-guilty.

His \$500 cash bond was reduced to 10% cash. Brantley was released from custody after the \$50 cash was paid for the bond.

He is scheduled to return to district court on Wednesday, August 14 for a preliminary hearing.

# Possible injuries were reported during truck wreck on Saturday

Possible injuries were reported during a one-vehicle accident Saturday.

The wreck occurred about 11 miles north of Irvine on the Winchester Road, around 3:11 p.m.

Deputy Randy Farthing said that Jackie Griffin of Wa-

terside Drive, Irvine was traveling south on the Winchester Road when the 2004 Dodge Dakota dropped off the side of the road.

He added that Griffin apparently lost control of the vehicle, which went into an earthen ditch. The truck

struck a tree and fence before coming to a complete stop.

Griffin and passengers were transported to Marcum & Wallace Hospital for treatment of possible injuries.

The pickup truck was severely damaged on the right side.

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