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Aistrup to become interim associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences

Joe Aistrup, the head of K-State's department of political science, will become interim associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences in January 2009.



Joe Aistrup

Aistrup's new responsibilities will include curriculum planning and development; budget planning; working with the dean on re-appointment and evaluation of department heads; working on the college's fundraising efforts; enrollment management; and several other areas.

Aistrup joined K-State in 2002 after serving as professor of political science and director of Fort Hays State University's Docking Institute of Public Affairs. He earned a bachelor's degree from Fort Hays State University, a master's from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and a doctorate from Indiana University.

Aistrup replaces Larry Rodgers, who left K-State to become dean of the College of Liberal Arts at Oregon State University.

Watt an 'outstanding campus leader'

Susan D. S. Watt, health professions adviser at K-State, has received the Robert S. Krause Alpha Tau Omega Outstanding Campus Leader Award from the K-State chapter of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

A resident of Wamego, Watt has been health professions adviser at K-State since 1996, helping more than 450 students interested in preparing for careers in medicine, health information management and respiratory care, as well as some life science majors.

The annual award honors Krause, the longtime K-State vice president for institutional advancement who now is the university's athletics director. Krause also served as the Alpha Tau Omega chapter's faculty adviser for 12 years.

The K-State Alpha Tau Omega Students' Aid Endowment Fund presented the award, a plaque and \$1,000 cash to the charity of Watt's choice.

Watt received a bachelor's and a master's from K-State and has been an instructor of nutrition and a graduate teaching and research assistant at the university.

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The cutting edge



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on campus

Dec. 12

Commencement

Fall 2008 commencement ceremonies begin. Graduate School, 1 p.m., Bramlage Coliseum; and K-State at Salina, 7 p.m., Kansas Highway Patrol Training Center Auditorium, 2025 E. Iron Ave., Salina.

Hale Library Concert Series

K-State Faculty Brass Quintet with William Wingfield, Piano. 7:30 p.m., Hemisphere Room, Hale Library.

Dec. 13

Commencement

Fall 2008 commencement ceremonies conclude. College of Arts and Sciences, 9 a.m., Bramlage Coliseum; College of Human Ecology, 9 a.m., McCain Auditorium; College of Education, 10:30 a.m., Bramlage Coliseum; College of Business Administration, Noon, Bramlage Coliseum; College of Agriculture,



Sally Struthers stars in 'Nunsense,' at 7:30 p.m., Jan. 22 in McCain Auditorium. This hit musical comedy is celebrating its 25th anniversary with a national tour. For tickets call 785-532-6428.

1:30 p.m., Bramlage Coliseum; and College of Engineering, 3 p.m., Bramlage Coliseum.

Dec. 25-26
University holiday

Jan. 1
University holiday

Dec. 15-19
Final exams

K-State the preferred site for NBAF, continued

Authority Eminent Scholar at K-State. In November he was host of an Emerging Infections Symposium that brought nearly 150 researchers to K-State from across North America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East.

As the U.S. Department of Homeland Security weighed five other sites for the location of the new federal laboratory, Ron Trewyn, K-State's vice president for research, led the effort to secure NBAF. He emphasized K-State's research while coordinating outreach efforts with the Kansas Bioscience Authority, as well as with the Midwest Research Institute and the Kansas City Area Life Sciences Institute. Trewyn and the K-State team worked with Tom Thornton and his staff at the Kansas Bioscience Authority to coordinate collaborative efforts with multiple states and universities.

Wefald said that having NBAF near K-State will boost all sciences across campus.

"This facility will not only ratchet up all of the biosciences and all of the sciences in the Colleges of Veterinary Medicine, Agriculture, Human Ecology, Arts and Sciences and Engineering, but it also will definitely accelerate K-State's progress in terms of having the greatest

food safety and security and animal health programs anywhere in the world," he said.

"In short, this decision will extraordinarily enhance K-State's standing as one of America's great research universities." ■



Bob Krause, K-State's athletics director and former vice president for institutional advancement, and **U.S. Sen. Pat Roberts** revel in the news that Kansas is the preferred site for NBAF.

opportunities

Classified

A list of employment opportunities is posted at <http://www.k-state.edu/hr/vac.html>. A recording of classified job opportunities is available 24 hours a day on the Employment Information Line, 532-6271. For additional information, call 532-6277 or visit the Division of Human Resources at 103 Edwards Hall. Applications are accepted 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

Unclassified

A list of vacancies can be seen at <http://www.k-state.edu/affact/Opportunities/unclass.htm>. For additional information, call the office of affirmative action at 532-6220 or visit 214 Anderson Hall.

noteworthy, continued

Tandalayo Kidd, human nutrition; **Michael Bradshaw**, extension; and student, "Evaluating the Fruit and Vegetable Intake of Walk Kansas: Assessing the Community-based Approach."

Kidd and student, "Kansans Move into Health."

Beth Ann Crozier-Dodson, Food Science Institute, and **Bhadiraju Subramanyam**, grain science, organized and participated in "Rapid Methods in Microbiology and Automation" Workshop, Acharya N. G. Ranga Agricultural University, Oct. 15-17, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad.

Sin-Ae Park and **Candice Shoemaker**, horticulture, forestry and recreation resources; and **Mark Haub**, human nutrition; published "Can Old Gardeners Meet the Physical Activity Recommendation Through Gardening?" HortTechnology, Vol. 18, No. 4.

Music

Frederick Burrack presented "Teaching with Technology" and "Developing Web-based Interview Portfolios," College Music Education Students, Nov. 3 & 5, Radford, Va.

Philosophy

Charles Reagan presented "Conversations with Paul Ricoeur," International Conference on Paul Ricoeur, Oct. 30, Leuven, Belgium.

Reagan presented "Paul Ricoeur and Marechal Petain," Ricoeur Society meeting, Oct. 15, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Reagan published "Binding and Loosing, Promising and Forgiving, Amnesty and Amnesia," Reading Ricoeur, ed. David Kaplan, SUNY Press, 2008.

Psychology

Brenda McDaniel, **Evan Eason** and colleague presented the round table presentation "A Model of Morality with Developmental Building Blocks and Moral Emotions," National Council on Family Relations' 70th annual conference, Nov. 5-8, Little Rock, Ark.

The following faculty presented at the 38th annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, Nov. 15-20, Washington D.C.:

Mary Cain and students, "The Role of The Central Nucleus of The Amygdala in Individual Differences in Amphetamine-Induced Sensitization and Reinstatement."

Cain, student and former student, "Effects of Differential Rearing on Amphetamine-Induced C-Fos Expression in The Amygdala."

Cain, **Stephen Kiefer**, students and former student, "Differential Rearing Conditions Affect Alcohol Consumption in Outbred Rats."

Women's studies

Shireen Roshanravan presented, "Long and Wide' South Asian Selves: Feminist Implications for Cross-Racial Identification," Fifth Annual California Roundtable on Philosophy and Race, Oct. 3-4, University of California, Berkeley.

Gabriela Diaz de Sabates presented "Immigration and Identity: Latinas in the U.S. and Education as a Main Vehicle for Social Mobility," XVIII Monterrey Book Symposium, Oct. 11-19, Monterrey, Mexico.

University publications

Shane Shanks, associate director, had "Sarah Palin's Home Town Haunts" published in the Nov. 1 edition of The Times of London. The article is about the vice presidential candidate's hometown of Wasilla, Alaska.

K-State the preferred site for NBAF

University's expertise in animal health research cited as a deciding factor



K-State President Jon Wefald touts the university's longstanding commitment to animal health and safety during a news conference Dec. 4. During that conference it was announced that the Department of Homeland Security had selected K-State as the preferred site for the National Bio and Agro-defense Facility. The facility will be the most advanced animal health research lab in the nation.



Gov. Kathleen Sebelius (left) and **U.S. Sen. Pat Roberts** (above) talk about the benefits of locating the NBAF in Kansas.

Jaax and Nancy Jaax. Jerry Jaax is K-State's associate vice president for research compliance and university veterinarian; Nancy Jaax is program director for food safety and security. They were

key participants in dealing with the 1989 Reston Ebola outbreak. The outbreak was detailed in Richard Preston's best-selling book, "The Hot Zone."

Bringing renowned research-

ers from across the world to campus is not unusual. Juergen Richt is Regents Distinguished Professor of diagnostic medicine/pathobiology and Kansas Bioscience

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International educator award goes to two in 2008

Ted Cable, professor of horticulture, forestry and recreation resources, and the late Elfrieda Nafziger have been named K-State's most outstanding international educators.

The International Educator Award was established by the provost's office and recognizes individuals who have contributed to advancing international education at K-State.

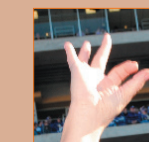
Cable, who specializes in natural resource management, has been intensely involved in educational outreach in Africa, Latin America and key parts of Europe. He led the first K-State study tours to Africa and has been directly involved in bringing international students and faculty to K-State.

Nafziger was a longtime employee of the office of international programs. The daughter of Ukrainian emigres, she spent years educating a variety of students, including high school students in Canada and graduate students learning English in Finland. Nafziger was one of the founders of World Friendship, a non-religious organization established for American and international women of Manhattan.

During her years in the office of international programs Nafziger helped to establish numerous study abroad and other international programs and assisted many of Cable's efforts.

Nafziger's husband, E. Wayne Nafziger, a university distinguished professor of economics, and their two sons, Brian and Kevin, accepted the award during a ceremony Nov. 21.

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Dec. 25, 26 and Jan. 1 are all paid state holidays.

community

Giving back

Record number of new donors during the 2008 All-University Campaign

K-State staff and faculty once again demonstrated their level of dedication to the university by donating to the Unity and Pride Campaign, the 2008 All-University Campaign for K-State.

"I was very pleased with the participation we achieved particularly in light of the current economic situation," said Gary Pierzynski, campaign co-chair and head of K-State's department of agronomy. "The importance of private giving to K-State will only continue to increase."

Of the 1,663 employees who gave, more than 230 were first-time donors.

The faculty and staff campaign began as part of the historic Changing Lives Campaign, a private fundraising effort that exceeded its \$500 million goal last spring. Now in its third year, employee participation has doubled since the inaugural 2006 campaign.

"I think this campaign will remain a priority for me, and hopefully the rest of our faculty and staff, because it's a way to get involved in K-State," said Barbara Nagel, campaign

co-chair and a public service administrator in the registrar's office. "You can give to the area that is really important to you — you really have ownership of the commitment of our employees to K-State."

Unity and Pride Campaign co-chairs attribute the success of this year's campaign to the group of 100 campus volunteers who helped coordinate the campaign.

"I am proudest of the work of the committee members," Pierzynski said. "They gave their time and energy to this project and did an outstanding job. The campaign would not have been as successful without the efforts of the committee."

The fundraising campaign was spearheaded by Pierzynski and Nagel, as well as Betsy Cauble, head of the department of sociology, anthropology and social work, and Cyreathia (Sam) Reyer, public service administrator in the department of horticulture, forestry and recreation.

For more information about the campaign, go to <http://www.found.ksu.edu/unityandpride>.

noteworthy

Apparel, textiles, and interior design

Barbara Anderson and **Melody LeHew** presented "Impacting Ecological Attitudes and Material Values through Practical Reasoning," Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education, Nov. 9-11, Raleigh N.C.

LeHew presented "Modeling Retail Manager Role in an Apparel Classroom to Improve Engagement," International Textile and Apparel Association, Nov. 5-8, Schaumburg, Ill. This presentation was nominated for best paper in the management track.

Art

Douglas N. Dow presented "Parechi amorevoli huomini": Patterns of Collective Patronage in the Florentine Confraternity of San Giovanni Battista dello Scalzo," 16th Century Studies Conference, Oct. 23-26, St. Louis, Mo.

Clinical sciences

Brad White presented "Hiring and Retaining a New Associate," Veterinary Business Management Association and American Association of Bovine Practitioners, Iowa State University, Nov. 13, Ames, Iowa.

Mike Apley presented "Value, Strengths/Limitations of MIC Results in Clinical Practice," Swine Disease for Practitioners Conference XVI, Nov. 7, Ames, Iowa.

James W. Carpenter and colleagues put on a zoological medicine conference, Nov. 11-14, Buenos Aires, Argentina. The conference attracted 185 veterinarians and veterinary students from Mexico, Panama, Chile, Venezuela, Ecuador, Uruguay, Colombia, Brazil and Argentina.

Hans Coetzee presented "Measuring Pain in Cattle and the Use of Plasma Substance P," Food and Drug Administration, Center for Veterinary Medicine, Staff College, Nov. 10, Rockville, Md.

Communications

Marcus Ashlock and **Mary Lou Peter-Blecha** presented "Perceptions Regarding K-State Research and Extension's Role in Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Recovery in



"The effect of the amount of blood in a violent video game on aggression, hostility, and arousal," by K-State psychology professor **Richard Harris** and students, is ranked No. 2 in the *Journal of Experimental Social Psychology's* hottest downloads.

Kansas," National Extension Disaster Education Network meeting, Nov. 6, Burlington, Vt. **Peter-Blecha** was also elected chair-elect of the national Extension Disaster Education Network Marketing Committee.

Counseling services

Fred Newton presented a keynote address "Adlerian Principles Applied to College Student Success: Self-efficacy, Social Support, and Goal Directed Behavior" and conducted a workshop "Life Perspective: How Viewpoint Shapes Behavior," The Implication of Adlerian Psychology in Chinese Society, National Hsinchu University of Education, Nov. 24-25, Hsinchu, Taiwan.

Dance

David Ollington is choreographing "Seussical" at the Coterie Theatre in Kansas City. "Seussical" runs until Dec. 28.

English

Jonathan Holden published the poems "Sex and Mathematics" and "The Departure of an Alphabet," *Strange Attractors: Poems of Love and Mathematics*, Wellesley, Mass.: A.K. Peters, Ltd., 2008.

Christopher Linforth published the short story "The Father of the Crowd," *Denver Quarterly*, Vol. 43, No. 1.

Phillip Marzluf published "Originating Difference in Rhetorical Theory: Lord Monboddó's Obsession with Language Origins Theory," *Rhetoric Society Quarterly*, Vol. 38, No. 4.

The following faculty members attended the annual Modernist Studies Association conference, Nov. 13-16, Nashville, Tenn.:

Philip Nel presented "Writing the Lives of Crockett Johnson and Ruth Krauss."

Karin Westman led and organized the seminar "Children and War."

Nel published "Oh, The Thinks You Can Think!: Dr. Seuss's Political Education," *Child Parenting Journal* (Australia), Spring 2008.

Kara Northway published "[H]urt in that service": The Norwich Affray and Early Modern Reactions to Injuries during Dramatic Performances," *Shakespeare Bulletin*, Vol. 26, No. 4.

Donna Potts published "Licorice Line," *seveineightfive*, Vol. 3, No. 3.

Alison Wheatley edited "Joseph Conrad Today," Vol. 33, No. 1.

Debrenee Adkisson presented "A Rather Bitter Medicine: The Rest Cure as a Form of Women's Oppression," Western Illinois Graduate Conference: The Body: Images, Perceptions, Representations, Nov. 9, Western Illinois University, Macomb, Ill.

Tim Dayton presented "How Are Poems Political?" Many Marxisms: Historical Materialism Annual Conference, Nov. 9, University of London, England.

Dayton presented "Politics and Poetry in the U.S., 1914-1940," Research Centre for American Studies, Nov. 12, King's College London, England.

Don Hedrick presented "Entertainment News of 1630: Promoter Cancels London Engagement of Excessive Eating Without Manners Reality Show to Have Starred Famed Gourmandizer," *Group for Early Modern Cultural Studies*, Nov. 21, Philadelphia, Pa.

Hedrick chaired "Famously Shakespearean" and presented "From Shakespeare to John Taylor: The Goddess of Fame's Capitalist Makeover," Midwest Modern Language Association, Nov. 14, Minneapolis, Minn.

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Hedrick was also appointed chair of the Shakespeare Division of the Midwest Modern Language Association.

David Smit presented "Ways of Writing for the 21st Century: The College Classroom and Beyond" and chaired a small-group discussion on his book "The End of Composition Studies," Wake Forest University writing symposium, Nov. 17, Winston-Salem, N.C.

Anne Phillips has been appointed associate editor of the Children's Literature Association Quarterly.

Geography

Richard Marston presented the keynote address during Geography Awareness Week at Northeastern State University, Nov. 17, Tahlequah, Okla., and East Central University, Nov. 18, Ada, Okla. He also met with top university administrators at NSU and gave a guest lecture in the Geography of Latin America class. Marston's visit was sponsored by the Association of American Geographers Visiting Geographical Scientist Program.

Horticulture, forestry and recreation resources

Ward Upham won the 2007 Author's Award of Excellence from the International Society of Arboriculture, Midwestern Chapter.

Marcellus Caldas presented "Land Reform Settlement in the Brazilian Amazon: New Drivers of LCLUC," International Scientific Conference on "Amazon in Perspective: Integrated Science for a Sustainable Future," Nov. 17-20, City of Manaus, Brazil.

For Geography Awareness Week, **Tom Vought**, **Eli Martinson** and **Sumanth Reddy** talked about the importance and practical use of geography and demonstrated GIS software to seventh graders at Eisenhower Middle School, Nov. 20, Manhattan.

Shawn Hutchinson will guest lecture on the topic of GIS applications in natural resource management and pursuing collaborative research and education opportunities between K-State and Purpan University, Nov. 22-28, Toulouse, France.

Geology

Saugata Datta will be co-convenor of the Biogeosciences Session "Elements in Evolution and Environment II," American Geophysical Union, fall meeting, Dec. 15-19, San Francisco, Calif.

History

Robert D. Linder presented "The Heartbreak of World War I for Australian Baptists," New South Wales Baptist Historical Society, Nov. 11, Sydney, Australia.

Linder presented "Two Godly Diggers: Life and Death in France in World War I," meeting of the Historical Society of the Uniting Church of Australia and the Presbyterian Historical Society of New South Wales, Nov. 15, Sydney, Australia.

Linder presented "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse (Obama, Biden, McCain and Palin): Making Sense of the Religious Dimension of the 2008 American Presidential Election," Robert Menzies College, Macquarie University, Nov. 18, Sydney, Australia.

Ted Cable's presentation "What to do if You Lose Your Voice," was voted best presentation at the annual conference of the Association of Missouri Interpreters, Sept. 16-19, Columbia, Mo.

Rhonda Janke has been elected to serve on the Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education administrative council for the next three years.

Seong-Hyun Park and **Richard Mattson** published "Effects of Flowering and Foliage Plants in Hospital Rooms on Patients Recovering from Abdominal Surgery," *HortTechnology*, Vol. 18, No. 4.

Patty Zehl has been awarded the Ann Lane Mavromatis Horticultural Therapy Scholarship, which was presented at the American Horticultural Therapy Association's annual conference, Nov. 1, Lexington, Ky.

Human Nutrition

Denis Medeiros published "Assessing mitochondria biogenesis," *Methods*, Vol. 46.

Journalism and mass communications

Sergei Samoilenko and colleagues published "Risk Communication Education for Local Emergency Managers: Using the CAUSE Model for Research, Education, and Outreach," *Handbook of Risk and Crisis Communication*, Eds. H. D. O'Hair and R. Heath, Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum.

Samoilenko presented "Public Relations in Eastern Europe: Seven Years into the New Millennium," Center for Russian, East European and Eurasian Studies, University of Kansas, Oct. 6, Lawrence.

Libraries

Laura Bonella, **Jason Coleman**, **Jenny McCraw Dale**, **Melia Erin Fritch** and **Danielle Theiss-White** presented "IM'ing Overload: Managing IM Patrons and Making Software Decisions," Kansas Library Association College and University Libraries Section, Oct. 24, Lawrence.

Coleman, **Fritch** and **Theiss-White** also presented "We're Never in the Same Room!": Using Technology Tools in Training and Management of Library Staff and Student Employees," Brick and Click Academic Library Symposium, Nov. 7, Maryville, Mo.

Modern languages

Douglas Benson presented "Palabra sobre palabra: The Poetry of Angel Gonzalez (1925-2008)," European Studies Conference, Oct. 4-6, University of Nebraska-Omaha.

Benjamin Torrico published "De sitios y sitios: el subgénero bélico como nueva tragedia," *Hacia la tragedia áurea. Lecturas para un nuevo milenio*. Madrid, Frankfurt: Iberoamericana-Vervuert, 2008 (Biblioteca Áurea Hispánica, 55).

Multiple departments

The following faculty members presented at the American Dietetic Association's Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo, Oct. 25-28, Chicago, Ill.:

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up close

She's got spirit

K-State's new cheer coach learning Wildcat traditions



Danni Ruoff, K-State's new cheerleading coach, takes part in a cheer during the homecoming game against Oklahoma. *Above right*, Ruoff passes off a shirt to a member of the Wildcat faithful.

Although **Danni Ruoff** has only been at Kansas State University for a few months, she says she is already starting to feel at home.

Ruoff took the job as head coach of K-State's cheerleading squad this summer. She has 14 years of collegiate cheerleading coaching experience.

Since joining K-State,



in Bozeman. She also was a cheerleader and then a cheerleader coach at Montana State University-Billings. She has been cheering since she was in the seventh grade. As a sophomore in high school, she was selected to cheer on an all-star team in Honolulu, Hawaii.

"Cheerleading is not taken real seriously in Montana," Ruoff said. "When I was scouted to cheer for the all-star team, I was able to travel to places like California and Hawaii, where it was taken seriously. Then I really saw what cheerleading was like outside of my state. I brought back what I learned and started working with people in Montana and Wyoming."

Ruoff said she came to K-State because she was ready for a change and coaching at the Big 12 level was a great opportunity. She has many goals for the future of the K-State cheer squad, including increasing the number of male cheerleaders on the squad, raising the squad's grade point average and help-

ing the squad become more active in the community. She also plans to take the squad to area nursing homes as part of community outreach. "My favorite part about being a cheerleading coach is building confidence in people and preparing them for their future," Ruoff said. "What we do on the sidelines — the stunts, the cheers, the dances — that's very little of what we actually do. I like to try and teach them something about life after college, how to be a better person and how to help somebody else."

Along with games and events during the week, members of K-State's cheer squad practice three nights a week and take part in various scheduled workouts and study tables.

Ruoff has enjoyed getting to know each individual athlete on the squad. She said in the few months that she has been here, she has already built up a great rapport with the squad and is looking forward to the future of K-State's cheerleading program. ■