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Veteran Broadcast Journalist Delivers Commencement Address

Tom Brokaw, one of the most trusted and respected figures in broadcast journalism, delivered at OU's 2004 Commencement address May 8 in The Gaylord Family – Oklahoma Memorial Stadium.

"The university is honored to have such a distinguished journalist known for his strong personal integrity to speak at Commencement," said OU President David L. Boren. "His book, *The Greatest Generation*, about the World War II generation, eloquently describes the values which this university seeks to pass on to the current students of this generation."

Brokaw's distinguished 38-year career at NBC News includes more than 20 years as the anchor and managing editor of *NBC Nightly News*. He continues to approach his work with the same intensity and dedication that marked his early years at the network. In February 2004, Brokaw returned to the Asian subcontinent to report on the challenges Pakistan and Afghanistan face as they continue to fight the war on terror. In addition to securing exclusive interviews with Pakistan president General Pervez Musharraf and Afghan president Hamid Karzai, Brokaw traveled with the Pakistani army to mountainous and barren terrain along the border with Afghanistan as they hunted for Al Qaeda and also reported from Southeastern Afghanistan, the base of the 10th Mountain Division, where U.S. soldiers are not only hunting for Al Qaeda, but trying to win the hearts and minds of the people as well.

In 2003, as the international controversy escalated over the increasing likelihood of war with Iraq, Brokaw traveled overseas to diplomatic and military hotspots throughout the Middle East and the Gulf. On March 19, Brokaw was the first American news anchor to report that the war with Iraq had begun, and in April, he landed the first television interview with President Bush after the President declared the end of major combat. During the summer of 2003, Brokaw was the first evening news anchor to return to Baghdad to report for five nights for *NBC Nightly News* and *Dateline NBC* on post-war Iraq and the reconstruction efforts.

Brokaw has an impressive series of additional "firsts," including the first exclusive U.S. one-to-one interview with Russian President Mikhail Gorbachev, earning an Alfred I. duPont-Columbia University Award. Brokaw was the first and only anchor to report from the scene the night the Berlin Wall fell, and he was the first American anchor to travel to Tibet to report on human-rights abuses and to conduct an interview with the Dalai Lama.

In addition to *Nightly News*, Brokaw recently reported a series of critically acclaimed hour-long documentaries, "Tom Brokaw Reports," in which he tackles such diverse topics as literacy, affirmative action, drunk driving, corporate scandals, immigration policies and education. Brokaw also has reported documentaries of international importance, including "The Road to Baghdad," where he documented the path to possible war with Iraq through the eyes of half a dozen people at the center of the crisis, and "The Lost Boys," a story about how the ongoing war in Sudan forced the lost boys out of their villages in the 1980s, which won a National Press Club Award.

Brokaw's documentary reporting has been recognized with numerous awards, including a 2003 Emmy for Outstanding Interview for *America*

Remembers: 9/11 Air Traffic Controllers. In 1997, Brokaw won another Alfred I. duPont-Columbia University Award for Excellence in Broadcast Journalism for *Why Can't We Live Together*, a documentary that examined the hidden realities of racial separation in America's

suburbs. In 1989, Brokaw won a Peabody for *To Be an American*, a documentary about the American tapestry: who we are, how we got here and what it means to become a new citizen. This year, NBC News has been named recipient of a Peabody for Brokaw's *A Question of Fairness*, his report on the University of Michigan and its affirmative action policy.

Brokaw also has received several Emmy, Overseas Press Club and National Headliner awards. In 2003, *NBC Nightly News* was honored with the prestigious Edward R. Murrow Award for Best Newscast, representing the program's fourth consecutive win in this category.

The NBC News anchor also has a distinguished record as a political reporter. He has covered every presidential election since 1968 and was NBC's White House correspondent during the national Watergate trauma. From 1984 through this presidential election cycle, Brokaw will have anchored all of NBC's political coverage, including primaries, national conventions and election nights, and he has moderated nine primary and/or general election debates.

Complementing his distinguished broadcast journalism career, Brokaw has written articles, essays and commentary for several publications, including *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *Newsweek*, *Time*, *Sports Illustrated*, *Life*, *National Geographic*, *Outside* and *Interview*.

In 1998, Brokaw became a best-selling author with the publication of *The Greatest Generation*. Inspired by the mountain of mail he received from his first book, Brokaw wrote *The Greatest Generation Speaks* in 1999. His third book, *An Album of Memories*, was published in 2001. In November 2002, his fourth best-selling book *A Long Way from Home*, a reflective look about growing up in the American Heartland, was released.

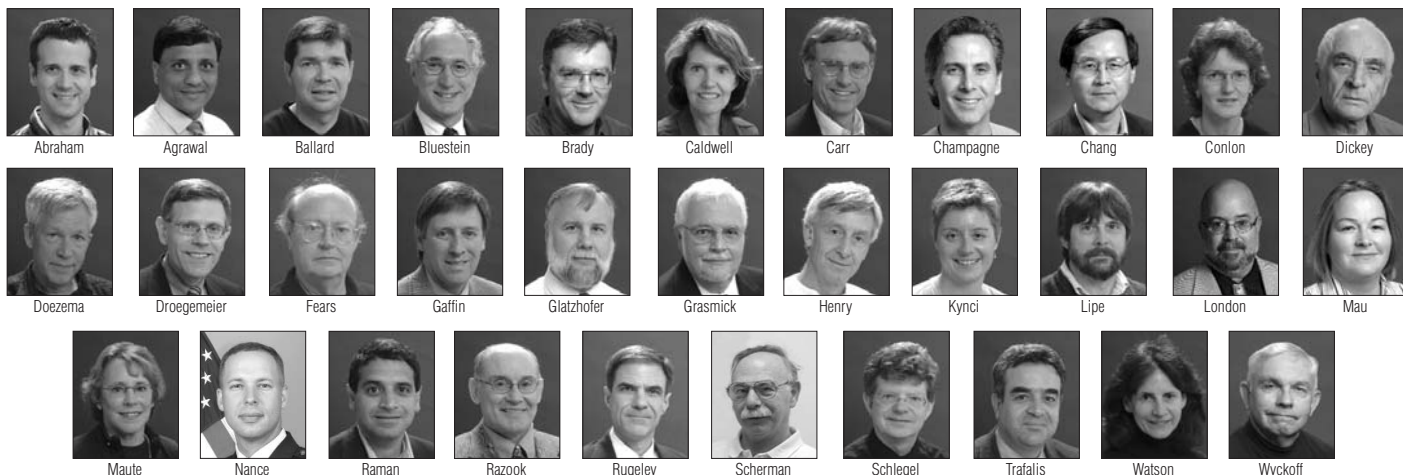
Brokaw began his journalism career in 1962 at KMTV in Omaha, Neb. He anchored the late evening news on Atlanta's WSB-TV in 1965 before joining KNBC-TV in Los Angeles. He was hired by NBC News in 1966 and from 1976-1981 he anchored NBC News' *Today* program.



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Faculty Members Honored During Faculty Tribute Day

CONGRATULATIONS! to the following University of Oklahoma faculty members who were honored April 13 at a Faculty Tribute Day ceremony on the Norman campus.



Presidential Professors: Ajay K. Agrawal, Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering, President's Associates Presidential Professor; Jimmy Ballard, Botany and Microbiology, President's Associates Presidential Professor; Noel Brady, Mathematics, President's Associates Presidential Professor; Salvatore Champagne, Music, Robert Glenn Rapp Foundation Presidential Professor; Kelvin Droegemeier, Meteorology, Roger and Sherry Teigen Presidential Professor; Daniel Glatzhofer, Geology and Geophysics, Stubbeman-Drace Presidential Professor; Judith Maute, Law, President's Associates Presidential Professor; Terry Rugeley, History, President's Associates Presidential Professor; Robert E. Schlegel, Industrial Engineering, Lloyd G. and Joyce Austin Presidential Professor; Deborah Watson, Physics and Astronomy, Edith Kinney Gaylord Presidential Professor.

George Lynn Cross Research Professorships: Howard Bluestein, Meteorology; Leonid Dickey, Mathematics.

David Ross Boyd Professorships: J. Rufus Fears, Classics and Letters; Richard Henry, Physics and Astronomy; Shivakumar Raman, Industrial Engineering; Nim Razook, Marketing and Supply Chain Management.

President's Distinguished Faculty Mentoring Program Outstanding Mentor Award: Frederick Carr, Meteorology.

Regents' Professorship: Ryan Doezema, Physics and Astronomy, College of Arts and Sciences.

Regents' Awards for Superior Research and Creative Activity: Janalee Caldwell, Zoology and Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural History; Kuang-Hua Chang, Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering; Theodore Trafalis, Industrial Engineering.

Regents' Awards for Superior Teaching: Eric Abraham, Physics and Astronomy; Douglas Gaffin, Zoology and University College; Felicia Moye, Music; Avraham Scherman, Educational Psychology.

Patents: Edgar O'Rear, Chemical Engineering and Materials Science; Jonathan Kent Leach, Chemical Engineering and Materials Science.

Leo Codd Award: Captain Anthony Nance, Air Force ROTC.

Junior Faculty Research Program Recipients: Matthew Cecil, Journalism and Mass Communication; Charles Rice, Chemistry; Jennifer Bosson, Psychology; Rita Keresztesi, English; James Shaffer, Physics and Astronomy; Su Fang Ng, English; Sowon Hahn, Psychology; Emily Johnson, Modern Languages, Literatures and Linguistics; James Cane-Carrasco, History and International and Area Studies; Jinsong Pei, Civil Engineering and Environmental Science; Russell Lucas, Political Science and International and Area Studies; Patricia Hardre, Educational Psychology; Victoria Sturtevant, Film and Video Studies; Andrew Wood, Geography; Owat Sunanta, Industrial Engineering; Melissa Homestead, English; Todd Shepard, History; Wayne Thomas, Accounting; Michele Claibourn, Political Science; Adam Brown, Art; Mohammad Alhawary, Modern Languages,

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Literatures, and Linguistics and International and Area Studies; Jennifer Kisamore, Psychology; Robert Kerr, Journalism and Mass Communication; Logan Whalen, Modern Languages, Literatures and Linguistics; Richard Broughton, Zoology and Oklahoma Biological Survey.

Graduate Teaching Assistant Awards: Kathryn Koscho, Music; Andre Araujo, Management Information Systems; Heather Galbraith, Zoology.

Ph.D. Dissertation Prize Recipients: Jose Herrera, Chemical Engineering; Diana Pardon, Modern Languages, Literatures and Linguistics.

Merrick Foundation Teaching Award: Robert Lipe, Accounting.

General Education Teaching Award: Paula Conlon, Music.

Gateway to College Learning Outstanding Instructor Award: Rhonda Kynci, English.

Good Teaching Award: Heidi Mau, Art.

Graduate Student Senate's Outstanding Graduate Assistant: Beth Brueggen, Civil Engineering and Environmental Science.

GSS's Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant: Rickey Cothran, Zoology.

GSS's Outstanding Graduate Research Assistant: Edgar Acosta, Civil Engineering and Environmental Science.

UOSA Outstanding Faculty Award: Don Wyckoff, Anthropology and Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural History.

King, Walker Presented With Regents' Awards for Superior Staff

The Regents' Award for Superior staff was presented to Allen L. King, assistant director of Landscape and Grounds on the Norman campus, and Kathy Walker, director of Administrative Support Services at the Health Sciences Center.

The OU Board of Regents established the \$2,000 award in 1988 to recognize outstanding contributions made by OU staff members whose job performance, service activities and dedication have enhanced the mission of the university.

King began at OU as a temporary gardener in May 1988 and became a full-time, permanent staff member that October. He was quickly promoted to the position of head gardener and then, in August 2002, as assistant director. In 2001, he was awarded a Staff Senate Distinguished Performance Award.

In his current position, King is primarily responsible for managing the landscaping and grounds staff to ensure that Norman's 2,000-acre campus is groomed, safe and beautifully landscaped. He also is responsible for almost all of the campus' landscape design, including the design of the 50,000-plus chrysanthemums planted in the South Oval each fall. Those efforts paid off his first year as a gardener, when he was recognized with the National Chrysanthemum Society's Award of Merit.

King also designs the landscaping of countless gardens across the campus and assists with such universitywide events as the Holiday Tree Lighting and Arbor Day.

In nominating King for the Regents' Award for Superior Staff, Julie Cohen,



King

director of University Landscaping, observed that in his 15 years with the department, he "has developed a knowledge and love for landscaping as deep as any person I have ever known."

She added,

"Allen's greatest strength is his deep love of his job and this university, which is evident in his work." Cohen also noted that King extends his service beyond OU, volunteering his time and services to assist the City of Norman Tree Board in the design and implementation of the Robinson Street tree-planting project; mentoring a teenager who was attending a military-style boot camp for youthful offenders; and fielding general gardening calls from the public.

Walker began her employment at the OU Health Sciences Center in 1982. During her tenure, she has worked diligently to ensure that the university is always perceived in the best light. In addition to working for the advancement of the OU Health Sciences Center campus, Walker has made many trips to Tulsa and worked with employees on the Norman campus.

As director of Administrative Support Services, Walker is responsible for coordinating the activities of administrative affairs, the Faculty and Staff Senate offices and the Faculty House. She also has taken

on a variety of supplemental responsibilities, such as directing the campus' United Way campaign, serving as a member of the board of the FOCUS Federal Credit Union and acting as the executive director of the Health Sciences Facility Inc.

"My only reservation in recommending her is, that as a nominee, she will be unable to coordinate the selection committee for this award as she has done so effectively in the past," said Kenneth Rowe, vice president for administrative affairs, in a letter nominating Walker for the award.

All who supported Walker's nomination commended her for approaching her tasks with energy, enthusiasm and a can-do attitude, and for going the extra mile for all the members of the university family.

Walker has been honored by her colleagues previously. She was selected as the March 1998 Employee of the Month, and in 2002 she received the Staff Senate Appreciation Award.



Walker

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NORMAN CAMPUS RETIREES

Joan B. Atterbury
University Development
22 years

Shirley S. Billings
Housing and Food Services
20 years

Joanne J. Bosscawen
Parking and Transportation Services
22 years

Marleta S. Briggs
Purchasing
14 years

Gary M. Burchett
Information Technology
30 years

Anita S. Chisholm
American Indian Institute
27 years

Judith E. Clark
Office of the Bursar
19 years

Rita M. Colby
School of Drama
12 years

Deanna M. Eades
CAPS
26 years

Phyllis S. Engh
College of Continuing Education
29 years

Walter C. Esry
Oklahoma Geological Survey
21 years

Yvonne C. Evans
University Press
21 years

Ted L. Foster
Physical Plant
19 years

Linda S. Gillespie
Department of Mathematics
26 years

Sherry C. Glenn
College of Engineering
17 years

Juanita M. Goins
Budget Office
38 years

Shirlene Green
Purchasing
24 years

Charles D. Hale
CART
15 years

Kay F. Hopkins
Athletic Department
23 years

Cheryl J. Hudson
Risk Management and Safety Services
22 years

David Huntington
Parking and Transportation Services
11 years

Lorene E. Hutcheson
Recycling Program
37 years

Marita K. Hynes
Athletic Department
27 years

Larry G. Isley
School of Chemical Engineering and Materials Science
14 years

Howard L. Johnson
Oklahoma Climatological Survey
21 years

William F. Keller
Parking and Transportation Services
10 years

Tommy R. Kizer
Physical Plant
17 years

Randall Lacewell
Physical Plant
32 years

Carolyn L. Madden
Office of the Provost
22 years

Wiley R. Madole
Printing, Mailing and Document
Production Services
22 years

Carlyn D. Needham
Athletic Department
22 years

Billy F. Price
Physical Plant
12 years

Roy L. Robinett
Fleet Services
28 years

Gretta J. Saunders
College of Fine Arts
27 years

Patricia A. Shepherd
Office of Human Resources/Payroll
23 years

John E. Smith
Physical Plant
27 years

Douglas Wayne Steen
College of Engineering
23 years

Nancy A. Thompson
College of Continuing Education
26 years

Glen M. Treadway
Printing, Mailing and Document Production Services
15 years

Joyce A. Trumbo
Physical Plant
11 years

James L. Tucker
Golf Course
25 years

Peter C. Vail
Public and Community Services
24 years

Lewis C. Vieux
Physical Plant
31 years

Tivila F. Waltner
Athletic Department
13 years

C.K. Westbrook
School of Petroleum and Geological Engineering
23 years

Barbara T. Whitney
American Indian Institute
24 years

Ruby J. Wilson
Physical Plant
15 years

HSC Faculty Members Honored



Beebe Bronze Broyles Chu Crawford Garrison Holt



Rathbun Reichlin Thor Unger Vesely Weigel

CONGRATULATIONS! to the following University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center faculty members who were honored April 26 at a Faculty Awards Presentation.

Presidential Professors: Michael S. Bronze, professor and chair of medicine, College of Medicine, Kerr-McGee Presidential Professor; Robert W. Broyles, professor of health administration and policy, College of Public Health, President's Associates Presidential Professor; Raleigh A. Holt Jr., professor of removable prosthodontics, College of Dentistry, Edith Kinney Gaylord Presidential Professor.

George Lynn Cross Research Professorship: Paul H. Weigel, professor and chair of biochemistry and molecular biology, College of Medicine.

David Ross Boyd Professorships: David Garrison, professor of rehabilitation sciences, College of Allied Health; and Leon Unger, professor of biochemistry and molecular biology, College of Medicine.

Regents' Professorship: Morris Reichlin, George Lynn Cross Research Professor of Medicine, College of Medicine.

Regents' Awards for Superior Teaching: Laura Beebe, assistant professor of biostatistics and epidemiology, College of Public Health; and R. Christopher Rathbun, associate professor of pharmacy clinical and administrative sciences, College of Pharmacy.

Regents' Award for Professional and University Service: Steven Crawford, professor and chair of family and preventive medicine, College of Medicine.

Provost's Senior Faculty Research Award (Associate Professor/Professor): Ann Thor, professor and chair of pathology, College of Medicine.

Provost's Junior Faculty Research Award (Assistant Professor): Sara Vesely, assistant professor of biostatistics and epidemiology, College of Public Health.

Good Teaching Award: Beth Hall, instructor in nursing, College of Nursing.

Faculty Governance Award: Nancy Chu, assistant professor of nursing, College of Nursing.

HSC RETIREES

Mary L. Betsey
Family Medicine
12 years

Carol A. Brown
Neurology
12 years

Pamela Champman
Family Medicine
15 years

Anne W. Hitchcock
Medicine Cardiology
14 years

Donald E. Hogg
Site Support
15 years

Lois G. Hollis
Nursing Academic Programs
17 years

Glenwood Hunter
General Services
11 years

Carl D. Lee
Student Center
32 years

Gordon Keith Lively
Grounds Maintenance
24 years

Shirley Massey
Family Medicine
10 years

Rose Darlene Morgan
Admissions & Records
11 years

Rickey Lane Myers
Student Center
23 years

Carolyn L. Presley
OU Physicians
24 years

Patricia A. Puckett
CMT Pediatrics
26 years

James Romero
Continuing Medical Education
15 years

Mary F. Rust
Telecommunications
30 years
LeAnne Skrasek
Financial Services
17 years

Fredrick Alan Stevens
Neurosurgery
13 years

Jamie D. Stewart
Dental Support Lab
13 years

Mildred M. Ward
General Services
26 years

Judith Ann Wheeler
Surgery
18 years

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35 years

Essaline Patricia Scott
General Services

30 years

Pamela Sue Harris
Office of Admissions & Records

Frannas K. Williams
Medicine Hematology/Oncology

25 years

Sandra Jean Bales
Radiological Sciences

Margaret M. Brosey
IT Information Design Services

Peggy M. Brown
Office of the Provost

Theresa Lynn Forster
Restorative Dentistry

Paul Friese
Medicine Hematology/Oncology

Linda J. Hamilton
Department of Pediatrics

Barbara Jane Johnson
Education Development & Support

Emily Marie Knight
OU Physicians Faculty Clinics

Cindy A. Kroeker
Radiologic Technology

Barry Paul Nelson
Site Support

Sue Lavinia Oravetz
Department of Medicine

Roberta E. Rains
Developmental Dentistry

Emely S. Shepard
CMT Pediatrics

Glenda Carol Sims
Radiological Sciences

Cheryl L. Smith
Site Support

Danna Joyce Walker
Medicine Office of the Dean

Ann M. Wilson
Financial Services

Lana R. Wrenn-Holland
IT Administrative Operations

20 years

Pamela K. Bartlett
Dentistry Clinic Operations

Tamyra Denise Downs
Cell Biology

Rita Foster
CMT Women's Clinic

Sheri E. Greenwood
Ophthalmology

Teresa M. Henson
Financial Services

Kathan Lynn Kent
Dentistry Clinic Operations

Patsy L. Kouhdari
Department of Urology

Kathryn J. Laughlin
Medicine Pulmonary

Michelle M. Mathis
Financial Services

Barbara L. McCoy
CMT Internal Medicine Residency

Beverly D. McKinney
Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences

Cung H. Nguyen
IT Enterprise Application Solutions

Glenn Thomas Peer
Medicine Pulmonary

Rita Presley
Medicine Office of the Dean

Larry E. Presley
IT Enterprise Application Solutions

Darla Puckett
Tulsa Student Services

Judith A. Rickman
CMT Pediatric Clinic

Michelle M. Romano
Department of Surgery

Eve R. Shaw
Cell Biology

Alicia Shoemake
IT Telecommunications

Sandra K. Smoot
Department of Geriatrics

Gerald M. Thompson
Physiology

Kathern Williams
CMT Pediatric Clinic

Elizabeth L. Williams
Department of Pediatrics

15 years

Muriel Linette Burton
Pharmacy Student Services

Donald P. Cail
Operations

Connie M. Comfort
Institutional Review Board

Venietrice Cooperwood
Radiologic Technology

C. Jean Dutch
Department of Pediatrics

Judith A. Farrow
Laboratory Animal Facilities

Robert Seth Freedman
Education Development & Support

Sharon K. Grayham
Center for Learning & Leadership

Victor L. Harlan
Obstetrics and Gynecology

Sarah M. Hawk
Department of Pediatrics

Perry Eugene Hazelwood
General Services

Lauri L. Hess
Otorhinolaryngology

Donald E. Hogg
Grounds Maintenance

Thomas A. Holt
IT Enterprise Systems

Paul Hopcus
OU Parking

Mollie Michelle Jacob
Nursing Office of the Dean

Susan M. Johnson
CMT Clinic Radiology Services

TeRessa Kaemmerling
National Resources for Youth

Alice Majorie Lambert
Medicine Infectious Diseases

Tedd A. Lash
Site Support

Carolyn Ann Laurie
IT S4 Help Desk

Allyson L. Luby
Medicine Cardiology

Adam Malek
Nuclear Pharmacy

Kayla M. McNeill
Education Development & Support

Jackie D. McWhirter
Site Support

Danny Ray Moore
Medicine Infectious Diseases

Marilyn Ann Perry
Laboratory Animal Facilities

Judith A. Robertson
CMT Family Medical Clinic,
Marina

Joyce Elaine Roysdon
OB/GYN Patient Accounts

Anthony Wayne Seitz
General Services

Patrick Glenn Shavers
HSC Library

James Dennis Smith
Campus Police

Patricia Kelly Snow
Budget Office

Tracy L. Souther
OU Physicians

John K. Webb
IT Telecommunications

Donna Carol Wells
Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences

James Louis Young
Neurosurgery

10 years

Carol D. Anderson
Administrative Pharmacy Services

Lisa C. Asch
Research Administration Office

Connie Jo Bellomy
Obstetrics and Gynecology

Crystal E. Bray
Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences

Kristine R. Brooks
OB/GYN Patient Accounts

Elizabeth C. Bullen
Cell Biology

Karen Kay Ercolani Corff
Department of Pediatrics

Larmel D. Crutchfield
Site Support

Leroy Edwards Jr.
General Services

Raylene Edwards
OU Physicians Faculty Clinics

Lonnie L. Ferris
IT Telecommunications

June E. Fish
Anesthesiology

Margaret Christine Francl
Center for Learning & Leadership

Bonnie Janet Gamble
Department of Surgery

Delania Janene Glover
OU Physicians

Stephanie Thompson Gomez
Ctr American Indian Health Rsr

Linda Louise Green
CMT Office of the Dean

Marilyn S. Hammon
Tulsa Library

Daniel Hernandez
Grounds Maintenance

Linda W. Higby
Research Administration

Anthony E. Hinson
Nuclear Pharmacy

Annette R. Johnson
Department of Pediatrics

Patsy A. Johnson
Nutritional Sciences

Barbara A. Lightfoot
Family Medicine

Ephelders D. Lipscomb
Center for Learning & Leadership

Shirley Nell Massey
Family Medicine

Jeff McCaules
IT S4 Help Desk

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Pharmaceutical Sciences

Kristin B. Sawyer
Family Medicine

Mindy Sue Seidel
General Clinical Research Center

Valerie Session
CMT Women's Clinic

Karen L. Solodon
Pathology

Benjamin Scott Stuart
Financial Services

Delores Ann Terry
CMT Internal Medicine Clinic

Debra Thompson
OU Physicians Faculty Clinics

Dick L. Trim
Radiation Safety Office

Dawn Lynette Updike
Cell Biology

Pamela A. Weted
Occupational Therapy

Franklin D. Wiegert
Nuclear Pharmacy

Sue Woods
Prospective Student Services

NORMAN CAMPUS ANNIVERSARIES

40 years

Margie Stubblefield
Housing and Food Services

35 years

Judith K. Freyer
University Development

Susan E. Nostrand
Department of Philosophy

30 years

Arthur P. Corley
Purchasing

Helen G. Eldridge
Admissions, Records and Registration

Beverly A. Hood
Housing and Food Services

Joan P. Howeth
College of Continuing Education

Vance A. Primm
Physical Plant

Chris A. Purcell
University Regents

Robert F. Summers
Physical Plant

25 years

Richard C. Atkinson
Housing and Food Services

Millie C. Audas
Education Abroad and International
Student Services

Pamela J. Bennett
Financial Support Services

Sherry A. Childress
School of Chemical Engineering and
Materials Science

Terry A. Coltharp
Physical Plant

Connie L. Divine
University College

Joan R. Goth
Information Technology

Max A. Mathis
Admissions, Records and Registration

Ross E. McClish
Human Resources/Payroll

J. Cecilia McEwen
College of Continuing Education

Daryl W. Mehl
Admissions, Records and Registration

Ricardo A. Morrison
Human Resources/Payroll

Terri L. Moyer
Athletic Department

Judith M. Murphy
Gaylord College of Journalism and
Mass Communication

Jo A. Reece
University Press

Quinton L. Robinson
Fleet Services

Linda C. Royal
Purchasing

Nancy A. Thompson
College of Continuing Education

Sarah A. Tointigh
Admissions, Records and Registration

Constance L. White
Sarkeys Energy Center

20 years

Linda S. Anderson
Budget Office

Glen S. Black
Information Technology

Laurie Blanton
College of Liberal Studies

Marilyn J. Cain
Center For Economic and Management
Research

Sarah S. Cervi
College of Engineering

Donald Christy
Physical Plant

David D. Clark
World Literature Today

Marla B. Clutter
Center For Public Management

Lou Ann M. Copeland
Sarkeys Energy Center

June Ann Cossey
Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

Jesse L. Cossey
Physical Plant

Theta M. Dempsey
Parking and Transportation Services

Leland R. Evans
Landscape & Grounds

Yvonne Evans
University Press

Richard L. Fields
Golf Course

Gerald L. Guthrie
Physical Plant

Vivian G. Hille
Physical Plant

Anna F. Hyde
Athletic Department

Beth A. Kelly
Athletic Department

Kimberly A. Kerr
Department of Public Safety

Stanley M. Langa
Physical Plant

Tammy Lisle
Physical Plant

Linda K. McCarty
Information Technology

Michael C. McGoldrick
Physical Plant

Leona O. McKee
Housing and Food Services

Carl A. Mize
Physical Plant

Veronica Moore
Goddard Health Center

Linda A. Nevels
College of Liberal Studies

Gail L. Newland
Department of Botany and Microbiology

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Roberta L. Pailes
Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of
Natural History

Dale A. Pollard
College of Law

Virginia A. Rollins
School of Music

Robert E. Smith
Physical Plant

Sammie T. Snider
Physical Plant

Karen B. Stark
University Libraries

Dan B. Timmons
Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of
Natural History

Gail E. Tucker
Human Resources

Jimmie L. Utchin
College of Continuing Education

David W. White
KGOU Public Radio

Steven M. Williams
Landscape & Grounds

Patricia W. Williams
Physical Plant

Becky J. Zurcher
Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art

15 years

Kathleen A. Adams
Gaylord College of Journalism and
Mass Communication

Nancy S. Agrawal
School of Meteorology

Judy Albertson
Purchasing

Jonathan D. Allen
School of Geology & Geophysics

Winona A. Bark
Information Technology

Lori L. Begarek
Purchasing

Sandra K. Berry
National Conference Logistics Center

Kathleen A. Bethke
Purchasing

Catherine S. Blaha
Department of Geography

Deborah F. Blevins
Admissions, Records and Registration

Teresa A. Brady
School of Geology & Geophysics

Patsy K. Broadway
College of Continuing Education

Marie Brooks
Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural
History

Ruth E. Brown
Oklahoma Geological Survey

Pamela J. Byers
Center For Business and Economic
Development

Kathryn A. Carter
Admissions, Records and Registration

Shelly Clement
College of Law

Leslie A. Cossey
College of Continuing Education

Tammie K. Creel
Oklahoma Geological Survey

Howard D. Cremeans
CART

Jerri L. Culpepper
Public Affairs

Mark S. Cushman
Physical Plant

Nicholas J. Czaplewski
Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum
of Natural History

Elton G. Davis
Physical Plant

Lance Drege
School of Music

Charles B. Elder
Athletic Department

Michael L. Flournoy
Information Technology

Shannon G. Freeman
McNair Scholars Program

Sandra M. Gannon
College of Liberal Studies

Sheila D. Gibson
Advanced Programs

Mary J. Green
University Development

Carla B. Greeson
Physical Plant

Teresa G. Hackney
Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry

Iler Faye Harwell
Bursar's Office

Rebecca L. Heeney
Public Affairs

Karen P. Holp
KGOU Public Radio

Tom C. Hughes
Physical Plant

Carolyn G. Irons
University Libraries

Mark R. Johnson
Athletic Department

Marla F. Johnson
World Literature Today

Teresa L. Kaemmerling
National Resource Center For Youth Services

Sandra J. Kent
Goddard Health Center

Allen L. King
Landscape & Grounds

Brad J. Larson
Purchasing

Mary D. Le Blanc
Internal Auditing

Dennis B. Maddox
Physical Plant

Perry R. Martin
Physical Plant

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Four Outstanding Individuals Receive Honorary Degrees at OU Commencement

A veteran broadcast journalist, a Pulitzer Prize-winning author, a business entrepreneur and a former first lady of the university received honorary degrees at OU's 2004 Commencement Ceremony, May 8 at The Gaylord Family – Oklahoma Memorial Stadium.

The OU Commencement speaker, Tom Brokaw, was awarded an honorary degree along with:

- **William Howard Lester** of San Francisco, chairman of the board of Williams-Sonoma Inc. and Pottery Barn
- **N. Scott Momaday** of Jemez Springs, N.M., Native American Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist, playwright and educator
- **Rose A. Sharp** of Norman, civic leader, lecturer and former first lady of OU

"The University of Oklahoma is extremely proud to recognize four outstanding people who have truly made a difference in the life of the university and of our state and nation," said OU President David L. Boren.

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Howard Lester, a native of Durant, launched his first career, in the computer business, in Oklahoma City in 1958, serving with Computer Sciences Corp. and then as executive vice president of the Bradford National Corp. until his retirement in 1975.

Three years later, he and a partner acquired a small retail company in San Francisco called Williams-Sonoma. At that time the company had only four retail stores and a mail order business that generated \$4 million a year in sales. Lester held the positions of president, chief executive officer and chairman of the board of Williams-Sonoma until 2001, when the company created a separate CEO role. The company now is a nationwide specialty retailer of high-quality products for the home through seven distinct merchandise strategies — Williams-Sonoma, Pottery Barn, Pottery Barn Kids, PBTeen, Hold Everything, West Elm and Chambers — which are

marketed in 512 stores, eight mail order catalogs and five e-commerce Web sites. Williams-Sonoma reported 2003 sales of \$2.7 billion and currently employs more than 28,000 associates worldwide, including several hundred employees in stores in Oklahoma and a customer care center in Oklahoma City.

In addition to being a poet and Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist, Momaday is a playwright, painter, storyteller and professor of English and American literature. Of Kiowa heritage, his chief interests are Native American art and oral tradition.

Momaday's books, which have been translated into French, German, Italian, Russian, Swedish, Japanese and Spanish, include *House Made of Dawn*, which received the Pulitzer Prize, *The Way to Rainy Mountain*, *The Gourd Dancer*, *The*

Letterario Internazionale "Mondello," Italy's highest literary award; Saint Louis Literary Award; Premio Fronterizo, the highest award of the Border Book Festival; and the 2003 Humanities Award from the Autry National Center of the American West.

Currently Regents' Professor of the Humanities at the University of Arizona, Momaday is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and holds 14 honorary degrees from American and European colleges and universities.

During the tenure of her husband, Paul F. Sharp, as OU's ninth president from 1971 to 1978, Sharp worked to make Oklahomans realize the wealth of opportunities the university offered them, worked daily with students and student groups, and tirelessly supported programs ranging from the arts to international

programs. Accompanying the president or keeping her own busy schedule, she was known as a gracious, charming official hostess.

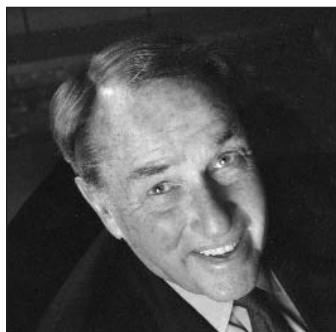
A popular and articulate lecturer, Sharp shared her expertise annually at the American Council of Education Institute of University Presidents and Wives. Long active in a range of charitable and civic endeavors, during her time as first lady Sharp became an enthusiastic participant and promoter of continuing education. She was awarded a grant from the OU College of Continuing Education to study women's roles in five countries and another to study women in education in Australia. Before coming to OU, she served as an American Council on Education — Institute of University Administrators

lecturer and case study leader from 1965 to 1982.

For her distinguished service to the university and community, OU in 1980 awarded her what was then its highest honor, the Distinguished Service Citation. She was again honored in June 1997 with the dedication of the Rose Sharp Rose Garden on OU's Norman campus.



Brokaw



Lester



Momaday



Sharp

Names, The Ancient Child, In the Presence of the Sun, The Man Made of Words, In the Bear's House, and Les Enfants du Soleil.

He has received numerous national and international awards and honors, including a Guggenheim Fellowship; National Institute of Arts and Letters award; Golden Plate Award from the American Academy of Achievement; the Premio

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Staff Senate 2004 Award Winners

Congratulations to the 2004 recipients of OU Norman campus Staff Senate awards.



Hourly Employees Council Distinguished Performance Awards (from left) James R. Kilby, Norman Finnie, Shelley Konieczny, Linda Wood, Dean M. Updegraff, and Susan Williams



From left: Chris McNabb, Organizational Staff Council's Katie Pursley Superior Performance Award; Eric Enwall, Informational Staff Association's Waintroob/Myers Superior Performance; Diane Mayes, OSC's Distinguished Performance Award; and John R. Lovett, ISA's Distinguished Performance. **Not pictured:** James Bond, OSC's Distinguished Performance Award, and Belinda Biscoe, Administrative Staff Council's E. Neal Stone Superior Performance Award.



HEC Award Recipients (from left) Shelly Wahpepah, George Lynn Cross Superior Performance Award; and Charlotte Chandler, Faye Harwell, Dalinda Penner, Linda Gill, all Distinguished Performance Award recipients. **Not pictured:** Patrick Fields.

Photos by Robert Taylor

Regents' Alumni Awards Presented to Nine Alumni

Nine exceptional University of Oklahoma alumni will be presented with the Regents' Alumni Award in recognition of their superior dedication and service to the university. The OU Board of Regents and the OU Alumni Association will present the awards at a May 7 ceremony on OU's Norman campus.

A committee chosen by the president of the OU Alumni Association selects recipients of the award from nominations made by alumni, friends and OU faculty and staff. The award is a testament to the importance OU's alumni play in the life of the university. The names of each year's recipients are engraved on a permanent plaque hanging in Oklahoma Memorial Union.

This year's recipients are:

- Kenneth W. Chappell, San Diego, retired administrator of the San Diego City Schools
- Carl T. Hook, Norman, surgeon at Oklahoma Otolaryngology Associates
- James F. Kimpel, Norman, director of the National Severe Storms Laboratory
- Sandy Kinney, Norman
- Tom E. Maxwell, Tulsa, president and CEO of Flintco Inc.
- Pamela McCauley-Bell, Oviedo, Fla., owner and president of Tech Solutions Inc.
- Floyd F. Miller, M.D., Tulsa
- Bruce H. Stover, Houston, senior vice president of Worldwide Business Development
- Ronald N. Yordi, Oklahoma City, president of Yordi Investments, LLC.

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