

# Dean's List

## College of Business and Technology

### Monday, May 2, 2016

Heads up for fall-

Ron Landstrom Executive in Residence, CHI Chief Financial Officer, Jeanette M. Wojtalewicz-**Thursday, September 22, Friday, September 23**. Look at the attached draft of a schedule and let me know when you would like your classes to meet with her. Since we are in the Ponderosa room, I expect numerous classes to be combined. The keynote address is Thursday at 11:00 a.m. Once again we urge you to bring your students to this session. If you have a Thursday 2:00 p.m. class, please consider joining her. Email me to reserve a spot for your students.

The Nebraska Business Development Center has coordinated, with the Department of Energy (DOE), to host a Small Business Vouchers Pilot workshop at UNK. Clean energy small businesses will be matched with experts from the national labs—and provide successful businesses with vouchers valued at \$50K to \$300K that they can exchange for national lab technical assistance. If you are interested in learning more about the DOE Program, please register to attend the workshop being held in the Ockinga Center Conference Room from 2:30-5:30 on May 9. The registration link and additional information can be found at: <http://bit.ly/26aANou>

#### Faculty/Administration

The following CBT staff and faculty were recognized for their service at the Annual Celebrating Excellence Faculty & Staff Retirement Luncheon and Service Award Presentations:

**Ten Years of Service:** Peggy Johnston, FSID, Frank Tenkorang, Economics

**Fifteen Years of Service:** Vijay Agrawal, Marketing & MIS, Timothy Burkink, Dean, Steven Hall, Accounting/ Finance, Theodore Larsen, FSID, Janet Lear, Economics, Deb Nourse, Marketing & MIS, Cathy Tourney, FSID

**Twenty Years of Service,** Tami Moore, FSID

**Twenty-five Years of Service,** Sylvia Asay, FSID, Larry Carstenson, Accounting/Finance, Brenda Jochum, Industrial Technology, Laurie Swinney, Accounting/Finance

**Thirty Years of Service,** Karl Borden

**Ted Larsen**, FSID, has been appointed as the director for the Center for Economic Education by The Nebraska Council on Economic Education.

#### Impact

**Community Children's Clothing Exchange Impacts Community**

Distance Education Coordinator, **Kate Bombeck**, challenges her BSAD 400 Professional Readiness students to complete a service project that will impact the community. In order to make the project meaningful, students are required to research the community needs and determine what may aid in improving the quality of these folks' lives. They create their project plan, direct the implementation, and evaluate the process to ensure tasks are being performed and people are being served appropriately. **Rachael Leigh**, Kearney, Business Administration student with a Finance Emphasis, created a community children's exchange after her research showed a need. She promoted using social media and created enough buzz within her church and amongst the community to see an abundance of gently used clothing exchanged at the Kearney Berean Church where 130 people in need were impacted on a Saturday in April, 2016. To Learn more about Rachael who will be graduating in May click on the link- [http://www.kearneyhub.com/news/local/children-s-clothing-exchange-helps-families-save-money/article\\_4b99d53e-9b23-5caf-89c5-a8beb85cd151.html](http://www.kearneyhub.com/news/local/children-s-clothing-exchange-helps-families-save-money/article_4b99d53e-9b23-5caf-89c5-a8beb85cd151.html)).

What are you doing? Where are you going? What impact are you making? Tell me, please!

## Students

Abbey Rhodes, Kearney, and Ryo Suzuki, Tokyo, Japan, both involved in the interdisciplinary CBT Business student organization, Enactus, have been selected as outstanding seniors by a group of alumni judges for their exemplary performance as scholars, leaders, and engaged students. They were recognized at the Applauding Excellence ceremony in April.

Abbey said, "Enactus advisor, Shawn Kaskie, nominated me for this award. I have worked with Shawn for four years; he challenged to grow and learn throughout my academic career. I'm thankful for his mentorship, and his nomination."

To read more- <http://unknews.unk.edu/2016/04/26/outstanding-seniors-selected-by-blue-gold-brigade-alumni-association/>

Winners of the 2016 Marienau Paper Awards and accompanying scholarship are as follows:

First place winning paper was "Regulations and the American Economy: Hayekian Spontaneous Order" which was written by sophomore Jason Schutt who is majoring in Information Networking & Telecommunications.

Second place winning paper was "Is the American Economy Over-Regulated?" Senior Industrial Distribution major Manuel Ozorio authored the paper.

UNK's Applauding Excellence Ceremony recognized the Industrial Distribution Organization with the "UNK Community Service Program of the Year" award for their

involvement in the Kearney Friends Program and their hours of community service.  
Photos attached-

Please see the attachment for the students who were inducted into Epsilon Pi Tau.

Spring 2016 MFT High Performers:

These CBT business students' scores were at or above 90 percent when compared to the thousands of students nationwide who take the test annually. They are as follows: (Back row) Andrew Armatys, Cedar Rapids, NE; Jacob Clancy (99 percentile), Dawson, NE; Bryan Luna, La Crescenta, CA; William Obermier, Aurora, NE; Reed Bellamy, Goodland, KS. (front row) Jonathon Vasquez and Abbey Rhodes both of Kearney, NE; Lisa Charron, Scottsbluff, NE; Josiah Burger, Deshler, NE; Joseph Jacobson, Gordon, NE and Jacob Burklund, Omaha, NE. (pictured separately)

## Experiential Learning/Internship

### **Tell me about your alumni!**

**Lana Lueck Shaw**, 2008 Marketing Emphasis graduate, is the Marketing Director for Adams Bank & Trust in Ogallala. Upon graduation she gained experience with Sandhills Publishing.

**Please remember to forward your news items to Marsha Yeagley so that proper coverage can be provided. Your news may be added to the next Dean's List, and/or posted on the "Notables" section of the website, or the Dean's page of the site. When appropriate, a news release will be sent to students' hometown newspapers and/or the Hub, as well as covering the item in the June publication of the College of B&T Annual Report. Remember that what you and your students do "makes a difference." In order to send the press release to the students' hometown newspaper, please provide the hometown. Help us in the recruitment and retention process by informing Marsha of your news.**

**Send to:**

**[yeagleym@unk.edu](mailto:yeagleym@unk.edu).**

**Please only send information regarding papers and presentations after the fact. Think about doing an article for the Kearney Hub during the 2015-2016 academic year. Also, consider promoting your program, students, and/or event on NTV (first Wednesday of the month at 6:25 a.m.) and KGFW Talk of the Town (4th Wednesday of each month at 9:30 a.m.)The schedules are attached.**

#### **Criteria for the Hub article:**

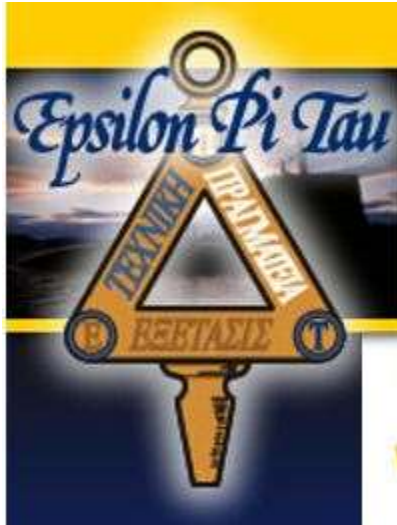
- 500 words or less
- Business tips/backed by your research if you so choose
- Long text or short bullet points
- Author picture and short bio
- Every other month to start

I will send it on to the Hub after the Dean's approval.

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# Epsilon Pi Tau adds 22 UNK students to honor society



KEARNEY – The College of Business and Technology at the University of Nebraska at Kearney has inducted 22 students into the Gamma Omicron Chapter of Epsilon Pi Tau.

Epsilon Pi Tau is the Leading International Honor Society for Technology. Epsilon Pi Tau recognizes academic excellence of students in fields devoted to the study of technology and the preparation of practitioners for the technology professions.

Founded at Ohio State University in 1929, Epsilon Pi Tau is the premier academic and professional honors group for technology programs in higher education, workforce development programs, and professionals in practice. Epsilon Pi Tau has provided honor and distinction to members, institutions, programs, and individuals throughout the world for more than 80 years. Members have resided in every state of the United States and in 49 other nations. Epsilon Pi Tau has inducted 90,000 plus members since its inception.

The UNK Gamma Omicron Chapter of EPT was established in 1995 and has provided academic recognition to over 430 high achieving students from UNK.

The 2016 inductees are listed below:

Annie Allen, Omaha, NE  
Quin Becker, Holdrege, NE  
Nicholas Behrends, Auburn, NE  
Samantha Cromer, Kearney, NE  
Isaac Deaton, Valdez, Alaska  
Octavio DeSantiago, Grand Island, NE  
Johnathon Garringer, Elm Creek, NE  
Carlos Hernandez, Lexington, NE  
Mallorie Hernandez, Lexington, NE  
Jacob Jelden, Axtell, NE  
Kody Krantz, Bayard, NE  
Kevin Lienemann, Alma, NE

Trevor Limmer, Omaha, NE  
Matthew Luther, Aurora, NE  
Walter Najera, Grand Island, NE  
Keisuke Osuka, Okazaki, Japan  
Zach Rice, Bayard, NE  
Joel Shafer, Overton, NE  
Collin Sindt, Holdrege, NE  
Blake Slizoski, Albion, NE  
Jadon Smith, Bayard, NE  
Ryan Swenson, Kearney, NE  
Yoshiki Toyoda, Yokohama, Japan

# Jeanette M. Wojtalewicz

## Ron Landstrom Executive-in-Residence

### CHI Health Chief Financial Officer

Thursday, September 22

- 8:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. Karl Borden, Fin 408, Yeagley MKT 331, Ngan Chau MKT 300
- 9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Karl Borden, Finance 188, Ngan Chau SCM 403, Sri Seshadri-Advertising Management, M. Yeagley MKT 331, Brenda Eschenbrenner, Accounting Information Systems
- 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. **Ponderosa Room,**  
“Keep the Door Open-Life After UNK”  
Her presentation will focus on self-confidence, life-long learning, stepping outside your comfort zone to grow, hard lessons learned and the real issue of finding balance in life when a career can take up a big part of your life.
- 12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. **Ponderosa room-** Student Advisory Group/ Stacy Darveau (Lunch Served) (borden has a FIN 476 if this group changes- put him in
- 2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Brenda Eschenbrenner, Accounting 250
- 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **Frank House,** Networking Reception (by invitation)  
Business Advisory Board, Kearney Area Chamber members, faculty, campus administrators, Ms. Wojtalewicz family/friends

### Friday, September 23

- 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **WSTC 120E;** Aaron Estes, Dustin Favinger, Janice Woods, and Brenda Jochum - Internships/Career Opportunities,
- 9:05 a.m. - 9:55 a.m. Tommy Eshleman, Econ 270

10:10 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Suzanne Hayes, Investments, Greg Benson, Supply Chain,  
Tommy

Eshleman, Econ 270

11:30 – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch, Kearney Country Club, Chancellor Douglas  
Kristensen, Tim Burkink, Dean

1:00 p.m.

**Interview in Dean's Office – Sara Giboney**

1:30 p.m. -

Campus Tour-



Jeanette Wojtalewicz is the SVP and Chief Financial Officer for CHI Health. Serving Nebraska and Southwest Iowa this organization of \$2 billion in net revenues is comprised of 15 hospitals, 800 employed physicians and numerous post-acute services and joint ventures. Jeanette has worked in Healthcare Finance for 30 years and received her undergraduate degree from UNK in 1984 in Business Administration-Accounting Emphasis, and a Masters in Healthcare Administration from Bellevue University in 2008. Her work experience has been in public accounting, Acute healthcare care settings, post-acute/rehabilitation services, and children's psychiatric services. Jeanette is a past President of HFMA in Nebraska, and serves on a number of local boards including the Nebraska Health Information Initiative, Midlands Choice, and UniNET CIN. Jeanette has been recognized by HFMA with the Gold Merit Award, was the recipient of the John C. Finegan Award from the Lincoln Family Medicine Program, received the UNK Distinguished Alumni Award in 2012 and is a past mentor for the UNK Gold Torch Society. Jeanette is married to Michael, and they have 5 children.