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## President's Letter

Wichita State University  
Classified Senate

President  
Matthew Albers

<http://wichita.edu/senate>

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First, I would like thank all of the 2011-2012 senators for their participation on the senate. By dedicating their time and efforts, these individuals have ensured and accomplished the goals of the senate committees.

- The Community Service committee reviewed applications and distributed awards for both the fall and spring semesters for the Shocker Employee and Dependent Scholarship; thus, providing financial assistance to an individual furthering his/her education.
- The Shocker Pride Celebration committee organized and provided door prizes for the event; additionally, the committee recognized three qualified classified employees as recipients of the President's Distinguished Service Award.
- The Elections committee, with assistance from Kevin Crabtree, managed to move the voting process to an online electronic format that provided a more secure and streamlined system.

Overall, the involvement of these classified senators in these committees has been extremely beneficial to the WSU community. Thank you!

Next, the Classified and Support Staff Council participated in "Day on the Hill" event on January 24<sup>th</sup>. There were several CSSC members, representing the six regent schools, which attended the event and engaged with Kansas Senators and Representatives discussing relevant issues concerning state employees. Although sympathetic to the issues concerning the classified employees, especially the under-market pay adjustment, many senators and representatives said that continuing the plan to increase wages for those identified as underpaid was "not likely" due to current state budget issues. However, recent news reports that the Kansas Legislature has approved the fourth year under-market pay increases. This was an unexpected announcement and I am grateful to those that wrote to your representatives to express your interest and concern in these matters.

Lastly, on behalf of the Classified Senate, I would like to express our gratitude to Dr. and Mrs. Beggs for the service and dedication they have provided to Wichita State University and to the classified employees. They have supported the WSU classified employees in numerous ways and provided scholarship opportunities to many individuals within the physical plant. Their actions will have a resounding effect on the Wichita State University for years to come. We wish them well and Thank you!

Sincerely,

Matthew Albers  
President  
Classified Senate

## Orange Around Campus!!! - By Cecilia Hudson



Have you wondered.. about the fluorescent orange water bottles hanging from the trees? “Well it’s art” by Tony Feher called **Carl Sagan, Carl Sagan (destination 2)**. Viewed singly, randomly, or collectively, they guide one’s eye from one tree branch to another.



With the removal of Joan Miro’s mural from the Ulrich Museum, it

was replaced by **Carl Sagan, Carl Sagan (Destination 1)** fluorescent orange geometrics across the building’s surface.

Artist Tony Feher selected the paint color deliberately. He chose the hue of traffic cones, construction zone signage, and road crew vests – this ‘safety orange’ stands out dramatically as a space of action and change.

Feher has an impressive record of exhibition from New York to Istanbul. Watch for changes coming to the Ulrich Museum of Art. The information is from the article “Tony Feher: Extraordinary Ordinary” on the Ulrich Museum web site. To learn more about Tony, read the full article there.

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## Do you have Concerns, Suggestions or Praises?

- By Cecilia Hudson

Just send us an “anonymous note” if you wish to the Classified Senate, **Campus Box 114** and let us know. We will do the best within our capability to help see it happen. We want to know your concerns. Do remember though, sometimes the way to change something is to.... get involved and give us your great ideas.

## New and Returning Senators to the Classified Senate - By Theresa Turenne

We have recently added eight new senators to the Classified Senate. Congratulations to the following people for being elected!

<u>Sherry Alexander</u>	Vice President & General Counsel
<u>Denise Burns</u>	History
<u>Sonya Cotton</u>	Registrar's Office
<u>Christina Gregory</u>	Disability Support Services
<u>Amy McClintock</u>	School of Nursing
<u>Michelle Townsend</u>	Heskett Center
<u>Mike Abril</u>	Physical Plant
<u>Sonja Schroeder</u>	Physical Plant

They will be joining the following senators who will be completing the second half of their two year term.

<u>Blaine Linehan##</u>	Financial Operations
<u>Cecilia Rogers</u>	Financial Operations
<u>Robbie Norton</u>	Financial Operations
<u>Matthew Albers</u> -- <b>President</b>	Postal Services
<u>Shanda Burch++</u>	Disability Support Services
<u>Melissa Conley</u> -- <b>Secretary</b>	Registrar's Office
<u>Rochelle Flowers</u>	Barton School Student Records
<u>Renea Goforth</u> -- <b>VP &amp; Pres Elect</b>	School of Performing Arts
<u>Elaine Harvey</u>	Ablah Library
<u>Cecilia Hudson</u>	Registrar's Office
<u>Shelly Kellogg##</u>	Human Resources
<u>Hercilia Thompson</u>	TRIO Program Support
<u>Theresa Turenne</u>	International Education
<u>Darryl Carrington ##</u>	Physical Plant - Plumbing
<u>Rodney Hyche</u>	Physical Plant

There are currently a few vacant positions on the Classified Senate. At this time the members of the Executive Council are working to fill those positions.

## John Bardo is 13<sup>th</sup> president of WSU - By Melissa Conley

On April 27, 2012, the Kansas Board of Regents announced that John William Bardo will become WSU's 13<sup>th</sup> president. His position takes effect on July 1, 2012. He previously worked as the chancellor of Western Carolina University.

He and his wife both have ties to Wichita. John Bardo was the graduate coordinator of the Master of Urban Studies program from 1976-1977 and was the chair the department of Sociology and Social Work from 1978-1983. His wife Deborah graduated from West High School and earned three degrees at WSU.

In the article "Wichita State University names Bardo 13<sup>th</sup> president" from WSU News, Bardo says "My wife and I are very excited to be part of the WSU family; Wichita State is a wonderful university with great potential. Wichita is a tremendous community and we're delighted to be back. I look forward to working closely with the university's students, staff and faculty, as well as with Wichita's business and civic leaders, in advancing WSU's mission."

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## Online Voting Statistics - By Melissa Conley

The Classified Senate used electronic voting for the first time for the elections in spring 2012. The goal was to facilitate voting among the constituents and go green. It was modeled after the electronic voting system the Unclassified Professional Senate adopted a few years earlier. Kevin Crabtree from University Computing helped design the program.

There were a total of 663 votes cast during the election using the online voting system. According to Shelley Kellogg, it was roughly the same as the paper ballots.

EEO Code	Total Votes
50	658
60	0
70	5
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>663</b>

The Classified Senate hopes there will be increased participation from all EEO categories next year. Thank you for voting in this year's election and I hope you will participate again next year.

## Shocker Pride Celebration - By Theresa Turenne



The annual Shocker Pride Celebration took place Wednesday, April 25, 2012. Due to the renovations of the Rhatigan Student Center, the celebration took place at the Miller Concert Hall. The Atrium was festively decorated in true Shocker Pride Spirit. With the heat of the day, it was wonderful to enter the air conditioned area to enjoy the celebration.

The Award recipients for 2012 include Lloyd Harp, J. Logan Stork, Carrie Wyatt, Maria Martino, Patricia Hayes, John Jacobs, Barbara Chaperro, Helen Hundley and Johnnie Thompson. Each recipient was introduced by President Beggs and presented with a framed certificate. Congratulations to all



of the recipients. Below are the classified staff awardees, Lloyd Harp, Carrie Wyatt and J. Logan Stork.



The Classified Senate was tasked with selecting the recipients from the classified staff as well as procuring the door prizes. There was a variety of gifts for all who had RSVP'd to the event.

## Classified Senate Members

Amy McClintock  
 Blaine Linehan  
 Brian Smith  
 Cecilia Hudson  
 Cecilia Rogers  
 Christina Gregory  
 Darryl Carrington  
 Denise Burns  
 Elaine Harvey  
 Hercilia Thompson  
 Jennifer Williams  
 Matthew Albers  
 Melissa Conley  
 Michelle Townsend  
 Mike Abril  
 Patty Bosley  
 Renea Goforth  
 Richelle Stoner  
 Robbie Norton  
 Rochelle Flowers  
 Rodney Hyche  
 Shanda Burch  
 Shelly Kellogg  
 Sherry Alexander  
 Sonja Schroeder  
 Sonya Cotton  
 Theresa Turenne

## Classified Senate Committees

Community Service  
 Constitution  
 Elections  
 Food Advisory  
 Heskett Center Board  
 Holiday Tree Lighting  
 Library Appeals  
 Newsletter  
 Position Paper / Legislative  
 Issues  
 Rhatigan Student Center  
 Board  
 Shocker Pride Celebration  
 Traffic Appeals  
 Tuition Assistance  
 Welcoming Committee  
 Wellness Committee

# Document Imaging Project

## - By Blaine Linehan

What is “Document Imaging”? It’s the process of taking your paper documents and scanning them into an electronic format. You might ask, “Why would you want to do such a thing?” Well there are a few reasons electronic storage is good.

If you turn those papers into electronic versions, then you can get rid of the paper. This means that you won’t need row after row after row of filing cabinets to store all those papers in. Think of all the empty space you’d have! You could do so much with it instead of storing paper.

Once the documents are electronic, they’re MUCH more easily searchable. For instance, a student comes to you and wants to see something in their file. It’s hypothetical, so “their file” can be whatever you want. Normally you’d have to get up and go look through a filing cabinet of papers. What if you don’t find it? Maybe someone took it and has it at their desk for some reason, or the particular piece of information the student wants is missing, or any number of things. What if you have to find someone to cover your desk while you go look? Think of the hassle involved. If they’re all electronic though... You could just ask for some identifying information like their WSUID and type that into the search. Then you’d get the results of all the scanned documents that match your search. Boom! Done. You didn’t have to leave your desk and it was fast.

So you read the first two points and thought, “Hey, we already HAVE some documents in an electronic format and it really doesn’t help us much. PLUS we don’t deal with students or have to find someone to cover our stations when we leave.” OK, that’s fair. Not everyone has those problems. Our imaging system on campus though has a lot of other benefits.

1. You can provide index (search keywords) for each document.
2. Security can be worked out so that you can share access to the documents with people all across campus.
3. Do you have papers that have to magically wind their way through your office? Workflow within the imaging system can help with that.
4. Many, many more.

This is all just a very basic description. The software we use is called ImageNow and we’re starting to use it more heavily. It’s still really in it’s infancy at WSU but as we explore more of it’s options, the word will be spread around more about how we can best use it. For now, Lori Blizzard from Financial Operations and Business Technology and Josh Cooper from UCATS are the main contacts for ImageNow. If you’re interested in pursuing document imaging in your office, just contact them. They’ll be happy to help!