



# The Roar



KSU Classified Senate Employee Newsletter October

## President's Column

Dear Classified Employees:

As the new senate year begins, there are already many issues and events on our agenda. I want to welcome the new senators, and I look forward to representing the classified employees for the second year.

October is Open Enrollment for Group health Plans and KanElect spending account programs. It is important that employees carefully review the options available. Although there will be no premium increases, there are several changes regarding coverage.

Our first meeting of the year included guests, Eric Braun, Director of Food Services, and Bernard Pitts, K-State Union Director. They spoke about the services that the Union has to offer, including room reservations and catering, and highlighted the changes that have taken place at the Union.

Also, on September 10, the Classified Senate Executive Council attended a leadership lunch organized by Cia Vershelden, Faculty Senate President, through the support of the President's Office. This lunch included members of the Faculty Senate, Student Governing Association, and the Graduate Council. Although we are separate organizations, I found we have one common goal, which is to represent the faculty, staff and employees to the best of our ability at Kansas State University. I look forward to working with those organizations on related issues.

If you have any questions regarding Classified Senate, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Ann Marie Treinen

Representative Kent Glasscock and Senator Lana Olen will be guests at our November 7 meeting to answer questions. Please join us in getting word to our legislators regarding the concerns of the classified staff. The November 7 meeting will be held in the Big 12 Room of the K-State Union.

## Classified Senate Sub-Committees

**Education & Enrichment:** The primary mission of the Education Committee is to bring proposals before the Administration on education and training issues.

Cheryl Grice, Chair  
Rodney Stanfield  
Charlene Chabries

**Senate Elections:** The Elections Committee is responsible for filling vacancies on the Senate, as well as, preparing for annual elections. The election system provides all colleges and administrative units with a representative based on the number of classified employees within the college/unit.

Pam Schierer

**Codes & By-Laws:** The purpose of the Codes & By-Laws Committee is to serve as a point of reference on the Classified Senate Codes and By-Laws and to draft additions/modifications for approval by the Classified Senate.

Ann Marie Treinen  
Lori Hutchins

**Personnel/Benefits:** Each year Classified Senate's Personnel & Benefits committee prepares a "position paper" which lists those items they believe the KSU Classified Employees would like to see considered during the legislative session.

Connie Kisse, Chair  
Sue Figge  
Sherian Staten  
Sharon Schroll  
Everett Mead  
Cheryl Grice

**Publicity/Communications:** The Publicity Committee creates and distributes The Roar, maintains the Classified Senate Web Page (web site [www.ksu.edu/class-senate](http://www.ksu.edu/class-senate)). The committee works with other Classified Senate Committees to distribute information on any special events or information of interest to the classified employees.

Cyreathia (SAM) Reyer, Chair  
Michelle Garner

**Accreditation Committee:** This is a temporary committee. This committee verifies that the Codes & By-Laws, meeting minutes, and other resources of the Classified Senate are in order for the accreditation process. The accreditation process is the study and assessment of programs and resources to ensure the University is meeting their educational objectives.

Cheryl Grice, Chair  
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 Everett Mead  
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**Recognition Ceremony:** This Committee plans and prepares for the recognition ceremony held in the spring.

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 Rhonda Riffel  
 Michelle Garner  
 Pam Schierer  
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**Upcoming Senate Meetings**

The following are the dates, times and locations of the future Classified Senate meetings. All meetings are open to classified employees and begin at 12:45 pm.

Wednesday, November 7, 2001	Union Big 12 Room
Wednesday, December 5, 2001	Union Room 206
Wednesday, January 9, 2002	Union Room 209



*Senator Spotlight*

The Business Manager for the Department of Statistics, **Pam Schierer** has been with the department for seven years. A 16 year K-State Employee, some of her personal time activities include horseback riding, camping, hiking, and Creative Memories albums. This fall, Pam begins her third year as a Classified Senator for the College of Arts and Sciences.

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*Cyreathia (SAM) Reyer, Chair  
 Michelle Garner*

**Upcoming Training and Development Opportunities**

- Oct 24 How to Recognize and Prevent Sexual Harassment
- Oct 31 Purchasing: How to Work with the System Rather than Against it
- Nov 7 Supervising Students on the Job
- Nov 1 & 19 New Employee Orientation
- Nov 14 How Do I Evaluate Classified Employees

More detailed information regarding training opportunities can be found at the following website:

[www.ksu.edu/emplel/training](http://www.ksu.edu/emplel/training)

Thank you to all who visited the Classified Senate Booth at the October 4, Benefits Fair.

Congratulations to:

**Margaret Jensen, Door Prize Winner**  
*(Glass K-State Paperweight)*

**2001-2002 KSU CLASSIFIED SENATORS**

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