

2023 – 2024

ANNUAL REPORT



KNOX COLLEGE

SAVE THE DATE

October 25, 2024	Hall of Fame and Jorge Prats Celebration of Life
February 5, 2025	National Girls & Women in Sports Day
February 15, 2025	Knox Proud Day
April 2025	Baseball and Softball Tailgate
May 2025	Soccer Alumni Day
June 13, 2025	K Club Golf Outing
June 14, 2025	Football Event

Dear K Club Supporters,

Thank you for your continued investment in our student-athletes and programs. Your generosity enables us to enrich the Knox experience and cultivate future leaders, driving our teams to excel in competition, the classroom, and our community. We deeply appreciate the unwavering passion and support from our dedicated alumni, parents, fans, and friends. Your commitment empowers us to reach new heights and achieve our collective goals.

Our annual report celebrates the remarkable accomplishments of our student-athletes, coaches, programs, and alumni from this past year. Highlights include a number of Midwest Conference (MWC) records in Track and Field, prestigious student-athlete awards, winning seasons for women’s basketball, men’s basketball, and men’s soccer, the Hall of Fame Class of 2023, and the 90th birthday celebration for former athletic director and coach Harley Knosher. We also profile the loss of longtime faculty member and Knox head soccer coach Jorge Prats, and share details about the celebration of life in his honor this October.

Through your gifts to the Knox Fund and K Club, and your attendance at athletic competitions and events such as Homecoming and the K Club Golf Outing, you reinforce our student-athletes’ success in all facets of their lives. Your support ensures that together, we build on our success.

With heartfelt gratitude,



Monica Keith
Vice President for Advancement

ATHLETIC & ALUMNI EVENTS

Throughout the year, our Knox community—including alumni, parents, faculty, staff, and friends—gathered for campus events, cheered from the stands, and celebrated special occasions, all in support of our student-athletes, alumni, athletic programs, and coaches. Thank you!

- October 1, 2023** Football Tailgate at University of Chicago
- October 27, 2023** Hall of Fame Reception
- January 20, 2024** Harley Knosher 90th Birthday Celebration
- January 20, 2024** Basketball Reunion & 50th Anniversary of Women’s Basketball
- April 13, 2024** Baseball and Softball Tailgate
- May 11, 2024** Soccer Alumni Day
- June 14, 2024** K Club Golf Outing
- June 14, 2024** Football Reunion
- June 15, 2024** State of Football Address



Harley Knosher’s 90th Birthday and Basketball Reunion
Pictured: Harley Knosher and Amy Ragnini Olson '91



K Club Golf Outing

Pictured: Monty Abbott '72, Larry Kusch '73, and Bob Bolier '73



State of Football Address

Pictured: William Becque '08, Tighe Burke '09, Tim Beishir '08, Brad Becque '08, and Kevin Corley '08



K Club Golf Outing and Football Reunion

PRAIRIE FIRE ATHLETICS

FALL SPORTS YEAR IN REVIEW



The **men's soccer** team finished the season with a record of 2-2-4 in conference play, just barely missing the top four. Adrian Segura '25 received All-Conference honors as an attacker.

It was a building year for the **women's soccer** team under the new leadership of head coach Annie Gerdes '19 and the new assistant coach Brooklyn Deming '21. Both coaches had very successful careers as players at Knox competing in NCAA tournaments and winning conference titles.

The **football** team finished the season with a 3-6 record. The Prairie Fire led the Midwest Conference in rush yards per game with a total of 220.5 yards. Kaile Williams '24, Jon Sarich '24, Creed Justice '24, and Jonathan Walker '27 received All-Conference honors.



Men's golf won the Fighting Scots Invitational by 21 strokes. Pranav Nandakumar '26 took home medal honors while Jake Schabes '24 and Eddie Brees '24 tied for third place. The team also placed fourth in the Butts and Dechert Classic and the Duane Chanay Invite.

Maliah Blakemore is the new **volleyball** head coach. The team is working hard and they are eager to compete next season.



The **cross country** teams were named to the United States Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association All-Academic Teams. The men's team had a GPA of 3.323, and the women's team had a GPA of 3.658. At the NCAA Midwest Region Championship, nine members achieved new lifetime personal bests. Lance Miller '26 finished with a time of 25:58 moving him up to 7th on the Knox all-time list. Cecilia Goodin '27 finished with a time of 25:30 moving her up to 13th best on the Knox all-time list.

PRAIRIE FIRE ATHLETICS

FALL SPORTS YEAR IN REVIEW

ARTHUR ANTHONY '24

HOMETOWN: PLAINFIELD, ILLINOIS
MAJOR: BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

Arthur Anthony '24 played football, served as the Treasurer for Beta Theta Pi Fraternity and the Interfraternity Council, and worked in the Bastian Family Center for Career Success. Arthur graduated in June and plans to pursue a career in management accounting.

"I chose Knox because it allowed me to play the game I love while pursuing my academic interests. It gave me everything I wanted. At Knox, you feel like more than a number. It is life-changing here."



ALEENE R. RAMIREZ '25

HOMETOWN: SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS
MAJOR: JOURNALISM, WITH A SELF-DESIGNED MINOR IN SPORTS MEDIA

Aleene Ramirez '25 is a junior forward on the women's soccer team. When not playing soccer, Aleene works for The Knox Student, the College's award-winning student newspaper.

Aleene received exciting news, an offer to join the Chicago KICS Women's Semi-Pro team. Playing professional soccer is something she aspires to do and credits the support she has received at Knox for creating this opportunity.

"I love that I have help in my academic life. Juggling a sport, school, and work can be a lot, but Knox has great resources and a supportive community who helps me."

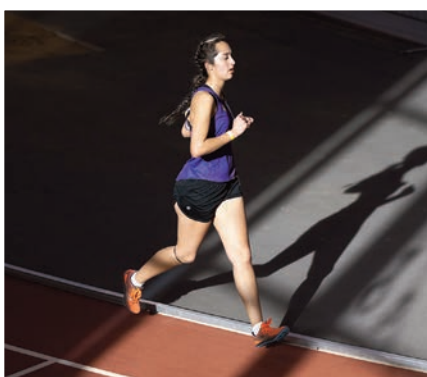
PRAIRIE FIRE ATHLETICS WINTER SPORTS YEAR IN REVIEW



With a record of 19-8, **women's basketball** dominated offensively and led the conference with 73.4 points per game, number of assists and steals, turnover margin, and assist to turnover ratio, and finished second in the All-MWC tournament. Bria Medina '27 and Kylee Callahan '26 were named first team All-MWC. Bria Medina '27 was also named the MWC Newcomer of the Year. Donor support made it possible for the team to compete in Puerto Rico over winter break.

Donors also funded a trip for the **men's basketball** team to compete in the Hoops in Hawaii Classic where they won both of the games played before the conference season started. Sean Gallery '25 was named All-MWC averaging 15.5 points and 6.6 rebounds per game, and finishing third in field goal percentage (49%). The team had its first winning record since 2005.

Indoor track and field excelled. Lance Miller '26 clinched first place in the men's mile and secured second place in the men's 3000m, setting a school record with an impressive time of 8:39.02. Lance also made waves in the conference by establishing a new mile record of 4:16.39. In the women's triple jump, Abbie Layne '26 triumphed with a first place finish, while Peyton Balfour '24 secured third place, both earning spots on the podium. Additionally, Jonathan Walker '27 achieved a personal best in the shot put event at the MWC Championships, highlighting the remarkable performances of Knox student-athletes across various disciplines.



PRAIRIE FIRE ATHLETICS

WINTER SPORTS YEAR IN REVIEW

LANCE MILLER '26

HOMETOWN: MASCOUTAH, ILLINOIS

MAJOR: BIOCHEMISTRY

MINOR: GERMAN AND CHEMISTRY

Recipient: Frank and Ruth Schmitt Student Research Award, Cleave Bridgman '68 Trophy, Glenn M. Nagel '66 Undergraduate Research Fund, Leland Harris Award in Chemistry

Lance Miller '26 is captain of the cross-country team and the distance track team, and serves as a Midwest Conference representative for the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. Being a student-athlete at Knox has made it possible for him to pursue his love for running and independent chemistry research to enrich his education in a hands-on and immersive experience.

"I chose Knox for the small class sizes, passionate professors, and the strong chemistry and premedical educational experiences, as well as the opportunity to continue my collegiate running career. Without donor support, the unique and eye-opening opportunities for me and my fellow students would not be possible."



Strong team chemistry was a key reason for the success of the Prairie Fire's Women's Basketball team this season. The roster includes three guards who are also family—sisters Kylee Callahan '26 and Mae Callahan '25 alongside their cousin Bria Medina '27.



**KYLEE
CALLAHAN '26**



**MAE
CALLAHAN '25**



**BRIA
MEDINA '27**

"We are so appreciative of the support you have extended to the Knox College athletic program. Your contribution makes it possible for many student-athletes to continue representing Knox College playing the sports we love."

- KYLEE CALLAHAN '26



PRAIRIE FIRE ATHLETICS SPRING SPORTS YEAR IN REVIEW



Baseball finished the season with a record of 11-27. The team went to Florida to play in the RussMatt Central Florida Invitational during spring break, winning five games. They ended the season with a walk off win over Ripon at home on senior day.

Maddie Hicks '26 was named All-Conference Second Team hitting .412 on the season along with only striking out six times all season. It was a tough season for the **softball team** with a record of 2-31. Interim head coach Casey Hipp shared that "they showed a lot of heart all season and battled against a lot of adversity and did so with a commendable amount of grace."

Men's golf finished third at the Knox College Invite. Pranav Nadakumar '26 earned third place individually with a total of 150 strokes over two rounds. Hunter Webb '24, Eddie Brees '24 and Nathaniel Zug '27 rounded out the top four. They ended the season placing ninth in the St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SLIAC) Tournament. Nandakumar led the team with a total of 216 over three rounds, earning All-Conference honors. Jake Schabes '24 was named to the All-Sportsmanship team.

Abbie Layne '26, Peyton Balfour '24, and Lance Miller '26 all had podium finishes at the **track and field** Midwest Conference Championship. Layne earned a conference championship in the women's triple jump with a PR of 11.70m, breaking her own Knox record. Balfour joined her, placing third with a 10.42m jump. Miller earned second place in the men's 3000m steeplechase with a PR of 9:35.44, moving from fourth to second on the all-time list at Knox. Leading up to the championships the team hit many PR times and four first place finishes at Monmouth. Franny Hilliard '25, women's 800m with a PR time of 2:39.66, Cecilia Goodin '27, women's 1500m with a PR time of 5:17.97, Bria Medina '27, women's long jump with a leap of 5.32m, and Jacob Anderson '25, men's 400m hurdles with a time of 1:00.01.

PRAIRIE FIRE ATHLETICS

SPRING SPORTS YEAR IN REVIEW



HUNTER WEBB '24
HOMETOWN: RAMONA, CALIFORNIA
MAJOR: COMPUTER SCIENCE
MINOR: PSYCHOLOGY

Hunter Webb '24 is a graduating senior who was a leader on the golf team and a Richard A. Fritz Endowed Scholarship recipient.

“The main reason that I came here for my education was because Knox allows me to continue playing golf at the collegiate level while at the same time pursuing a respected Computer Science major. For the future, I am already in the process of finding a software engineering job somewhere in the world. It wouldn't be possible without scholarships like these.”

MAYA MCEWEN '24
HOMETOWN: SHELDON, ILLINOIS
MAJOR: DATA SCIENCE

Maya McEwen '24 is a graduating senior who played on the volleyball and softball teams. Maya is a Data Science major and was the Midwest Conference Representative for the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Maya remembers making good connections with coaches during the recruitment process that have led to the people and the relationships she has been able to develop throughout her time at Knox.

“The thing I love most about softball is the way it teaches you to accept failure. In softball if you are failing 70% of the time you are doing well, so being able to understand failure and developing the skills to translate that to other things in life has been very beneficial.”



K CLUB BY THE NUMBERS

2023-2024 TOTAL DONORS

1,310



"The student-athlete experience at Knox College is only possible with the tremendous support of alumni, family, and friends. All gifts will go directly to ensuring we provide the best for all sports teams on and off the field."

- Head Football Coach Aaron Willits '08

2023-2024 REVIEW

All Athletics	\$556,887.00
K Club (all sports)	\$145,829.97
Individual Sports	\$155,292.69
Other Athletic Funds	\$255,764.44

FUEL THE FIRE GIVING CHALLENGE

Knox College held its inaugural Fuel the Fire Giving Challenge from October 27 to November 4, 2023. More than 866 donors joined the challenge and over \$127,000 was raised to support Knox athletics. Prairie Fire fans from around the world made gifts, including the United States, Canada, India, Uzbekistan, Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Brazil, and the Dominican Republic.

Mark Your Calendar! The 2024 Fuel the Fire Giving Challenge is October 25 to November 1, 2024.

KNOX PROUD DAY GIVING CHALLENGE

On February 15, K Club alumni, parents, families, and our community of fans participated in the 24-hour giving challenge. By making a gift and sending emails and texts asking other members to join you, \$29,000 was raised to support Knox athletics.

**SUPPORT KNOX
STUDENT-ATHLETES
AND COACHES WITH
A GIFT TODAY.**



WHY K CLUB GIFTS MATTER

The battle amongst NCAA Division III schools to earn the commitment of highly qualified student-athletes continues to heighten each year. K Club donations are crucial for Prairie Fire athletics to compete with other high academic schools in the Midwest Conference and nationwide.

The Knox community generously gives time and financial support year-round, helping Knox recruit and retain dedicated coaches and faculty and ensuring all students can access the full Knox experience.

While individual sports gifts are always welcome, the K Club aims to unite as the "team behind the team" to support athletics as a whole. Your donations benefit student-athletes and teams through facility enhancements and team equipment, expanding recruiting budgets, flexible dollars for immediate program needs, and much more.

WHERE YOUR KCLUB DOLLARS WENT IN 2024



Team trips for men's and women's basketball, baseball, and softball



Expanding geographic areas in recruiting for all sports



New fitness center equipment



Locker room enhancements



Team room video equipment upgrade



New sound system for memorial gym



New video system for the soccer stadium, automated with artificial intelligence

YOUR DOLLARS IN ACTION

IMPACT OF K CLUB DONATIONS ON PRAIRIE FIRE STUDENT-ATHLETES

\$5,000+

Average Cost of New Uniforms for a Whole Team

\$2,000

Team Bus Trip to an Away Competition

\$1,500

Professional Development Coaches Convention

\$500

Lodging for One Student-Athlete for an Entire Season

\$250

Average Cost of a Uniform for One Student

\$100

Travel Gear for a Student-Athlete

\$50

Team Backpack for a Student-Athlete

\$25

Meal for a Student-Athlete While Traveling

2023-2024 K CLUB DONORS

(Gifts received as of June 30, 2024)

MVP CIRCLE

\$5,000+

Mark Allen '81 & Peg Allen
Thomas Anderson '66 P '89 P '93 GP '22 &
Sue Anderson '71 P '89 P '93 GP '22
Robert Ayers
Carol Bovard Craig '89 & John Craig
Lowell Dixon '65 & Mariclaire Dixon
Kenneth Drost '75 & Stacy Brown Drost '75
Janelle Curtis Eckdhal '01 & Eric Eckdhal '00
Gerald Jacobson '77
Walter Larkin '55 & Susan Clare
Amy Ragnini Olson '91 & Steven Olson '92
Barbara Cady Schmid '62 & Robert Schmid '62
Darren Smith '93
Steven Walton '74
Joan Whitney Whitcomb '56 & Richard Whitcomb '57

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S CLUB

\$1,837-\$4,999

Junichiro Adachi '81 & Noel Dolan Adachi '82
Valerie Blevins '86 & John Anderson

Robert Boynton '65 P '92 & Judy Boynton P '92
Clare Colt '17
Christopher Dewald '83 & Patricia DeWald
Judy Fayta P '27
Tim Herring '79
Thomas Neagle '04
Jeff Radakovich '84 & Vicki Short
Martha Thrasher Stroben '52
Judy Gleason Valentine '62 & James Valentine '61
Elena White
Michael Wright '75 & Kathleen Wright
RE/MAX Preferred Properties

COACHES CLUB

\$1,000-\$1,836

Anonymous (1)
Laurel Andrew '86 & Victor Onufrieff
Scott Baldwin '81 & Melany Baldwin
Steve Baumgartner '77 & Susan Baumgartner
Jamie Bjorkman '57
Brynna Barnhart Blodgett '03
Susan Hagrelius Boyd '85 & Michael Boyd '86
Gene Brandt '72

Jeffrey Cooper '86 & Donna Cooper
Stephanie Hasan Detterline '98 & Alvin Detterline
Gregory Duick '68 & Peggy Duick
Tony Etz '83
David P. Fridovich '74 & Katherine Kodl Fridovich '76
Ed Fujii P '27 & Tina Fujii P '27
Elissa Bonaventura Gunning '69 & Daniel Gunning '68
Alexandra Henning P '24 & Christopher Henning P '24
Colleen Conway '71 & John Heyer '68
Holly Engelhart Isaacson '99 & Andrew Isaacson '99
Courtney Kirchmann '91 & Eric Kirchmann '91
Steve Laudel '79 & Cheryl Laudel
George Matkov '64 P '91 & Nancy Matkov
Harvey Moore '68
Donna Schwall Oberembt '79 & Randy Oberembt '76
Tom Pschirrer '69 & Kathleen Pschirrer
Debra Schabes P '24 & Adam Schabes P '24
John Wombacher '73 & Patricia Wombacher
Peoria Charter Coach

PURPLE AND GOLD

\$250-\$999

Anonymous (2)

James Adams '88
 Joyce Tucker Allison '72 P '00 P '08 &
 William Allison '72 P '00 P '08
 Kyle Anderson '93 & Amy Anderson
 Ken Varnum P '26 & Nieka Apell P '26
 Mark Avkerman
 Jeffrey Baker '19 & Beth Zeiter
 Anthony Balthazor '03 & Alison Balthazor
 Bryan Bell '99
 Amy Beuschlein '89
 Tina Bialek P '24 & Joseph Bialek P '24
 Susan Blew '75 & Dennis Puglisi
 Marykay Brady
 Lisa Brown
 Richard Brown '83
 Steven Burbridge
 Tighe Burke '09
 Daniel Calandro '77 & Janet Calandro
 Chad Campanelli '97
 Dawn Davies Clark '91 & Jeffrey Clark '82
 Bradley Coats '92 & Christine Coats
 Ernie Coffey
 Lynn Colburn P '18 & Charles Colburn P '18
 Michael Cole
 Rachel Clark Cole '12 & Michael Cole
 Kim Conway
 Otis Cowan '64 & Carlotta Cowan
 Charles Creekmore '71 & Dana Creekmore
 Michael Cunningham
 Robert Cunningham
 James H. Davison P '27 & Julienne Davison P '27
 Deborah DeGraff '80
 Virginia Denton
 Aidan Derry '25
 Nadejda Dinisheva P '27
 Sarah Dufresne
 Ronald Dunn P '26 & Gretchen Dunn P '26
 William Durall '72 P '00 P '98
 John Durocher '82 & Teresa Durocher
 Nathan Easley '03
 Chad Eisele '93 P '20 & Kathleen Eisele P '20
 Abigail Kuhn Enlund '04 & Christopher Enlund '03
 Ron Etienne P '24
 Eric Fester
 John Flood '71 P '02 & Carol Flood
 Stephen Freese '74
 Nellie Fujii-Anderson & Aiko Anderson
 Ginee Fujii-Ogard
 Beth Conant Gilster '02 & Arthur Gilster '02
 Corey Goff
 Kelly Gomer & Jeffrey Gomer
 Michael Haley '88 & Stephanie Haley
 David Han '06
 Matthew Hannam '98 & Allison Hannam
 Hayley Harvey P '24 & Matthew Harvey P '24
 Randi Hawes P '27
 Fred Heger '79 & Eleanor Heger
 Kerry Heimann
 Kevin Heimann '02
 Catherine Kucik Heimann '70 P '95 P '02 P '04
 Jeffrey Herr '86 & Tracy Herr
 Douglas Hill '77 & Cathryn Hill
 Susan Hilliard P '25 & Landon Hilliard P '25
 Norm Hillner '79 & Kathleen Hillner
 James Hutchison '68
 Patricia Isaacson P '99 & Thomas Isaacson P '99
 Mary & Leonard Janssen
 Stanley Johnson '84 & Saba Shibberu
 Stephen Johnson '67
 Lloy Brodnicki Johnston '94 & Mark Johnston '93
 Alicia Johnstone P '27 & Kristopher Johnstone P '27
 Kristopher J. Johnstone
 Monica Keith P '25 & Blake Keith P '25
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 Darren King '94 & Tacy Iverson King '96 P '27
 Kathryn Klope P '27
 Harlan Knosher P '80 GP '10 GP '20
 Kristen Koviekis '18
 Larry Kusch '71 & Susan Kusch
 Todd Lanser '00 & Suzanne Holthaus

Julie Larsen '04
 Cammi Heimann Lawrence '95 & Doug Lawrence
 Giannamaria Lentini P '27
 Gwen Lexow '90 & Jennifer Jewell '92
 Dale Litney '66 P '92
 Jim Lofgren '80 & Mary Lofgren
 Kurt Luecke & Patricia Luecke
 Neil Magruder '06
 Jennifer Matthew-Baldwin '81
 Dudley McCarter '72 & Elizabeth McCarter
 C. Andrew McGadney & Camille McGadney
 David McKillip '74 & Dia McKillip
 Matthew McQuaid '88
 Sherry Medina
 Greg Mendrek '79
 Christina Miller P '26 & Paul Miller P '26
 Dustin Milliken '03 & Tiffany Delahanty Milliken
 Christina Mirani P '25 & Rahul Mirani P '25
 Edie Mitsuuchi-Smith '80 & Martin Smith
 Todd Monken '89
 Bobby Monroe '88
 Levi Morgan '07
 Julia Jones Morrison '78 & Joseph Morrison '79
 Trey Morrison '96
 Matthew Nagel '04
 Reena Nain P '25 & Sandeep Nain P '25
 Jennifer Foster Nelson '01
 Marta Nelson
 Alexander Nimmer '09
 John Nitti & Janet Nitti
 Christopher Page
 Laurie Perez
 Peter Petersen '81 & Pamela Petersen
 David Plomin '86 P '22 & Kalpana Plomin P '22
 Glenn Prout '10
 Jim Ramsey '88
 Thomas Ready
 Jack Reiners '56
 Jon Ripperger '86
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 Michael Rochford P '27 & Leah Rochford P '27
 Laura M. Rosene '90 & R. Scott Toop
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 Michael Warren
 Alison Snyder-Warwick '00 & Christopher Warwick '99
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 Benjamin Wetherbee '12
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 Jennifer Yates P '26
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 Paxton Acree
 Lisa Adams
 Carey Adamson '76 & Marilyn Adamson
 Isabella Aguirre
 Tracy Akpore
 Kevwe Akpore-Idise
 Joann Alexander
 Chelsea Alexander
 Kathleen Kilkus Allen '00 & Matthew Allen
 Stuart Allison & Holly Whittet-Allison
 Reed Allison '00 & Katie Allison
 Esteban Alvarez, II '25
 Saxon Alvarez '24
 Robert C. Alvarez '80 & Patricia K. Alvarez
 Eric Aman
 Ronald L Amend
 Jeffrey Ancelet '98
 Aiden Anderson '27
 Hunter Anderson '24
 Lorry Anderson
 Maria Anderson
 Alyssa Stepanian '18 & Jordan Anderson '19
 Christina Anderson
 Cole Andrews '26
 Arthur Anthony '24
 Stephen Apell
 Grecia Arancivia Mora
 Erin Arceo
 Laura Arscott
 Kristan Augustin
 Eduardo Avellandeda
 Jaimie Avery
 Alexander Baackes '24
 Alexander Baker '21
 Allison Baker
 Todd Baker P '26 & Alicia Baker P '26
 William Baker '92 & Blue Baker
 Jackie Baker
 Brandi Barker
 Beth Barnes
 Ruben Barrientoz & Janice Gomez
 Brayden Bathgate '23
 James Battin
 Barbara McCauley Baumeister '72 & Jerry Baumeister '71
 Danita Beadle
 Owen Beaver '25
 Kevin Beck '11 & Cory Bieber Beck '10
 Molly Bender
 Samuel Benitez '26
 Jace A. Bennett '27
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 John Bennett
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 Jonathan Betts '05
 Peter Bialek
 Molly Biggs '25
 Kyle Biggs P '25 & Robin Biggs P '25
 Chris Biggs
 Ellen Biggs
 Carrie Billings
 Agatha Bires
 Nick Blencoe '26
 William Blencoe P '26 & Patti Blencoe P '26

Christopher Boggs '87
 Robert Bolier '73
 Karen Bonstead P '04 & Douglas Bonstead P '04
 Pierce Borah
 Philip Borozan & Elsie Borozan
 Anthony Brantley '27
 Daniel Breed '74
 Edward Brees '24
 Gary Brees P '24 & Deborah Brees P '24
 Matt Briggs '06 & Sara Briggs
 Ethan Brinkman '27
 Theola Broers
 Lily Broers
 Andrew Brown '24
 Deborah Brown
 Kayla Brown '18
 James Brown '86 & Linda Brown
 Heidi Browne
 Davis Brumbaugh '24
 Zeus Brundage '27
 Jacob Brunette '04 & Lyndsey Brunette
 Jamie Brzezinski
 Bob Budgin & Barbara Budgin
 David Bunde & Jennifer Bunde
 Cecilia Burciaga
 Jim Burke & Deborah Burke
 Alycea Burnett '24
 Crystal Burnett
 Beau Burnett P '24 & Rachael Junk P '24
 Evan Burris
 Leah Heister Burton '08 & Kevin Burton
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 Gail Byrd
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 Ryan Campbell
 Cory Capps
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 Karen Carney
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 Amber Felton Carroll '02 & Robert Carroll '02
 Nancy Carroll P '02 & Robert Carroll P '02
 Allison Beale Cascio '04 & Jason Cascio '06
 August Casson
 Jack Cate '68 & Hoa Cate
 Andres Cavazos & Roxann Cavazos
 Damell Centeno '24
 Wayne Chadwick
 Martha Chavarria
 Steven Cheesman '80 & Kelly Cheesman
 Jenna Christianson
 Basil Chulak
 Andrew Civettini
 Colbin Clark '26
 Gary Clark & Diane Clark
 Roger Clark & Sandra Clark
 James Clark '09 & Erin Rutledge Clark
 Mary Clark P '24 P '09
 Derrick Clayton P '27
 Jubilee Close '27
 Lauren Clugh
 Mitchell Cohen '79
 Christopher Colburn '18
 Louise Colebrooke
 Jeff Collette
 Mahkai Conway '26
 Diane Cooper
 William Corkill '52 & Jean Corkill
 Kevin Corley '08
 Kathryn Coseglia '20
 Doreen Cosson
 Jason Cowley
 Sue Kobler Crain '78 & Charles Crain '73
 Cory Crandall
 Mary Crane
 David Cratty '80 & Elizabeth Cratty
 DeeDee Culler

Patrick Cunningham
 Eric Cushman
 Matthew Cutright '89
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 Jerome Cyraneck
 Kathryn McMorrow Czuprynski '75 &
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 Jerry Czynewski & Dawn Czynewski
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 Thomas Daker '78 & Lorraina Daker
 Stephen Damm
 Jordan Danner
 Christopher Davenport
 Lexy Davis '27
 Alex Davis '11
 Benjamin Davis
 Colin Davis '11
 Claire Davison '27
 Cyar DeBose
 Herbert Decker '50
 Nikko Deligiannis '24
 Brooklyn Deming '22
 Terry Denoma '71 & Mary Jannone Denoma '73
 Fred Devera & Riza Devera
 Lisa DeVore
 Zeinabou Dicko
 George Diepenbrock '04
 Michael Dietz '68 & Susan Dietz
 Justin Dingle '13
 Robert Dircks P '27 & Amy Dircks P '27
 Dortch L. Dortch '26
 Will Dotson, III '27
 Peyton Doughty
 Travis Drury
 Gillian Dryjanski
 Olivia C. Dunn '26
 Ned Earley '96 & Rachel Earley
 Abby Ebener
 Mary Eckdhal P '00 & Jeffrey Eckdhal P '00
 Tammy Edwards
 James Eiffert '84
 Sam Eisner '26
 Charles Eisner
 Wesley Ekstedt '05
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In Memoriam: Jorge Prats AUGUST 1, 1932 TO MARCH 28, 2024

Jorge touched the lives of countless Knox students through the years. A native of Spain, he arrived at the College in 1962, teaching Spanish as a member of the modern languages department until 2000. An athletic youth, he was a member of Spain's Olympic water polo team.

He continued his interest in athletics at Knox, forming a men's soccer club in 1967. During these years, soccer received little financial support from Knox, so Prats not only coached as a volunteer, but he also spent a summer scouring junkyards for material to build sturdy soccer goals. Despite these challenges, the club played teams across the Midwest—many of them from much larger schools—and finished their first three years with a 20-4-3 record.

In 1970, men's soccer became a varsity sport, with Prats serving as head coach, a position he held on and off the next several decades. Soccer continued its success once it became a varsity sport, winning its division 10 times in its first 15 years and becoming the Midwest Conference (MWC) Champions in 1973 under Prats' leadership. During this time, Prats was also instrumental in starting another program, the Knox College Program in Barcelona, which began in 1969. He served as the on-site director 15 of the first 30 years of the program.

There will be a celebration of life for Jorge during Homecoming and Family and Friends Weekend, on October 26, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. in Alumni Hall. Open to the public.



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