

## Honors Jim and Virginia Seaver for Volunteer Service

Senior Services will be honoring Jim Seaver for their volunteer service to the County for nearly 20 years with the Virginia Seaver Volunteer Leadership Award. The award will be given annually to a person or couple in recognition of their time and talents to help the Senior Services.

Jim and Virginia have been active in delivering meals to seniors for the DCSS Senior Meals Program. They have led numerous programs of Armchair Travel and Learning Program, including visits to Turkey, Spain, Tunisia, England, and Israel. Virginia directed Bridge Classes at the Lawrence Senior Center, and served on the Board of Directors for 3 terms. The County is in celebrating the outstanding volunteer service of Jim and Virginia Seaver with a luncheon at the "Jazz It Up!" fundraiser on Friday, June 15, at the Eldridge Hotel. For ticket information, contact Tina Roberts at 842-0543.



BATTLE OF THE BULGE: 60 YEARS LATER

# Legendary battle unites neighbors

WW II vets didn't realize just how much they shared

By Jodie Krafft

Special to the Journal-World

When the German Army launched its last major offensive of World War II, 60 years ago this month, top Allied commanders were stunned.

"It was a big surprise to the generals, but it wasn't much of a surprise to us," Lawrence resident Martin Jones recalled in a recent interview.

In December 1944, at the start of what became known as the Battle of the Bulge, Jones was a young Army second lieutenant and platoon leader with the 423rd Regiment of the 106th Infantry Division.

"We'd had patrols up to the



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**MARTIN JONES, LEFT,** and Al Sellen became neighbors without knowing that they were both Battle of the Bulge veterans. The vets are pictured recently outside their Lawrence duplex. Jones is fond of noting that he lives in townhouse No. M1, a fitting coincidence because it's the same name as the M1 Garand Rifle used by most soldiers during World War II.



MR. AND MRS. PAUL ENDACOTT







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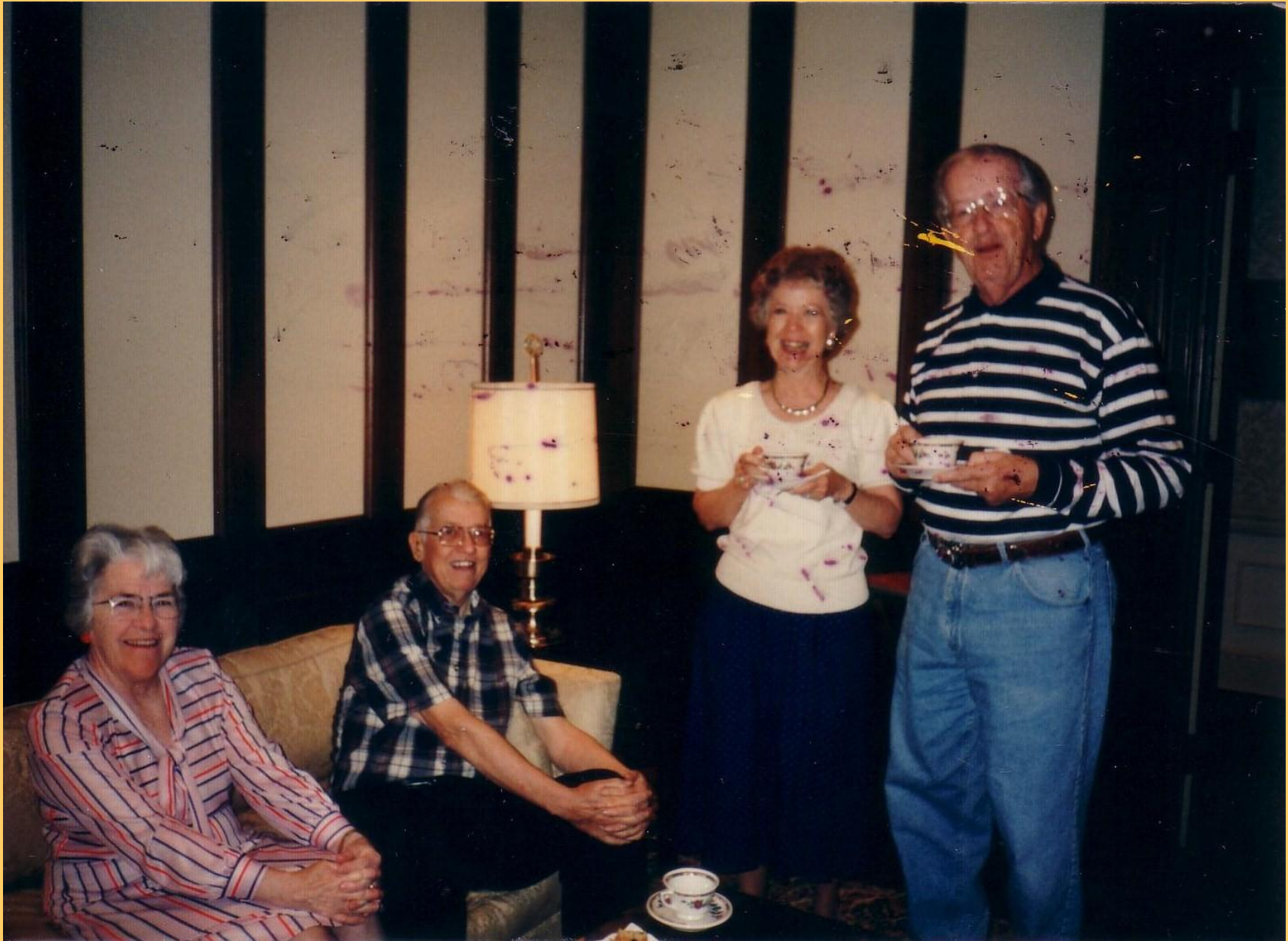








































































## INTERESTS

Nancy Hambleton long in the fast lane. Among many activities, she was Lawrence's first felon and mayor. A geologist, she chose full-time after their daughter in the early 1950s. By that time in Lawrence, she was in public policy. In Pennsylvania, she moved to Lawrence so Bill could finish his Ph.D. in geology. In 1951, the pair began their lifetime association

work, and he quickly climbed the ladder. He was with the Geological Survey in 1987, when he retired

made to order for Bill. He worked closely with her and traveled throughout the state and served on state committees.

He stepped up to become the geologist of one of the best in the country, "made it even better," a longtime colleague said at the geological museum. He turned over the reins to his successor on retirement. The Geological Survey was in the geological survey

## LATER AGE



Bill and Nancy Hambleton moved to Lawrence so he could finish his Ph.D.

at Columbia University certain that geologists could and should expand their horizons with computers. With colleagues, "he moved the Kansas Geological Survey into the computer age, lead-

ing the university and the region in advancing women into positions of administrative authority.

no geologist who can look at a landscape, for instance, without involuntarily shuddering at the butchering of a stream course, or slope angle, or some other violation of the natural order of the land."

So it really made sense that the Spencer Museum of Art reeled in the "retired" Bill Hambleton. At age 71, he was the first male docent at the museum.

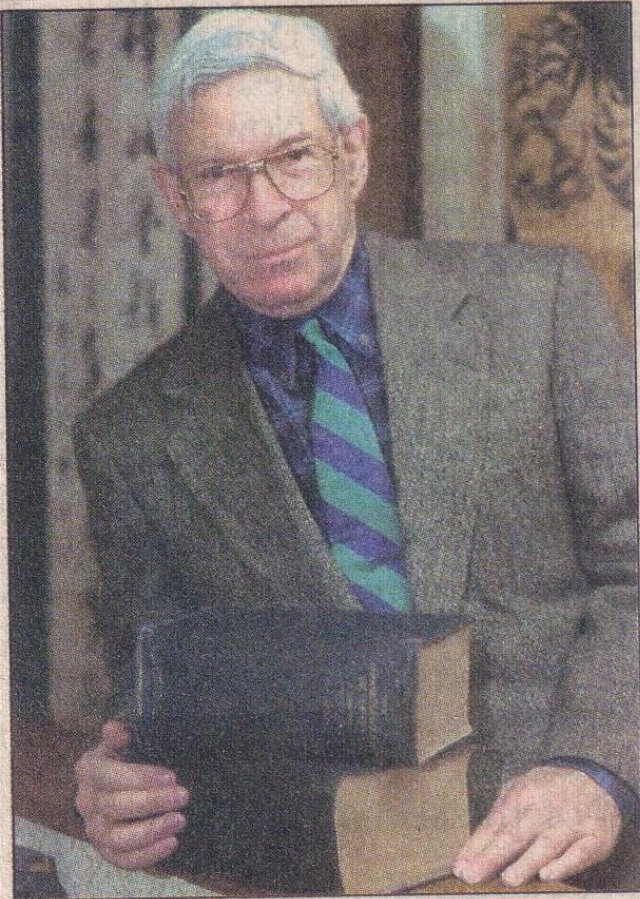
"We were thrilled to have him in the program," says Betsy Weaver, program coordinator at the Spencer at that time. She marvels at how this geologist displayed his teaching abilities as he conducted tours of the museum. His enthusiasm made people feel a contact with the subject matter, she says.

## LIFELONG PROCESS

In their 80s now, Bill and Nancy Hambleton still maintain an active schedule, including active membership in the Endacott Society for KU retirees and a regular exercise regimen. Into the water they go at the Lawrence Athletic Club, Nancy for a few laps and Bill for water walking. The water's resistance eases the back and leg pain Bill experiences when he walks too much. He can't share his thoughts about art to Spencer Museum visitors now because he's not up to all the walking that's required. But he still occasionally works at the information desk.

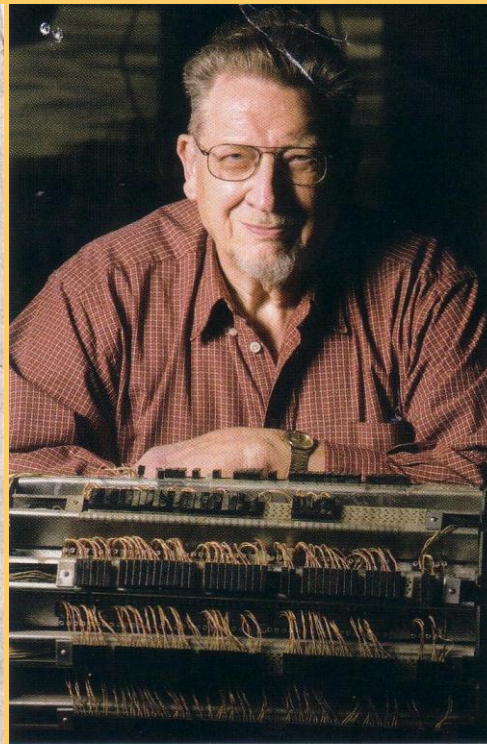
As to why, listen to Bill Hambleton himself:

"I believe in a lifelong learning process, and that volunteerism is an extension for me. Instead of directing it to-



RICHARD GWIN/JOURNAL-WORLD PHOTO

**Grant Goodman**, Lawrence, remembers his World War II experience as he shows off two dictionaries he used in translating Japanese for the United States.



### A time machine's final lessons

Earl Schweppe, professor emeritus of electrical engineering and computer science, was recently carting pieces of an IBM 650 through Eaton Hall when wide-eyed students asked, "What's *that*?"

Schweppe explained that it was the guts of KU's first mainframe computer, installed in Strong Hall in 1957. He pointed out the tubes and wires, then pulled out a broken belt drive and said, grinning, "This is what powered the memory."



Saturday, October 1, 2005



Sandra Wiechert/Special to the Journal-World

**THE PRINCIPAL PLANNERS** of the Kansas State Day events at Washington National Cathedral attend a reception for attending Kansans. From left are, Martha Jenkins, former member of the Kansas Legislature from Leavenworth and now an attorney in Washington, D.C.; Ben Bradburn, the Cathedral's program director; and Sandra and Allen Wiechert, Kansas co-chairs for the National Cathedral Assn.

Sunday, November 5, 2006



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**JANE MALIN**, a longtime volunteer at the Lawrence Community Theatre, won a 2006 Phoenix Award for volunteer in the arts. She is pictured last week at the theater.

## Community theater volunteer 'pitches in wherever she's needed'

### Jane Malin • Volunteer in the Arts

There isn't much Jane Malin hasn't done around Lawrence Community Theatre. She's starred on stage, worked in the office, done costumes, baked cookies for the concession stand, helped select plays and organized volunteers.

"She pitches in wherever she's needed, and she doesn't call a lot of attention to herself," says Mary Doveton, the theater's director. "She sees something that needs to be done and does it."

Malin, 80, has volunteered at the theater since she retired to Lawrence, her home town, in 1986. Most of her career was spent as a professor of foreign languages at the University of Houston.

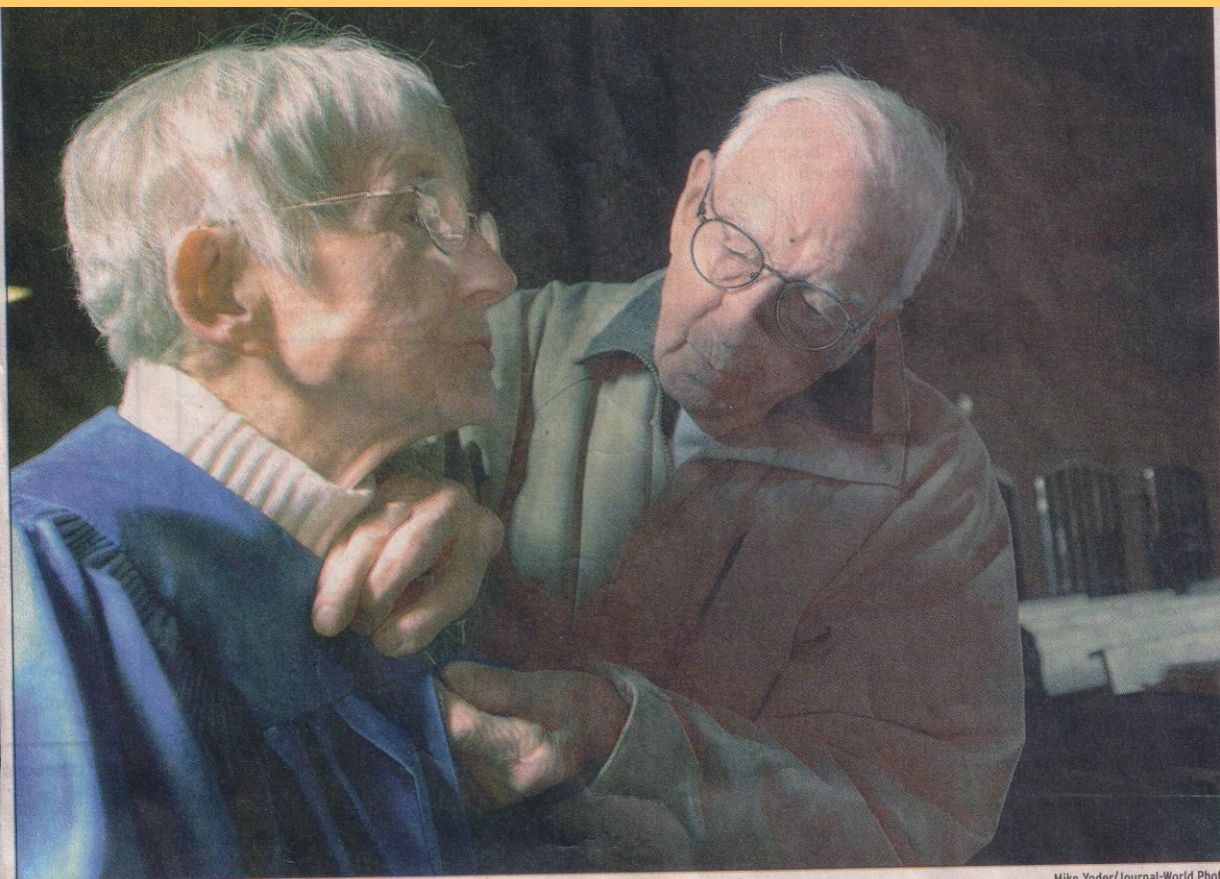
She says she was looking for something to do in her retirement, and a friend suggested she try

**"I don't have much in the way of family. This place is pretty much it. The people I work with are wonderful. They're here because they want to be. They're talented and caring."**

— Jane Malin, volunteer at Lawrence Community Theatre

Glorie," which earned her a regional "best actress" award from the American Association of Community Theatre in 1999. She also was in "Arsenic and Old Lace" and, more recently, "The Mousetrap."

She'd like to return to the stage but admits there aren't too many roles for 80-year-old women. Still, she stays busy, volunteering o



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**WINNIE GALLUP** is assisted by her husband, Al Gallup, in putting on her church robe for a photograph. Gallup is retiring after more than 60 years as organist at First Presbyterian Church, 2415 Clinton Parkway.

“When I read the materials from the church and it listed when individual staff members started here, I had to ask if it was a typo,” Winters-Hazelton says. “One of the reasons she’s been so successful is her incredibly delightful spirit and presence. She’s very lively.”

David Grisafe, who has sung in the church choir for about

schedule included a choir rehearsal on Wednesday or Thursday nights, practicing on her own during the week and playing two services on Sunday morning. She also directed the bell choir and the children’s choirs on and off through the years.

It’s impossible to know exactly how many Sundays she played through the years, but it was more than 3,000.

at the level at which she played is unheard of,” Resseguie says. “People’s skills start to drop off at some point. Winnie can still hear a tune from something else going on in the service, identify the key, pick it up on the organ and transfer that into the next musical idea. She wouldn’t even blink an eye.”

#### Spouse support

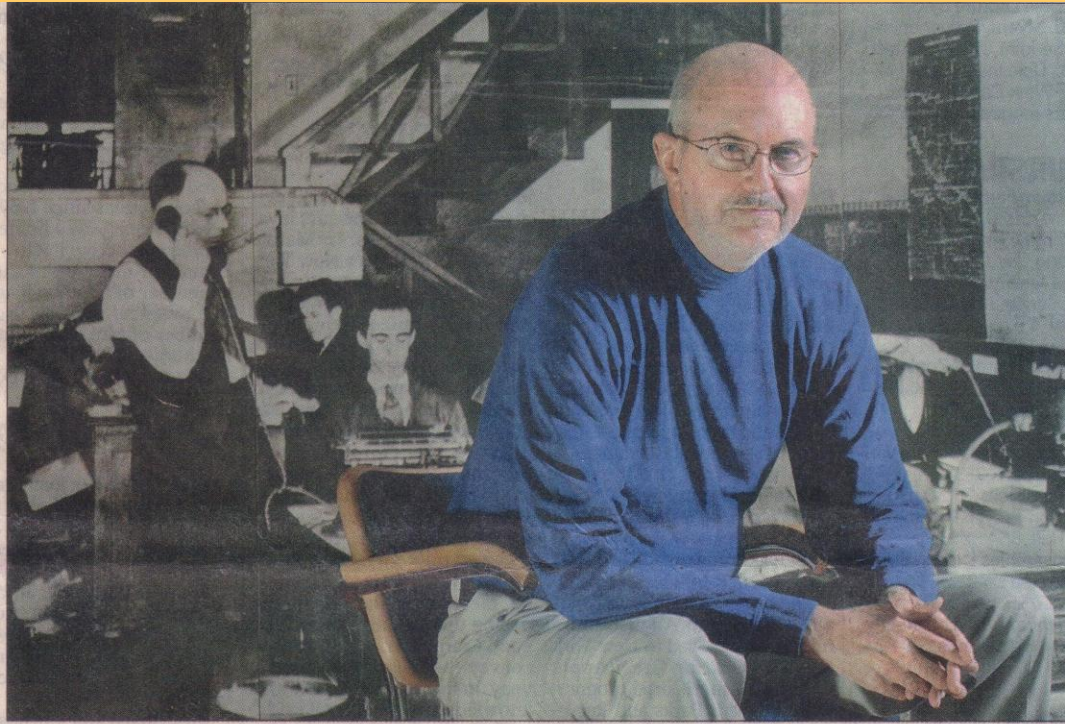
head — “and she can sit down and play them.”

Al Gallup, a retired KU military science professor, says he couldn’t imagine Winnie not playing the organ.

“It’s just part of her life,” he says.

#### ‘Things to do’

Gallup finally decided that she wanted to have more time for herself, and she’s hoping to



Nick Krug/Journal-World Photo

**TOM EBLEN, RETIRED JOURNALIST**, editor and longtime general manager of the University Daily Kansan, recently won the Clyde M. Reed Jr. Master Editor Award from the Kansas Press Association. Eblen is pictured inside Stauffer-Flint Hall at Kansas University in front of a photographic mural showing the early days of the Emporia Gazette.

## Longtime journalist recognized for lifetime of achievement

By Eric Weslander

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During his 15 1/2 years as the adviser of Kansas University's student paper, Tom Eblen had a silent way of giving his seal of approval

“What struck me when Tom was my professor was the way he presented himself, which is calm, quiet and a little bit scary.”

— Jeff Ruby, senior editor at Chicago Magazine, who studied journalism at KU in the 1990s

Eblen said. “I had no idea I'd been nominated, but at age 70, it's nice to see something like that come along.”

Eblen worked at newspapers in Columbia, Mo., and Amarillo, Texas, before joining the Kansas City Star in 1960. He spent time as city editor and managing editor of the Star and was editor and general manager of the Fort Scott Tribune from 1980 to 1986 before

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## FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS



**MATT CLARK**, Vancouver, Wash., left, his father-in-law, Jerry Niebaum, Lawrence, and his son, Calvin Clark, 12, celebrate the jayhawks' victory over North Carolina at Poipu Beach Grill on the island of Kauai, Hawaii. Jerry and Matt are both KU alumni. Judy Niebaum, Lawrence, submitted the picture. Got a shot for Friends & Neighbors? Send it, along with your name, phone number, residence, and children's ages, to Friends & Neighbors, P.O. Box 888, Lawrence 66044, or go online at [www.fjworld.com](http://www.fjworld.com).