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## John Hansan Passes Away



John F. Hansan, a longtime WSU professor died Wednesday, March 20, 2013, in Homosassa, Fla., after a long illness. Hansan was a member of the faculty in the College of Education's Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, serving 11 years as chair. He was 79. He served at Wichita State for 31 years, from 1964 until he retired in 1995. Hansan is survived by his wife, Jo, in Homosassa, Fla.

Sue Bair, a former department member, said Hansan was a strong advocate for students and colleagues. "He always promoted faculty success without expecting any credit," said Bair.

"Hansan played a key role in the creation of the successful Sports Administration program on the WSU campus," said his former department colleague, Richard Laptad. "In fact, John was a very important leader in the overall development of the department for decades."

Hansan and his wife Jo also established the John Hansan Fellowship, the single largest scholarship awarded to a sport management major each year. This year's fellowship is valued at \$1,040, and applications for the graduate award are currently being accepted.

## SMSA to Volunteer with Wichita Habitat for Humanity

The Sport Management Student Association (SMSA) will volunteer on a Wichita Habitat for Humanity build April 23 from noon to 4 p.m.

All volunteers must register online at [www.wichitahabitat.org](http://www.wichitahabitat.org). To request registration instructions, please contact Johnny Buchanan-Spachek at (316) 978-5455 or [johnny.buchanan-spachek@wichita.edu](mailto:johnny.buchanan-spachek@wichita.edu).

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## Faculty, Students Highly Active on Research Front

Sport management faculty members have been highly engaged in research activities, as evidenced by an array of publications and conference presentations. The following summarizes the department's most recent research accomplishments:

- Wonyoung Kim co-authored (with Dan Drane, Southern Mississippi) an article titled "The Economic Impact of a State Team Tennis Event" that will be published in a forthcoming issue of the *Journal of Contemporary Athletics*.
- Kim is part of a research team that developed a presentation for the Southern Sport Management Conference this month.
- Jeff Noble and Mark Vermillion have an article titled "Kansas Youth Sport Practitioners: Perceptions of Child Abuse and Organizational Policies" that has been accepted for publication in the fall issue of the *KAHPERD Journal*
- Vermillion co-authored (with Chris Messer, Colorado State-Pueblo) a chapter titled "The NCAA: An Enforcement Agency Involved in the Production of Organizational Deviance" appearing in *Contemporary Athletics Compendium Volume 4*.
- Vermillion and former student Angie Leivian published the article "College students and gambling: Do student athletes gamble more?" in the *Journal for the Study of Sports and Athletes in Education*.
- Vermillion also had an article titled "Collegiate Wheelchair Basketball Student-Athletes: An Examination of Image and Self-Esteem" that was published this year in the *Journal for the Study of Sports and Athletes in Education*.
- Vermillion also presented a paper on perceptions of sport as a character builder at the Midwest Sociological Society in Chicago.
- Clay Stoldt wrote a chapter titled "College Athletics Communications: Evolution of the Field" in the recently published *Routledge Handbook on Sport Communication*.
- Stoldt, Noble, Mike Ross, and graduate students Julica Bonsall and Travis Richardson co-authored an article on social media use in college athletics for *The CoSIDA E-Digest*.
- Stoldt and Vermillion co-wrote a chapter titled "Careers in Sport Management" in the recently published *Introduction to Kinesiology* (4th edition).
- Stoldt and Vermillion also co-authored two articles regarding competitive balance in college athletics with Martin Perline (WSU Department of Economics) that have been published in *The Sport Journal* this spring. The trio also collaborated on a presentation at the NCAA Convention in January.
- Kim, Noble, Vermillion, and Stoldt will all be involved in presentations at the North American Society for Sport Management conference next month in Austin, Texas.

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