

# *the* Kaw Valley Catbacker

## Golf Tournament event a success

By Mike DeVader

With three days of steady rain threatening to spoil the festivities, the sun finally came shining down on Shawnee Country Club as the much anticipated Kaw Valley Catbacker golf tournament hit calendars on May 21, 2010, as 14 teams teed it up for Kansas State Athletics.

Golfers sprinkled the country club in the late morning as the players took part in putting contests and took pictures before eating lunch and listening to a few words from the two guest speakers. Director of Football Operations Sean Snyder said some words regarding the football team and assistant basketball coach Brad Underwood spoke on behalf of the men's basketball team.

Once again, the Catbacker tournament brought out some recognizable faces associated with K-State as former players such as David Allen and Jonathan Beasley showed up representing the football team, along with current offensive lineman Zach Kendall. Wildcat women's basketball had a nice showing as well with Danielle Zanotti and Malies Gipson hitting the course to take some swings. Both girls have graduated and are currently working with

the basketball program as Director of Team Operations and Director of Video Operations, respectively.

After lunch and announcements, the players hit the course for a 1 p.m. tee time and finished up at around 6 p.m. It was finally a great 73 degree day for golf, and the extremely sloppy course didn't prevent teams from posting some good scores. First place tallied a 13-under score of 58 in the first flight with a 12-under 59 coming in second. The second flight had a pair of 63s, which is a score of 8-under.

Kendall said he was one of the few players that were in the area and available to make all the Catbacker functions, but was sure glad he came to play in Topeka. He also added he was glad to see the day come to an end because it was his fourth day in a row playing golf, and he was so sore he had no clue how people did it for a living, but his experience with the Kaw Valley Catbackers was a memorable one.

It was a great showing for the Kaw Valley Catbackers as all proceeds go back to helping Kansas State and their student-athletes. A number of people signed up to become new members of the Kaw Valley Catbackers as well, and hopefully the golf tournament can be an even bigger event in 2011.



Sean Snyder addresses a crowd of 90-plus golfers and fans at the annual Kaw Valley Catbacker Golf Tournament on May 21, 2010.



Four Classy Cats attended the golf tournament showing their support for K-State.

# Club members attend Texas game



*Kaw Valley Catbacker members had a great time at the Kansas State vs. Texas baseball game on May 8th, 2010. Sixty-eight club members attended a pregame tailgate event hosted by Kansas State. After the pregame meal a drawing for K-State baseball items including t-shirts, baseballs signed by Coach Hill and a Big 12 stadium blanket was held. This picture includes some of those who attended.*

*By Mike DeVader*

For the first time in school history, the Kansas State baseball team woke up to play the second game of a home series having beaten the top-ranked team in the country the night before. With Friday night still fresh in their minds, the 20th ranked Wildcats were focused on chalking up two victories in a row against No. 1 Texas in the comfortable confines of Tointon Family Stadium.

The Longhorns, however, had much different ideas, as they avenged their opening loss of the series by punishing the Wildcats, 17-2, and in doing so, somewhat took the air out of the stadium and Catbacker day at the ballpark in Manhattan.

Momentum was still on K-State's side at the bottom of the first inning as the Wildcats were able to scratch across a run as short-stop Carter Jurica laced a first-inning double

and scored on a wild pitch to give K-State a 1-0 lead.

Little did the Wildcats know the sunshine overhead during the game was the only ray of hope they had on this day, as the sleeping giant that is Texas baseball seemed to finally open its eyes.

The Longhorns immediately responded with two runs in the top of the second inning, matching their game one run total, and never looked back. Texas had a five-run fourth that was capped off by a Cohl Walla three-run blast, and the hits just kept on rolling in runs as K-State gave up nine runs in a two inning span, and four long balls in the game.

The Wildcats had no answer for Texas starting pitcher Cole Green as he threw his fourth complete game of the season, toying with K-State as he tossed his third complete game against Big 12 opponents, surrendering just two runs on six hits with four strikeouts on 105 pitches on the way to Texas capturing its sixth Big 12 regular-season championship with the win as it improved to 40-8 overall and 20-3 in the Big 12.

With the loss, Kansas State dropped their first regular-season game to Texas in two years, and now hold a record of 32-14 on the season and 11-8 in conference play. K-State finished out the season strong with a ticket to its second consecutive appearance in the NCAA tournament.





# 28th Annual Kaw Valley Catbackers BBQ

Monday, June 28, 2010 Exhibition Hall Expocenter • Doors open at 6 p.m. • Food served until 7:30 p.m.  
Advance ticket \$15 member/\$18 non member • Door \$18 member/\$12 non member • Kids \$5

**\$10 no meal**

Reservations due by Friday, June 18 • Call 785-273-7424

Guest speakers Athletic Director John Currie, Head Football Coach Bill Snyder, Head Basketball Coach Frank Martin, Alumni Assoc. President Amy Button Renz

*Tickets are required to attend and can be purchased with or without a meal. Visit [www.kvcb.org](http://www.kvcb.org) for an entry form.*

## First KVCB St. Patrick's Day Parade

By Clardy Vinson

The St. Patrick's Day parade on March 17 was a spectacular success. According to the Topeka Capital Journal, KSNT, and WIBW the crowd along Kansas Avenue was the largest to date. Crowd estimates put the figure at six deep lining the course of the parade. For the first time in the history of the parade, the Kansas Jayhawks faced stiff competition from the loyal purple faithful in Topeka. The crowd's reception of the KVCB float was incredible.

Thanks to the following members who served on the float committee and volunteered to participate in the parade: Dale and Judy Ann Somers, Greg and Mary Lou Davis, Chris and Cherylene Lovett and Paula Vinson. Special thanks to Les Streit, KVCB Events Committee, KVCB members Donna Vialle and Dale Jirik, the KSU Classy Cats, Haley Gamber and Anne McClain, and their sponsor Kathleen Henao for their participation in this year's parade. Thanksa to Dee lewis and family for decorating and driving her Wildcat Purple PT Cruiser in the parade.

Next year we need to increase our presence in the St. Patrick's Parade and all events sponsored by the KVCB. EMAW!



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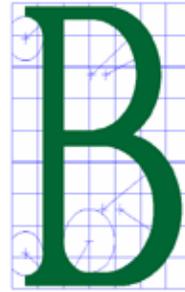


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# Kaw Valley Catbackers Club Events

**Monday June 28th - 28th Annual Family Barbecue** at the Exhibition Hall of the Kansas Expo Center. See details inside on page 4. Visit [www.kvcb.org](http://www.kvcb.org) for an entry form.

**Friday, August 27th from 7-10 PM KVCB Beer Tasting Party**

Location: Lake Shawnee Shelter #1 on SE West Edge Road

Bring a cold six-pack of your favorite foreign or regional domestic beer (per couple) for all to share and a \$10 bill. Food and snacks provided. Please bring lawn chairs. Families are welcome - a playground and restrooms are next to the shelterhouse. Call Les Streit @ 228-1212 or e-mail [streit1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:streit1@sbcglobal.net) to make a reservation.

**KVCB Luncheon in September or October.** Details to follow.

**KSU Football Game Replay Watch Parties** at Jerimiah Bullfrogs on Wanamaker on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. with door prizes given away at halftime.

**KVCB Football bus trip** to an away game to be determined.

**Fall KVCB Family Fun Night** at a local area pumpkin patch in early to middle October.

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