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**EDUCATION:**

**MA** 2006 – **Kansas State University**

Masters in Theater with a Concentration in Drama Therapy, 4.0 GPA

Honors: Inducted into Phi Kappa Phi

**BGS** 1984 – **Emporia State University**

Bachelor of General Studies, *cum laude*

**OTHER CREDENTIALS:**

**RDT** – Registered Drama Therapist, National Association for Drama Therapy, 2007

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

**Adjunct Instructor:** **Allen Community College**, Burlingame, KS (2001-present)

Teaching courses in Theater Appreciation and Public Speaking.

**Graduate Teaching Assistant:** **Kansas State University**, Manhattan, KS (2004-2006)

Teaching Public Speaking.

**Substitute Teacher:** **Osage City Public Schools**, Osage City, KS (1995-2006)

**DRAMA THERAPY EXPERIENCE:**

2006-2009 **Drama Therapist**, **Ulyssean Program Director**, **Activities Supervisor**,

**Brookside Retirement Community**: Overbrook, KS. I created the

Ulyssean program, a 12-week training experience designed to empower caregivers to deliver resident-centered care with increased creativity and empathy. As a member of Brookside's Leadership team, my contribution has resulted in an increase in census, an increase in licensed capacity and waiting lists, and an improvement of reputation in the surrounding community.

2005-2006 **Music Director for Barrier Free Theatre**: Manhattan, KS

2005 **Drama Facilitator for Girl Scouts Beyond Bars at Topeka Correctional Facility**: Topeka, KS

**RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

2007-2008 **Concert/Workshop Presenter** In addition to presenting at numerous long-term care facilities, I've presented at several professional venues including the Kansas Governor's on Aging, Nat'l Association of Drama Therapy, KHCA, KADA, KCAAP, and Alzheimer's Associations.

1989-Present **Puppeteer** for the **Northeast Kansas Library System** and area libraries, schools, churches, camps, and festivals, performing over two hundred shows.

**RECORDINGS:**

***The Person in the Picture Ain't Me***, Awestruck Studios, [www.awestruck.com](http://www.awestruck.com) 2007. CD of 13 original songs based on experiences with residents in long-term care.

***Nowhere Else***, Lawrence, KS 1998. CD of ten original songs.

***Psalms***, Emporia, KS 1996, CD of twelve original songs, national radio airplay on AFR 1996-1997.

***Life is a Vapor***, Burlington, KS 1995. CD of twelve original songs.

***Wisdom***, Topeka, KS 1993. CD of eleven original songs.

***Once There Was a Bottle***, Emporia, KS 1993. Audio tape of original puppet musical.

**REFERENCES:**

Sally Bailey, Scott Averill, PJ Prusia, Kathy Sikes, Steve Hatlestad