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WashU Women and Truman State Men Take Championships in 40th Annual K-State Ed Chartrand Memorial Soccer Tournament

Manhattan, Kan. – The women’s soccer club from Washington University (WashU), St. Louis, and men’s club from Truman State, Kirksville, Mo., left Manhattan, Kan. with championship titles after a weekend of soccer competition that marked the 40th anniversary of the Kansas State Ed Chartrand Memorial Soccer Tournament.

Men’s teams competing this year include: K-State, University of Kansas, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Truman State University, Texas A & M University and Pittsburg State University.

Women’s teams include: K-State, University of Kansas, Creighton University, Truman State University and WashU. The tournament is a partnership between K-State, the Chartrand Charitable Foundation and the 1st Infantry, 5th Field Artillery Division of Ft. Riley.

“WashU definitely dominated play this weekend in the women’s bracket,” Dennis Cook, tournament director, said. “Not one team was able to score on them. They had a shut-out in every match”

Players receiving the Dennis Cook MVP Award were Katie Zara, WashU and Erik Rimmer, K-State. Annually the Chartrand Foundation awards a \$500 scholarship to a member of the men’s and women’s K-State Soccer Clubs. Recipients of the 2019 scholarships are Jackson Ralston, senior from Overland Park studying Animal Science & Industry Pre-Vet and Morgan Strader, a junior from Olathe studying biology. Scholarships were presented Saturday evening during a special celebration which showcased history of the tournament.

The K-State Ed Chartrand Memorial Soccer Tournament was founded in memory of Edward E. “Fast Eddy” Chartrand, a former K-State soccer player from Leawood, Kan., who died at the age of twenty-two in 1979.

“This tournament was born out one players passion for the sport of soccer and dedication to his soccer family,” Art Chartrand, president of the Chartrand Charitable Foundation, said.

“K-Stater’s often talk about family and family is what this weekend is all about. Very few tournaments embrace players from every university as we do on this weekend whether it’s on the field or after the games when we gather to share stories and celebrate.”

The partnership between the military and college soccer began in 1979 when a team of soldiers from Ft. Riley competed in the inaugural Ed Chartrand Tournament along with K-State and Iowa State. Due to deployment, members of the 1-5FA were not in attendance this year, but the tournament was dedicated in their honor. The presentation of colors during the National Anthem at the opening and closing ceremonies was provided by the Konza Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol, Manhattan, Kan. led by Lt. Col. Roger Eaton.

Results from all games may be found at <http://www.chartrandsoccer.com/tournament/game-results/> For additional tournament information and history please visit www.chartrandsoccer.com

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