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Introduction

Anthony R. (Tony) Crawford joined K-State as university archivist in 1983, the year the university marked its 120th birthday. During the ensuing 31 years he has employed his talents as an archivist, researcher and writer to preserve for the K-State community the stories that comprise our history and heritage. Two of Tony’s works are particularly notable in this regard. The first is *K-State Keepsakes*, a series of posts appearing on KSU Libraries’ “Talking in the Library” blog between 2006 and 2013. The posts describe events and relate stories touching on various aspects of university history and feature documents and images held in university archives collections. The second is *Generations of Success: A Photographic History of Kansas State University 1863-2013*, co-authored with Clifford Hight. The centerpiece publication of K-State’s sesquicentennial celebration, *Generations of Success* was formally added to the Libraries’ collection as its 3 millionth volume. In early 2015 Tony will be retiring from his position in the Morse Department of Special Collections, a department he was instrumental in creating. In his honor and in hopes of preserving his stories and extending them to future audiences, his colleagues have collaborated to re-release the 34 posts of the *K-State Keepsakes* series in this e-book format.