

**Born in Oklahoma City on August 25, 1965**

Lived in 20 states and 3 countries

**Married since Tuesday, December 17, 1991**

Have one daughter and one son

**Parents married since 1963**

Lived in Joplin area since 1995

**Wife was an engineer at Eagle Picher**

Brother has spent time in a women's prison

**Grandmother born in Indian Territory**

Grandmother was topic of David Letterman joke

**Related to Red Skelton, President James Buchanan,**

**John Wayne, & Missouri's General Omar Bradley**

Grandma taught 4th grade; Grandpa raised racehorses

**Member, church of Christ at 26th and Connecticut**

Full-time Christian and deacon in the church

**Direct singing in church worship**

Have seasonal allergies

**Don't smoke, curse, or drink alcoholic beverages**

Never taken illegal drugs

**Do not have a favorite color**

Voted in every presidential election since 1984

**Enjoy creative writing and public speaking**

Preached on the radio

**Have a Joplin Public Library card**

Performed in Annie, Get Your Gun & If a Man Answers

**Had two girlfriends at age three**

Owned a turtle that danced to music

**Had a pet raccoon and a pet brahma bull**

Was a Cub Scout

**Was a "dolphin" at the YMCA**

Took gymnastics classes

**Attended a two-room schoolhouse**

Read 418 books in first grade

**Was a beekeeper**

Worn glasses since third grade

**Won second place in fourth grade spelling bee**

Spent time in an FBI jail

**Been fingerprinted by the Joplin and Carl Junction**

**Police, the FBI, and the MO Highway patrol**

Was manager & education director for outdoor family park

**Won awards for public speaking**

Visited Antique Archeology, owned by American

Picker Mike Wolf

**Met Natalie Cole, James Brown, and John Glenn**

Read the Bible from cover to cover

**Played drums in high school and college**

Family traditionally (since 1976) fires a Revolutionary

War cannon every Independence Day

**Wrote curriculum for Joplin Schools**

Played in a band with Elvis Presley's trumpet player

**Touched a moon rock**

Preached for churches in three states

**Received Acknowledgment of Service & Scientific**

**Contributions from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**

Performed on Grand Ole Opry stage

**Once solved Rubik's Cube in 23 seconds**

Owned a small town newspaper

**Was adjunct instructor at MSSU**

Played on the field at OU's Memorial Stadium

**Performed in community theater**

Worked as a school custodian

**Wrestled a full-grown African lioness**

Was offered management position at Silver Dollar City

**Herded buffalo on foot**

Skinned 700 pounds of catfish without a break

**Played w/black bear, mountain lion, & timber wolf**

Regularly fed a timber rattlesnake

**High bowling score was 232**

Rode a camel and an elephant

**Rode in police car and an ambulance**

Attended performances of Cats, Annie, Beauty and the

Beast, Peter Pan (*Rip Taylor as Hook*), Camelot

(*Robert Goulet as Merlin*), and The Lion King

**Learned shorthand in high school**

Nominated 3 times, Teacher of the Year, Buchanan

Elementary, Oklahoma City

**2001 nominee, Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching**

Worked for the United States Air Force

**Drove solar-powered vehicles**

Spent night in facility owned by original 7 astronauts

**Attended concerts with Barry Manilow, Kenny**

**Rogers, Alabama, Barbara Mandrell, the Oak**

**Ridge Boys, Lee Greenwood, Whitney Houston,**

**and Air Supply**

Rode a covered wagon on the Santa Fe Trail

**Touched a piece of the 1817 White House**

Touched Martin Luther King Jr.'s Funeral Wagon

**Touched original telegraph pole from the 1860s**

Lifted \$400,000 gold bar (27 pounds)

**Have seen \$4 million**

Was tour guide at a sewage treatment plant

**Walked under Air Force One plane**

Been in same room with George W. Bush

**Played drums for President Ronald Reagan**

Drove behind George H.W. Bush motorcade

**Manage three websites**

Served on Teacher of the Year Committee

**Spoke personally to Bob Hope twice**

Swam with dolphins and tropical fish

**Been in same room with Bill Cosby, Robert Ballard, and Oliver North**

Received money from Pam Anderson

**Ate dinner with Marilyn Monroe**

Have high expectations for all students

**Survived house fire**

Survived the April 19, 1995, Oklahoma City Bombing

**Survived the May 22, 2011, EF-5 Joplin Tornado**

Own a pair of boxing gloves

**Know Brad Pitt's babysitter**

Visited backstage at Silver Dollar City's Opera House

**Been to Silver Dollar City when it was closed**

Graduated from Tuttle High School in 1983

**Oklahoma City Schools grant winner**

Graduated University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma

**Bachelor of Arts in Communication in 1985**

Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education, in 1990

**Touched Susan Lucci's, Hillary Duff's, and**

**LL Cool J's sleeves**

Graduate Dean's Scholar with 4.0 average

**Taught since 1990**

Wife graduated from University of Central Oklahoma

**Taught at a "Segregated Negro High School"**

Global Moderator for an Internet Forum

**\$1000 KOAM Outstanding Class Video Award**

Interviewed at Cecil Floyd during a tornado warning

**President, Joplin Teachers Association**

Member, Missouri State Teachers Association

**Member, The Great American Teacher's Club**

Masters Degree in Teaching from PSU in 1999

**Visited seven Disney parks, two Universal Studios,**

**four Sea World parks, two Six Flags**

Stood on the deck of a Civil War battleship

**Served on Salary, Dropout, Salary, Calendar, and**

**Textbook Selection Committees**

Coach the Cecil Floyd Math League

**Supervised scoring of MAP test for the state**

Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) senior leader

**Worked for 11 principals in 2 schools in 2 districts**

Served on Joplin Schools Strategic Planning Committee

**Wrote two teacher guide books & four youth books**

2002 PDK/KODE Excellent Educational Program

**2004 Golden Apple Award Recipient**

2001/5 nominee, Disney's American Teacher Awards

**2004/5 Who's Who Among America's Teachers**

2005/6 Joplin Schools Teacher of the Year

**Named Joplin's Golden Eagle teaching award**

2005/6 candidate, Missouri Teacher of the Year

**Mentored, Technology Leadership Academy**

Was Curriculum Instruction Technologist

**Taught a Cecil Floyd teacher**

Paid \$800 for first car

**Was guest on Living Well, Local News Today, and**

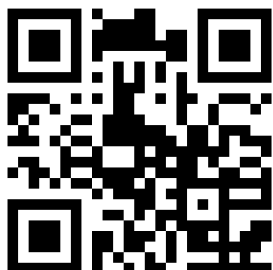
**Good Morning Four States**

Screen-tested finalist for a national television show



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Believe it or not, **ALL** of the items  
*on the inside of this leaflet*  
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- Learn about Mr. Hoggatt's **Teaching Philosophy**.
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2014/5 is Mr. Hoggatt's  
25<sup>th</sup> year of teaching.

## A MESSAGE FROM MR. HOGGATT



Students and Parents,

I am so happy to begin my silver year of teaching with my 25<sup>th</sup> class full of eager students. These students, entering the fourth grade on August 25, 2014 (the anniversary of my birth), may henceforth be referred to as **Hoggatteers**.

Our class and I are different. As we work through the year, I hope you can appreciate the work we put into developing our unique form. My primary focus for students in my class is to enforce the concept that *WE ARE A FAMILY*. I hope this is portrayed clearly in the articles, pictures, videos, and other items on our website at **Hoggatteer.weebly.com**.

Some of the first things we will focus on are firmly shaking hands and effective eye contact with the speaker. I wish for my students to admit and learn from their mistakes, as well as find solutions. I want them to approach challenges with perseverance, wrestle with material, work out problems for themselves, and regularly and authentically demonstrate respect one another. Sometimes this means we struggle, but let us struggle forward.

Together, we can make fourth grade a **distinctive** year!

Sincerely,

Dale Hoggatt, BA, BS, MS



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