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## **KDOT employees celebrate service anniversaries**

The Kansas Department of Transportation expresses its appreciation for employees celebrating state years-of-service anniversaries in September. KDOT is proud to acknowledge them for the long-term dedication they have provided to the state of Kansas.

Kenton Bahr, Equipment Mechanic Senior, **Lecompton**, is celebrating 40 years of service.

Those celebrating 30 years of service include: Greg Clothier, Equipment Operator Senior, **Bel Aire**; Paul Gripka, Special Project Engineer, **Tonganoxie**; Albert Horn, Highway Maintenance Supervisor, **Shawnee**; and Joann Phillips, Administrative Specialist, **Topeka**.

Those celebrating 20 years of service include: Joseph Essman, Highway Maintenance Supervisor, **Topeka**; Peggy Gott, Administrative Specialist, **Gardner**; and Philip Smith, Engineering Technician, Senior, **Wichita**.

Those celebrating 10 years of service include: Ronald Essenpries, Equipment Operator Specialist, **Mission**; Jeral Luth, Equipment Operator Senior, **Kansas City**; Garrett Parker, Equipment Mechanic, **Garden City**; Paul Pelzel, Equipment Mechanic, **Ellsworth**; and Ray Snively, Equipment Operator Senior, **Manhattan**.

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