A newsletter for friends and alumni of Lindenwood College

Springtime at the 'Wood...
Message from the President

Dear Friends,

This is a great time to be a part of Lindenwood College! Spring fever has taken hold and everywhere you look on this beautiful historic campus, there are signs of renewed energy and spirit. Now that the cold weather has finally passed (we hope!), we are all, students, faculty and staff alike, busy wrapping up the semester and looking forward to another grand Commencement day.

Springtime is the best time for starting new projects, and Lindenwood College is undertaking one of its most massive building campaigns ever. Just a few weeks ago, we broke ground on the new performance arena, a facility that will showcase Lindenwood athletic and cultural arts events. The renovations on Sibley Chapel are right on schedule, and we plan to have the chapel open to visitors on Commencement day.

I’d like to take a minute to boast of our students. We have some of the best students anywhere, and they continue to set new records for achievement. Later this month, we will present awards to more than 400 students at our annual Honors Convocation. These awards are presented for individual, academic, athletic, extracurricular and volunteer accomplishments. And not only are these students receiving honors, they are also finding success after graduation. Our placement record is most impressive; Lindenwood graduates are in demand with area employers for jobs and internships, and are being accepted into prestigious graduate school programs.

This issue of the Connection celebrates all the wonderful happenings at Lindenwood this year: our excellent faculty, outstanding students and successful alumni. A major philanthropic organization is supporting our performance arena construction, a local school district is working with the College to promote academic excellence in high school students, and we are looking at, for the fifth year running, a record number of students graduating in May.

I would like to extend to you my personal invitation to come and see for yourself how great Lindenwood College is today. I think you will be amazed and delighted at the way Lindenwood is moving forward and looking ahead to the next century, while retaining the values and traditions established by Mary and George Sibley so long ago. Lindenwood is a warm, friendly campus community that is geared toward success: academic success, personal success, and leadership success. Support your alma mater and take pride in being part of Lindenwood College!

Sincerely,

Dennis Spellmann
College, School District Partner on Excellence

Lindenwood College and the School District of the City of St. Charles have entered into a unique partnership to promote academic excellence throughout high school.

Lindenwood has developed two programs which provide incentive and reward academic achievement, leadership and character development for students in the St. Charles School District. The Contract for Academic Success is an agreement between the school district, Lindenwood, and students who wish to strive for academic and personal excellence throughout their high school years. Any student who enters into this contract would receive a signed Certificate of Agreement from Lindenwood College and the school district. The Academic Excellence Scholarship is a full-tuition package for the top students at each high school. Both scholarships represent a long-term commitment on the part of the College and the school district to offer students the opportunity to receive a quality liberal arts education.

Together, Lindenwood College and the School District of the City of St. Charles will establish a standard for the recognition and promotion of academic and personal excellence for all students.

Other school districts and some private high schools have expressed interest in developing similar arrangements.

Reunion/Homecoming Preview

Mark your calendar for the weekend of October 13-15, 1995 and plan to be on campus for Homecoming/Reunion Weekend. Honored classes this year will be those ending in zero and five. The St. Charles Lindenwood Club will host a reception on Friday night, October 13, to kick off the festivities and many events are planned throughout the weekend. More information and a registration form will follow at a later date but do plan to join the fun and see first hand the exciting things going on at your alma mater!
ARENA UPDATE: Meeting the Challenge...

"We have met the Mabee Challenge!" One hundred-fifty people were on hand to cheer as Lindenwood College President Dennis Spellmann made that announcement in mid-February. In the spring of 1994, the J.E. and L.E. Mabee Foundation of Tulsa, Okla. agreed to grant Lindenwood $1 million toward the construction of the College's new performance arena. In return, Lindenwood needed to raise a total of $3.65 million within a year of the challenge. We’re happy to say that thanks to generous friends, alumni, faculty and staff, we beat that deadline and will be receiving the Mabee grant in April. Work on the arena began March 30 and an official groundbreaking date will be announced later this spring.

...for the 21st Century

1969...
Man landed on the moon...Richard Nixon was president...Cows in the pastures in the quiet town of Woodstock, NY temporarily stopped giving milk as a result of a rock music festival...and Lindenwood College completed construction on the Fine Arts Building (now known as Harmon Hall).

1995...
Although we seldom see co-eds sporting juice cans in their hair anymore, some things are very much the same...Bob Gibson is back with the St. Louis Cardinals...We still have a flower-covered V.W. driving around campus, and students are itching to start using Lindenwood College's newest facility.

Construction has started on the College’s first major building project in 26 years: the Lindenwood College Performance Arena. The 3,000 seat arena will be home to Lindenwood Lions women’s and men’s basketball, volleyball and wrestling teams. Lindenwood students and the St. Charles community alike will enjoy the concerts, dance recitals, lectures, meetings and other special events that will abound in this state-of-the-art center. Faculty and staff are sure to further benefit from the added office and classroom space that will result from this project.

Alumni, area leaders and students have all been consulted to design this new center. As a result, special arrangements have been made to ensure the acoustics enhance concerts and performances while exceptional lines of vision have been created for viewing of sporting events.

In design, we have included a unique feature...the Luxury Skybox Pavilion. Comfortable seating, first-class decor and a premier vantage point will offer guests a wonderful experience. The connecting Community Room will provide a spacious and beautiful setting for entertaining and will include its own entrance, special food service facilities and private restrooms.

All of our constituencies have played a very important role in this pivotal project. Hundreds of friends, alums, faculty and staff, corporations and foundations have pledged their resources. An overwhelming majority of our donors have chosen to contribute to this campaign while still continuing their annual giving. We are very grateful for everyone's support.

Lindenwood College is dedicated to completing construction debt-free. In a year and a half of hard work we have raised $6 million toward our goal of $7.25 million. We still need your help.

Your gifts to the Performance Arena campaign will make the difference. There are many ways to make a difference in this project. Nearly 200 people are choosing to sponsor seats in the Luxury Skybox Pavilion. Others are taking advantage of employer matching gift programs, donate gifts-in-kind or give whatever their budgets allow.

With your help, 26 years from now, thousands of students, alums and friends will have benefited from the construction of the Lindenwood College Performance Arena. Let's hope none of them wear bell-bottoms!
Each spring, alumni and students join together for a common purpose: to call and ask that you renew your support for Lindenwood College.

That's right! It's Spring Phonathon time!

This year our goal is to raise $300,000 in gifts and pledges during the months of April, May and June. To meet this challenge, our volunteers will begin calling alums all across the country starting in mid-April.

So, when you answer your phone and there is a Lindenwood student or a fellow alum on the line, please take a minute or two to renew your gift in 1995.

Of course, calling everybody takes a lot of time. So you could help us out even more by mailing in your gift now in the enclosed envelope. If you do, we promise not to call unless you want us to. (But feel free to call us at any time!)

IMPORTANT: Whether we receive your pledge by phone or you mail your gift in now, please check to see if your company matches your gift. Many do and their match multiplies your contribution. If you know your company matches your gift, please ask for a matching gift form and enclose it when you mail in your check. If you are not sure, you may wish to check with your personnel office, or you can ask our volunteer when we call you.

All gifts to our annual fund drive are important and this spring we hope that we can count on yours!

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Students, Employers Make Connections

Nearly 200 students and more than 50 employers networked, interviewed and exchanged information at Lindenwood's 2nd Annual Career Fair, held March 20 in Butler Gymnasium.

Juniors, seniors and graduate students dressed up in their best "job-hunting" clothes to make a good impression on prospective employers.

A variety of businesses and corporations were represented at the Career Fair, including KSDK-TV, WGNU-AM radio, St. Joseph Health Center, Boatmen's National Bank, American Red Cross, Consolidated Communications, YMCA, Edward D. Jones, UPS, Nine West, Willow's Way, area police departments, temporary agencies, and others.

The Career Fair was free for students and business owners. If your company would like to take part in next year's event, contact the LC Career Development Office at (314) 949-4990.

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"Get 'em while they're hot!"

The 1995 edition of the Lindenwood LioNetwork Catalogs made its debut at the 2nd Annual Career Fair in March. All businesses who took part received a complementary copy of the book.

The catalogs contain "Talent Transcripts" of seniors and graduate students who have taken part in LC's Talent Accomplishment Program (TAP). The program is designed to help students develop their skills and gain practical experience through internships and volunteer work. The Talent Transcript enhances students' academic transcripts, giving potential employers a more well-rounded view of the student's abilities. 100% of the student's who were featured in the first two editions have been placed in jobs or in graduate school.

For more information, call LC Career Development at (314) 949-4990.
Professors Receive Awards for Excellence

by Tracie Kester ('95)

"The Leader in Success..." The catchy slogan created by Lindenwood College has been backed up more than once by the reputation of our faculty. Two faculty members were honored for their teaching excellence this academic year.

Jean Fields, associate professor of English and communication, is described by many of her students as a walking history book. "She's been here since the College was built," some students joke. Not quite. But Fields has taught at LC since 1965 and is the 1994 recipient of the Emerson Electric Excellence in Teaching Award.

"Jean is an excellent teacher, who has been an outstanding contributor to the success of Lindenwood College," said Dennis Spellmann, president of LC. "She puts her students first, and we are pleased to recognize her work, commitment and loyalty to the College."

Bryan Reeder (MFA '84) assistant professor and director of theatre at LC, was awarded the 1994 Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching.

"Bryan really deserves this award. He is the consummate educator," said Spellmann. "He knows his material, he challenges and encourages his students, and he is enthusiastic about his craft and his teaching."

Reeder has taught at LC since 1987 and was named director of the theatre program in 1990.

LC Receives Thoughtful Gift

Lindenwood College is the beneficiary of the extraordinary philanthropy of Mary Elizabeth (Shannon) Wright ('41), formerly of Fort Collins, Colorado. Mrs. Wright, who died July 29, 1993, bequeathed more than a quarter of a million dollars to the College. The final disbursements from Wright's estate were received early this year.

Lindenwood College is proud to have an alumna with the devotion exhibited by Mrs. Wright and will honor her generosity with a memorial membership into the Sibley Heritage Society. Please let us know if you have remembered Lindenwood in your will, estate plan or through the establishment of a charitable trust. Lindenwood College would like to honor those who have made such provisions during their lifetime with a membership into the Sibley Heritage Society.

Preview: 1995 Commencement & Baccalaureate Festivities

A record number of students will be receiving their master's and bachelor's degree during Commencement ceremonies under the linden trees on the LC quadrangle Saturday morning, May 20.

U.S. Congressman Jim Talent is the featured commencement speaker. Harlan Pals of Lutheran Brotherhood speaks at Baccalaureate. The family of Lisa Tighe, a student who passed away this year, will receive an honorary baccalaureate in her memory.

The 1995 Alumni Merit Award for Professional Accomplishment will be awarded to Lynette Gerschefske ('77) for developing and implementing a team approach for providing the highest standard of patient care. She is currently the vice president of patient services at St. Joseph Health Center and St. Joseph Hospital West in St. Charles.

Too Good To Be True?

How would you like to receive a check from Lindenwood College every three months for the rest of your life? Sound too good to be true? What if we told you that you could increase your spendable income and at the same time escape the capital gains tax? You could begin receiving an attractive income right now or you could defer that income until retirement.

Establishing a charitable remainder annuity trust with your alma mater will be the beginning of your Lindenwood Life Income Plan. You will also receive an income tax deduction and be able to take great satisfaction in knowing that you have helped secure the future of Lindenwood College.

For information on this exciting opportunity call the Lindenwood College Development Office at (314) 949-4903.
2 Alumna Honored for Dedication & Service

Rauch To Receive Coveted Award

Elizabeth Mudd Rauch has been selected to receive the 1995 Sibley Medallion of Honor for her deep commitment to and support of Lindenwood College.

The Sibley Medallion of Honor was created to honor an individual who has exhibited loyalty and affection to the College, and dedication in promoting the mission of Lindenwood to the community.

Elizabeth, a 1944 graduate of Lindenwood, has devoted much time and effort to numerous volunteer organizations in the past and present. She currently is a member of the Lindenwood Board of Directors, a position she has held since 1989, is secretary of the Board’s Executive Committee, a member of the Finance Committee, a member of the Academic Affairs Committee, and the Butler Society. Elizabeth previously served as vice chairperson of Lindenwood’s Board of Overseers.

She also volunteers her time and effort to many organizations beyond Lindenwood College. Currently, Elizabeth is a member of the Advisory Board of St. Joseph’s Health Center, vice chairman of the St. Joseph Health Center Foundation, immediate past president of the Century Club, and a St. Joseph Health Center volunteer since 1957.

Elizabeth’s volunteer activities cover a wide gambit of community organizations. Among her well earned honors are a Special Award for Volunteer Service from the St. Louis Regional Chapter of the National Society of Fundraising Executives, the Citizen of the Year Award from the St. Charles Chamber of Commerce, and, most recently the Celebration of Youth Award from Youth In Need. Elizabeth will receive the Sibley Medallion of Honor during a special dinner and awards ceremony in her honor in May.

Lindenwood “Pal” Honored for Volunteerism

Anne Hodges Pals (’65) was a guest of honor at the second annual Volunteer 5 awards ceremony in early April. The event, sponsored by KSDK-TV Channel 5 (St. Louis’ NBC affiliate), spotlighted the St. Louis metropolitan area’s five outstanding volunteers of 1995. The show aired on Channel 5 later in the month, and featured entertainment by the LC Jazz Combo.

Anne was honored for her many volunteer hours with the Humane Society and Lindenwood College. Her contributions of time and resources have helped students attend Lindenwood who might not otherwise been able to come here. She organized Mrs. Sibley’s Attic Sale, which raised over $100,000 in scholarship funds for students.

Anne has helped coordinate the Lindenwood Alumni Phonathon and sponsors students during their college years through scholarship funds and personal resources. In the 1980’s she hosted delegates for LC’s Soviet Exchange Program and has befriended a number of student from the U.S. and abroad who were in need of a warm bed. Anne is an active member of the College’s Board of Directors and the Lindenwood St. Charles Alumni Club. Last year, Lindenwood College presented her with the Sibley Medallion of Honor for her loyalty and commitment to the College. And by the way, Anne is a proud LC parent, too. Her son Kris is a senior here.
Students Blend
Education, Marriage, Family & Careers

by Charlene Wehmeier
LCIE Student

There are many fine examples of Lindenwood students who attend day, evening and LCIE programs in addition to working and raising a family. Impossible, you might say.

Two such examples of these exceptionally hard-working students are Karla and Gary Eaves, who attend Lindenwood full-time. The Eaves transferred their associate degrees to LC with high grade point averages (Karla 3.8 and Gary 4.0) and are currently working on bachelor's degrees in business administration (Karla) and accounting (Gary). Both anticipate graduating this year.

Karla and Gary Eaves have been married for five years and have two sons: Windsor, age one, and Dekon, age three. Dekon thinks it's "heat that Mom and Dad are in college." He tells others that he wants to go to Lindenwood just like his Mom and Dad when he grows up.

Like many other families today, the Eaves realized they needed to further their education in order to provide a better life for themselves and their sons. However, in order to attend college full-time, earn a living, and raise a family, the Eaves needed a helping hand.

Lindenwood lends helping hands to many students, realizing many benefits in return. John Creer, dean of campus life, suggested that Gary and Karla become the residential directors for Lindenwood Village, which consists of 42 mobile homes, seven for married couples, and 35 for male students.

Karla says running the Village is a 24-hour job. Therefore, she and Gary divide their day into shifts. Karla is in charge of the day shift and Gary is in charge of the night shift. Karla says a typical day consists of dealing with complaints and maintenance problems. "This involves coordinating repair work, providing daily spot checks to ensure that things are clean, enforcing quiet hours and crowd control, and delegating and supervising the work and learn students when we assign jobs," Karla said.

She says that operating Lindenwood Village has been an exciting challenge which also gives Gary and her some hands-on experience in administration. "It's all about knowing what needs to be done at that moment by working together as a team, staying focused on our goals, maintaining a positive attitude, and never giving up," Karla said.

"At times it can seem overwhelming but we get through it by staying focused on our future."

Karla views her marriage as a partnership wherein teamwork is the necessary ingredient that keeps the family together. Karla says Gary is the most powerful influence in her life and he is the one who keeps her on track.

In addition, Karla says she has been blessed with two wonderful sons. When mom and dad are studying, the boys will play together in the same room. Even though the boys are playing and the parents are studying, by just being together, Karla says this provides quality family time.

The Eaves have made friends with classmates, faculty members and professors. "We feel the college is like an extended family," Karla said.

In addition to LC teaching Karla communication and managerial skills, she says she has gained confidence which helps her to run the mobile park. "Lindenwood has been a very positive influence in our lives and we are forever grateful," Karla said. Thus, Gary and Karla want to "give back" to Lindenwood and believe that by doing the best they can in school and running the mobile park efficiently they can do that. "After graduation this year, we want to continue in Lindenwood's master's degree program," Karla said.

Ultimately, Karla says that being a mom, wife and student is very fulfilling. Karla loves children and realizes that finding quality day care today can be difficult and quite costly. She wants to someday run a day-care center for working parents and students. "One of the hardest things I've ever had to do was find someone I felt I could trust with my children," she said. "So I would like to provide this kind of service to the community some day," Karla said.

Karla and Gary are exceptional examples of how Lindenwood can and is helping students blend education, marriage and family life. "The struggles, past and present, have made us stronger as a family, students and citizens," Karla said. "Lindenwood has been key to keeping us together and strong."
Alumni Spotlight:

Carole Knight

“I can handle this. Where’s the jungle?” These were the thoughts of Carole Knight (’88) as she arrived at a five-star hotel for her first night in Zimbabwe, Africa in 1993.

Knight, a producer for public television station KETC (Channel 9) in St. Louis, was in Africa to co-produce “Zoo Man,” a documentary about Missouri’s world famous zoologist, conservationist and television personality Marlin Perkins.

While visiting with Carol Perkins, Marlin’s widow, Knight found out that she was planning to take her children and grandchildren to special locations that she shared with her husband. Knight and her co-producer Mark Buckley thought a story line involving the youngsters would demonstrate the on-going effect of Perkins’ work. According to Knight, “we weasled our way on the trip.” She says that Carol Perkins made sure her grandchildren fully appreciated their experiences by assigning trip-related topics to write and report on for other family members.

Not every place the group stayed was a five-star hotel. Some nights were spent in thatched huts and tents, but according to Knight, there wasn’t much “roughing it.” She said the food was “incredible” and they dined every night using linen and china. The temperatures were in the 70’s during the day, but dropped into the 40’s at night.

“Bugs were not generally a problem,” said Knight, “but one night I did find a six-inch spider crawling up my wall. The Perkins were practical jokers, leaving rubber snakes and spiders in my bed and luggage.”

Knight said she was most impressed with the herd of elephants that showed up regularly. “At home, we look at animals in a cage. Here, they are looking at us.” After returning home from Africa, Knight received pictures of herself on the trip from Carol Perkins, who was afraid Knight would never be able to prove she was in Africa because she “spent so much time taking pictures of everyone else.”


While at Lindenwood, Knight was a non-traditional student. She graduated with a bachelor’s degree from the Lindenwood College for Individualized Education (LCIE) in 1988. She then returned to earn a master’s degree in 1992. Now, in addition to her producing responsibilities at Channel 9, Knight teaches communications in the LCIE program. She says she relates well to her students because “I went through what they are going through.” Knight and her son Phillip, a college freshman, live in St. Charles.
The Arts are alive and thriving at Lindenwood College!

Art

Probably the most exciting events to occur in the 1994-95 academic year are in the area of Studio Art. Due to rapidly increasing enrollment, the College purchased a 55-hundred square foot warehouse-style building we’re calling "Studio East." It's located about one block from campus on First Capitol Drive and is used as additional studio, classroom and faculty office space. Lindenwood begins a Visiting Artist Program in April with a three-week residency by Raghavan, batik and scenic artist from India. This year, two prestigious events were held in the Hendren Gallery in Harmon Hall: the St. Louis Artist Guild Juried Photographic Show and the Women's Caucus in Art Self-Portrait Exhibition.

Theatre

The number of productions staged in Jelkyl Theatre and Harmon Theatre (the Downstage) have increased by 25 percent this year. Mainstage theatre productions included The Rehearsal, A Christmas Carol, Abundance, Chicago and Dance Alive II. We would also like to boast about our nearly 100 undergraduate and graduate students in theatre -- most of them were employed by professional venues over the summer and work professionally during the academic year. Other recent graduates are now enrolled in prestigious master's programs like those at New York University and Ohio State.

Music

Music is in the air this spring at Lindenwood! Most recently, the Lindenwood Jazz Combo was featured at the KSDK-TV Channel 5 Volunteer Appreciation Gala. The Saxophone Quartet provided entertainment at the opening of the new Tri-County Mental Health facility. Seven current students and one recent alumnus will participate in the National Association of Teachers of Singing Competition in a few weeks, and several members of the instrumental music program can be heard performing with the St. Louis Youth Symphony. Faculty members in music have played with the St. Louis Symphony, the Fox-MUNY orchestra and in the "Live From the Garden" series presented by KFUO-FM, Classic 99. In addition to student concerts, audiences were treated to performances by international artists John McClellan, Sasha Starcevich, and Russell Neville.

Dance

At the Dance Alive II concert this spring, Lindenwood will host the world premiere of a piece for dance, choreographed by Alice Bloch, Ed.D., and assistant professor of dance, and composed by Paul Stuart, local singer, dancer and artisan. The concert will also feature original choreography by LC students and faculty. The Showcase Dancers have toured area high schools and were featured performers at Principia College, and the Lion Line performed at pre-Olympic Festival festivities last summer.

We look forward to an even better year in 1995-96. We would love for you to join us and experience the energy and excitement. Call Marsha Hollander Parker, dean of fine and performing arts, at (314) 949-4906 to receive more information about upcoming events.
Message from the Alumni Association President

Dear Alums,

Spring at Lindenwood is a time we all fondly remember. Trees begin to bloom, students begin spending more time outside and thoughts turn to graduation. It is once again that time at Lindenwood!

This year, Alumni are making a point to be more involved with the students. Our seniors are thinking about what lies ahead for them, and to many this means “JOBS”.

There is a real satisfaction with providing job opportunities to Lindenwood graduates. Alums are pulling together and networking to find graduates employment with their companies. Students are receiving interviews at various businesses. Can you offer such an opportunity where you work?

The Alumni Resume Symposium is an excellent example of Alumni working to benefit students through their experience and connections. This symposium is becoming a semi-annual event and is most helpful to students. The Alumni participants give presentations on preparing effective resumes and during afternoon sessions give individual mock (and real) interviews. Would you like to participate?

Not all of us have the background or connections to help students find jobs, but there are many ways to be of help. Tuition and fees do not cover all expenses in educating students at Lindenwood or any other public or private college. Although most residential students receive up to $1500 by participating in a “work and learn” program and most receive some type of financial aid, the donations made by alumni and friends make up the difference. The College and our students need our continued financial support to keep a Lindenwood education affordable to tomorrow’s education, business and civic leaders.

As we look to the prospects of spring, we also look forward to a new Performance Arena. Lindenwood has not had a new building constructed on campus for nearly 30 years and this addition will be grand!

THINGS are happening at Lindenwood, be part of the action!

Sincerely,

Eric O. Stuhler
President, Lindenwood Alumni Association
The Lindenwood Information Highway...

In 1827, six years after Missouri was admitted to the Union, Lindenwood College was founded. We have learned through Major George Sibley’s diary that young women came by stage coach from all parts of the state and surrounding country. Times have changed but the well-rounded energetic community, reflective of the world in which our students will live, has not changed. Lindenwood must continue to enroll scholars from many backgrounds and places and be able to aid qualified students who gain admission. Financial aid enables us to build a true community and you, our alumni, are what we are about.

Grace Lauman Huse ('16) lives at the California P.E.O. Home in Alhambra and writes that she has fond memories of Lindenwood. She is doing some volunteer work at her residence.

Mildred Antle Cottrell ('25) recently visited friends in California and Indianapolis. She still lives in the home where she has spent the last 64 years.

Helen Laitner Petersen ('29) is living in the Kingswood Manor Retirement Home in Kansas City, Mo., and volunteers in the health center and as a Bingo caller. She is in charge of selecting and running movies on Saturday nights and assists with the weekly paper.

Marjorie Hammer Sullivan ('32) belongs to the Ladies Missionary Society at the Twin City Baptist Church in Mishawaka, Ind.

Virginia Pierce Manrose ('33) has become a "Georgia Peach" since she began living with her son in the Atlanta area. She would love to hear from any alums in the area. Please contact the alumni office for Virginia's address.

Helen Rieth Taft ('34) lives in Kirkwood, Mo., where she taught for 25 years. She is now enjoying her three grandchildren.

Mary Agnes Hamacher Bates ('37) is still teaching piano and is active as a performer in several music clubs and community organizations. She is an avid concert-goer and travels to visit her four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mardell Seeley Finsel ('40) retired from teaching in 1980 and then volunteered at a national historic site for eight years. Mardell writes that exercise is an important part of her life and she spends her time with her poodle, "Casper".

Genevieve Kniese Chaudhuri ('41) has retired after 31 years as a cellist with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra.

June Jordan Bower ('41) is active with local and diocesan Episcopal Church Women in Coleman, Texas. She recently watched a performance by the Navy Blue Angels, commanded by the son of her Lindenwood roommate, Jerrie Stroh Stumpf, ('41) at Dyers Air Force Base, Abilene, Texas.

Ruth Willett Lanza ('42) has recently published a short story in Newtrails, an anthology of new western short stories. It was published by Doubleday in November, 1994.

"Jimmy" Bartle Taylor ('46) lost her husband in March of 1993. She was inducted into the Heart of America Boy Scout Council, Tribe of Mic-O-Say. Jimmy is an honorary member of Alpha Phi Omega and is enjoying her two great-granddaughters.

Marian Hardtke Tobias ('46) has retired from a 43 year musical performance career. She is still on the Executive Board of the Chicago Federation of Musicians.

Daphne Jenkins Smith ('47) lives in Pueblo, Colo., and has been active in the Kiwanis Club, League of Women Voters, Pueblo Symphony and the Sangre do Cristo Arts Center.

Margaret (Maggie) Groce Sample ('48) teaches anatomy and physiology at Valencia Community College in Orlando, Fla., and plans to retire in August to spend more time with her husband and children.

Barbara Wright Henre ('48) took her family of five to Australia and New Zealand for a month's vacation. She would like to hear from her Lindenwood friends who were in Butler Hall between 1944 and 1966. For Barbara's address, contact the Alumni Office.

Delores West Close ('49) lives in Alexandria, Va., and is planning a trip this year to Great Britain and Turkey. She is a sustainer-advisor in her local Junior League.
Robert (Bobbie) Court Jones (’50) is the editor of a weekly newspaper in Carmichael, Calif., president of the Carmichael Chamber of Commerce, and an arbitrator for the Better Business Bureau.

Marianne Metzger Pepoon (’50) is living in Paola, Kans., and has been retired for six years.

Marlene Czarinsky (’53) is retired in Hugo, Colo., and “enjoys being a bum”.

Sydney McFarland Hunter (’54) is in her 33rd year as owner and operator of The Needlecraft Shop, a business her mother started in 1935 in Rolla, Mo.

Diana Watson Walter (’58) is living in Littleton, Colo., and doing freelance writing. She has 154 poems, riddles, jokes, stories, and articles in 23 different publications. She is a member of Children’s Book Writers and Illustrators.

Beth Devlin Jett (’58) resides in Lexington, Ky., and writes that she is an Episcopal Church Women’s Triennial Convention delegate, and on the executive council of the Diocese of Lexington. The Lindewood family extends sympathy to Beth and her family on the death of her twin sister, Ellen Devlin King (’58).

Martha Rosenberger Zimmerman (’58) will receive an honorary doctorate from Lincoln University in Tennessee this May.

Wanda Richards Spivey (’59) has retired as a church media library director and has moved to her new home on Anastasia Beach, Fla. She is active in the Anastasia Southern Baptist Church in St. Augustine Beach.

Diane Holloway Penney (’59) began a new job on January 3, 1995 in the legal department at Nissan Corp. in Dallas, Texas.

Mary Lou Lowe Daniel (’60) is living in Tulsa, Okla., with her husband Sam, an attorney, and serves on the Tulsa Ballet Theatre Board, the Mental Health Association Board and is Vice Conseiller Gastronomique of the Chaine dis Rotisseurs. She is an interior designer.

Marilyn Wilson Hawkins (’60) retired in 1984 from Oberlin College Chemistry Department and since then has been traveling with her husband. They live six months in Florida and six months in Sherborne, Dorset, England.

Peggy Walter Symes (’60) is currently ending a two year term as the mayor of Town and Country, Mo., and is seeking reelection. She is a docent for the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, the Opera Theatre of St. Louis, an estate planner and financial consultant.

Peggy Wheeler Pruitt (’61) works in Houston for a probate judge as a co-ordinator. She would love to hear from her old Lindewood friends.

Julia Hoyt Pasley (’61) and her husband have just purchased The Benner House Bed and Breakfast in Weston, Mo., 40 miles north of Kansas City. They would love to see fellow Lindewood friends.

Jenny Terry Preston (’62) has taken early retirement from McDonnell Douglas to pursue a new business venture. She recently completed renovating her victorian home in Lafayette Square, St. Louis, and has opened a bed and breakfast.

Barbara Siems McKinney (’62) is teaching Home and Career Skills at Hackett Middle School in Albany, N.Y. She attended Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute for two weeks in the summer of 1994.

Esther Moulthrop Muench (’62) and her husband Dr. L.W. Muench are living in Kings Mountain, N.C.

Martha Skaer Wright (’62) was appointed to the Board of Trustees of the Agronomic Science Foundation, serves on the Advisory Board of the Botany Department of the University of Tennessee, is on the Executive Board of Directors of the Society of In Vitro Biology, and she is a staff scientist for Ciba Biotechnology, RTP, NC. Marty is also the president and owner of Sunburst Designs, a glassware company in North Carolina.

Judith Petterson Clark (’63) has earned a Ph.D. in English from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. She is the elected chair of Languages and Literature at Stephens College in Columbia, Mo.

Susan Berlemann (’63) is working with Executive Ministries as a staff member of Campus Crusade for Christ International in West Palm Beach, Fla.
Lindenwood alumna (left to right) Linda Meyer ('86), Debbie Nicolai ('92) and Laura Beineke ('92) sort through toys for the 1994 annual KCLC "Share The Spirit" Toy Drive. Approximately 1,000 children received toys for the holidays thanks to generous alumni, friends, faculty and staff.

Cindy Depping Ostmann ('63) is serving as a State Representative for the 14th District in the Missouri House of Representatives. She previously was a member of the Fort Zumwalt Board of Education in O'Fallon, Mo. Cindy recently received the Athena/Business Woman of the Year Award for community service and unselfish assistance on behalf of business and professional women.

Betty Ann Sieber Whiton ('64) is serving as state director, national chairperson and national advisor for 'Smoke Free Class of 2000.' She has been the musical director and conductor of the South Dakota All State Orchestra, the Arizona All State Symphony and the Quad State Orchestra Festival in Kentucky and South Dakota String Festival. Betty Ann has received a Department of Health Legislative Award and a Life Saver Award from the American Cancer Society.

Valerie Restifo, ('66) has started an independent consulting business providing educational services to health care organizations, professionals and consumers.

Barbara Blackmore Hughes ('67) and her husband Gary live on a 25-acre farm in Crete, Ill., and do landscaping and consultation work.

Diaane Beeson ('73) is a professor at the British Consulate School in Madrid, Spain where she is teaching Business English and Advanced English as a second language. She is listed in "Who's Who in the West, 1994" and "Most Admired Women of the Year." She has co-authored grammar and exercise books as well as readers used in the Spanish school system for elementary and junior high students.

Gail Falancer Fraser ('79) received a master's degree from Lindenwood in Health Care Administration and has emeritus status as an associate member of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists. Using her cat's name, Susan Rose, she won a poetry contest and received a letter from the International Society of Poets nominating her for distinguished membership in the society.

Paula Schmidt Hildebrand ('80) continues to show American Saddlebreds throughout the midwest and was recently promoted to Consulting Manager for Digital Equipment Corporation's Missouri/Kansas Consulting Practice.

Earlene J. Hill ('83) is the president of Hill Management Concepts, Inc., and has won international awards in marketing, communication and direct mail categories. A certified meeting professional, Ms. Hill has made presentations to hospitality and tourism officials in Johannesburg, South Africa; Nice, France; London, England; and Berlin, Germany.

Maureen Kelly ('83 and '89) was recently hired by Stockell Information Systems in Chesterfield, Mo., as director of sales and marketing.

Vicki Hagar Dillon ('84, '92) is business planning manager in the women's division of J.C. Penney.

Marcia Pohousky Gay ('86) has become an equine photographer of some renown, winning a number of awards at art shows and being published in equestrian magazines and calendars. She works at GTE and lives in Defiance, Mo., with her husband David.
Louis Launer ('86) is an active member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators. He serves in the Missouri Region as the Markets Editor for the Regional Newsletter, *Mo Scribbles.*

JoAnn Thake Hermann ('87 and '91) is serving as administrator of a senior citizen's home in St. Paul, Mo., and has received her certification for pastoral ministry.

Phil Hechler ('87) and Natalie Borders ('89) were married in the spring of 1989 and live in Troy, Mo., where Phil is managing his family's hardware business with his brother Dan ('79) and Natalie teaches music.

Carole Knight ('88, '92) is a producer at Channel 9 in St. Louis, and spent two weeks during the summer of 1993 in Zimbabwe and Botswana, East Africa producing "Zoo Man," a documentary on the life, work and travels of zoologist, conservationist and television personality, Marlin Perkins. (*See Alumni Spotlight, page 9*).

Barb Bixler ('89) received her master's in social work in 1992 from Washington University and is program director for Room at the Inn, a shelter for homeless families in north St. Louis.

LaDawn Ostmann ('90) has relocated to Chicago and is working on a master's degree in industrial and labor relations at Loyola University.

Gonzo Terry ('90) is the assistant manager of a car rental agency in Northbrook, Ill., and is the owner/operator of a domestic auto leasing business.

Wendy Brotherlin ('90) is living in Marina del Rey, Calif., and is a writer for the Nickelodeon T.V. show "Are You Afraid of the Dark?"

Malone Anderholt ('90) retired from Monsanto after 23 years and enrolled at Lindenwood to become a licensed professional counselor in the state of Missouri. She is currently employed as a counselor with Catholic Family Services in St. Charles, Mo.

William Burnett (MBA '90) is a senior quality engineer at Pohlman, Inc. His wife is expecting their second child in August.

Jacqueline Zaczek ('91) is a sales rep for North American Glass Fabrication in Bensenville, Ill.

Michael McFarland ('91) has recently completed a master's degree in sports administration at Western Illinois University. He is now employed as sports information director there.

Charles Yow ('92) has just become president of the Student Bar Association and Thirteenth Circuit Governor of the American Bar Association, Law Student Division. Charles lives in Bay St. Louis, Miss.

Debra Howard ('92) received her master of education degree in teaching and curriculum for Harvard University in June of 1994.

Celia Bland Curl ('92) is warehouse and distribution specialist in Materials Management for Monsanto Co.

Dina Koons Hearst ('93) and her husband had their first child, Danny Lewis Hearst, on October 2, 1994.

Navy Seaman Recruit Carter A. Crandall ('93) recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

Darren Modde ('94) is living in Washington, Mo., and teaching math and science at St. Francis Borgia High School. He is also assistant softball coach.

Tina Kinnee ('94) scored so well on the LSAT that she has been awarded a scholarship to St. Louis University Law School.

In Memoriam

Alma Faye Louucks Hargrave ('19)
Vivian Nicholas Shanafelt ('30)
Luella M. Geyer ('30)
Kathryn Ackerman Henry ('37)
Alice Belding Westerfeld ('39)
Charlotte Johnson Degolier ('40)
Julia Steele McConvil ('43)
Elizabeth Crossman Nash ('44)
Virginia Moerschal ('46)
Virginia Verploeg Pankey ('53)
Ellen Devlin Jett ('58)
Kay Carroll ('62)
Dorothy Doenges Sedovic ('63)
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