Happy Holidays
from Lindenwood University
A Message From President Evans
A Little Bit of Broadway at LU

Dear Alumni and Friends,

In case you have not noticed, Lindenwood has grown and diversified in many ways over the past four decades. I am confident that nearly all of you would agree that most of those changes have been positive and some of them just plain exciting. Among the most visible and exhilarating developments are the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts and the programs that take place within it.

While Lindenwood always has sponsored, taught, performed, and promoted the arts, the advent and operations of the J. Scheidegger Center – including the Bezemes and Emerson Theaters, the Charter Communications High Definition TV Studio, and the Boyle Family Art Gallery – have raised Lindenwood’s prowess and notability in the arts to a new level. It is still dreamlike for some of us to view the large digital billboard along West Clay Street and see names such as Liza Minnelli, Marvin Hamlisch, Hal Holbrook, Bobby Goldsboro, and Roger Williams streaming across the display. I describe this venue as “a little chunk of Broadway right here in the St. Charles,” because that is what a performance in the Bezemes Family Theater is like. I would hasten to add that the latter opinion applies to more than the professional productions at the center. Most of the activities in the building are student-oriented and student-produced higher education events, and many of those works and performances are at or near the professional level.

In fact, we built the J. Scheidegger Center not as a business enterprise for professional shows but as a higher education learning space for students and faculty members in the arts. The venue is used for that mission-driven purpose more than 90 percent of the time the building is open. The conceptual plan, which is working extremely well, was to combine higher education with professional arts and entertainment to provide (1) unique (and I mean unique) learning opportunities for our students and (2) entertainment and enrichment for the University and the greater regional community. Lindenwood students work with the professional troupes and artists on all phases of the big-name productions.

The students also receive auditions and master classes from many of the touring artists. Regarding such classes, one student wrote, “Getting to audition in front of professionals of their standing was not only an honor but also an awesome experience.” Another exclaimed, “I got a lot of useful tips from this Master Class . . . . I learned so much just watching other people get critiqued . . . .” Imagine being a performing arts major and having the chance to not only collaborate with but be instructed by the Troika Company or Marvin Hamlisch! Your alma mater continues to make the best of her great potential, always in the interests of the students and their future.

I enjoyed speaking with so many of you in October at Lindenwood’s Homecoming and Alumni Reunion. Please drop me a line when you have a chance. I would love to hear from you at jevans@lindenwood.edu.

Very sincerely yours,

James D. Evans, Ph.D.
President
Instead of talking about his exciting days as an attorney with the U.S. Justice Department in Washington, D.C., his three-plus years as an assistant U.S. attorney, or his time in private practice winning one of the largest jury verdicts on the planet, Jim Shoemake is very content these days speaking about his wife, Rita, quarterhorses, and Lindenwood University. Shoemake is Chairman of the Board of Directors at Lindenwood. It is a visible position at an increasingly prominent University, but he is not impressed with his position. Or influence. He still tells young attorneys at his practice in St. Louis, Guilfoil, Petzall & Shoemake, to “check your egos and your cell phones at the door.”

He has been all over the world and in courtrooms with all sorts of ego, money, and power, but today he spends a lot of his time attending Lindenwood Board committee meetings. He and his wife of 48 years, Rita, are seen frequently at Lindenwood events, too.

What attracted Shoemake to Lindenwood so many years ago was its focus on the students and its mission-based philosophy.

“Lindenwood is all about the students,” he said.

Shoemake said that in his nearly five years as Chairman of the Board, one of his greatest pleasures has been seeing the increase in awareness of Lindenwood, not only around St. Louis but around the state and the country.

“We are getting compliments about the great work of our students and alums all the time,” he said. “I think that is a tribute to our wonderful faculty. Being a teacher, in my opinion, is the most noble profession there is. You can influence and help more people as a teacher than in any other line of work.”

To create an environment for students to succeed takes top faculty and participatory alums, Shoemake said.

“And Lindenwood has what it takes,” Shoemake said. “Our alums are our legacy and our future. They are so important to Lindenwood. They can help an institution prosper, and I certainly felt their presence and their participation at Homecoming this fall.”

The Shoemakes were selected as grand marshals of Homecoming Parade at the October Alumni Weekend. It was a nostalgic day for the couple as the parade went from Young Hall out onto the streets of St. Charles and back to campus.

Following the parade, Shoemake and his family had a Linden tree planting ceremony in memory of his father, Cecil.

“I learned a lot from my dad,” Shoemake said. “He understood so much. He was a great role model. He taught me a lot about patience. And he was so committed to education.”

Shoemake’s love of horses developed as a child but came to fruition in later years. He was inducted into the American Quarterhorse Association Hall of Fame in 2008, and on weekends you can find him tending horses on the Shoemake farm in Farmington, Mo.

“Someone once asked me why I clean the barn and stalls myself,” he said. “I told them it keeps me from thinking too much about law.”

In the relative peace and quiet at the farm, he thinks often about his wife, his three daughters and their husbands, his 11 grandchildren, the thousands of students at Lindenwood, and his role with the Board of Directors.

“Lindenwood is very important to me and to Rita,” he said. “We have an active Board, and it is my goal to facilitate the participation of our members. I think that they do a great job leading the way for the university.”
At the recent Homecoming and Reunion, 22 members of the Class of 1960 returned for their Golden Reunion. The women had a wonderful time reconnecting, reliving old memories, and touring the Lindenwood campus they once called home. It was great to see the special bonds these classmates have, even after 50 years apart.

At the President’s Breakfast on Saturday morning, Class of 1960 Agent Kay Dunham Wilkinson spoke on behalf of the group. Her speech was entertaining, garnering hearty laughs from those in attendance and just too good not to share with our alumni readers:

Hi, Y’ALL!
That was the first thing we heard at Lindenwood on that Sunday in September 1956. Many students were from the South and Southwest and they made sure we knew the Southern greeting.

The second thing was how fast we could get back to our dorms after vespers in the St. Charles Presbyterian Church that Sunday to see Elvis Presley’s famous (no lower half of the body shown) performance on The Ed Sullivan Show.

This was our era - the rock ’n roll years from 1956 to 1960.

The third thing we learned: We were “Lindenwood Ladies” attending Lindenwood College for Women and:

- We were not to wear slacks or jeans to classes except during final exams. We were not to chew gum in public, and we were to wear gloves and hats to go shopping in St. Louis and white gloves to special events.
- At this point in Kay’s remarks all of the members of the Class of 1960 raised their white-gloved right hands and waved!
- Sometimes we were not so lady-like—wearing raincoats over pajamas for that last run to The Tea Hole in Cobbs Hall. Even though it was the Lindenwood College for Women - there was no lack of men on campus. A social director was on staff, and she made sure there were mixers, dances, and dates with male students from Westminster College (all male at the time), Missouri School of Mines in Rolla, Mo. (all male at the time), Washington University, St. Louis University, and other area schools. There were also officers from Ft. Leonard Wood at our events.

OH! I FORGOT! We did have a few male students recruited for the drama department - and 500 women!

Can it be 50 years? Seems like yesterday we were living on the Heritage Campus, receiving a solid education, making life-long friendships, and gathering memories for a lifetime. It was different in those days—no computers—electric typewriters had just been introduced. No cell phones—just the pay phone in the dorm reception area.

Our liberal arts education was superb, giving us the foundation that challenged us to be successful in whatever path we chose for our future.

Why did we return to Lindenwood this reunion weekend? We wanted to renew our friendships and relive our memories, visit the Heritage Campus, get the warm and fuzzies, and see what Lindenwood has become—a university to be recognized.

There are 22 classmates attending this reunion from the Class of 1960. Four classmates have attended every five-year reunion since 1960—Barrie Bowen Shinn, Dorothy Langridge Baumann, Kayte Fellabaum Hueser, and Hiroko Fujiwara Egawa, traveling from Tokyo. We are thrilled that Annika Skott from Sweden is attending our 50th reunion.

We are here—the Class of 1960—so let’s give a cheer. Hip, hip, hurrah! Hip, hip, hurrah!”
Parade, Tailgaters Spice Up Homecoming

The Lindenwood marching band provided the noise, the flag was prominent, and the kids got lots of candy during Lindenwood’s Homecoming parade. Bottom left, the Lion mascot entertains the crowd. Below, Lindenwood tailgaters hang out at the RV of LU parent Chip Peterson before the Lions’ game.
KCLC Dials Up to 50,000 Watts

Lindenwood University’s radio station, KCLC 89.1 FM, entered a new era in September 2010 when it began using a new high-powered antenna to broadcast its wide range of programming. The station now has a stronger signal in some areas and is able to begin broadcasting digitally in the future.

“We worked on this project for months, and it’s great to be able to boost the power from about 35,000 watts to 50,000 watts,” said Associate Professor of Communications and KCLC Operations Director Rich Reighard. “We are the oldest carrier current station west of the Mississippi, and it’s a proud feeling to know how far we’ve come and to look forward to even more possibilities in the years ahead.”

Reighard was one of several school administrators on hand in August 2010, when KCLC’s portable transmitter building was moved from its longtime home near First Capitol Drive and Kingshighway to its new location at the back of campus. The transmitter is connected to a new KCLC antenna that sits atop a mobile phone tower constructed by St. Charles Tower, Inc.

Now that the two components are operational, the KCLC station located inside the Spellmann Campus Center is being outfitted with new equipment to help students learn how to effectively operate the more advanced broadcasting systems.

“We have worked hard over the years to keep the station current, and it’s exciting to be installing new automation systems and control boards that are on par with what’s being used in the industry today,” Reighard said. “These recent changes are just another part of our commitment to offering students a contemporary setting in which they can learn the skills necessary for their professional success once they leave here.”

Film Series Brings Hand-Picked Flicks to Young Hall

Lindenwood has launched a new film series featuring a combination of classic, international, and contemporary works. Created by Associate Professor of Communications Peter Carlos and directed by Philosophy Department Chair David Brown, Ph.D., the series focuses on movies with high artistic, cultural, and intellectual value. Group discussions follow each presentation.

“We’re showing the kinds of films that are on the ‘best of the best’ lists of critics—that would be used by film schools,” Brown said. “We are not going to show the latest popular thing or duplicate anything that already is being done on campus.”

A selection committee comprised of Lindenwood faculty and students hand-picked the more than 30 films that are being shown during the fall semester.

Highlights of the lineup include Planet of the Apes, Night of the Living Dead, District 9, Lord of the Flies, The Lives of Others, and Black Narcissus.

Young Hall Auditorium Renovation

The newly renovated Young Auditorium houses the University’s new Film Series highlighting movies not currently shown in local theaters. The theater also provides an opportunity to bring in outside audiences and faculty and scholars from other schools to see and enjoy presentations.

Visitors will find the auditorium comfortable and intimate with stationary theater-type seats. The crescent shape of the room has excellent acoustics, rendering the use of microphones almost unnecessary. The auditorium is now equipped with risers for additional seating, and descending steps and ramps have been poured in order to allow for the space to be used alternatively as a lecture hall. The installation includes a new ceiling, new projector booth for a 16-by-9-foot screen, new carpet and tiles, power up-grades, a new roof, soundproofing for the ceiling and walls, as well as appropriate space for cable, video equipment and cameras.

For anyone interested in naming opportunities, nameplates on the backs of the new seats may be purchased for $400. For more information, contact Dr. Lucy Morros, at 636-949-4532, or lmorros@lindenwood.edu.

Host Mike Morgan and Women’s Basketball Coach Tony Francis visit with guests during a KCLC remote live broadcast from R.T. Weiler’s on Main Street in St. Charles.
Alums, Friends Celebrate Harmon Rededication

At the start of Homecoming, Reunion and Parents Weekend, Lindenwood University held a ribbon cutting/grand opening ceremony for the expanded and renovated Harmon Hall, which is the new home of the Lindenwood School of Business and Entrepreneurship.

Immediately following the ribbon cutting was an open house in the building with presentations on estate planning, the Lindenwood MBA program, and the University’s Institute for the Study of Economics and the Environment.

In the project completed this fall, Harmon Hall was expanded to roughly twice its former size, and the remainder of the building was completely renovated, resulting in a grand, new home for the School of Business. The expansion includes offices and classrooms, as well as the state-of-the-art Dunseth Auditorium and the Duree Center for Entrepreneurship, a place for student collaboration and visits by area entrepreneurs. Dean Ed Morris said the School of Business will soon begin an institute focused on entrepreneurial studies.

As much as the ceremony was a celebration of the building’s opening and its new role as the home of Lindenwood’s School of Business and Entrepreneurship, it is also a celebration of the school’s recent accreditation by the prestigious Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs, of which Evans was notified late this summer. While the accreditation itself is impressive, the School of Business was accredited with no conditions, which is highly unusual for a newly accredited program, said Dr. Ed Morris, Dean of the School of Business.

Belleville Campus Enrollment Continues to Grow

Lindenwood University-Belleville reached a new high during the fall 2010 semester by recording an overall growth rate of more than 26 percent from the previous year. The achievement furthers the trend of steady expansion the University has experienced in recent years.

“We’ve had ambitious goals for our enrollment,” said Vice President Jerry Bladdick. “But with the real numbers coming in, we’re hitting a grand slam turning our growth expectations into reality.”

While there have been increases in nearly every category, the most noticeable jump in enrollment at the Belleville campus has been in the area of freshman students. There were 121 freshmen in attendance at the beginning of the 2010-11 school year, compared with just 12 the previous year.

The campus has also seen a dramatic rise in daytime undergraduate students. About 325 full-time students were enrolled in classes at the start of the 2010 fall semester, compared with about 100 students the year before.

While Lindenwood-Belleville’s daytime course offerings have been quite successful, the University’s evening courses for nontraditional students also continue to grow. Undergraduate enrollment in evening classes has increased more than 11 percent from 1,222 students to 1,266, while graduate evening courses have increased 17 percent from 399 students to 469.

In an article published by the Belleville News-Democrat in October 2010, Belleville Mayor Mark Eckert said he was pleased, but not surprised, at the University’s impressive growth.

“I’ve been monitoring and working with that partnership since the very beginning, and I have always believed that Lindenwood would succeed in Belleville. These days I hear so many positive comments about the appearance of that campus, the growth, and the quality of Lindenwood programs.

“I think Lindenwood is going to be a shining star in that area for years to come.”
We’ve Got Mail
Hendren Taught True Art Appreciation

The Alumni Office receives hundreds of emails each month. In this and future editions of the Connection, we will highlight some of the interesting notes that we receive from our alums and will answer some of your questions.

In the last Connection’s “Guess Who This Is” contest we asked if our alumni could identify former Lindenwood art professor Harry Hendren who taught art at Lindenwood from 1950-1975. Once again, we had an overwhelming response from our alums and wanted to share some of their favorite memories of him with our readers.

Although I was a Christian education major, art history was my minor and truly my first love. What I credit Harry Hendren with most, and makes him memorable to me, was his talent for placing art in the broader context of the times: religion, politics, economics, rulers, and the artists themselves...truly teaching art history and appreciation. Although I had a career in corporate communications, I think Harry would be surprised and pleased that my art appreciation studies at Lindenwood eventually fed into running a corporate art gallery (along with my real job there). Basically after hours, I organized and mounted 36 exhibitions in six years, while also working on my master’s degree in museum studies (in my late-50s). — Nancy Babb McAdams ('61)

I graduated in 1962 and Mr. Hendren was my first introduction to “fine art.” His “passion” for art was a little overwhelming for a first-time person. However, many years later as I stood in front of the Mona Lisa in the Musée du Louvre in Paris, I finally understood and appreciated the “passion” that he had succeeded in passing on to me.

—Dr. Sandra Broadrick-Allen ('62)

I cannot imagine what turns my life might have taken if it hadn’t been for this man. Under his tutelage and guidance, I grew from an art neophyte into a bona fide art historian, receiving my M.A. from Florida State University and Ph.D. from Emory University. My dissertation was dedicated to Harry Hendren, because he was, and continues to be, the major inspiration for my teaching. Not a day goes by that I don’t think of him in some way as I travel and read and prepare for my classes. Just being in the classroom with “Mr. Hendren” was an experience in itself, as no one knew what surprises might occur. He was lively, spoke with passion, engaged his students in discussion, and absolutely “filled the room” with his powerful presence. Although he could be cantankerous at times, he never failed to radiate his love for “art,” and I am grateful for the many opportunities I had at Lindenwood and beyond to learn from him and to fully engage in my own pursuits of impassioned learning, writing and teaching.

—Dr. Carlyn Gaye Graves Romeyn ('64)

Not only was he a wonderful teacher of art technique, but he inspired a lifelong interest in art history and appreciation in me. Whenever I travel, I remember his lectures fondly. He made the cathedral of Notre Dame and Chartres come alive.

—Susan Biel Moellering ('66)

I remember Art Weekends when Harry and other faculty and staff members, including Dr. McCluer, would take students to Mound Ridge along the Meramec River, where we would sketch, paint, and have classes. Harry was “chief chef” at the outside grill – if you wanted your steak rare, he’d spear it, wave it over the flames, and declare it “done!” But my favorite memories are of Harry’s Art History classes – he would return my test papers with a line drawn through my name and “Minnie Mouse” (his nickname for me) in its place. Harry was a marvelous teacher and a true gentleman who enjoyed knowing and helping his students while never losing his sense of humor.

—Kay Fellabam Hueser ('60)

My favorite memory of Harry Hendren is his very easy going style that made every student feel that their work was ACCEPTED – no matter the lack of talent we had. He was so kind and yet a very enlightening person in the area of art appreciation.

—Martha Rosenberger Zimmerman ('58)

Bless his heart, Harry Hendren. It took my breath away when I turned over the fall Connection to see his picture. And you just want one story? The one that comes to mind takes me back to the wintertime of my freshman year. Harry was my advisor, and he was recruiting for the new January term abroad program, and he and Jim Feely were taking a group to Italy. He signed me up, and at one of our trip meetings someone asked what we should wear for our evening seminars in Florence. What was the appropriate attire? Harry hemmed and hawed and said a black dress or some such would work. Comes the day when all of us are in Florence, preparing for our first seminar that evening. One by one we walk into the room off the lobby of our small hotel in Florence and take a seat. Harry is there, and Feely is there, and the rest of us are wearing black dresses. Then in walks Suzie Carlson Bergl ('69) in a lovely red dress. Harry sat there with that irrepressible grin. I miss him.

—Mary Lou Durbin Stehr ('70)

There are lots of good memories but my favorite memory is also my best memory. I had never been to St. Charles, so when I made my first appointment to meet with an advisor about my art portfolio, I was nervous about finding the campus, finding the right building and finding the right person. All I had to go by was the name, Harry Hendren. (I mean, seriously, the only Kingshighway I knew about was in downtown St. Louis!) On the appointed day I found the school and the right building and as I walked into the building all by myself with my huge portfolio, I prayed that my meeting would go well. As I opened the door to the Fine Arts Building and as I stepped inside I heard this voice booming out from a silhouetted figure standing in the hallway, “You must be Leslie English. Welcome to Lindenwood College!” All my fears melted away as this very kind man led me into his office and made me feel like I belonged there. I will forever be grateful to Harry and all the other awesome professors and educators and fellow students I’ve had throughout my years at Lindenwood. I graduated in ’75, got my master’s several years later, and I’m back again at the ripe old age of 57! I’m obviously very proud of my connection to the University and am so pleased to see the tremendous growth.

—Leslie English Vaughan ('75 & '93)
Winter Season Marks Return of Russian National Ballet Theatre

Following a busy fall and holiday season at the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts, which included professional shows like Roger Williams, the Osmond Brothers, and the national Broadway Tour of *Legally Blonde*, the winter is shaping up to be just as exciting.

The winter season starts with the return of the Russian National Ballet Theatre, which will perform Tchaikovsky’s immortal *Romeo and Juliet* at 8 p.m. on Jan. 21 on the Bezemes Family Theater stage. Tickets range from $28.50 to $54.50 and, like all shows at the J. Scheidegger Center, are available at the center’s Box Office, 636-949-4433, or online at www.lindenwood.edu/center.

The evening will begin with a performance of *Chopiniana*, a set of dances to Chopin’s music. Following an intermission, the troupe will perform in its entirety *Romeo and Juliet*, Shakespeare’s tale of two doomed lovers from feuding families.

The ballet was founded in Moscow in the 1980s. Today, the company, headed by founder and artistic director Elena Radchenko, is focused on upholding the tradition of the major Russian ballet works and developing new talents throughout Russia.

Tango Buenos Aires will bring its show, *Fire and Passion*, to the Bezemes Family Theater at 8 p.m. on Jan. 27. Tickets range from $28.50 to $54.50. The dance troupe has been called, “one of Argentina’s great cultural exports,” as it brings an uncompromising representation of the tango to audiences around the world.

B.J. Thomas and Gary Puckett will perform on the Bezemes stage at 8 p.m. on Feb. 12, returning from their performance during last spring’s star-studded *Marvin Hamlisch Presents the ’70s: The Way We Were*. With hits like “Young Girl” and “So Lonesome I Could Cry” and millions of records sold between them, the duo promises an unforgettable show. Tickets range from $28.50 to $54.50.

Rounding out the winter will be Bobby Goldsboro, who also returns from the *Marvin Hamlisch show*, at 8 p.m. on Feb. 19. Goldsboro will bring his many hits with him, including “Honey,” “Little Green Apples,” and “See the Funny Little Clown.” Additionally, the concert coincides with a showing of Goldsboro’s oil paintings in the Boyle Family Gallery across the lobby from the theater. Tickets for the concert range from $24.50 to $42.50. Admission to the art exhibit is free.

**Marin Hamlisch gives a master class for LU students during his recent visit.**

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**Student Productions Winter/Spring 2010**

**J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts**

*She Stoops to Conquer*
Feb. 4-6; 7:30 p.m.
Emerson Black Box Theater

*Nick of Time Players Improv Show*
Feb. 11-12; 7:30 p.m.
Emerson Black Box Theater

*Student Dance Concert*
Feb. 16-18; 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 19; 2 p.m.
Emerson Black Box Theater

*Student-Directed One-Acts*
Feb. 24-26; 7:30 p.m.
Emerson Black Box Theater

*Urinetown: The Musical*
March 3-5, 10-12; 7:30 p.m.
Bezemes Family Theater

*Student-Directed One-Acts*
March 17-19; 7:30 p.m.
Emerson Black Box Theater

*Spring Dance Concert*
April 28-29; 7:30 p.m.
April 30; 2 p.m.
Bezemes Family Theater

*One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest*
April 14-16, 21-23; 7:30 p.m.
Emerson Black Box Theater

The J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts Offers Premier Patron Program

Now, aficionados of the arts at Lindenwood have an opportunity to support the arts and realize some great benefits through the University’s new Premier Patron Program. For an annual donation of $125, donors receive valet parking and coat check services, recognition in the membership display at the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts, a 20 percent discount on tickets to LU student productions, invitations to private receptions with celebrity and VIP guests, and discounts at many local businesses.

For more information, contact the LU Box Office at 636-949-4433. For corporate sponsorship opportunities, call 636-949-4512.
Just a few blocks away from Lindenwood University, two alumnae have come together in a joint mission. Beth Duello ('83, '03) and Kaelen Carrier ('09) opened Make Believe Theatre on West Clay Street in St. Charles in June 2010 to share their love of the creative arts with children.

“One of my passions is the arts, and the other is working with kids,” said Duello, who co-owns the business along with her husband, Phil. “Putting those two things together just really makes my day. It’s very rewarding.”

Duello has spent most of her life working in the musical expression and education fields. She earned a bachelor’s degree in music education and a master’s degree in education administration from Lindenwood and has served as a vocal music educator at Hazelwood West Middle School for more than 20 years. She is a former opera singer and is currently a private music instructor, youth choir director at St. Charles Borromeo Church in St. Charles, and a member of the St. Louis Archdiocesan Choir at the Cathedral Basilica in St. Louis.

After debating about when and how to launch a creative arts business, Duello tested the waters this past summer by offering summer camp classes to children age 1 to 12. The camps focused on singing, acting, visual arts, improvisation, dance, and storytelling classes. They were well received, so Duello decided to enlist more help to keep the momentum going.

“This is something I’d wanted to do for a long time,” said Duello. “I had different ideas about how to structure it, but after everything came together so well I wanted to get some help to really get the business off the ground. Kealen was just the perfect fit because she has a varied background, she’s outgoing, and we balance each other’s strengths and weaknesses well.”

Carrier is the administrative assistant and public relations manager of Make Believe Theatre. She earned a bachelor’s degree in theatre administration from Lindenwood in 2009 and is currently pursuing a master’s of business administration from the University. With a strong background in classical and Shakespearean theatre, Carrier has also worked in professional dance, music, mime, and trapeze performance. She described her role of helping children understand and appreciate the power of performance art as a dream job.

“I knew I didn’t want to be in L.A. working amongst all that pressure and competition,” said Carrier. “I wanted to inspire and keep what is real in the arts, which is experiencing passion, delight, and a love of life through creativity.

“To give these kids the freedom and opportunity to have that; I’d rather change one child’s life like that than be on a commercial viewed by millions.”

Both Carrier and Duello credit their experiences at Lindenwood University as primary reasons for their successes.

“The classes I have taken and the ones I’m taking now are 100 percent applicable to what I’m doing here,” said Carrier. “The instructors are so supportive and interested, and it’s just a great blend.”

Duello said she’s grateful for the role Lindenwood has had in setting her on her current path and welcomes the involvement of students and alums who may be interested in working in similar fields.

“I made lasting connections at Lindenwood during my time there, and I look forward to continuing to develop those relationships and to cultivating new ones so that as many children as possible can reap the benefits of the arts.”
LU Students Give Back to the Campus YMCA

One of the many phenomenal organizations at Lindenwood is the Campus YMCA. Organized in the spring of 2005, it is student-led and entirely volunteer driven. The organization’s focus is on providing service to students in need at local schools. Working with local YMCAs to achieve its goals, the group assists at four schools in St. Charles and provides coaching to three YMCAs in the St. Charles area.

During the last school year, 45 Lindenwood students participated in Campus YM programs, clocking 23,359 hours of service to 2,599 people locally and nationally. The estimated economic impact of their volunteer work was nearly a half a million dollars. But the real impact of their work can be seen in the children of our region that they mentor.

At Immanuel Lutheran Church, there is a structured after-school program run by Lindenwood students. In one of the second grade classrooms at Lincoln Elementary school, you will see smiling faces ready to practice reading proficiency taught by Lindenwood students. Drive past the O’Fallon YMCA during the week or on the weekends and you will notice Lindenwood students helping coach middle school students in volleyball, basketball, and soccer.

Kristen Yaeger and Gaby Covington, both juniors at Lindenwood, began their involvement with the Campus YMCA as board members in 2008. Kristen is now president of the group and Gaby serves as vice president. When asked why they chose to become involved with the Lindenwood Campus YMCA, they both had different reasons.

“Last year I began mentoring and coaching a young girl in volleyball,” Kristen said. “At first, she was very unsure of herself and her skills, but now she has become more confident and is trying out for the freshman volleyball team this year.” She recounted volunteering at Camp Lakewood, a Y camp in Potosi, Mo., for several years, and said, “I wanted to help coach kids, because I remember being in their shoes and feeling unsure of myself.”

Gaby is tutoring young people. “I received a scholarship from the YMCA to attend Lindenwood, and I wanted to give back to the organization that helped me through school,” said Gaby, who tutors at Lincoln Elementary.

Belleville Dedicates New Welcome Center

Lindenwood’s Belleville campus recently hosted a multi-tiered event, Lindenwood Lights, that saw the dedication of a new Welcome Center, the opening of the Horseman Collection art exhibition, a tour of the campus, and dinner.

A highlight of the evening was former U.S. Senator Alan J. Dixon’s remarks thanking the University for its plans to name the new Belleville Student Center in his honor. Dixon, his mother, and his children all attended school on the campus, which is the site of the former Belleville Township High School. Dixon’s family is committed to raising $250,000 for the naming rights, according to his daughter, Stephanie Yearian. She said that Dixon always put Belleville first when he was in office and that the family thought it would be a fitting tribute to him. Dixon represented Illinois in the U.S. Senate from 1981 to 1993.

The dinner program was followed by a performance of Deathtrap by the Belleville community theater group, the Brass Rail Players, in the school’s Ittner Auditorium.

The Belleville Capital Campaign Committee that hosted the event has raised over a million dollars to support improvements on the campus over the past three years.

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Lindenwood’s recent Homecoming and Reunion was the largest and most successful in school history, with more than 1,300 alums, parents, and friends in attendance. Alumni from the classes of ’60, ’70, ’80, ’85, ’90, ’95, ’00, and ’05 were honored at special events throughout the weekend. Alums traveled from afar to attend, and two members of the 50-year class traveled from their homes in Sweden and Japan to attend their golden reunion. Weekend events included a ribbon cutting at the newly renovated Harmon Hall, a time capsule burial at the new LU Commons, the annual Alumni and Friends Reception, and the Athletic Hall of Fame dinner. On Saturday, alums enjoyed the President’s Breakfast, the Homecoming parade, a barbecue luncheon, and special class dinners for the classes of 1960 and 1980. A large crowd witnessed the Lindenwood Lions football team set school records in its defeat of Culver-Stockton, 90-19. The Alumni Office would like to extend a big “thank you” to the alums who attended this year’s reunion. Be sure to mark your calendars for next year’s reunion on October 14-15. We will be honoring the classes of ’51, ’56, ’61, ’66, ’71, ’76, ’81, ’86, ’91, ’96, ’01, and ’06. View this year’s full Homecoming photo gallery by visiting www.lindenwood.edu/alumni/photos.
2010 Homecoming Alumni Reception

Top left: (from left) Emily Rademan and Rebecca Randolf David, both from the class of 2007.

Middle left: (from left) Nancy Farmer, Bradie Reed, Arthur Visor ('06), Mabel Mixon, and Cheryl Williams.

Bottom left: (from left) Professor John Feely ('80) and Brad Anderson ('75)

Top right: (from left) Henry Douglas, Nancy Rector-Douglas ('60), Barbara Flanagan Finrock ('60), Kay Dunham ('60), Kay Fellabaum Hueser ('60), John Michaels, and Nancy Green Michaels ('60)

Upper middle right: (from left) Byron Haverstick ('05), Tracy Pulley, and Mike Pulley ('05)

Lower middle right: (from left) Judy Forstmann Brown ('67), Paula Schmidt Hildebrand ('80) and Adjunct Professor Sharon Bacon.

Bottom right: (from left) Betty Darnall Champion and Martha Hensley Surratt, both from the class of 1960.

To view additional reunion photos, go to www.lindenwood.edu/alumni/photos
Grace Harmon Receives Prestigious Sibley Medallion

Longtime Lindenwood friend and benefactor Grace Harmon received the University’s most prestigious donor award, the Sibley Medallion of Honor, during a ceremony November 5 at Lindenwood’s Butler Society Dinner. She received the award from Lindenwood President James D. Evans, Ph.D., and Board of Directors Chairman Jim J. Shoemake.

Grace has been on the Lindenwood Board of Directors since 2003, and she currently serves on the executive committee as board secretary. Her generosity and the generosity of her late husband, Ray, is well-documented at Lindenwood. One of the University’s prominent buildings, Harmon Hall, bears the family name. Grace was the keynote speaker on Homecoming Weekend at the rededication of Harmon hall, which recently reopened after nearly doubling in size and becoming the new home of the School of Business and Entrepreneurship.

Shoemake described Harmon as, “such a humble, unassuming person who doesn’t fashion herself as a leader. But she leads by example, doesn’t she? Her energy, her compassion, and her generosity are a model for us all.”

Grace today maintains the same priorities and values that she and Ray, who served as chairman of Lindenwood’s Board of Directors, lived by during more than 50 years of marriage: a joy for living, a love of family, church, and education, and a commitment to service.

The common thread in much of Grace’s community service and philanthropy is education, which is a common denominator in the Harmon family. Grace and Ray’s daughters, Jan and Lynn, have strong ties to Lindenwood, as do many of their grandchildren.

“It would be interesting to count the number of Lindenwood degrees held by the Harmon children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren,” Shoemake told the Butler dinner crowd.

While she and Ray sold their company, First Foto-HASCO International, many years ago, Grace remains active with

Feeling Good about Estate Planning

By Eric Stuhler
Director of Planned Giving and In-House Legal Counsel

Lindenwood has produced more than 50,000 graduates in its 183-year history. Our students have gone all over the country and the world to influence politics, education, business, culture, the arts, and their own families. At our recent Butler and Sibley Heritage Societies dinner, Mildred McClesney (Class of 1994) had three generations of Lindenwood students (daughter Dana and grandson Josh) sitting at her table . . . a tribute to her belief in the future of our institution as she has provided for Lindenwood in her estate plan.

Every year Lindenwood hosts the October St. Charles County Bar Association meeting. We take this time to educate those who prepare the estate plans for members of our community. It is a time to remind attorneys that Lindenwood University is a non-profit institution that accepts tax-deductible gifts, which facilitate their clients’ planning objectives. The minutes of the 2010 record attendance-setting meeting reflected the gratitude and the sentiments of the Bar and concluded with, “Lindenwood clearly is the college of choice for many St. Charles residents, including children of members of the local bench and Bar.”

At the ribbon cutting at the new Harmon Hall, I was a participant in a seminar titled, “Feeling Good about Estate Planning.” How good would you feel if you took the successes in your life to even a higher level . . . that higher level being “significance” — now and in the future? Larger gifts that name rooms, offices, buildings, and auditoriums are significant. However, many small gifts combined can also be significant and fund scholarships, athletic programs, or simply purchase textbooks for a student in need.

A gift to Lindenwood’s endowment is significant as it is like putting batteries into the Energizer Bunny, the gift keeps going and going, as we spend only the interest generated. Your gift keeps giving in perpetuity.

Willie Sutton (1901-1980) spent half of his life in prison and the other half robbing banks from the 1920s through the 1950s, stealing about $2,000,000. He was caught and imprisoned many times, but he was a master of disguise and, as a result, a master of escapes. Willie never carried a loaded gun, and he would abandon a robbery if a woman screamed or a baby cried. Urban legend has it that when a reporter asked him why he robbed banks, he said, “Because that’s where the money is.” This is the basis of Sutton’s Law, which is taught in medical schools. Future doctors are taught that when diagnosing, one should first consider the obvious.

Through further research, and by reading Willie Sutton’s autobiography, Where the Money Was, I discovered that he did not say these immortal words, which were attributed to him. However he did say, “Go where the money is . . . and go there often.” This is why we come to you on a regular basis and ask for your continued support. You are the ones with the resources, and you are the ones who know Lindenwood best. Lindenwood is worthy of anything that you can do for your school, and we ask that you do it often.

Lindenwood has been part of the community since the State of Missouri was only 6 years old. Lindenwood has survived the Civil War, the Great Depression, World Wars, the 1960s, and its own challenging times. In comparison, our “uncertainty” now is nothing new. Current uncertainty about the economy and taxes should not deter you from being a part of and giving to a “sure thing.” During this season of giving, consider giving a gift now and also being generous to Lindenwood in your estate plan. It’s time to feel good.

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Boone Campus: Lindenwood’s ‘Outdoor’ Classroom

By Melissa Kline
Assistant Director of Alumni Relations, Grants Manager

When I visited Lindenwood’s Daniel Boone Campus recently, the bright orange and red colored leaves danced on the ground around Boonesfield Village. The only sounds I could hear were the leaves blowing and the voices of school children touring the grounds. I think about the learning that takes place on this thousand-plus acres, without computers, cell phones, or other equipment, and I am transported back in time.

Dr. David Knotts, Dean of Lindenwood’s School of American Studies, is in charge of this innovative campus. He is fond of quoting outdoor education pioneer Dr. L.B. Sharp, who said, “Do in the classroom what is best done in the classroom. Do in the outdoors that which is best done outdoors.”

As I walk up to Knotts’ office on the upper-level of the circa 1812 Callaway House, I am greeted by a large Collie, named, quite aptly, Boone. Knotts, who has a Ph.D. in forestry, is a Texas native who came to Lindenwood in 2005 from the Missouri Department of Conservation. He has taught in Texas and Colorado and has published a number of articles about the ecosystem. I look forward to my visits because I always learn something new about early 19th century history or ecological systems when I am in his company.

Lindenwood’s Boone Campus is a hands-on classroom for the University’s American Studies students and a research site for the School of Sciences majors. Local elementary students are frequent visitors, and not only do they learn about the history of Daniel Boone, but they are shown new ways to use the land to benefit their studies. On any given day, you can find students measuring the width of the river, or building a fence with recently felled trees, learning experiences that cannot be attained in the normal classroom.

Boonesfield Village is also home to the (almost extinct) ring-necked salamander, quail, aster flowers, and prickly pear cactus. Thanks to the support of the Maritz Corporation in St. Louis, and the Lindenwood Science Department, these plants and animals are a part of a restoration of the cedar glades, which are open areas in the forest on a southwest-facing slope. The restoration area contains numerous wild flowers and plant species unusual in Missouri and is one of the state’s best examples of an intact ecosystem. The site replicates the natural resources that were available when Daniel Boone settled there in 1799, and it is the only glade restoration project run by a university in the Midwest.

If you have not had an opportunity visit the Boone Home and Boonesfield Village, put it on your “to do” list, because you will be amazed at the many fascinating learning opportunities available there. It is an escape to life on the frontier and an experience that the whole family can enjoy.

For more information regarding the Historic Daniel Boone Home and a schedule of activities, please visit the Boone Home website at www.lindenwood.edu/boone.

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History Bowl Sees Three Alums Return as High School Coaches

When the History Department and LUTV taped the annual Lindenwood University History Bowl on October 30, three of the eight participating high school teams were coached by former Lindenwood history majors.

Tony Smith (’05) brought a team from Barat Academy in O’Fallon; Laura Gianini (’00 and ’05) came with a team from Fort Zumwalt North High School in O’Fallon, and Dan Mertzlufft (’09) brought a team from Christian Brothers College (CBC) High School in St. Louis County. This was the second year in the History Bowl for Smith and Gianini and the first for Mertzlufft, who is in his first year at CBC. Barat Academy and CBC both made it to the semifinal rounds in the competition.

The competition is structured like a quiz show with Professor Jeff Smith, of the History Department, playing host. Each team has three members, which square off against the other teams, answering a variety of history questions. The rounds began airing nightly on Monday, Nov. 1, on LUTV, with the finals airing the following weekend.

“While we created History Bowl to recruit history majors, we found that it is an excellent program to get our current history majors involved more in the program and it allows our history alumni to stay connected to the program in a meaningful way,” said Professor Kris Smith. “It provides an opportunity for our alumni to introduce their best students to their alma mater in an engaging format interacting with our history faculty and experiencing a sense of community our history majors share.”

Mertzlufft, in fact, has the distinction of having been a volunteer for the show while he was a student at Lindenwood. “Returning to my alma mater for the History Bowl made me appreciate the high quality education I received from top notch professors,” Mertzlufft said. “It’s been fun to watch Lindenwood grow over the past five years. It’s a great institution, and I enjoy helping it grow as well.”

Upcoming Alumni and Campus-Wide Special Events

Texas Alumni Events
Date: January 13-January 15, 2011
Location: San Antonio, Houston, Dallas/Ft. Worth

Belleville Education Alumni Mix & Mingle
Date: Friday, January 28, 2011
Time: 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Location: Belleville Campus Welcome Center

Alumni Basketball Gathering
Date: Saturday, January 29, 2011
Time: 2 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Location: St. Charles Campus-Hyland Performance Arena

Belleville Counseling Alumni Mix & Mingle
Date: March 11, 2011
Time: 5:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Location: Belleville Campus Welcome Center

Endowed Scholarship Dinner
(invitation only)
Date: Thursday, March 10, 2011
Time: 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Location: St. Charles Campus AB Leadership Room

Honors Convocation
Date: Sunday, April 17, 2011
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Location: J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts

Campus Spring Planting Day
Date: Friday, May 6, 2011
Time: 10 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Location: Roemer Hall at St. Charles Campus

Baccalaureate Commencement
Date: Friday, May 13, 2011
Time: 7:30 p.m. -10:00 p.m.
Location: Family Arena, St. Charles

Undergraduate Commencement
Date: Saturday, May 14, 2011
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Location: Family Arena, St. Charles

4th Annual Alumni and Friends Picnic
Date: Saturday, June 18, 2011
Time: 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Location: Outdoors in the Quad, St. Charles Campus

Lindenwood Homecoming, Reunion & Parents Weekend
Date: Friday & Saturday, October 14-15, 2011
Location: St. Charles Campus
Class Notes

‘30s

Kathryn Trescott Ricks (‘39) owned and operated funeral homes in Winfield and Elsberry, Mo. For the past 30 years she has worked in the local library and volunteers as organist at the Elsberry United Methodist Church. She resides in Elsberry, Mo.

‘40s

Martha Mathis McDaniel (‘49) volunteers at the Clinton Presidential Center and the Clinton School of Public Service. She resides in Little Rock, Ark.

‘60s

Hermina Lambrechtse Wood (‘62) is enjoying traveling with her husband and meeting up with friends and colleagues. In the summer of 2010, she had an opportunity to meet with classmates Kathi Kaiser Grogan (‘64) and Nancy Patterson Van Loenen (‘39) in Orange County, Calif. She graduated with a bachelor’s degree in romance languages. She has three children, and she and her husband reside in Murrieta, Calif.

Rebecca Walker Scoggins (‘64) is a retired realtor who received her bachelor’s degree in business administration from Lindenwood. She and her husband reside in West Linn, Ore.

Rev. Glenda Garred Watts (‘65) graduated from Lindenwood with a bachelor’s degree in economics. She has a master’s degree in religious studies and a master of divinity from Central Baptist Theological Seminary. She resides in Prairie Village, Kan.

Mary Hughes Johnson (‘66) retired in February 2007 as library director of the Missouri Institute of Mental Health in St. Louis, Mo. Mary received her bachelor’s degree in English from Lindenwood and later obtained her M.L.S. degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia. Recently she was awarded the Kimmel Community Service Award for her volunteer efforts in her church and the community. Mary and her husband reside in Florissant, Mo.

Susan Gardner Rowley (‘66) is a medical supervisor with Biolife Plasma Services. Susan graduated with a bachelor’s degree in nursing from Lindenwood. She went on to receive an M.S.N. from Governor’s State University. She and her husband have two children and reside in Bristol, Ind.

‘70s

Dr. Carolyn Wiese Martin (‘70) is a physician specializing in obstetric and gynecologic ultrasound. On July 1, 2010, she joined Midwest Maternal Fetal Medicine in St. Louis. She graduated with a bachelor’s degree from Lindenwood and resides in Florissant, Mo.

Mary Hedrick Hunsicker (‘73), after teaching elementary education for 27 years in the Wentzville RIV School District, retired and moved to Woodland Park, Colo., and then to Southern California. She received a bachelor’s degree from Lindenwood. She has two children and resides in Valley Center, Calif.

Kristi Jenison (‘75) is a technical laboratory supervisor at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, Mo. She graduated with a bachelor’s degree in biology from Lindenwood and resides in St. Charles, Mo.

Susan O’Connor LaMantia (‘78) is an art therapist with Eudomon Studios in Cary, N.C. Susan received a master’s degree in art therapy at Lindenwood University. She and her husband live in Cary, N.C.

‘80s

Abigail Tuttle (‘86) is an avid kayaker and recently finished the MR340 (The World’s Longest non-stop river race, from Kansas City to St. Charles) in 49 hours, 24 minutes. She was only seven minutes shy of the world record. She is a financial advisor with Northwestern Mutual in Clayton, Mo., and received her bachelor’s degree in business administration from Lindenwood. She has an M.B.A. from St. Louis University and a C.L.U. from American College. She and her son reside in Shrewsbury, Mo.

‘90s

Cheryl Wukher Hollenbeck (‘90) graduated with a bachelor’s degree in corporate communications and spent 20 years traveling with her husband’s Navy career. She has worked in publishing and teaching. She has two children and resides in San Antonio, Texas.

Jodi Wilson McKnight (‘95) recently graduated from Capella University with a Ph.D. in psychology. She is now teaching as an associate professor at Mid-Continent University in Mayfield, Ky. She received a bachelor’s in psychology from Lindenwood and currently resides in Equality, Ill.

Todd Speer (‘95) is a senior corporate accountant with Maritz, Inc., in St. Louis, Mo. He received a bachelor’s degree in business administration from Lindenwood. He has two children, and he and his wife reside in High Ridge, Mo.

Linda Sturgeon Fort (‘96) is a teacher, coach, and athletic director at Valley View School District in Illinois. She received a bachelor’s degree in business administration at Lindenwood. She and her husband reside in Naperville, Ill.

Jack Lingle, Jr. (‘96) is working as an adjutant with the United States Army. He received a bachelor’s degree in marketing from Lindenwood.

Richard B. Thomas (‘98) was recently promoted to an associate at Armstrong Teasdale in their Intellectual Property group. Richard graduated with his M.B.A. from Lindenwood and later received his J.D. from Saint Louis University. He resides in O’Fallon, Ill.

Cheryl Bryant (‘99) recently accepted a position as a correctional officer with the St. Louis County Justice Center in St. Louis, Mo. She graduated with her bachelor’s degree in criminal justice and resides in St. Louis, Mo.

Tom McKenna (‘99) is in his 10th year as assistant principle at Rockwood Valley Middle School, located in Glencoe, Mo. He received his M.Ed. and Ed.S. from Lindenwood University. He and his family reside in Eureka, Mo.

‘00s

Andrew Loiterstein (‘00) is the principal at Rockwood Valley Middle School in Glencoe, Mo. He received his M.Ed. from Lindenwood. He has three children, and he and his family reside in St. Louis, Mo.

Jason Vanheers (‘00) recently received the 2010 “North County Inc. Salutes Thirty Leaders in their Thirties” award for excelling in his profession, as well as volunteering for civic and charitable organizations and making a difference in
his community. Jason serves as principal of Drummond Elementary School in the Pattonville School District in North St. Louis County. He also serves as president of the St. Charles County Hawg Hunters Bass Club and runs a soda tab drive at Drummond for St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital. He received his master’s in educational administration and resides in St. Charles, Mo.

Heidi Fairbanks (’01) and husband Chad welcomed a son, Carter Douglas, on April 5, 2010. Heidi was recently hired as an Institutional Advancement Officer at Lindenwood. She received her bachelor’s degree in nonprofit administration and social work, and she and her family live in O’Fallon, Mo.

Traci Kennedy (’02) has been appointed meetings and event producer at JPL Creative in Harrisburg, Penn. She received a bachelor’s degree in mass communication from Lindenwood and resides in Camp Hill, Pa.

Jeremiah Lukers (’02) and Malinda Lukers welcomed a daughter, Savannah LaRue, on December 15, 2009. Jeremiah received his bachelor’s degree in athletic training from Lindenwood and went on to obtain his master’s degree in educational psychology from the University of Arizona. The family resides in Franklin, Pa.

Melissa Rebmann (’02 & ’05) has been named principal at Huffman Elementary in Cahokia, Ill. She earned her bachelor’s degree in human resource management and a master’s in teaching from Lindenwood. She has two children, and she and her husband reside in Hamel, Ill.

Robert L. Wallace (’02 & ’09) and his wife Melissa welcomed their first child, Elizabeth (Ella) Rose, on September 8, 2010. Rob received his bachelor’s degree in criminal justice and a master’s in human resource management. He currently works for the St. Louis County Police Department.

Laura Fisher Herrod (’03 & ’05) and Marvin Herrod (’06) were married in July of this year. The couple met while attending Lindenwood. Laura works for the Pattonville School District as an elementary reading specialist, and Marvin works at St. Andrews Golf Club as a golf professional. The couple resides in Hazelwood, Mo.

Sarah Brady (’04) was recently appointed deputy city clerk for the City of Saint Charles, Mo., where she currently resides. She graduated from Lindenwood with a bachelor’s degree in psychology.

Robbie Thomas Butler (’04) and her husband, Charles, recently celebrated their five-year business anniversary as owners of Lil’ Miccy’s Memphis Barbeque located in St. Peters, Mo. The original business plan for this restaurant was completed during a business graduate class taught by Dr. Oliver “Bo” Hagan in 2002. Robbie graduated with an M.B.A. and resides with her family in St. Peters, Mo.

Juan Duncan (’04) and his wife Cheryl Coco (’05) currently reside in Panama. Juan is a construction manager for Constructora Cali, S.A., and Cheryl is senior brands manager for Del Monte Foods. The couple recently welcomed a new addition to their family, son Adrian Duncan, who was born May 11, 2010.

Dan Hromada (’04) was recently married and is currently working as an assistant football coach at Tabor University in Hillsboro, Kan. He graduated with his M.B.A. from Lindenwood, and he and his wife reside in Parma, Ohio.

Kyle Kirkpatrick (’04) is currently working as a physical education teacher and coach at Johnston City High School located in Johnston City, Ill., where he currently resides. He received his bachelor’s degree in physical education from Lindenwood.

Dianna Graveman (’05), with the help of her husband, recently completed and published Missouri Wine Country: St. Charles to Hermann. The book details the history of the towns along both the north and south sides of the waterway. Dianna received her M.F.A. degree in writing from Lindenwood, and she and her husband reside in Saint Charles, Mo.

Bryan Haverstick (’05) and Elizabeth Espinosa Haverstick (’06) welcomed a son, Jayson Allen, into the world on August 12, 2010. Bryan is a district executive for the Boy Scouts of America, and the family resides in St. Louis, Mo.

Tiana Ringor Montgomery (’05 & ’08) and husband James welcomed their first child, Jade Marie, on July 31, 2010. Tiana received her M.Ed. and her Ed.S. in administration from Lindenwood. The family resides in O’Fallon, Ill.

Ayse Kundakcioglu (’06) is the project manager for Barry-Wehmiller Design Group, an engineering consulting firm in St. Louis, Mo. He received his master’s degree in human service agency studies from Lindenwood.

Stephanie Harrison Posey (’09) has been named principal at Belleville East High School. She received her Ed.S. in administration from Lindenwood, and she and her family reside in Fairview Heights, Ill.

in research and development at Proctor & Gamble, a $23 billion dollar brand, in Cincinnati, Ohio. Next year he will graduate with an M.B.A. from Xavier University. He resides in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Anthony Sanders (’06 & ’08) is the dean of students at Construction Career Center Charter High School located in Hazelwood, Mo. He received his B.A. degree in physical education and his M.Ed. in administration from Lindenwood University. He resides in Florissant, Mo.

Katie Dohrmann (’07) recently graduated from basic combat training at Fort Sill in Lawton, Okla. She has a bachelor’s degree in athletic training from Lindenwood.

Geoffrey Schwalenberg (’08) is principal at Westhaven Elementary School in Belleville, Ill. He received his M.Ed. in administration from Lindenwood. He is married, has five children, and resides in Swansea, Ill.

Anne Stotler (’08) recently accepted a position as community relations director with the Beverly Farm Foundation. She received her master’s degree from Lindenwood in communications management. She is also vice president of the Alton Marketplace and an ambassador with the River Bend Growth Association and resides in Brighton, Ill.

Doug Thompson (’08) and Teri Slone Thompson (’08) were married on July 25, 2008. The couple resides in Grand Junction, Colo., where Doug is the director of youth ministry at Monument Presbyterian Church. He received his bachelor’s degree in Christian ministry studies from Lindenwood.

Larry Grant (’09) is a corporate security investigator and consultant with Ameren/Securitas in St. Louis, Mo. He received his bachelor’s degree in criminal justice and a master’s in criminal justice administration from Lindenwood. He resides in Florissant, Mo.

Rachel Lamp (’09 & ’10) is currently working as advancement coordinator for the Academy of the Sacred Heart in St. Charles, Mo. She received her bachelor’s degree and M.B.A. from Lindenwood University and resides in Creve Coeur, Mo.

Stephenie Harrison Posey (’09) has been named principal at Belleville East High School. She received her Ed.S. in administration from Lindenwood, and she and her family reside in Fairview Heights, Ill.
Correction:

In the last Connection, we incorrectly listed the following individuals as deceased: Milou “Milly” Fernandez Gay (‘60), Vincent Plescia (‘90), and Captain David Balcom (‘01). We apologize for the errors.

In an effort to keep contact information for our valued alums current, the Alumni Office does periodic checks on alumni addresses. A recent database study indicated that a number of our alumni had passed away and that we had not acknowledged their passing in the Connection. Please be aware that the names listed in the In Memoriam section are of alums who may have passed within recent months or within the past couple of years.

Mary Morton Hillix (‘35)
St. Joseph, Mo.

Jane Marie Hicks Bean (‘47-‘48)
Great Falls, Mont.

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January 13 in San Antonio
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Invitations with additional details will be mailed out to all Texas alumni. For more information, please contact the Lindenwood Alumni Office at 636-949-4420 or alumni@lindenwood.edu.

We hope to see ya’ll there!

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More Than 200 Attend 4th Hall of Fame

President Jim Evans and Athletics Director John Creer greeted honorees at the Lindenwood Athletics Hall of Fame banquet during Homecoming Weekend. At right, Meritorious Service recipient Harlen C. Hunter, after whom the football stadium is named. Below Dr. Hunter is Billy Clark of the Lion football team, who received the student-athlete achievement award. Below Clark are members of the 2004 Lindenwood national champion men’s soccer team. Bottom right is the entire 2010 Hall of Fame Class. Bottom left are members of the 1999-2000 women’s basketball team; middle left are members of the 1977-78 men’s basketball team, and below is Fern Bittner ('57), longtime director of horsemanship for Lindenwood’s equestrian program.
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After some imploring from Alex Bazzell, high school teammate at St. Charles West, Kramer opted to return home after completing his sophomore season at Miami (Ohio) and fulfill his dream of playing for his father. When Kramer broke the news to his parents, Brad cautioned his son to take more time before making a final decision.

“I told him after he said he wanted to leave Miami, I’d be happy to help him find another Division I school,” said Brad, who is in his second year as head coach of Lindenwood University’s men’s basketball team. “But he said, ‘No, if I am going to leave I want to come play at Lindenwood.’”

The Lions are off to a great start with Kramer at point guard. He leads the team in scoring at 18.4 points per game. For Dad, it is the first chance to watch his son play basketball in three years.

“One the greatest things when you have kids is watching them play,” said Brad. “I find myself on the bench being part dad, part coach. I love watching my son play.”

“It’s been a blast,” said Kramer about playing for his father. “I think one of his goals this year is to have as much fun being around the game and being around his son, and for me to have fun being around the game and my dad.”

Brad led Wisconsin-Stevens Point to the 1984 NAIA National Championship game, and having the chance to return to the NAIA national tournament together is something to which both father and son look forward with excitement. But, for the time being, the duo is enjoying the journey.

“It just so happens that everything came full circle,” said Kramer. “We do not know how it happens or why things happen so perfectly like they do, but in this situation it did.”

The early returns show that the Lindenwood men’s basketball team is living up to the preseason hype and could be headed for a March date with the NAIA National Championship Tournament.

In 2009-10, Lindenwood had one of its top seasons in school history under first-year head coach Brad Soderberg. In year two of the Soderberg era, he has brought in a highly touted recruiting class, led by Division I transfers Kramer Soderberg and Alex Bazzell.

The Lions got the season off to a 4-1 start, including a win over the No. 8 team in the NAIA and a narrow loss to the No. 2 ranked team. Soderberg and returning all-conference guard Richard Rose have quickly gelled into a top tandem. The pair was averaging over 30 points and both were shooting over 50 percent from three-point range and 90 percent from the free throw line.

A new energy can be felt around the Lindenwood women’s basketball program this season, thanks to first-year head coach Tony Francis. The former Saint Louis Billiken assistant is looking to turn the clock back a decade to when the Lady Lions were a conference and national power.

The positive energy has helped the team overcome a rash of injuries to start the year and a young roster that includes six freshmen and three sophomores. Lindenwood won three of its first six games and was going to be around the .500 mark when conference play started in early December.

The Brad Soderberg and Tony Francis radio shows originate live from R.T. Weiler’s in downtown St. Charles every Wednesday evening during the basketball season. Tony Francis has his show from 5:30-6 p.m., followed by the Brad Soderberg show from 6-7 p.m. Both shows are hosted by Mike Morgan and can be heard on KCLC, 89.1 FM.

Each week, the two coaches will discuss their teams’ previous games, the upcoming schedule, and other news that is happening with the programs. A new player will also visit each week, and fans will have a chance to win prizes, answer trivia questions, and interact with Lindenwood coaches and players.
Keep the Momentum Going!

I encourage all of you to keep up to date on Lindenwood activities by visiting the LU website at www.lindenwood.edu, by reading the monthly e-mail newsletter, Linden Bark, and our quarterly alumni magazine, the Connection. We invite you to come back to campus to see what we have to offer. From exciting athletic contests to our outstanding theatre and musical productions, there is something for everyone to enjoy.

As we look ahead to the holiday season and the new year, I would also like to encourage our Lindenwood alumni to continue their financial support of the University. Last year we were able to raise the level of alumni giving from nine percent to 13 percent, and this year our goal is to increase that percentage by another five percent. The gifts that we, as alumni, offer to Lindenwood will help to sustain our strong student scholarship program, maintain our quality facilities, add value to our degree programs, and ensure Lindenwood’s stability so that we can continue to provide quality values-centered education for another 183 years.

The members of your Alumni Board and I greatly appreciate all of you who have supported the University through your donations, volunteer time, and participation at campus events. We hope you have a wonderful holiday season and look forward to a new year and new opportunities!

Sincerely,
Janet Lewien ('85, '04, '07)
President
Lindenwood Alumni Association

October’s Alumni Weekend attracted the largest group of attendees we’ve ever had. It was great fun meeting with members of the honored classes and other alumni who attended the many events planned for the weekend. We could not have asked for better weather or a better crowd, and what a great weekend we all had!

A real highlight of the weekend was meeting alums from the class of 1960, who fondly recounted their days at Lindenwood 50 years ago. Members of this special group came from across the country as well as from Japan and Sweden.

Plans for the 2011 Reunion will begin soon, and we will again be working with alumni class representatives to build participation for next year’s festivities.

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Guess Where This Is?

Can you name the location of the object pictured above? If so, please email your answer to alumni@lindenwood.edu. Only Lindenwood alumni are eligible to participate. Five winners will receive a prize from the Lindenwood University Alumni Association.

In last issue’s “Guess Who This Is,” the picture was of Professor Harry Hendren who taught art at Lindenwood from 1950-1975. The winners from the fall 2010 Connection are Cynthia Tyring Weber ('60), Nancy Babb McAdams ('61), Dr. Sandra Broadrick-Allen ('62), Dr. Carlyn Gaye Graves Romeyn ('64), James “Kurt” Ricketts ('74), and Marcia Pohousky Gay ('86 & '94).

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