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## Oh, Another Year has Ended?!



As those of us who like to use hackneyed expressions are fond of saying, I cannot believe another year has gone by. Yes, an educator's year ends in May, and the new year starts in August, which makes us pedagogues seem unfathomable – or worse – in the eyes of normal humans. Are we off for the summer months? That habit was so 20th century. Late May through August 15 is simply “the summer term,” not a part of the “year” but still an academic term in its own right. Around here, that means summer is every bit as exciting and eventful as the “academic year.”

This summer, we are installing the final cables, furniture, and equipment at our new Nursing and Health Sciences Center (The former site of Barat Academy in Dardenne Prairie), which will house our existing and future health-professions programs. The extra 100 parking spaces that are going in will be necessary because St. Charles Community College (SCC) will co-occupy this superb facility. In fact, SCC is moving its entire Nursing Department to the Center, along with several other health-professions programs. Our plan is to provide the junior and senior years of study to those SCC graduates who wish to pursue a bachelor's degree. Needless to say (another trite but comforting expression), both Lindenwood and SCC are delighted and can hardly wait to see the students stream through the front door in August.

In May, St. Charles County's Partners for Progress (PfP) organization let us know it too is very pleased about our collaboration with SCC. PfP presented both schools with the Education Award of the year in recognition of the significance of this unique public/private, two-year/four-year joint higher education venture. This premier relationship is definitely not a trite advancement, my choice of worn phrases notwithstanding.

This summer we will also be finishing preparations for our decennial Higher Learning Commission (a.k.a North Central Association) accreditation review, getting ready for another heady fall sports season in the NCAA, running a very populated and vigorous summer school, hiring the last few new professors for 2013-14, and upgrading and grooming the campuses for your homecoming. Whew!

Before closing this letter, I would be remiss if I did not publicly congratulate two of our most eminent and accomplished alumni: Jane Calvert Rogers ('67) for receiving Lindenwood's Lindy award for achievement in the field of Communications and Cortney Hupper Lenk ('99) for receiving the 2012-13 Alumni Merit Award. Congratulations, ladies! You make us very proud.

I know that statement is overused, but it is true.

Sincerely yours,

James D. Evans, PhD  
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### On The Cover

The ladies of Irwin Hall are pictured during their vocal performance as a part of the 1958 May Weekend festivities. See story on pages 4 and 5.

# University Honors Reynolds at Dedication Ceremony

By Scott Queen

Gene Reynolds is a lifetime educator, but these days he sounds a little like a stockbroker.

Reynolds spent an afternoon at Lindenwood University in late winter doling out his personal investment strategy: invest in Lindenwood.

“The dividends are incredible,” Reynolds said. “If you invest in Lindenwood and its students, it returns dividends for lots and lots of people.”

Those were just a few of Reynolds’ eloquent words on Wednesday, February 20, as Lindenwood University dedicated Reynolds Hall, a 199-bed residence hall near the Lou Brock Sports Complex. Lindenwood’s Board of Directors agreed to name the residence hall after Reynolds following his very generous gift to the university.

“I’ve had a variety of relationships with Lindenwood over the last couple of decades,” said Reynolds, who earned his doctoral degree from SIU-Edwardsville in 1987. “Lindenwood has influenced me so very much. So I have taken some of my assets and made a decision to invest in Lindenwood. The dividends pay off

for young people, and that’s a wonderful legacy.”

After teaching in the Hazelwood School District for many years and serving as an administrator there, Reynolds started teaching as an adjunct professor at Lindenwood in the 1990s. He also coordinated Lindenwood’s teacher education classes in Hazelwood.

Simultaneously, he started ACE Learning Centers, which focuses on empowering students with skills to be productive and responsible members of society, providing a non-traditional approach to unique learning styles.

Reynolds and his wife, Joyce (’78), began hiring Lindenwood graduates to teach at ACE.

“Over half of our teachers are Lindenwood alums,” Reynolds says. “Lindenwood supplies the best teachers we know of.”

ACE has been wildly successful and “we wanted to do something important and give back to the institution that provides so much to our society,” Reynolds said. Reynolds’ speech to a crowd of about 100 people at the dedication ceremony was like a trip down memory lane. He recalled all of his old Lindenwood friends who “invested”



Joyce (’78) and Gene Reynolds pose at the signage in front of Reynolds Hall after the dedication ceremony for the building.

in him over the years—Francis Huss, John Feely, Rick Boyle, Larry Doyle, Dennis Spellmann, and many more.

Reynolds is paying forward their investment.



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Scott Shelmire ’04

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## Donated Dress Spurs Memories of May Day Tradition

A new display installed in the exhibit case adjacent to the cafeteria entrance in the Spellmann Center celebrates May Day or May Weekend, a spring festival that was observed at Lindenwood from 1915 through 1961.

The centerpiece of the display is a gown worn by LU student Lois Luckhardt (Carroll), who was May Queen in 1923. According to Steven Gietschier, PhD, University Curator and Assistant Professor of History, the 90-year-old gown was a gift to the school from Luckhardt's granddaughter. It embodies the grace and elegance that marked this annual highlight of the Lindenwood College social calendar.

While the origins of May Day are debated by scholars, most authorities believe that the celebrations began during pre-Christian times. By the 14th century, May Day was firmly established throughout most of Western Europe, Great Britain, and Ireland. Just as debatable is the meaning behind the celebration. One widely held belief is that day was an annual rite that allowed young maidens to meet potential suitors.

Others believe that the May pole used in the celebrations was a form of worship of trees by Scandinavian and Germanic cultures. Regardless of their beginnings, by the time the tradition reached modern times, most people viewed May Day as a rite to celebrate the beginning of spring.

The earliest known May Day celebration at Lindenwood was in 1915. The College embraced many of the traditions at eastern women's schools, and May Weekend was

one such tradition. Lindenwood observed the tradition by designating the first weekend in May not only as May Weekend, but as parents weekend.

Over the years, the celebration grew into a cultural event for the entire community. By the late 1950s, May Weekend began to fall out of fashion; in 1961 it ended, save for an unsuccessful attempt, a decade later, to revive the tradition.

The cover photo was taken in 1958 at the Irwin Hall song-fest by an alumni parent.

The May Queen in 1958 was Joan Broeckelmann, and the Maid of Honor was Diane Floyd (Goldtrap, '59). Senior attendants were Carol Gardner (Transou, '58) and Heather Armour (Hellmich, '58). Junior attendants were Julie Orr (Van Woert, '59) and Verna Lou Lloyd (Wood, '61) and sophomore attendants were Mary Fletcher Cox (Branch, '60) and Joan Meyer (Wolfe, '60). Freshman attendants were Cynthia Richards and Claire Schlosberg (Woodcock, '61).

Margi Bassnett (Burton, '61), an Irwin Hall resident, was asked for her memories of the 1958 celebration and she writes:

"I remember singing 'Sleepy Time Down South' and 'Stars Fell on Alabama' that weekend. Sally Miller (Perdue, '60) led the ladies of Irwin Hall in singing some beautiful southern songs, even though Missouri was probably as far south as many of them had ever been.

"Being from England, my father adored all that 'ceremony.' I loved making the floppy hat we were required to wear, since I was an art major at that particular moment

The May Queen in 1958 was Joan Broeckelmann and the ceremony was held on the lawn in front of Sibley Hall where students in formal dress lined the May Court procession route to the stage.

in time. Mine was a work of art but fell apart before the ceremony was over.

"The freshmen, all in formal dress, lined the path from Sibley Hall down to the stage where the most beautiful among us were crowned queens and princesses and what have you. Either my dress was too tight, the oppressive Missouri heat got to me, or I was just incredibly excited about the whole thing. I started to pass out as the royalty progressed along the path and had to sit down on an adjacent chair, unceremoniously drop my head between my legs and breathe deeply.

"By my senior year, the celebration had become a relic of a previous era. We took no chances on the weather and staged the May Weekend coronation in the Lindenwood College Chapel. As Senior Class President, I was the announcer who described the girls, the dresses and the



May Weekend was also parents weekend at what was then Lindenwood College. The event drew proud families as well as administrators, faculty and staff. Pictured above are (from the left) Mrs. and Dr. Franc McCluer, President of Lindenwood, Kayte Fellebaum Hueser ('60), and Mary Lichliter, Dean of Students.

escorts who assisted the 'ladies' down the center aisle in mock wedding fashion. It is serendipitous that one of the escorts from Rolla became my husband two years later, and we will celebrate 50 years of marriage this May.

"To this day, I judge the advent of summer in Missouri by the leaves on the trees on the first weekend in May. People will say that summer is early or summer is late and I will always think, and often say that I



(from left) Erica Blum, Assistant Professor of Interactive Media and Web Design (IMWD), and Steve Gietschier, University Curator, pose by a May Day display in the Spellmann Campus Center created with the help of IMWD students Nick Hogue, Kat Hays, Emily Hubberman, and Cruise Bogedin.

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remember worrying that the leaves would not be out on the trees at Lindenwood for May Weekend and every year they would fully pop out the week before and everything would be beautiful. It is funny, the unimportant memories that stick with you for the rest of your life.”

Kay Dunham Wilkinson ('60) remembers that Ellie Mansfield (Gawdat, '60) was the May Queen in her senior year and that when she was a freshman she nearly froze to death in her formal while lining the path for the court from Sibley Hall to a platform

in front of Irwin Hall. She said that a dance was held on the parking lot behind the Memorial Arts Building her junior year and that her date stayed in the Quonset huts that were located on back campus.

Kayte Fellabaum Hueser ('60) says that although she was a resident of Irwin when the cover photo was taken, she does not remember the horrible hats. The photo (on page 4) of her with President McCluer, his wife, and Mary Lichliter indicates that she ditched her hat as soon as she could. Other Irwin residents recall paying their friends to

make their millinery creations.

In the final May Court in 1961, Terrill Ross (Meyer, '61) was the May Queen and Mary Margaret Warnecke (Hull, '62) was the special maid. Senior attendants were Mary Lou Reilly (Garbe, '61) and Linda Suellen Markuly (Markuly-Silvasy, '61), and junior attendants were Catherine Crebs (Ferrell, '66) and Imelda Harra (Farmer, '62). Sophomore attendants were Barbara Mogg and Melba Lee Counts and freshman attendants were Barbara Sue Widman (Badgett, '65) and Jeanine Schmidt.

Many of the Lindenwood students of that late 50s and early 60s with whom we spoke recall May Weekend as a special occasion that attracted parents and townspeople alike.

We are interested to hear what you thought about May Weekend. Please contact Alumni Director Elizabeth King at [eking@lindenwood.edu](mailto:eking@lindenwood.edu) to share your memories and photos.

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Following their vocal performance on the steps of Irwin Hall, the residents in their festive hats lined the walk to the main drive for photos.



## Professor Joe Cernik Carves out a Niche in LU, Politics, Baseball

By Chris Duggan

A person need only speak to Joe Cernik, Chair of the Political Science Department, for a couple of seconds before his hard-bitten accent gives away that he is from the Northeast. Nonetheless, his bright red Cardinal jacket proudly displays his love for St. Louis' favorite sports team. Additionally, his office is filled with colorful red and white memorabilia from the team as well as other items that pertain to his love of politics.

Those who have not seen him on campus or taken his classes during his 23 years at Lindenwood may know him from his regular appearances on the KTVI and KPLR news shows as a political analyst, which he has been doing dozens of times a year since 2002.

"I've always liked politics," he said.

Cernik has a master's and a PhD in politics, both from NYU, and in the mid-1970s, he worked as a paralegal on the AT&T antitrust case.

"I helped lawyers out by reading a lot of notices and background information on whether or not AT&T was a monopoly," he said.

After a stint as editor of a newsletter called *Local Taxation*, published by the Henry George School in New York, he started his teaching career. First, he spent 11 years teaching at the University of South Florida and St. Leo University, which is also in Florida. He has won two



Joe Cernik, chair of Lindenwood's Political Science Department, in his Butler Hall office

fellowships, one from the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation and one from the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command, for which he spent a summer in the mid-1980s studying military history at West Point. He came to the St. Louis area with his wife Chris, who died five years ago.

"She was from here," Cernik said. "We had to decide whether she was going to move to Florida or I was going to move

here, and we decided to come here."

Cernik joined the faculty at Lindenwood in 1990, after which he earned an MBA from the school. Since that time, he has carved out quite a niche for himself in the University and the community. He was a consultant for the St. Charles County Home Rule Commission in the early 1990s, and he has two regular shows on LUTV: *Insight* is a discussion of political books, and *Books and Strikes* is, as he describes it, "all things baseball." He won a Lindy Award from the School of Communications for *Insight* in 2006 and another this year for a show on Negro League baseball.

He is also the recipient of a Governor's Excellence in Teaching Award, an Emerson Electric Excellence in Teaching Award, and an LSGA Teacher of the Year Award. He is clearly proud of his students, over 60 percent of which have gone on to graduate school and/or law school.

"I think that is a reflection of the quality of student Lindenwood is attracting," Cernik said.

Currently, his department has grown to about 50 political science majors, which he said is a marked change from his early days.

"When I started, classes were so small I could teach them in my office," he said.

Today, that would be much more difficult, especially with all that memorabilia.

Cernik is interviewed by reporters during a visit to campus by the C-SPAN Bus in 2007.





An agreement-signing ceremony included dignitaries from Lindenwood, St. Charles Community College and the county, including (from left) County Economic Development Council CEO Greg Prestemon, LU Board Chairman Jim J. Shoemake, LU President James D. Evans, SCC President Ron Chesbrough, and SCC Board Chairman Ryan Robertson. (pictured at right), Pens commemorating the date of the historic agreement were used for the signing.

## School of Nursing Introduces Dean, New Building

Lindenwood University's new School of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences is preparing to begin operations this fall at a 69,000-square-foot building in Dardenne Prairie.

University officials celebrated with a dedication ceremony in late March, introducing Dean Peggy Ellis, who has worked in nursing education for more than 35 years at all program levels, including associate, bachelor's, master's, and doctorate.

At the ceremony, Lindenwood President James D. Evans, along with St. Charles County Community College President Ron Chesbrough, signed a lease agreement that brings the community college's nursing program under the same roof as Lindenwood's. SCC is constructing a state-of-the-art simulation lab and virtual hospital at the site, and the two schools are collaborating on curriculum and the transition of two-year students into a four-year program.

"Lindenwood's mission of concern for the worth and integrity of the individual, along with its reputation for innovation, makes it a great environment for educating nurses," Ellis said. "Nationally, we need nurses who can provide high quality healthcare with concern for the worth and value of the individual patient."

Lindenwood will offer coursework for students who already have obtained a two-year associate degree at a community college. The program is intended to address an increasing requirement among many hospitals that nurses have four-year nursing degrees.

"The goal is for all nursing to have their BSNs by 2020, or at a minimum, 80 percent of the workforce," said Mary Frey, vice president of nursing at SSM St. Joseph Health Center in St. Charles.

Lindenwood has a history of nursing education and many nursing alumni. Lindenwood first graduated a nurse's aid in 1945 and began developing partnerships with area hospitals in the 1950s.



LU Board Chairman Jim J. Shoemake

Peggy Ellis, (left) Dean of the LU School of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences, and LU President James D. Evans chat with Jan Radcliff ('83), an alumna of an earlier LU nursing program and director of nursing at NHC Healthcare, St. Charles.



# Gazebo Revitalized on Campus; Dedication Scheduled for Alumni Picnic



The old gazebo was used for events like Christmas walk (above). The structure's design follows the original 1980s concept. A dedication is scheduled for noon on June 1 during the Alumni Picnic.

In the mid-1980s, students and alumni from the classes of that era raised funds to construct a gazebo on the Heritage Campus of Lindenwood College. An architect was commissioned, blueprints were drawn up, and some money was raised. The project was started, but not fully completed, resulting in a white wooden structure in front of Irwin Hall—until recently.

This fall and winter, a new brick gazebo was constructed in its place according to the original plans. It started last summer with an idea from Jack Beckerle ('00), Chair of the Fire and Paramedic Science Department and Associate Professor in the School of Human Services. Beckerle thought it would be a good idea to spruce up the structure with some fresh paint and maybe some plantings.

"I was going to get some students together and freshen up the gazebo as a project, but when we went to determine what we needed, we found that it was going to take more than paint to make a difference," said Beckerle.

A few weeks later, Lindenwood Archivist Paul Huffman ('06) came across the original blueprints for the gazebo, at which point Lois Evans ('77, '85, & '97) became involved in the project. The wife of President James Evans was extremely supportive of the idea of rebuilding the gazebo.

"With Lois' help, we were able to get some University funding, and we are reaching out to our alums who might be interested in supporting this project," said Elizabeth King ('00, '01), Director of Alumni Relations. "We removed the old wooden structure and built the gazebo to the specifications intended by the students who originally designed the project. The

beautiful new structure honors our alumni and the thousands of students who became alumni on the St. Charles campus of Lindenwood University."

For nearly 30 years, even partially completed, the old gazebo became "the meeting place" on campus. Students used the gazebo as the place to gather and study. It was a stage for one-act plays, a platform for student bands, and the focal point of the day all students looked forward to—graduation. Tens of thousands of Lindenwood students became Lindenwood alums as they walked across the gazebo platform, accepted their diplomas, and moved their tassels from one side of their

caps to the other.

With the support of all alumni, a new brick gazebo now stands completed, the culmination of the original vision of the students of the 1980s, using those original blueprints. The new structure commemorates and honors Lindenwood's history and heritage and those who have helped build Lindenwood—the alumni. The structure will be dedicated at the annual Alumni Picnic on Saturday, June 1, 2013, at noon.

## New Photo Alumni ID Cards to Replace Current Ones

All Lindenwood alumni will have the opportunity to receive a new photo Alumni ID card that will make taking advantage of on-campus benefits easier. The plastic cards will be equipped with a bar code and will be available June 1 at the annual Alumni Picnic and through the Alumni Relations Office after June 3, 2013.

The new cards will replace the current paper alumni cards, which have a thin plastic backing. As card scanning systems become incorporated into more areas and services on campus, the new alumni ID cards will be used in those areas. It is a goal of the Alumni Relations Office to get a better idea of the services alumni are using on campus.

### How to obtain a new card

Alumni can walk in to the Office of Alumni Relations with a request for a new ID. Your photo and information will be taken, input into the system, and sent off to a processing center, which will generate the cards, which will be mailed upon completion.

Alumni can call in or email card requests as well. With a call or email request, the Alumni Relations Office will do the data input and the alum will email a photo of his or her face to the office. Should an alum lack the ability to email a photo, a hard copy photo can be sent by U.S. mail. All photos will be returned.

The ID cards will contain a photo, first and last name, year of graduation, and a bar code.

For more information about the alumni ID cards or to request one, please contact [alumni@lindenwood.edu](mailto:alumni@lindenwood.edu) or (636) 949-4420 after June 1, 2013.



# Annual Alumni Picnic and Inaugural Car Show

The annual Alumni Picnic is just around the corner! Last year, alumni, family, and friends enjoyed a day on the heritage campus. We hope you join us this year for food, friends, and fun.

Enjoy a barbecue lunch, games for the kids and a stroll among the historic cars on campus for the inaugural Saint Charles Alumni Club Car Show.

**Saturday, June 1, 2013**

**Picnic—11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

- Lunch—11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- Alumni Gazebo Dedication—noon
- Bring your blankets and lawn chairs to sit under the trees and listen to Powell Street Jazz starting at 12:15 p.m.



**Car Show – 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

- Registration—9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- Awards—2:30 p.m.

**Pre-registration**

\$5 for adults  
\$3 for children 5 to 12  
(children under 5 are free)

**Walk-up Registration**

\$7 for adults  
\$5 for children 5 to 12  
(children under 5 are free)

Traditional games like the three-legged race are a popular attraction for picnic-goers of all ages.

Sarah Green ('06) (standing left) and Angie Keys (standing right) attended in 2012 with their families, including Margaret Keyes ('72), seated third from left.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Alumni Relations at (636) 949-4420 or [alumni@lindenwood.edu](mailto:alumni@lindenwood.edu).

Want to show your car? Contact Alumni Relations, [alumni@lindenwood.edu](mailto:alumni@lindenwood.edu); entry is \$30 per car and includes lunch for two.

## HAVE NO FEAR, THE LIONS ARE HERE! Save the Date for Homecoming and Reunion 2013! October 18-19, 2013

Homecoming and Reunion 2013 is just around the corner. Make your plans now to attend! Reconnect with your classmates and beloved professors, see what's new on campus, and feel the Lion Pride.

This year, the class of 1963 will be celebrating its 50-year class reunion. The class has a Facebook page, Lindenwood College, Class of 1963. "Like" the page to get updates on the 50-year reunion.

Here are just a few of the exciting events you can look forward to:

**Friday, October 18, 2013**

- Alumni and Parent Registration
- Alumni and Parent Reception
- Get Your NEW Alumni Photo ID
- Historic Campus Bus Tours
- Dorm Tours
- History of Lindenwood Lecture
- Nursing School Presentation

- Pep Rally
- Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner

**Saturday, October 19, 2013**

- Race to be King 5K Run and Walk to benefit Wounded Warriors
- Breakfast with the President
- Alumni Association Meeting
- Parade
- Estate Planning Seminar
- Kids Den
- Barbecue Luncheon and Tailgate
- Football Game—Lions vs. Emporia
- Beginning Yoga and Meditation Class
- Boot Camp Class
- Music in the Quad

There will be something for alumni of all ages. Visit [www.lindenwood.edu/homecoming](http://www.lindenwood.edu/homecoming) for the latest events, travel information, and contact numbers.





Kate Frisina-White ('06) (left) and Judi Diamond are the focus of the Nickelodeon series *Mom Friends Forever*, which airs weeknights at 10 p.m., central time, on Nick Jr.

## Kate Frisina-White Says TV Show has Made Family Closer

By Chris Duggan

If you've wondered what it must be like to be the star of a reality TV show, to live your life in front of a camera lens, Kate Frisina-White ('06) could tell you. White, who got her master's in teaching from LU, is one half of the title duo in Nickelodeon's show, *Mom Friends Forever*, which airs on Nick Jr. at 10 p.m., central time, on weeknights.

The show follows White, who lives in Creve Coeur, Mo., and friend Judi Diamond and their families. White, originally from Taylorville, Ill., lived in Los Angeles for 20 years, where she worked as an actress in commercials and sitcoms.

"They liked my Midwestern look," she said. "It was different."

White's undergraduate degree is a BA in theatre from the Goodman School of Drama at DePaul University. She said she and her husband, Jack, moved back to the Midwest in 2004 to be closer to her family. They have two kids: Max, who is 18 (and is slated to attend Lindenwood in the fall), and Duke, who is 14.

She met Diamond, who is a producer and on-air talent for the Cornbread Show on WIL-FM radio, in 2007 at a talent agency that both of them used. The two of them hit it off, finding they shared the same sense of humor and had kids the same age. In 2008, they decided to launch a video blog called

*Lipstick and Laundry*, geared toward moms.

"It became pretty popular," White said. "We thought, 'Why not take it to the next level?'"

About three years after starting the vlog, they contacted a local production company called Cool Fire Originals, though they were not sure what kind of show they wanted to do. The people at Cool Fire suggested it might make a good reality show, and they produced demo, what is known in the business as a "sizzle reel." Nickelodeon was interested.

"They were starting a block of programming called NickMom on Nick Jr., designed for moms who still had the TV on after the kids had gone to bed," White said. "It was perfect."

Nickelodeon originally bought 20 episodes of the show and later added another six, which equates to two years of episodes. It started airing in October 2012. The show is more documentary than reality show; they call it a "docuseries." White admits it took some convincing to get her kids and her husband on board with being on the show, but they have come around. One episode, in fact, included a college visit with Max to Lindenwood.

The biggest surprise, White said, is the effect it has had on her family.

"It has forced us to sit down and talk to each other," she said. "We just happen to do it on camera. I didn't expect it to enhance

our relationship in that way."

Currently, White and Diamond are waiting to hear if Nickelodeon will order a third season of the show. Regardless, White said she and Diamond will continue to do what they are doing, with the video blog if need be.

"It makes us feel good as women," White said, "and it helps me to be a better wife and mother. I love the opportunity to get other people's opinions about things. We will never stop doing that."

Frisina-White (left) and son Max (red shirt) filmed a segment of the show last summer during a college visit with the Day Admissions Office. Max is slated to attend in the fall.



# 99-Year-Old Alum Reflects on Life for Student Interviewers

By Cora Bauer and  
Andrea Lorena Lozano

Can you imagine a time when Lindenwood was an all-girls college? Where there was no visitation and you had to sign out when leaving campus? What about doing homework without Google? While this described campus culture during the 1930s, transcendental events were going on outside of the classroom such as the Great Depression and the creation of HP (Hewlett-Packard). As proud Lindenwood students, we wanted to be part of our school legacy and took advantage of the opportunity to interview Marietta Hansen, a Lindenwood graduate from the class of 1934.

Even though this assignment started only as an honors project for Professor Behrman's Intercultural Communication class, it turned out to be more than just an interview or a requirement. We came back from Brentwood's retirement home in downtown St. Louis with our expectations blown away and a strong sense of pride for LU that many students don't appreciate. Overall, many students today complain about visitation rules, the food, and the lack of things to do in St. Charles. However, after interviewing 99-year-old Marietta, we have seen the progress that LU has made over the years and the change in culture as well.

Back in the days when Dr. John Roemer was president, Hansen said, his wife prohibited campus residents from entering automobiles. Not even taxis were allowed on campus. In addition, Marietta and her friends looked forward to Saturdays where they would walk to town and enjoy the famous "West End's" hamburgers with mayo. Even in the 1930s the students complained about the cafeteria food, about which Marietta happily explained, "you weren't one of the gang unless you complained." Yet, they anticipated Sunday brunch, which consisted of raisin bread and seven canned cherries—counted. Almost 80 years later, we know the two of us look forward to Saturday brunch for omelets; at least we don't have to count our ingredients and can come back for more.

Marietta loved her time here at Lindenwood and is very grateful that her parents were able to send her here to pursue her passion for writing as a journalism major while the country was suffering the impact of the Great Depression. Marietta's Lindenwood education cost \$750 a year, including room and board without the extra help of work and learn that nearly every student benefits from today. As an active leader of many clubs around campus,



Marietta Hansen ('34) with student interviewer Andrea Lorena Lozano. Lozano and fellow student Cora Bauer interviewed Hansen about life at Lindenwood in the 1930s.

Mrs. Hansen's effort was recognized and rewarded with Lindenwood's "\$500 Fellowship Scholarship," which covered all of her graduate study costs at the University of Chicago.

It was a difficult transition for her at first to go to such a big grad school, because she enjoyed the small and familiar campus culture of Lindenwood. Here, she could walk to class and greet all of her friends and classmates. Although today campus is much more diverse with nearly 1,000 international students and 47 different sports, LU students can still relate to the small, yet varied campus culture.

After fulfilling her studies, Marietta started with a wage of \$14.40 a week as a proofreader in Chicago. Eventually, as she moved up in her career, she ended up reaching her goal of earning \$25 a week. When she took a job back in St. Louis as a secretary of a Unitarian church, she met the love of her life. Like every proud mother, Marietta's mother-in-law showed empathy when she expressed, "You have a very good looking son." Her mother-in-law responded, "Ms. Hansen, he's just as good on the inside." Shortly after marrying, she retired with her dream salary and now she is proud of her granddaughter who continues her legacy as the editor of *Elle* fashion magazine in New York City. Her

granddaughter, along with her other family members, will be coming in from the East Coast and other parts of the country to celebrate her 100th birthday on May 30, 2013.

We are inspired by the fact that Marietta has been all over the world, from the Caribbean to South America and all the way up to Europe. We are a Spanish/international business (double) major and a non profit administration major. Therefore, we aspire to travel the world, meet new people, and pursue our dreams, which she commended as "ambitious and memorable." As she talked and shared her experiences with us we were further inspired to follow our dreams and reach our goals in life.

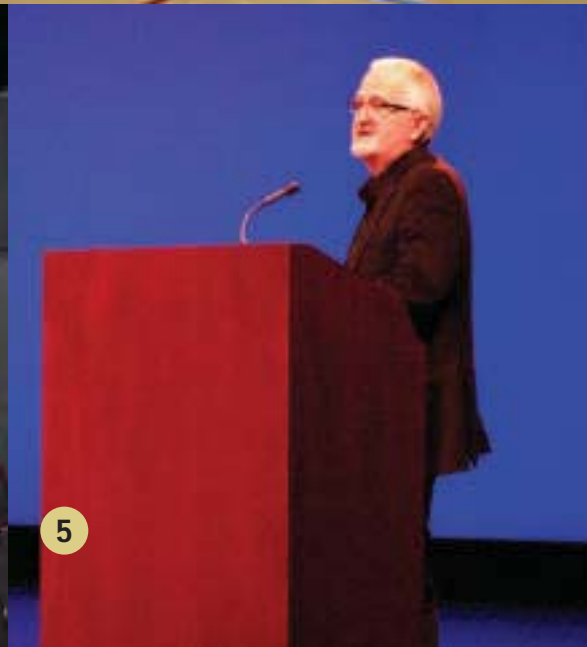
Marietta loved her years at Lindenwood, reached her goals in life, and continues celebrating her happiness with her family and friends. Many people believe that the college years are the best ones in life, but don't forget that we, like Marietta, are capable of accomplishing so much in life by living it to the fullest. Like Abraham Lincoln says, "it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years."



## Sibley Day 2013

Sibley Day 2013 included an array of lectures, performances, events, and activities for the campus community.

1. The Art Department supervised a t-shirt structure on the quad adjacent to the pavilion, creating art with fabrics and the surrounding environment.
2. Faculty members (clockwise from left) Alexander Balogh, Stephen Sherblom, Robert Talbott, Michael Stein, and Heather Brown Hudson performed as the folk band Central Tendency in Sibley Chapel.
3. A game of "sit volleyball" was organized in the Evans Commons by the Health and Physical Sciences Department.
4. Fomer Negro League ballplayers Sam Taylor (left) and George Altman spoke on their experiences in baseball at a popular event in Jelkyl Theater.
5. Anti-hunger innovator and author Robert Egger delivered the Sibley Day keynote address, "Rocking Life and Making Change: Championing Innovation for the Greater Good," in the Bezemes Family Theater.



# Belleville Communications Center Features New Studios, Radio Home

Lindenwood University-Belleville is celebrating the opening of a new \$2 million communications center. The facility already is paying dividends by attracting new students.

The communications center opened following the Illinois Board of Higher Education approval of new communication degrees in advertising, public relations, corporate communications, interactive media and web design, and mass communications with an emphasis in sports information. Jerry Bladdick, Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer for LU-Belleville, said the communications center houses the LU-Belleville radio station, television station and studios, classrooms, and offices.

“It is one of the crown jewels in the academic tree at Lindenwood-Belleville,” Bladdick said. “While we strive to make a name and a place for our students, we are so very fortunate to have the model created for us in St. Charles and the assistance we receive from that campus.”

Mike Wall, Dean of Communications in St. Charles and architect of a cutting edge communications program, has been instrumental in designing the LU-Belleville communications center. He said that while the radio station is now only streaming on the World Wide Web, the Belleville campus is actively seeking an opportunity to move to a live broadcast radio station to create even more opportunities for students. In addition, LU-Belleville is working on creating a partnership that would lead to a 24/7 television station on campus.

Wall said the 6,700-square-foot communications center has two radio production studios and a large video production studio. He said a new video



Lindenwood University-Belleville's new communications center includes a television studio with the latest high-definition equipment.

editing lab also serves as a classroom. There are two additional high-tech classrooms, as well as a video checkout office for students to obtain equipment for use in projects and assignments. The communications center is situated in the back of the administration building.

LU-Belleville Dean of Academics Keith

Russell said Wall “has been a great asset” and continues to provide leadership and guidance for the budding communications center. He said Wall and the Lindenwood-St. Charles video production team have assisted with live video streaming of football games and other campus activities and events.

## New Residence Hall Under Way in Belleville

The Lindenwood University Board of Directors approved in March the construction of a \$4 million dollar residence hall for the Lindenwood University-Belleville campus. The 25,000-square-foot project is expected to be completed during fall 2013.

“Lindenwood is pleased beyond words that our Board of Directors has approved the construction of a new residence hall at our Belleville campus,” said James D. Evans, PhD, President of the University. “It will be a beautiful addition to the city, and it will help us accommodate the continuing demand of a full-service residential college experience at the campus.”

The building will be located near the school's existing U.S. Senator Alan J. Dixon Student Center, which was

constructed in 2011. The traditional dorm will accommodate up to 180 residents and will house female students only.

“It's a very accessible location where students can get to class, computer labs, and the dining hall,” said Jerry Bladdick, Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer. “This is a major step in helping us achieve our goal of 1,200 residents and a total of 2,000 students on campus.”

Bladdick said the new residence hall will make Lindenwood-Belleville the only university in the Metro East that offers four different housing options for students. The school already offers apartment-style housing, family-style housing in several homes purchased by the school, and resort-style lodging in a nearby former hotel.

Lindenwood-Belleville's growth

and ongoing campus expansion is enthusiastically supported by the surrounding community. Mayor Mark Eckert said city leaders were thrilled with the school's plan to add a new dormitory.

“The city of Belleville is extremely excited about the continued growth at Lindenwood-Belleville. This dorm marks a significant step in that growth, and we are excited to be working with Lindenwood to make it a reality.”

Naming opportunities are available for the project. For more information, contact Mary Radcliff, Assistant Vice President and Director of Community Relations, LU-Belleville, at [mradcliff@lindenwood.edu](mailto:mradcliff@lindenwood.edu) or 618-239-6031.

# Opportunities for Charitable Giving Still Exist Under New Tax Law

By Donna Baber JD  
Director of Planned Giving

For 2013, most people will not see significant tax increases under the new American Taxpayer Relief Act ("ATRA"). However, those earning more than \$400,000 (\$450,000 if married) will be subject to a new maximum tax rate of 39.6 percent. For these persons, charitable deductions may actually become more valuable in reducing their tax liability. Although the Act contains an itemized deduction phase-out for those with more than \$250,000 of adjusted gross income (\$300,000 if married), as a general rule, only very high income taxpayers and residents of states with no income tax will have their charitable deductions affected. Therefore, for most people, charitable gifts would still have tax advantages, and we ask that you consider a gift to Lindenwood!

## Avoid Capital Gains By Donating Securities to Lindenwood

Certain persons will also see an increase in capital gains taxes in 2013. Those with income of more than \$200,000 (\$250,000 if married) will pay an additional 3.8% tax on capital gains under the Affordable Care Act of 2010. In addition, under ATRA, those with taxable income of more than \$400,000

(\$450,000 if married) will have their capital gains tax increased to 20 percent, making their total capital gains rate 23.8 percent.

One way to avoid the higher capital gains tax is to donate certain types of securities or real estate that you have held for over a year and that have increased in value to Lindenwood. You would receive a charitable deduction for the fair market value of the property, and no capital gains tax would be due on the appreciation in value. Please note that certain types of property would not qualify and limitations apply. In addition, you may be able to contribute property that has increased in value to a charitable remainder trust and receive income in return. Due to the fact that the trust is exempt from income tax, no capital gains tax will be due when the property is sold.

## IRA Charitable Rollover Extended

ATRA also allows donors age 70 ½ or older to make a qualified charitable distribution of up to \$100,000 directly from an IRA to a charity. A qualified charitable distribution is not added to the donor's income for tax purposes, which is particularly beneficial for those receiving social security and for those who do not itemize deductions. Due to the fact that

there is no charitable deduction related to this gift, there is an advantage for donors subject to the charitable gift percentage limitations and donors for whom the itemized deduction phase-out may apply. The IRA Charitable Rollover will expire at the end of 2013, unless extended by Congress. If you are interested in making a qualified charitable distribution, please contact us for assistance.

It is possible that Congress may make changes to the laws relating to charitable giving when it addresses automatic spending cuts and other budget issues. Please contact your tax advisor for more information. I can be reached at (636) 949-4532 or dbaber@lindenwood.edu. Please visit [lugift.org](http://lugift.org) for interactive tools to assist you in exploring various ways to leave a lasting legacy. We thank you for your support!

Donna Baber, JD is director of planned giving at Lindenwood University.

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## A Gift Annuity Gives You Fixed Payments for Life



Secure your future while helping Lindenwood with a charitable gift annuity! When you transfer cash or marketable securities to us, you will receive fixed payments for your lifetime, while also receiving an income tax deduction for a part of the property transferred. In addition, the payments you receive may be partially tax-free. On your death, the remaining balance will pass to Lindenwood, to be used as you direct.

### Sample One-Life Gift Annuity Rates:

| Age | Rate |
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| 70  | 5.1% |
| 75  | 5.8% |
| 80  | 6.8% |
| 85  | 7.8% |
| 90  | 9.0% |

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# New Endowment Supports the Arts in Many Ways



Since its opening in 2008, more than 100,000 audience members have visited the Scheidegger Center, making it a true entertainment and cultural destination for the region.

This year, the University has launched the Lindenwood Arts Endowment to further enhance and expand the arts on campus in a number of ways. Recently, the Lindenwood Board of Directors committed \$2 million to establish the endowment, and a campaign to raise an additional \$1 million is underway.

With this additional support, Snider said the University hopes to accomplish the following:

- Offer expanded programming at the Scheidegger Center for a truly regional audience.
- Expand current academic arts programs.
- Fund scholarships for students with artistic and academic merit.
- Establish artist in residence programs.
- Provide access to theatrical resources for nonprofit groups.

“One of the most important measures of any society is the quality and abundance of its artistic endeavors,” Snider said. “Over time, a community that invests in the arts is a community whose diverse resources support progress and ensure a rich and secure future.”

A number of gift levels are available. For more information about the Lindenwood Arts Endowment, contact Joe Alsobrook, Dean of the Lindenwood University School of Fine and Performing Arts, at [jalsobrook@lindenwood.edu](mailto:jalsobrook@lindenwood.edu) or (636) 949-4164 or Susan Mangels, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, at [smangels@lindenwood.edu](mailto:smangels@lindenwood.edu) or (636) 949-4939.

The 2012-13 season at the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts has been truly historic and memorable in many ways. It was a season of living legends, like Kenny Rogers, Neil Sedaka, Bobby Vinton, Pat Boone, Debby Reynolds, Sha Na Na, and



Mary Wilson, many of which drew capacity crowds. It was also a season of memorable student performances with an array of music and dance concerts, art exhibits, fashion shows, and theatrical productions like *Guys and Dolls*, *A View from the Bridge*, and *The Importance of Being Earnest*.

Plans for 2013-14 have been coming together with the Theatre Department season already in place (see schedule on this page) and another great season of professional shows and performers, including Franky Avalon, Lynn Anderson, the Haifa symphony Orchestra of Israel, and the return of the Russian National Ballet and much more. Watch [www.lindenwood.edu/center](http://www.lindenwood.edu/center) for details and further announcements.

Chad Snider, box office manager and marketing director for the Scheidegger Center, said the University contributes many free performances throughout the year, including concert series showcasing Lindenwood’s concert band, symphony, jazz band, and vocal groups, such as the acclaimed acapella group Voices Only. Students in these programs have distinguished themselves professionally, landing jobs in all facets of the industry.

## Lindenwood Theatre Department Announces 2013-14 Season

*Noises Off*  
Bezemes Family Theatre  
October 3, 4, and 5

*The Last Five Years*  
Emerson Black Box Theatre  
October 25, 26, 31, and  
November 1 and 2

*A Christmas Carol*  
Bezemes Family Theatre  
December 5, 6, and 7

*Into the Woods*  
Bezemes Family Theatre  
March 6, 7, and 8

*Anna Karenina*  
Emerson Black Box Theatre  
April 10, 11, 16, 17, and 18

## Lenk Receives 2013 Alumni Merit Award for Service

Cortney Hupper Lenk ('99) is the recipient of the 2013 Alumni Merit Award for Service to Lindenwood, which will be bestowed at the Undergraduate Commencement ceremonies on May 18. The Alumni Association's Merit Award Committee, chaired by Judy Forstmann Brown ('67), presented the nomination to the Alumni Board at its February meeting, where it was unanimously endorsed.

"Cortney Lenk is a valued past president of the Lindenwood Alumni Association and works tirelessly to support her alma mater in the community," said Alumni Association President Jan Lewien ('85, '04, '07).

As the Alumni Association President from October of 2005 to October of 2009 Lenk represented the tens of thousands of Lindenwood alumni around the world.

"I am honored and humbled to receive the Alumni Merit Award for Service to Lindenwood," said Lenk. "I am devoted to my alma mater and want to continue my involvement in alumni affairs in the years to come."

A real "Lindenwood for Life" story, Lenk joined the Lindenwood Alumni Association Board of Directors in October of 2002—not long after her graduation in 1999. She received a Bachelor of Arts in human resource management with a minor in business administration. She graduated Summa Cum Laude with a 4.0 grad point average.

"It was important to me to become involved in alumni activities soon after



Cortney Hupper Lenk in 2006 with Lindenwood President Dennis Spellmann at the construction site for the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts when Hupper Lenk was President of the Alumni Association

I graduated, because I wanted to start giving back to the school that had given me so much," she said. "I have met many incredible people through my alumni participation, and I am happy that I started developing those relationships so soon after graduation."

During the two terms Lenk served as President of the Alumni Association, she led the group through several historic changes at Lindenwood. Her presidency began during the Dennis Spellmann administration, when she represented the alumni voice with the president as well as at Alumni Association meetings and functions and in her role as the alumni

representative on the University's Board of Directors.

"I cherish my years at Lindenwood—not only because of the excellent education I received, but for the friendships, opportunities, and experiences that were afforded me," Lenk said. "The greatest lesson I learned at Lindenwood was always remember your roots but dream big as you look ahead. I learned that from then President Dennis Spellmann, who always stressed the importance of Lindenwood's history as he worked tirelessly to expand and improve the University for its future.

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## Calvert Rogers Selected as Communications Alumna of the Year

Lindenwood University Alumna Jane Calvert Rogers ('67) received the 2013 Communications Alumna of the Year Award on March 21 at the School of Communications' annual Lindy Awards ceremony. She received her Lindy because of her impressive accomplishments in the field of market research and business-to-business publishing and advertising.

Calvert Rogers was among a select group of top communicators honored at the eighth annual Lindys, recognizing contributions in video production, writing and editing, and acting.

"The Lindys are akin to Lindenwood's version of the Emmy Awards," said Peter Carlos, LUTV station manager and associate professor of communications. "The show is produced entirely by students, with awards ranging from on-air talent to technical lighting and everything in between."

Calvert Rogers, from Medfield, Mass., is president of Preston/Rogers Associates, Inc. She received her Lindy because of her

impressive accomplishments in the field of market research, study of editorial quality, publishing, and business-to-business publishing and advertising. Her current client list includes many of the major publishing companies and corporations across the U.S.

"Jane Rogers is a polished veteran who has been a big supporter of the School of Communications and LUTV over the years," Carlos said. "She is a wonderful person who truly cares about our students, and she spreads the good word about Lindenwood wherever she goes."

A member of the board of directors since 1996, Calvert Rogers serves on the executive committee, the board development committee, and the mission and purpose committee. She also chairs the strategic planning committee.

In her remarks to students, Calvert Rogers talked about how things had dramatically changed in the communications field during her career, but stressed that some key elements have



Vice President Jann Weitzel and Jane Calvert Rogers ('67)

remained the same and continue to motivate her.

"The excitement and creativity is still there, and that makes me want to get up in the morning and provide my clients with new ideas and solutions to their problems," she said. "I am thankful every day for the solid liberal arts education that Lindenwood provided to me."

She named Calvert Rogers Hall in 2005 in honor of her late parents, her husband, and her sister, Nancy Calvert ('61).





(Back Row) James Boyd, PhD, Chair of the School of Business and Entrepreneurship Finance Department; Franz Kohler, graduate student; Jason Wheaton, graduate student; Ross McGregor, undergraduate student; Chris Abbott, graduate student; Kelly Sullivan, president of Duncker Streett & Co., LLC and professional mentor. (Front Row) Elisabeth Morlang, undergraduate student; James D. Evans, PhD, President of Lindenwood University; Roger Ellis, JD, Dean of the School of Business and Entrepreneurship.

## Lindenwood Alumni Clubs

There are many ways to stay involved with Lindenwood as an alum, there are theater events, sporting events, alumni networking events, the alumni picnic, homecoming and reunion. You can donate to projects and scholarships, participate in volunteer opportunities...the list goes on and on.

One fun and social way to stay involved with Lindenwood is through the Alumni Clubs. The Lindenwood University Saint Charles Alumni Club and the Lindenwood University Belleville Alumni Club are two organizations that regularly meet and plan events for club members.

The Saint Charles Alumni Club meets every other month starting in January on the first Saturday from 10 a.m. to Noon on the Saint Charles campus. The Saint Charles Club hosts a fall fundraiser each year to fund two student scholarships; the scholarships are awarded to students with a financial need each year. Each September, the club hosts a Fashion Show in the Anheuser-Busch Leadership Room in Spellmann Center. The fashion show features fashions from Michelle's and Thro's, a lunch, and silent auction. The club is always looking for volunteers to help with the event and attendees to support the event. The club will also be sponsoring the inaugural Alumni Club Car Show at the Alumni Picnic on June 1; proceeds from this event will also benefit student scholarships. Club members also participate in social events and volunteer opportunities on campus such as the LU Christmas Walk and Spring into Service.

The Belleville Alumni Club is back together. A few years ago the club disbanded, but Belleville alums have decided to revitalize the club. Members are currently in the process of determining social and networking events. Look for exciting things to come from this club!

For more information on the Lindenwood University Alumni Clubs contact [alumni@lindenwood.edu](mailto:alumni@lindenwood.edu) or (636) 949-4975 in St. Charles or (618) 239-6208 in Belleville.

Club member, Judy Brown ('67) participates in the 2012 Spring Into Service day on campus.



## LU Business Students Demonstrate Financial Prowess

A team of graduate and undergraduate students from Lindenwood University's School of Business and Entrepreneurship (SB&E) competed this year in the annual intercollegiate Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Institute Research Challenge. The University bested five other teams from area schools to advance during its inaugural year as a participant in the invitational tournament.

At the local challenge level, Lindenwood's team competed against groups from St. Louis University, Washington University, Fontbonne University, Webster University, and the University of Missouri-St. Louis. Each group was asked to perform a corporate analysis of Sigma-Aldrich, a Fortune 500 company whose headquarters are located in St. Louis, Mo. Each team compiled a thorough examination of the company's financial profile and made investment recommendations under the guidance of an appointed industry mentors and faculty advisors.

The challenge consisted of two parts: a written equity research report and an oral presentation to a panel of local expert CFA professionals. Lindenwood's team submitted its written report in December 2012 and made its presentation along with all competitors in February 2013 at Edward Jones in Downtown St. Louis.

Judges compiled the scores and, without knowing which schools were represented by which teams, selected Lindenwood as the winner. The team then advanced to the next level of competition against groups from all over North and South America during a tournament in Toronto, Canada, March 20-21.

During the Americas Division challenge, Lindenwood competed directly against teams from the University of Findlay, the Universidad de los Andes, the University of Pittsburgh, Montana State University, and the University of Hawaii. Lindenwood did not advance to the global finals, but its team members left with a strong sense of pride in their efforts and accomplishments.

"We're glad to have taken part in this prestigious competition, because it's given our students practical experience as equity analysts and expanded their networks to include leading industry professionals," said James Boyd, PhD, professor and chair of the Lindenwood SB&E Finance Department. "We're also incredibly proud of our team members for competing against such strong academic peers and doing so well. It speaks to the character of our students and to the quality of our programs."

## '40s

**Margaret “Peggy” (Hocker) Small** ('40) currently resides in Alexandria, Va.

**Lynn McHaney** ('45) lives in Blytheville, Ark., with her husband Joseph. She completed her Bachelor of Arts in psychology at Lindenwood and was very active on campus. She was part of the Greek Life, the Triangle Club, the Athletic Association, the International Relations Club, the Linden Leaves Staff, and the Press Club and was the queen of Popularity Court.

## '60s

**Kay Lewis Tabscott** ('66), of St. Louis, owns her own business, Independent Development Research and Prospect Research Training. She and her business provide non-profits with donor prospects, corporate prospects, foundation prospects, and prospect research training.

## '70s

**Jenice Prather-Kinsey** ('75) has earned both a PhD and CPA since leaving Lindenwood and is now a professor and Sallie W. Dean Scholar at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

**Tina Tessina** ('76 & '77) lives in Long Beach, Calif., with her husband, Richard. She is self-employed as a psychotherapist and author and is part of the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists and a member of the American Society of Journalists and AuthorsLoveFilter.com.

**Pat (Wallace) Birkhead** ('77) is a board member and secretary of the Orange County, Fla., Friends of the Library. She has published two books and is working on a novel loosely based on her paternal grandfather, Joseph Atlas Wallace, a Steele, Mo., rural mail carrier. Birkhead's passion is helping others write their life stories.

**Tom Henning** ('79) currently owns his own photography business, Porch Swing Photography. He and his wife reside in St. Charles, Mo.

## '80s

**Mark Watkins** ('81 & '89) is currently working for Clean Energy Fuels Corp as a Business Development Manager. He resides in Danville, Calif.

**Mary (Daniel) Bley** ('87) lives in La Canada, Calif., with her husband, John. She is enjoying being a stay-at-home mom.

## '90s

**Sharon Kehrer** ('93) serves as vice president of administrative affairs at Logan College of Chiropractic. She will be participating in the spring assembly of student affairs at Lindenwood.

**Donna (Ciesielski) Harris** ('95) is a human resources director with the Missouri State Government in the Department of Mental Health—Eastern Region. She is a Society of Human Resource Management (SHRUM) board member and sits on the board of the Missouri Public Employee Labor Relations Association.

**Lieutenant Patrick Doering** ('95), an officer in the Lake Saint Louis, Mo., Police Department, recently graduated from the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy in Quantico, Va. Doering has been in law enforcement for 16 years and said he has always dreamed of completing the FBI academy. He is married and has three daughters.

**Amy Porter** ('96 & '99) is the principal of Lincoln Elementary School in Lincoln County RIII School District. Porter has led the school to a Bronze and Silver Award for healthy schools from the Alliance for a Healthier Generation. She was also instrumental in the school being named a Missouri School of Character and National School of Character in 2011.

**Chuck Bright** ('97) lives in Washington, Mo., and has recently published a book entitled *Troubled Waters*. The story is a murder mystery thriller set in the quiet village of Oleander, Mo., on the banks of the Missouri River. Paperback copies of the book are available at amazon.com and lulu.com.

**Tom Winkelmann** ('97) is employed as a pharmacy technician at Winkelmann Sons Drug, Inc., in St. Louis, Mo.

**Jamie (Bastin) Newell** ('99), of St. Charles, Mo., was the recipient of a 2012 Beyond the Best Award by *StreetScape* magazine.

**Cecil Severado** ('99, '03 & '08) recently started a new job with Aegion Corporation in Chesterfield, Mo., where he is the senior auditor. Severado resides in Cottleville, Mo., with his wife, Jennifer.

## '00s

**Molly (Blume) Hicks** ('01) formally of Arnold, Mo., now resides in Owasso, Okla., with her husband, Cory, and four children.

**Ryan Silch** ('01) is a teacher and coach living in Plano, Texas. He played football at Lindenwood from 1996-1999 and earned many awards including selections to the

first All-HAAC team (twice) and the second All-HAAC team, and he was a two-time NAIA All-American.

**Michael Clark** ('02) is now a senior vice president of investments at The Mutual Fund Store in Shiloh, Ill. Clark has been with The Mutual Fund Store since 2007. He resides in O'Fallon, Ill., with his wife, Autumn, and their two children.

**Zach Young** ('02) was recently recognized by MaxPreps.com as the national high school volleyball coach of the year. Young is head volleyball coach at Lafayette High School in Wildwood, Mo. Volleyball Magazine also named Young coach of the year. The team was also recognized by the St. Louis Baseball Writers Association at a dinner for great achievement in women's sports for the year. In 2012, Lafayette volleyball had a record of 40-0. As a player at Lindenwood, Young led the men's volleyball program to back-to-back final four appearances in 2000 and 2001 and was named an NAIA All-American in 2000.

**Danielle Spath** ('03) completed a second bachelor's degree from Logan University in 2006, followed by a Doctor of Chiropractic degree in 2008, and finally a master's in sports science and rehabilitation in 2009. She was selected as a resident in sports and rehabilitation, completed her residency at Logan in 2010, and was appointed to the post of assistant director of sports and rehabilitation at the school. Spath recently started her own company, chiropractic and rehabilitation center in Affton, Mo., and will marry her fiancé, Ryan Eaton, in September. The couple enjoys competing in running events and triathlons. They reside in Fenton, Mo., with daughters Aubree and Allyson.

**Briana Steele-Zerbini** ('03) is currently living in Switzerland with her husband, Luca. Following graduation from Lindenwood she attended the Harrington College of Design and is now the director of design for the Theorie Design Studio.

**Don Rothermich** ('04 & '06) was recently named community relations liaison for the City of St. Charles. Rothermich was the recipient of a 2012 Beyond the Best Award by *StreetScape* magazine.

**Denice McKeown** ('05 & '10), of St. Charles, Mo., received the St. Charles County Lifetime Distinguished Service Award in Humanitarianism.

**Nicole Pace** ('05 & '12) currently works as a communications specialist for the O'Fallon, Mo., Police Department. She resides in O'Fallon, Mo.

**Gina AuBuchon** ('05) is a second grade

teacher at Castillo Elementary. She lives in St. Charles, Mo., with her husband, David.

**Le An Woerner ('05)** lives in Houston, Texas. She is in her seventh year as an elementary school art teacher in the Conroe Independent School District. She recently had a student's work featured in the PBK Engineering calendar.

**Caitlin Hoeh ('06)** received her juris doctorate from Saint Louis University School of Law after graduating from Lindenwood. She is a Captain in the United States Marine Corps and is currently stationed as a judge advocate at Camp Lejeune, N.C. She recently got engaged to Arthur Pistorio; they plan on marrying this fall.

**Paul Lee ('06)** received his master's degree from the University of Northern Iowa. He is currently employed at BDI, Inc., and is a board member for the Iowa Catholic Conference, a regional director for the Knights of Columbus, and a regional board member for the Boy Scouts of America and is involved in Kiwanis International. Lee, his wife Amanda and their two children reside in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

**Dallas Marriott ('06)** married Erin Vance in September 2012. He is a federal compliance regulator with the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. The couple resides in St. Charles, Mo.

**Lauren Carter ('07)** lives in Ballwin, Mo., with her husband, Steven. After attending Lindenwood, she went on to Logan College of Chiropractic and is now a chiropractic physician at Healthy Healing Chiropractic.

**Sheila Renee Darden ('07 & '08)**, formerly of Fairview Heights, Ill., now resides in Marietta, Ga.

**Marty Linson ('07)** has had an eventful year in his artistic enterprises. Articles about him and his work have been published in several local, national, and international publications, including the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, the *St. Louis Business Journal*, the *Olympic News*, and others. He has also been to exhibitions all over the world, including London, England, and Lausanne, Switzerland. Throughout the year, he has gathered numerous awards, including International Sports Artist of the Year.

**Emily Rademan ('07)** has been placed for her doctoral internship at the University of the Rockies in Colorado Springs. She will be conducting therapy sessions, supervising graduate students in their clinical training in psychology, handling administrative tasks, and directing the

community outreach program. Her PsyD will be conferred in September of 2014 and she plans to work as a clinical psychologist.

**Andrew Russell ('07)** graduated with a Master of Arts in teaching and is now a teacher for the City of St. Charles, Mo. School District.

**Brett Wills ('07 & '08)** lives in Vancouver, B.C. Wills is now an account manager for Taxi Canada Inc., which was voted Agency of the Decade by Strategy Magazine.

**Nicole Cook ('08)** and husband Kevin had their third child on January 23, 2013. They live in Wentzville, Mo.

**Willow Alana (Cox) High ('08)** has married and works as an account manager at Air Land & Sea Express. She and her husband reside in Florissant, Mo.

**Francella Perryman ('08)** is the director of local outreach at Mount Pisgah United Methodist Church in Alpharetta, Ga. Perryman resides in Alpharetta with her husband, Marquis, and their three children.

**Jon Shockley ('08 & '09)** is currently working at Landis+Gyr in Overland, Mo., as a network manager.

**Catlyn (Rizzo) Stille ('08)** is employed at Enterprise Rent-A-Car. She currently resides in Lynn, Mass., with her husband, Stephen, who is a firefighter/paramedic for the City of Lynn.

**Annette Cook ('09 & '11)** is a financial analyst at Carboline Company in St. Louis, Mo. She resides in Arnold, Mo., with her husband, Gary.

**Elizabeth Lynn ('09)** has published a children's picture book titled *Forget the Vet*, based on her marketing plan from the MA in communications program. Designed for kids and pet lovers, the book can be purchased on Amazon.com and Barnes&Noble.com. Lynn currently resides in Massachusetts.

**Lindsey (Chrismer) Moore ('09)** is now teaching kindergarten in Wright City, Mo. She will be moving into a second grade classroom this fall. After graduating from Lindenwood, she obtained her master's from Maryville in literacy. She and her husband recently had a son, Isaac.

**Nicholas Staley ('09)** is currently studying for his Juris Doctorate at the John Marshall Law School in Chicago, Ill.

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**Katharina Jung ('10)** graduated with her Master of Science in marketing and has recently moved to Germany.

**Danielle (Carr) Durham ('11)** married Jonathan Durham; the couple resides in

Marshall, Mo.

**Mark McKenzie ('11 & '12)** is working in his family business, McKenzie Funeral Services, in Squamish, B.C. He is responsible for arranging community events, educational seminars, and other marketing initiatives.

**Timothy Morris ('11)** is currently a teacher in the Midland School District in Pleasant Plains, Ark. He and his wife, Lara, reside in Beebe, Ark., with their three children.

**Norris Roberts, Jr., PhD ('11)** was a panelist at an academic impressions conference, "Reaching Young Alumni: Key Building Blocks for Lifelong Relationships," at the St. Louis Hyatt Regency. As one of three panelists who spoke on alumni relations, he provided information and insight on his experience with various alumni relations offices of the schools he has attended.

**Jeff Wilkins ('11 & '12)** is a management trainee at Enterprise Rent-a-Car. He started in January of 2013 after completing his MBA in December 2012. He resides in Fenton, Mo.

**Julian Barr ('12)** is the co-recipient of the Jacqueline Tatom 2012 Emerging Scholar Best Paper Award. The award commemorates Jacqueline Tatom, who explored the metropolitan landscapes of St. Louis as an architect, urban designer, and teacher. Barr's paper was about marital violence and divorce in 19th century America and was featured in the magazine, *The Confluence*.

**Lauren Costigan ('12)** is part of the Muddy River Opera Company and performed in the children's opera *Sid the Serpent Who Wanted to Sing*. Costigan played the roles of the clown, the music hall artiste, and Super Swinging Sally-Sue. Costigan has served as co-director and assistant musical director of numerous operas and musicals. She lives in St. Louis, Mo.

**Ann-Marie Gunn, PhD ('12)** is employed as a special education teacher at Fanning Middle School in the St. Louis Public School District. Gunn resides in Florissant, Mo.

**Chelsea Nitzsche ('12)** is working for the Missouri State Social Services in the Children's Division for Lincoln and Pike counties. She recently moved to Troy, Mo.

**Amanda (Rohwedder) Bayer ('12)** married in October 2012. She resides in Milstat, Ill.

## Faculty/Staff

**Chris Duggan**, Public Relations Coordinator, has published a short story in the recently released flash fiction anthology *Flash 101: Surviving the Fiction Apocalypse*. Duggan's story, "Her Favorite Color," was written while he was enrolled in Lindenwood's MFA in Writing program.

**Professor Pamela Grooms**, Music Department Chair, performed a variety of piano music from Mary Sibley's songbooks for guests at the Butler Society and Sibley Heritage Society dinner.

**William Hammond**, Adjunct Professor of Music, just returned from months of research into Native American music. He lived among the Navaho and observed and documented traditions of their music culture.

**Larry Johnson**, saxophonist and Adjunct Professor of Music, released his new CD, *I'm Just Sayin'*, in December. The album is Johnson's second for the Victoria Records label. The CD features several musician

who are likely familiar to St. Louis Jazz fans. Copies of *I'm Just Sayin'* are available for download or purchase online at <https://larryjohnsonsaxophone.com>

**Dr. Rahim Karimpour**, Professor of Mathematics and Division Chair of Natural Sciences and Mathematics at Lindenwood University-Belleville, has been invited to present his research findings at the joint meeting of the Mathematical Association of America and the American Mathematical Society. Last year, Karimpour co-authored a scholarly paper, titled "Two Propositions and Their Relation to Steiner-Lehmus Theorem," which was published in the *Pioneer Journal of Mathematics and Mathematical Sciences*.

**Carol Lengerman** has taken the position of Senior Admissions Counselor in LCIE Admissions at Lindenwood University-Belleville. She had previously served as Assistant Director of Admissions at the campus.

**Chad Snider**, Director of Marketing and Box Office Manager for the J.

Scheidegger Center for Arts is working on the redevelopment of an undergraduate arts management program with the School of Fine and Performing Arts. He also sits on two boards for professional theater companies, teaches as an adjunct professor at Lindenwood, and serves on the three University councils. Snider was recently accepted into Focus St. Louis' Emerging Leaders program, which is an elite professional development program.

**Jacob Stanely**, Assistant Professor of Art, recently produced his first 3-D art event on campus.

**Howard Wall**, Director of the Lindenwood University Institute of the Study of Economics and the Environment, testified on the Missouri Quality Jobs Program before the state's House Government Oversight and Accountability Committee. The jobs program provides tax breaks to businesses that add jobs with average to above average wages and health benefits.

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Every time I return to campus I am reminded of this as the University continues to thrive under current President Jim Evans' administration."

As Alumni Board President during the change in University leadership in 2006, she provided an active and valuable alumni communications conduit with the new administration. She also played a key role in the investiture ceremony for new President James D. Evans.

Prior to becoming an active member of the Lindenwood Alumni Association, Lenk was active in campus activities and was President of the Lindenwood Student Government Association (LSGA) in 1998 and 1999. During her term as LSGA President she represented Lindenwood students at Lindenwood Board of Directors meetings and was in regular contact with Spellmann about student issues.

Recognizing the need for increased communications with alumni constituencies, Lenk supported increased outreach to alums. This is becoming more and more of a reality with the addition of social media outlets for alumni audiences.

Lenk is a licensed broker with Crouse Real Estate in Troy, Mo. – the third generation in a family-owned business. She is a member of the Missouri Association of Realtors and the National Association of Realtors. A member of the Sibley Heritage Society, she continues to serve on the Alumni Association Board of Directors.

The daughter of Cecil and Barbara Hupper of Eolia, Mo., she resides in Troy, Mo., with her husband, Adam, and their two children.

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## Alumni Night In KC at a T-Bones Game

The Lindenwood University Alumni Relations Office will host an Alumni and Friends Night at the Ballpark

**Saturday, June 22**

**5:30 p.m. tailgate**

**7:05 p.m. ballgame**

**Community America Ballpark**

**Kansas City, Kansas**

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**(dinner and admission to game)**

The hometown T-Bones professional baseball team will take on the rival Saltdogs from Lincoln, Nebraska.

For more information or to RSVP,  
contact the Alumni Relations Office at  
636-949-4420  
or [alumni@lindenwood.edu](mailto:alumni@lindenwood.edu).

# Lindenwood Community Mourns Loss of Professor Jim Feely

Longtime Lindenwood University Professor Emeritus Jim Feely II passed away March 21, 2013, at the age of 85. Feely taught English, Shakespeare, literature, creative writing, and many other courses at Lindenwood from 1958 through 1997. But as colleague and now-President James D. Evans said, “His learning and teaching connected with many other fields, including the sciences and social sciences.” Evans said that it was not unusual for Feely to note astutely that music has an intrinsic mathematical basis and surmise, for example, that talent in those two disciplines might be expected to go hand-in-hand naturally.

“He linked literature with philosophy and poetry with religion,” Evans wrote in a campus-wide email about Feely’s passing. “He had an extraordinary mind and was the consummate example of the modern-day Renaissance man and the foremost champion of the ‘Lindenwood Commons’ class, which helped teach freshmen how to think along with the great intellectuals.”

Feely’s family said his favorite courses were Shakespeare, Literature and the Art of Love, Creative Writing, The Bible as Literature, and independent study projects with students on topics ranging from Keats’ appreciation for and use of Shakespeare to interrelationships among the works of James Joyce.

Feely was born November 20, 1927, in Bozeman, Mont., to Walter and Adeline Feely. He was a wonderful husband and father, preceded in death by his wife, Marilynne Bulla Feely, and daughter Jeffrie



Lynne Feely. Survivors include his sister, Jayne Feely Loomis, and two sons, James Henry Feely III, and John Warren Feely, a Lindenwood alumnus and current Associate Dean of Evening and Graduate Initiatives. Some of the early highlights of Feely’s Lindenwood career include

- With Alice Parker, presented the English literature survey courses on public television in the 1960s, sponsored by a grant from the Ford Foundation.
- With Professor Hendren and Dr. Sibley in the mid 1960s until the 1980s, developed and taught interdisciplinary general education courses in the humanities that studied world art, literature, and music in relationship to their various world cultures.

Feely had a profound impact on countless students over the years, and he was honored in 1995 with the Emerson Award for

Teaching. He was also known as a civil rights activist, and in the 1960s and 1970s was involved in St. Louis CORE (Congress on Racial Equality) and ACTION.

Memorial contributions may be made to the James H. Feely Renaissance and Literature Award at Lindenwood University.

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Professor Emeritus Jim Feely with Glenda Raef Schaefer ('68, '90) at the Homecoming Alumni Reception in 2007.



## In Memoriam

Please be aware that the names listed in the In Memoriam section are of alumni that may have passed within recent months or within the past couple of years.

**Marjorie Hickman Drozda ('37)**  
Ballwin, Mo.

**Nina (Davis) Burke ('40)**  
New Castle, Ind.

**Jane Mauk Hilliard ('42)**  
Portales, N.M.

**Mary Louise Erickson ('45)**  
Elmhurst, Ill.

**Marilyn (Boettcher) Hecox ('47)**  
Cozad, Neb.

**Helen (Rotty) Sullivan ('48)**  
Fort Collins, Colo.

**Yvonne Kirkland-Stark ('49)**  
Denver, Colo.

**Helen E. Jones McCown ('50)**  
Frankfort, Ill.

**Roberta (Walters) Sprich ('50)**  
St. Louis, Mo.

**Mary Ella “Mel” (Bemis) Jenkins ('51)**  
Portland, Ore.

**Eunice (Sheley) Spindler ('54)**  
Naples, Fla.

**Sally Buchanan ('56)**  
Pinon Hills, Calif.

**Marjorie “Mary” (McPherson) Spillane ('57)**  
Aurora, Colo.

**Rose Ida “Cam” Campbell ('59)**  
Wheat Ridge, Colo.

**Sandra (Gordon) Gehrman ('59)**  
Glenwood, Ill.

**Frances Lea (Armstrong) Corcoran ('60)**  
Joplin, Mo.

**Ellen (McCandlish) Henry ('63)**  
North Las Vegas, Nev.

**Mary Louise Beck ('65)**  
Spencer, Iowa

**Sandra Starr Moon ('68)**  
Huntsville, Ala.

**Suzanne (Frossard) Taylor ('70)**  
St. Louis, Mo.

**Charles Crawford ('83)**  
Tampa, Fla.

## Basketball Makes Mark on MIAA in Opening Year

The Lindenwood men's basketball team made a big statement in its first season as a member of the MIAA. The Lions finished third in the final standings, just one game behind the conference co-champions.

The Lions showed no fear entering their new league, picking up statement wins over co-champions Central Missouri and Fort Hays State, as well as a victory over NCAA Tournament participant Northeastern State. Lindenwood finished the season with a 12-6 conference mark and a 19-7 overall record.

Lindenwood won by having the top offense in the MIAA. The Lions scored a league-best 78.6 points a game and were one of the top shooting teams in the conference with a .481 field-goal percentage and a .388 three-point percentage. Lindenwood also led the league in rebounding and three-point field-goal defense.

Lindenwood's successful season was built on a team-first philosophy. Only one player was voted as one of the top 34 players in the league, but the Lions still competed for the league title. Nine players regularly saw action, led by second-team All-MIAA Alex Bazzell. The senior guard averaged 16.8 points and 6.2 assists a game. All of the other seniors also contributed throughout the year. The trio of Cody Sorenson, Richie Thompson, and Brett Thompson combined to average 32.3 points and 18.1 rebounds a game, and they shot 56.9 percent from the field. Efan Eren was a key contributor off the bench and averaged 4.9 points and 3.8 rebounds a game.



Attendance is up at most Lindenwood contests, according to Athletics Director John Creer.

### Football Opens at Home Sept. 5

The Lindenwood football team will play 10 games in 2013, including nine MIAA contests and five games at Hunter Stadium.

The Lions will open the year under the lights with a Thursday game against Lincoln on Sept. 5. The contest will be the second time in program history that Lindenwood has opened the season with a home Thursday night game.

Lindenwood will celebrate Homecoming on Oct. 19 with a contest against Emporia State. The Lions will also appear on the MIAA Game of the Week two times with an Oct. 5 game at Nebraska-Kearney and a Nov. 9 contest at home against Pittsburg State.

Other games at Hunter Stadium are a Sept. 28 non-conference game with

Missouri S&T and an Oct. 12 MIAA game against Fort Hays State. Lindenwood will travel to Southwest Baptist on Sept. 14, Central Missouri on Sept. 21, Washburn on Oct. 26, and Missouri Southern on Nov. 2.

Lindenwood will be competing in the MIAA for the second season in 2013. Last year, the Lions finished fourth in the league with a 7-3 record.

### Women's Lacrosse Wins WILA

The nationally-ranked women's lacrosse team won its second consecutive Western Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association championship in April by defeating Regis University. The Lady Lions were a perfect 8-0 in the WILA conference and ranked 15th nationally headed into the final week of their season.

## A Perfect 10! Lindenwood Shooters Reach Rare Level of Accomplishment

By Phil Vida

In the history of collegiate sports, only a handful of teams have ever won 10 national championships in a row. But the list of programs grew by one on March 31 when the Lindenwood University shotgun sports team won its 10<sup>th</sup> straight title at the 45th Annual ACUI Clay Target Championships in San Antonio, Texas.

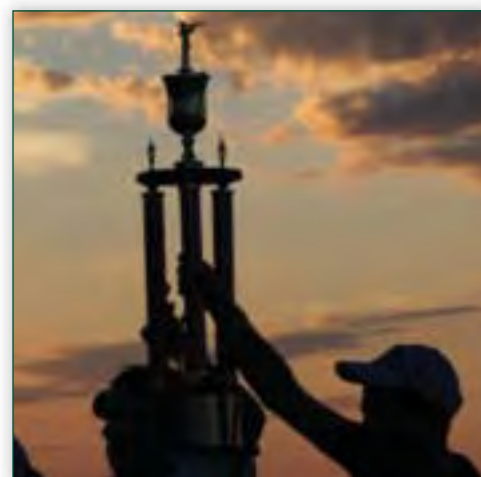
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The Lions hit 2,249 of 2,350 targets to defeat Texas A&M by 60 and third place Bethel University by 121. In doing so, Lindenwood came within just one target of sweeping all six major team events at the championship, winning the international skeet, international trap, five-stand, sporting clays, and American skeet competitions.

"The kids don't yet realize how special this accomplishment is," said Coach Shawn Duloherly. "The magnitude won't sink in until they are sitting around telling their kids and grandkids."

Duloherly is quick to praise not only the current shooters who won the championship, but shooters and coaches from the past decade.

Shooters hoist their national championship trophy.



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As a freshman, Stephanie Cathcart shot over 40 percent from the field and averaged 22 minutes per game.

## Belleville Has Memorable Inaugural Year in NAIA

The Lindenwood-Belleville Lynx have been making strides since the athletic department was started in 2009, but this year those strides turned into full-blown success in the first season as a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA).

From the fall and winter sports, to most recently the spring season, each program has found success in the NAIA and has stepped up to the level of competition to show the Lynx's place in their new association.

Under the direction of Head Coach Jeff Fisher, the Lynx football team went 4-6 during its inaugural season, as the squad faced some of the toughest competition in the country. LU-Belleville won four of its first six games, defeating Avila, Iowa Wesleyan, Robert Morris, and Central Methodist.

Both basketball teams had stellar performances throughout the season, with the women putting together a 20-win season and a trip to the USCAA championship game under the direction of

Coach Annie Ewing. The Lady Lynx lost in the title game to top-seeded Daemen.

Scott Spinner led a men's basketball team that re-wrote the record books in every statistical category. The school's first 1,000-point scorer arrived in Todd Starks, and the team took a trip to the USCAA National Tournament for the third consecutive year. The men also had a 20-win season and dropped just five games, finishing 27-5.

The 2013 spring season has also been a bright spot, as the men's lacrosse team sat at 9-1 with just two games remaining. The Lynx's only loss came to No. 5 St. Johns early in the season. The Lady Lynx softball team has stepped up to a tougher schedule this year, boasting a seven-game win streak halfway through the season. The Lynx baseball took on the challenge of a strong NAIA schedule, facing the top-ranked teams in the country. The squad's offense has been on fire, mixing in a new group of guys with some familiar faces from last season, with six players hitting over .300 on the season.

## Gymnastics Has Successful First Season of Competition

The Lindenwood women's gymnastics team had high expectations heading into its inaugural season, and the Lady Lions surpassed those lofty goals. The Lady Lions qualified six individuals for the USAG National Championships and captured their first individual national title in program history.

Rachel Zabawa won the national title in the beam event. She scored a school-record 9.875 in the prelims and then repeated that score in the finals. Zabawa tied for first-place with Texas Woman's Bethany Larimer. Zabawa also advanced to the finals in the vault and finished fourth nationally after a 9.7875.

The other Lady Lion to advance to the finals was Alicia Floyd. She scored a season-high 9.850 in the prelims to advance, and then recorded a mark of 9.750 in the finals to finish seventh nationally.

The other Lindenwood gymnasts to advance to nationals were Courtney Heise and Emily Turik in the all-around, Valeri Ingui in the beam and floor exercise, and Trystien Charles in the bars.

As a team, Lindenwood put together its best performance at the Midwest Independent Conference (MIC) Championships. The Lady Lions had a

team score of 193.050, one full point better than their previous season-high.

Lindenwood's coaches were both honored for helping lead the team through such a successful first season. Annie Alameda received a national coaching award at the USAG Championships and Jen Kesler was named the MIC Assistant Coach of the Year.

Rachel Zabawa won the national title in beam.



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"The alums and previous coaches are just as much a part of this as we are," Duloherly said. "I hope this stirs a sense of pride among them."

In addition to winning the team title in San Antonio, the Lions also won 10 individual championships. Sarah Hughes earned her third straight women's high overall (HOA) title and Lindenwood swept all three medal positions in men's HOA competition. Matthew Fuqua led the way, followed by Dustin Perry and Colton Raley. Perry also won three other individual championships including men's International skeet, along with the combined International and combined skeet events. Elliot Toll captured the men's International trap and combined trap titles while Casey Jones earned the American skeet championship and Matt Hughes won the combined clay target title. Lauren Mueller hit 155 straight targets to claim the women's American trap championship.

The unprecedented accomplishment by the shotgun sports team has been noticed not only in specialty publications, but also the general media. Garden & Gun magazine followed the team the entire week of the competition and will publish a feature about the 10th championship for the Lions, and head coach Shawn Duloherly was recently interviewed by St. Louis radio station KMOX.

## Congrats Extended on Top Accomplishments



Dear Alumni,

What an exciting year this has been for our alma mater and the Lindenwood alumni family.

I am so proud of our alums who have received University honors and

recognition. Three major award categories include alumni representatives:

- The Lindenwood Sports Hall of Fame, recognized individuals and teams that helped to build the University's successful athletics program. The 2012 awards went to Dustin Bevard ('07), Jake Dieffenbach ('07), Rhonda Kacizak ('92), Kelly Massman ('99), Greg Thompson ('07), the 2000 women's soccer team, and the 2005-2006 men's basketball team.
- The Lindy, which recognizes outstanding achievements made by Lindenwood alumni in the field of communications, was awarded to Jane Calvert Rogers ('67).
- The Alumni Merit Award was bestowed at the 2012 graduation upon Patricia Penkoske, MD ('69) for her outstanding professional accomplishment. The 2013 recipient is Cortney Hupper Lenk ('99). We hope you will plan to participate in

the next two major alumni events. The sixth annual Alumni Picnic is scheduled for Saturday, June 1. Located on the quad in front of Roemer Hall, it will feature the dedication of the new Heritage Campus gazebo. The Alumni Club of Saint Charles is also arranging for a classic car show at this year's picnic.

Lindenwood's major fall event is the annual Reunion, which will be held on October 18 and 19. Honored class years are 1963, 1968, 1973, 1978, 1983, 1988, 1993, 1998, 2003, and 2008. The class of 1963 has been hard at work contacting classmates in the planning of its 50th reunion. We hope that other honored classes will make an effort to return to the campus for the weekend.

The Alumni Association welcomes any suggestions you may have about ways that we can strengthen our alumni relations program and reach out to you. I want to encourage all of our alums to take advantage of the superb events available on the St. Charles and Belleville campuses – including student and professional productions at the Scheidegger Center for the Arts and the University's lecture series. Check the Lindenwood website for upcoming alumni opportunities and come out to support your alma mater.

Jan Lewien, President, Alumni Association, ('85, '04, '07)



## Guess Where This Is

Can you tell us where this object is located on campus? If so, please email your answer and to [alumni@lindenwood.edu](mailto: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 What This Is," the picture was sculpture carvings of fruit, located on the exterior of Niccolls Hall. The winner from the Winter 2012 Connection was Sally Heyer McLees '68.



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