



LINDENWOOD  
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# DIGEST

EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER

September 15, 2021

CAMPUS-WIDE NEWS BROUGHT STRAIGHT TO **YOUR INBOX.**

## GOOD MORNING LINDENWOOD LIONS!

Join the 1827 Society!



The Advancement team invites you to join the newly established 1827 Society celebrating those who direct their gifts to one or more of Lindenwood's priority funds. Members enjoy exclusive benefits, and their gifts immediately

make an impact on daily life at Lindenwood. **When you join the 1827 Society in September, you'll also receive a custom engraved brick paver, a LindenWell Swag Bag, Wellbucks, and HC360 points!** To learn more about the 1827 Society, visit our [website!](#)

### Ways to Give

- **Online:** Head to [our website](#) and make your gift online! You can make a one-time gift, or spread your payments out over time with a recurring monthly gift.

### LATEST NEWS

Be in the know!

[Read Campus News](#)

### REMINDERS

Never miss a deadline!

- **September 17 -** Biometric screening scheduling deadline. Email [Candace Terry](#) for more information.
- **Nominate** an outstanding staff member for a [Recognition Award](#)

### STAY CONNECTED

[Join LindenConnect](#)

- **Payroll Deduction:** simply fill out **this form** and email it to **advancement** to start your payroll deduction! **Membership in the 1827 Society begins at only \$20.83 a month for employees!**
- **Mail:** Make your check out to Lindenwood University, and be sure to write your designated fund in the memo line. Mail your check to the Advancement & Alumni Relations department at Warner Hall.

Giving is quick and easy, but the impact of your gift is felt widely across campus. If you have any questions, please contact **Renata Bule**. Make your gift today and be counted as an inaugural member of the 1827 Society!



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## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Drivers needed for the homecoming parade. More information below!

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### Lion Pride Tailgate & Football - Saturday!

Join the campus community on Saturday for the **Lion Pride Tailgate** and football game vs. Kentucky Wesleyan!

Tailgate begins at 4 p.m. near the Field House, and features 4 Hands Brewery, SugarFire BBQ, live music from Every Little Thing, and more!

The Employee Appreciation Area is on the Spellmann Patio. Bring your employee ID for access to the game day buffet and reserved green seats at no cost.

Kick-off is at 7 p.m.

The College of Science, Technology, and Health is being recognized during the tailgate and we encourage all employees to stop by their tent and visit!



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### Drivers Needed - 2021 Homecoming Parade

The Homecoming Parade Committee is looking for volunteer drivers for the Homecoming Parade on Saturday, October 9 at 10 a.m. Drivers would be responsible for driving a rental car from campus, down the parade route on Main Street in Historic St. Charles, and back to campus after replenishing gas. Volunteers must have a valid driver's license and car insurance policy that can be uploaded into Workday.

If you are interested in being a volunteer driver, please contact **Amanda Hyde** at 636-949-4908 at your earliest convenience.

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## McDonnell named Director of Residential Life

Ryan McDonnell joined Lindenwood on August 20 as the Director of Residential Life. Ryan has more than a decade of experience working in the area of Student Life within Higher Education. He most recently served as the Director of Residential Life at Maryville University. Ryan has experience in variety of areas within leadership and student development and takes student centered approach in the area of residential life. He believes learning happens both in and outside the classroom and is looking forward to adding to the already abundant student life environment on Lindenwood's campus.

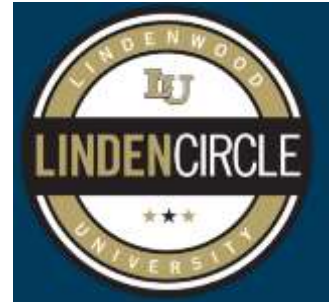
Ryan received his Doctor of Education (EdD) focused in Leadership in Higher Education from Maryville University of Saint Louis.

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## Midterm Progress Survey for Fall I Courses

Attention Faculty!

Complete your midterm progress survey when prompted in LindenCircle the week of September 15. This survey will allow you to flag attendance concerns, missing and/or late assignments, low quiz or test scores, as well as give kudos to your students. This survey will give Lion Life coaches the ability to reach out to students and assist them with any barriers they may be facing at the midterm point.



Resources on how to access LindenCircle, submit attendance, and respond to progress surveys can be found in the Lindenwood Faculty Canvas shell or you may email [\*\*SASS\*\*](mailto:SASS@lindenwood.edu) with questions.

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## Adobe Certifications

If you or your students are interested in Adobe Certification, or Adobe software in general, contact Associate Professor, and Adobe Education Leader [\*\*Erica Blum\*\*](#) who had the honor of speaking at the virtual [\*\*Adobe Certified Professional launch party\*\*](#) this past summer.

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## 2020-2021 Faculty Award Recipients

The Faculty Council would like to formally recognize 2020-2021 faculty and adjunct award recipients and all faculty that received a promotion in rank.



### **AWARDS**

Paula Nunning – Adjunct Teaching Award  
Katie Shoff – President’s Scholar-Teacher Award  
Melissa Qualls – Emerson Award for Teaching Excellence  
Chad Kerksick – Scholar of the Year  
Darrell DeMartino – Service Award  
John O-Hagan – LSGA Professor of the Year

### **PROMOTIONS**

#### **FROM THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES**

Emily Jones to the rank of Professor  
Meredith Marsh to the rank of Professor  
Travis McMaken to the rank of Professor  
Justine Pas to the rank of Professor  
Gabriella Romero-Ghiretti to the rank of Professor  
Joseph Steineger to the rank of Associate Professor  
Nichole Torbitzky to the rank of Associate Professor

#### **FROM THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES**

Robyn Elder to the rank of Associate Professor  
Mitch Nasser to the rank of Associate Professor  
Sarah Patterson-Mills to the rank of Professor  
Bob Steffes to the rank of Professor  
Michelle Whitacre to the rank of Associate Professor

#### **FROM THE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

Javeria Farooqui to the rank of Associate Professor

#### **FROM THE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND HEALTH**

John Barr to the rank of Associate Professor  
Jennifer Firestine to the rank of Senior Professor  
Nikhil Gupta to the rank of Associate Professor  
Katie Shoff to the rank of Associate Professor  
Kyle Sunderland to the rank of Associate Professor  
Chad Welsh to the rank of Associate Professor

Congratulations on your accomplishments.  
Your Faculty Council

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**SUBMIT TO THE DIGEST**

**HAVE A STORY YOU'D LIKE  
TO SHARE OR AN EVENT  
YOU'D LIKE TO PROMOTE?**

**SUBMIT IT!**

To have your listing appear in the Digest, please fill out the **Project Request Form** (be sure to choose "Communications and Public Relations" for type of request) by 5 p.m. on Mondays. The Digest is sent every Wednesday. Submissions for the same story can be made every four weeks. All entries to the Digest are subject to editing prior to running.

**MORE INFORMATION**

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## Q2 MOMENTS

Dana Hoff, administrative assistant to the College of Sciences, Technology, and Health, was the lead in preparing Young Hall for the return of our faculty and students. Her dean, Dr. Schroeder said, "Dana spent many hours leading a team who cleaned, organized, purged, and returned each classroom and lab back to full capacity to prepare for the fall semester. It was a tough job, but very proud to see the great results and especially glad to have Dana on our team!" Dana and team, thank you for going above and beyond the call of duty to prepare for this semester.



Another colleague would like to recognize Maureen Green. They said, "When another advisor in College of Sciences, Technology, and Health was on leave, Maureen took on all of their students, in addition to her own. She had over 200 students to schedule. This included incoming or current students and scheduling for Mathematics, CS, Informational Technology, and Natural Sciences. Her expertise was not in math, CS, IT, or natural sciences but she helped schedule students listened to their concerns for the upcoming semester." Maureen, this is no small feat, thank you for your service to the university and our students!

**-Q2 Team**

**Submit Your Q2 Moment**

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**Annual Compliance Course in SkillSoft**

All Lindenwood employees are required to complete the course *Campus Security Obligations Under Federal Law* on a yearly basis in order to remain compliant per university standards. Many employees will be assigned their annual course this fall. Please be on the lookout for an email from SkillSoft with details on how to access and complete your course. Once the course has been assigned, you will have 30 days to complete it. If you have any questions, please reach out to **Brittany Gutermuth**.



**FALL SEMESTER HOURS**

**LARC/LIBRARY SERVICES**

- Monday - Thursday: 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.
- Friday: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Saturday: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- Sunday: 2 - 10 p.m.

**EVANS COMMONS REC CENTER**

- Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Saturday and Sunday: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**LU BOX OFFICE**

- Tuesday-Friday: 12 - 4 p.m.
- Saturday: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Sunday-Monday: Closed

**STARBUCKS**

- Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Saturday: Closed
- Sunday: 2 - 9 p.m.

