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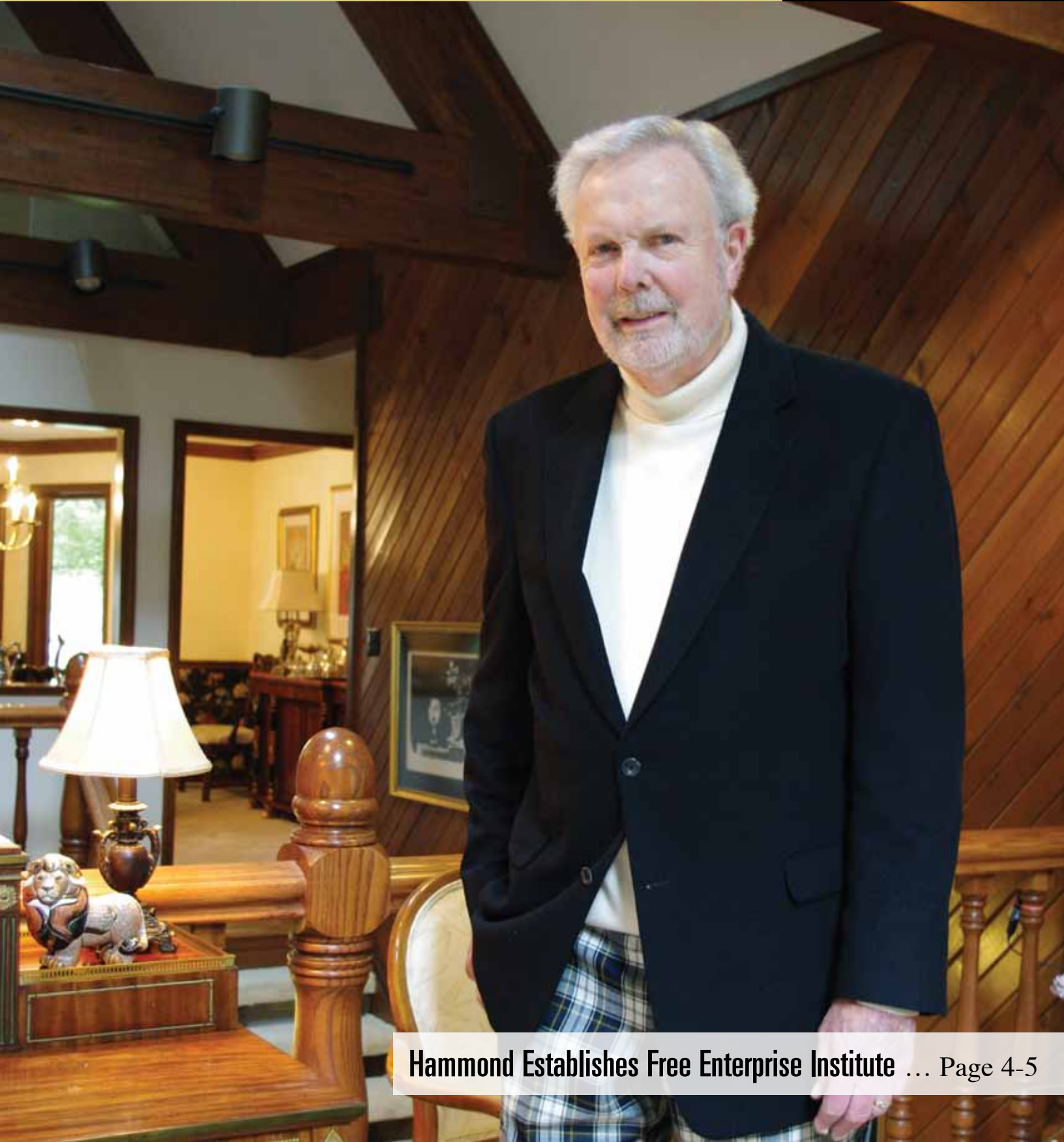
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Homecoming is a Beautiful Thing

This fall, I will have the pleasure and honor of participating in my 40th Lindenwood University Homecoming. I will be celebrating that anniversary along with the specially honored Lindenwood classes of 1963 (50th reunion), 1973 (40th reunion) and 1988 (25th reunion) as well as the rest of you who represent the Lindenwood Nation. Homecomings are times to remember and celebrate the past, enjoy the present, and catch a glimpse of the future. We aim to accomplish all three of those objectives in fabulous fashion again this fall. You can obtain information about our October 18-19 fall classic by using your computer, tablet, or phone to browse to this address: www.lindenwood.edu/homecoming/.

You could very well cross paths with some of your classmates and friends at the Homecoming registration desk, which will be located in the Hyland Arena between 1:00 and 6:00 p.m. on Friday, the 18th. The good memories will get underway in earnest with bus tours of the Heritage Campus and dormitory visits that will be available between 2:00 and 3:30 p.m. Many other events are slated for that afternoon, and those are listed under the Web address given above. The flood of memories will crest at the always enjoyable alumni and parent reception running from 4:00 to 7:00 that Friday evening. Lois and I look forward to chatting with you at the reception. We are excited!

Your contemporary Lindenwood experience might feature Grammy Award-winning country singer Lynn Anderson in concert at the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts. (Alumni receive a discounted ticket price, and advance purchase is recommended.) The show will start at 8:00 p.m. on Friday. Due to the immense popularity of the performances in that venue, I would urge you to arrive at the Center no later than 7:30 p.m. Some of you would not be able to make the Lynn Anderson show because you are scheduled to participate in another Lindenwood event of modern origin: our Athletics Hall of Fame Recognition Dinner (7:00 p.m. at the Columns Banquet Center). I would like to express congratulations in advance to the new inductees and returning honorees.

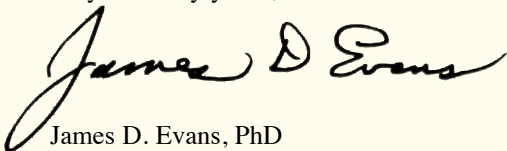
If you want a quieter evening on Friday, you might consider taking in a classic film at our retro movie theatre in Young Hall, which is another co-curricular opportunity featured at the Lindenwood of the present. Popcorn and beverages will be available, and admission is free to alumni who show their Alumni Benefits card. Showtime is 7:00 p.m. sharp.

I cordially invite you sign up for breakfast with Lois and me at 8:30 a.m. in the Spellmann Center on Saturday. If my presentation that morning is successful, you will learn about some future developments that are proposed in the most recent Lindenwood master plan. I hope you will like what you see and hear.

Although there are too many events to preview in this letter, I did want to mention three other highlights of the occasion. Don't miss the ever more spectacular Lindenwood University Homecoming Parade (Spellmann Center parking lot), which commences at about 10:00 a.m. When the parade is finished, just stay where you are, because the acclaimed reunion barbecue luncheon starts at 11:00 a.m. in the same area of campus. Finally, please join us at Hunter Stadium at 1:30 p.m. for an electrifying football game between our ferocious Lions and the Emporia State University Hornets. Believe me, you will witness NCAA football at its best, right here at your alma mater!

Thank you for continuing to be a vital part of Lindenwood. Please stay in touch and let us know what is new in your life.

Very sincerely yours,



James D. Evans, PhD
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On The Cover

John Hammond, a longtime member of the Board of Directors at Lindenwood University, at his home in Chesterfield, Mo.

She Said YES

The Path to Love: LU Alumnus Makes Creative Use of Paver Brick

BY ELIZABETH WIKOFF

The path to love, sometimes, is paved with bricks.

In 2010, Markus Hoff reserved space in the Lindenwood University's Quad for the Campus Y Field Day. Little did he know a chance encounter with a fellow undergrad would be the start of their lifelong path together.

"My group showed up for our event, and so did another group for their own event," Hoff said. "That group didn't reserve the space, so I went over to the student organizer to let her know we had the space."

And that's how he met Dana Porter. Porter was in the Quad with Delta Zeta for Greek Field Day, and she didn't know she had to reserve the space.

"We let them stay," added Hoff with a smile.

They started dating in 2011. Both have graduated since then, Hoff ('12) in

psychology and Porter ('12) in Spanish, and both have returned to Lindenwood to complete their master's degrees, his in school counseling and hers in teaching. Now as graduate assistants, the couple continues to enjoy campus life together. They plan on finishing their degrees in 2014.

Recently, Hoff decided to create more memories of Lindenwood for the both of them. In early spring of 2013, Hoff purchased a brick paver and had it engraved with a special message. He worked closely with the Institutional Advancement Office on the purchase and asked that the brick not be placed until he was ready.

On June 28, 2013, before embarking with Porter on an evening out, Hoff feigned forgetfulness and told her he had to return to the office on campus to retrieve something. The fake errand took them right past the clock tower at the Spellmann Campus Center, where the brick had recently been installed.

As they passed it, he pointed out the brick, dropped down on one knee and asked for Porter's hand in marriage. She said yes. Afterwards, a gleaming white stretch limo rolled up and the couple enjoyed the evening telling family and friends about their engagement. A May 2015 wedding is planned.

Hoff's proposal is now a permanent fixture on the grounds of Lindenwood's campus. It is part of a pathway that thousands of students, faculty, staff, and alumni will see for years to come, and for Markus and Dana it will represent their continued path to love, as it's not the path we choose that makes all the difference, but the person you share the path with.



Markus Hoff ('12) proposed to Dana Porter ('12) with a special message on a paver brick.





Blending Liberty

Hammond Gift Establishes Institute in School of Business

BY SCOTT QUEEN

Hammond, center, with Roger Ellis, Dean of the School of Business and Entrepreneurship, and James D. Evans, President.

John Hammond's patience is paying off. Hammond, a longtime member of the Board of Directors at Lindenwood University, began thinking about a substantial gift to Lindenwood about 10 years ago. He says, "I wanted to blend my interests with what Lindenwood University does best—educating students."

For years, Hammond contemplated how he could get others interested in his passion for liberty. "I wanted to find a way to get more people to pay attention to what the Constitution's framers had in mind," he said.

St. Louis had such a venue years ago, Hammond said, but it declined. And now, Lindenwood is stepping in to fill this void. Hammond said a host of Lindenwood faculty and staff have helped him bring his concept to reality—he credits School of Business and Entrepreneurship Dean Roger Ellis, faculty members Howard Wall, Ed Morris, and Rachel Douchant, and others for "getting me to think about doing this and putting the concepts on paper."

Hammond is also grateful to his colleague and friend, Kent Kehr, who has been instrumental in founding similar organizations. Hammond said Kehr offered his expertise in defining the institute's goals and values.

The result is the John W. Hammond Institute for Free Enterprise, whose mission it is to promote the understanding, benefits, nature, and importance of free private

Liberty and Ethics Center (LEC)—will form a federation-like structure under the umbrella organization of the Hammond Institute.

Hammond's relationship with Lindenwood goes back to 1991 when he joined the Board of Directors. He was the co-owner of G.W. Composites, and he had a keen eye for finance. Lindenwood benefits from his leadership yet today, as he remains Board Treasurer.

"I was at Lindenwood when the institution's net worth was practically zero," Hammond said. "Now it's almost \$500 million. It has certainly been gratifying to watch. I've shared this time with a great Board of Directors. It's a group of people who care a great deal about the institution.

"The Board, administration, faculty, and staff have helped to make Lindenwood an example of what a college can be," Hammond said. "So many colleges today get bogged down with bureaucracy and administration. Not Lindenwood. Everyone seems to remain focused on helping students succeed."

Hammond has watched many successes in his years at Lindenwood. While seeing his Free Enterprise Institute come to fruition is one of the high points, another is the University's recent acquisition of the former Barat Academy building in Dardenne Prairie, Mo., and the creation of a School of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences.

Barbara and John Hammond



And Education

enterprise in society. Lindenwood recently announced that Hammond is donating \$1 million to establish the Institute in the School of Business and Entrepreneurship.

The institute will open this fall, presenting thought-provoking speakers on constitutionality and limiting big government. Hammond couldn't be happier with the launch.

"It seems to me that the government is supposed to be about defending the people, fighting wars, setting tariffs, and running a post office," Hammond said. "The rest should be left to the states. We need to wake up the people or we will end up in bankruptcy."

Three programs currently in the School of Business—the Center for Economics and the Environment (CEE), the Duree Entrepreneurship Center (DEC), and the

"Lindenwood's education program turns out the best teachers and principals in the state," Hammond said. "There's no reason we cannot reach the same level of success in providing higher education to the healthcare industry with our School of Nursing."

Another high point for Hammond has been Lindenwood University's role in creating the shopping center planned for the land across the street from campus. Hammond's patience has definitely paid off in this endeavor.

"We've been working on this for more than a decade," he said. "The project is still on-going, but it is certainly nice to see utilities being moved and the ground being prepared for construction."

Hammond said he hopes that revenue from the shopping center's lease will help endow Lindenwood for many years to come.

"It's been great to play a role in the financial success of the University," said Hammond, who was honored in 2008 with the Sibley Medallion of Honor, given to recognize the University's most generous donors. "But I've been able to be involved in so much more than finance."

For one, Hammond actively recruits students for Lindenwood and said he believes "in the product. Lindenwood doesn't have flunk-out classes or faculty known for that. We give people opportunities and try to help them succeed."

John Hammond has the patience for progress. And a determination for success.

Institute to Offer Glimpse at Unseen, Unintended Consequences of Bad Policy

In Lindenwood University's Hammond Institute for Free Enterprise, there are plenty of dreams and ideas. Mix in a healthy dose of policy and analysis with some old-fashioned entrepreneurship, and one has the perfect recipe for success. Professor Howard Wall is in charge of fulfilling the vision of Lindenwood Board Member John Hammond, whose generous gift earlier this year created the institute, an umbrella organization for Lindenwood's Center for Economics and the Environment, the Center for Liberty and Ethics, and the Rick Duree Center for Entrepreneurship. Wall is the analyst and the policy expert. He runs the Center for Economics and the Environment and directs the umbrella group. He works closely with Professor Rachel Douchant, who handles the Center for Liberty and Ethics, and Professor David Rosenwasser, the entrepreneurship director. The institute was planning a large launch event September 26 as *Connection* went to press. Influential economist Stephen Moore, a member of the editorial board of the *Wall Street Journal* and founder of the Club for Growth, was the scheduled speaker.

"Our launch event is an excellent way to introduce one of the key elements John Hammond is interested in—free market economics," Wall said. "Moore is a perfect fit."

Rosenwasser said this speaker and

other institute speakers in the future will demonstrate that Lindenwood "has stepped way out from the norms and added tremendous value to the University."

Rosenwasser said the Duree Center plans to spend the next 18 months providing a pathway for three distinct target markets—international students, first generation college students, and job-seeking military.

"We hope to provide a stable of experts," Rosenwasser said. "We want people to look to the Duree Center to advance their lives. We hope to match them up with people to help them move forward in an entrepreneurial way."

Douchant said the Center for Liberty and Ethics will be more academic by nature, focusing on conferences, book clubs, speaker series events, and maybe a specialized newspaper.

"Our mission is about celebrating and understanding what is necessary for a just society," Douchant said.

She added that the liberty and ethics center will address government/state coercion, the market, and the civil society. With Wall, the center for economics and the environment plans to use economics to inform state and local politicians on how to better understand, for instance, the unemployment rate.

"The thing with local data is you have to take it with a grain of salt," Wall said.

"(The center) will spend time using research and data to help legislators and policy makers understand that government programs oftentimes have a zero or negative impact on the economy. I will try to convey the unseen and unintended consequences of bad policy."

The John W. Hammond Institute for Free Enterprise at Lindenwood University

Thursday, October 24, 3 p.m.

The Liberty and Ethics Center presents David Beito

"Black Maverick"

Dunseth Auditorium

Saturday, November 16

The Duree Center presents a symposium Entrepreneurship in Sport and Entertainment

Wednesday, November 20, 3 p.m.

The Liberty and Ethics Center presents Tom Woods

"The Market Virtue"

Dunseth Auditorium

Wednesday, February 12

The Hammond Institute presents

Christopher Coyne

"Doing Bad by Doing Good"

Dunseth Auditorium

February 19

Liberty and Ethics Center presents Kit Wellman "Is the U.S.

Criminal Legal System a Crime Against Humanity?"

Friday, March 21

Robert Higgs "Is Government the Problem?"

Seminar on Economic Federalism

April TBA

Symposium on Entrepreneurship in the Professions

The Duree Center

May TBA

The Center for Economics and the Environment

Fellows Conference

For more information, visit

www.lindenwood.edu/hammondInstitute/

Professors Rachel Douchant, David Rosenwasser, and Howard Wall head the three components of the Hammond Institute for Free Enterprise.



Set to Retire, Griffin Recalls Long and Winding Road

BY RACHEL JOHNSON

One item in particular stands out among the book-lined shelves of Peter Griffin's office in Butler Hall. Proudly displayed inside a simple 8-by-10 frame is a detailed pencil sketch of a man posed in front of a chalkboard wearing slacks, a dress shirt, a tie, and a fairly serious expression.

Descriptive fonts label the caricature as the likeness of Griffin. He says with an admiring smile that he's always been quite fond of the piece, especially the carefully drawn furrowed brow.

The drawing captures the steadfast and humble part of his demeanor, but it doesn't do justice to his sharp sense of humor and articulate nature. It also doesn't convey the impact he's had on countless students and colleagues during his 25-year academic career.

The California native says he's always been interested in history, even as a child. It's no surprise, then, that he holds bachelor's and master's degrees in the subject from the University of California, Santa Barbara. He also earned a doctoral degree in early modern European history from the school.

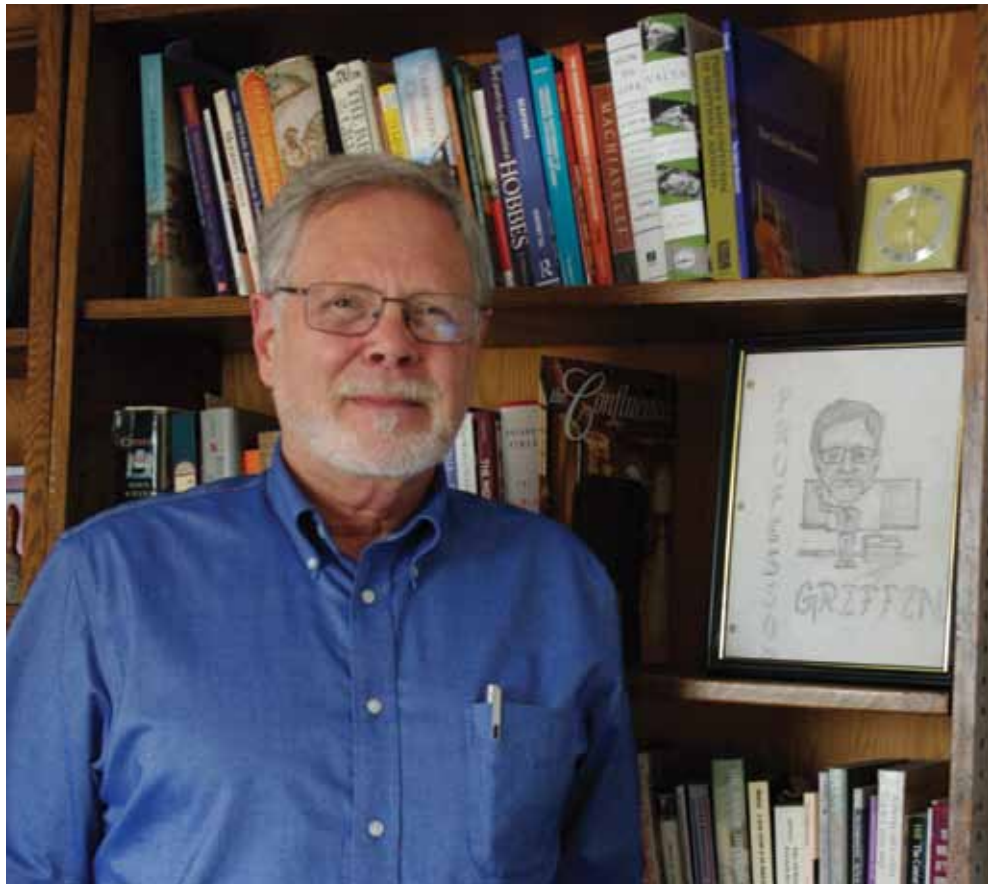
"My dissertation was, 'Moral Pessimism in Seventeenth Century France,' the first part of which seems sort of fitting now considering my reputation among some of my students," he joked.

In 1975, while working on his dissertation, a travel experience brought Griffin face-to-face with an indication of impending tough economic times. He read an in-flight advertisement for a Midwestern college featuring student recruitment messages on one side and profiles of history faculty members the school was forced to dismiss on the reverse side.

"I saw the writing on the wall and, of course, the job market in history eventually collapsed," he said. "I had done some painting jobs to earn money when I was younger, so I fell back on that."

Griffin eventually moved to St. Louis and worked for several years as a carpenter. He rose through the ranks to become a foreman, but by the late 1980s he was actively looking to re-enter the world of academia. With encouragement from his wife, Elizabeth, he applied for an opening at Lindenwood and has been teaching in the School of Humanities ever since.

He's taught courses such as History of Asia, History of the Ancient and Medieval World, History of the World since 1945,



Dr. Peter Griffin, longtime member of the History Department faculty, has announced plans to retire after the spring 2014 semester.

Revolution in the Modern World, and European Intellectual History. In the early 2000s, he authored a textbook, *A Brief History of the World to 1500*, that was used for several years as a required text at Lindenwood. He was honored for his work in the classroom with the receipt of the 2008 Emerson Electric Excellence in Teaching Award.

"I've taught a variety of things over the years and, insofar as there is one, I'm generally considered to be the world historian in the department," he said. "I enjoy introducing people to some really neat information, and it's always fun to reach those who get really excited about the material."

Griffin also served as the University's academic assessor in preparation for the Higher Learning Commission's 2003 visit. He reviewed curriculum, policies, and academic procedures to ensure the University was meeting the standards set forth by the accrediting body.

As chair of the History Department from 1998 to 2011, Griffin supported the

expansion of staff by adding more teachers, a new geography instructor, and a curator. His focus on hiring qualified instructors carries over into his current oversight of the department's adjunct faculty members.

"I have played a role in reinforcing the idea that offering qualified instructors with diverse perspectives and viewpoints more broadly and fully prepares our students for their next steps, whether that's graduate school, teaching jobs, or anything else," he said.

Satisfied with his career accomplishments thus far, Griffin has decided to retire from full-time teaching at the end of the 2013-14 academic year. In addition to traveling the world and spending more time on his favorite research topics, particularly a long-standing interest in ancient Greece, he noted that he very much hopes "to continue being involved and having things to contribute."

Whatever his future endeavors may be, his legacy at Lindenwood is one for the history books.



*Inspirational
Leader*

Rick Boyle and wife Karen ('00) in the J. Scheidegger Center's Boyle Family Gallery

Dr. Rick Boyle's Personal Touch

Graciously Built Relationships and Confidence

BY SCOTT QUEEN

A Mark Lindsay song called "Arizona" was a big hit in 1969, eclipsing the million-mark in sales. Little did anyone know it would provide inspiration and assurance nearly half a century later.

Dr. Rick Boyle retired August 31 as Lindenwood University's Vice President for Human Resources and Dean of Faculty. He wasn't completely sure about the timing of his retirement until he flipped on the radio in his car in early August. "Arizona" was playing. Long after the song was over, the tune stayed in his head. All morning long.

"That's when I knew it would all be good," said Boyle, who moved to Flagstaff, Ariz., with his wife, Karen.

His final couple of months at Lindenwood were special. There were tearful send-offs. And lots of hugs and laughs with longtime faculty and staff friends. He'll miss his colleagues, for sure.

But he'll also miss the students. There's a ritual Boyle has developed over the years in Roemer Hall that has touched the lives of hundreds of students. And that ritual played out one final time for him when classes opened August 26.

Around 7:45 a.m., Boyle hit Roemer Hall's main hallway. It was time to meet and greet. He shook hands. He smiled (boy did he smile). He helped students find their classrooms. He joked. He made students feel welcome.

"I get so much more than I give," Boyle said. "It's a privilege to help them. I can't help but look in their eyes and smile. I see our future. I see our leaders. I draw energy from them."

Boyle joined the Lindenwood faculty in 1997 after retiring as principal at Northwest House Springs High School, a school that was reeling academically when he took over. When he left there, ACT scores had soared. He was proud of the job he and his faculty and staff had done.

One of the first things he did after retiring was call his old friend, Dr. Francis Huss, to thank him for everything Huss had done for his career. He didn't realize Huss wasn't done helping. Boyle didn't stay retired very long.

"Francis led me to Lindenwood and things just fell into place," said Boyle, who quickly became Lindenwood's Dean of

Education.

Under Boyle's leadership, the division of education grew rapidly. And the main hallway in Roemer Hall filled with smiles.

"Teacher education probably grew four or five-fold," Boyle said. "We had such a great team that was so motivated to become the biggest and the best. We grew from a small Missouri teacher preparation program to one of the largest and most respected in the state. And Dr. (Cindy) Bice has done a wonderful job carrying the torch."

As Dean of Education, Boyle was known for his personal touch. One alum, Jackie Floyd ('00), said he helped change the course of her career.

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Rick Boyle, center, with President James D. Evans, left, and Athletics Director John Creer, at Boyle's induction into the Lindenwood Sports Hall of Fame last fall.



Rick Boyle with Dean Roger Ellis. They share their undergraduate alma mater, Arkansas. The two posed during a going away party put together by the University's deans in the Boyle Family Gallery.

"I was just a couple of years into teaching and I hadn't really found my own strength as an educator," Floyd said. "I made an appointment to discuss getting a master's. He spent a great deal of time with me. And he never once acted in a hurry. He was there to help."

Floyd said that Boyle's mentoring led her in the direction of administration. Not only did she get her master's degree, but also started on an Education Specialist degree, and then her Doctorate in Education. She is now assistant superintendent for curriculum in the Fort Zumwalt School District.

"He was my go-to person," Floyd said. "He had a way of building your confidence and helping you get ready for the next step."

Boyle's tenure as Dean of Education came to an end in 2007. That's when he was selected by President James D. Evans to serve as Lindenwood's Vice President for Human Resources.

"(Dr. Boyle) spearheaded the creation of a human resources department from the ground up," said Evans. "He has been a passionate advocate for faculty and staff needs and initiatives."

Evans said that Boyle had been a major player in the growth, maturation, and ascendancy of today's Lindenwood University.

"Since his arrival, and – in a real way – due to his synergy with our campus culture, we have become even more gracious and

accommodating," Evans said. "One might rightly say more human."

Those close to Boyle know his first exposure to Lindenwood actually occurred when he was a young man in the 1960s. He and his brother drove from their hometown of Morrilton, Ark., to St. Charles, Mo., to haul the luggage and room furnishings of two Lindenwood ladies who were going off to college.

The late Sally Wood Cox Buckley ('58) and her sister, Mary Fletcher Cox Branch ('60), traveled to St. Charles with their mother, Lindenwood alum Helen Henderson Cox, and their father, John Cox, who owned a Chevrolet Oldsmobile dealership in Morrilton where a young Rick Boyle worked on weekends. Cox made sure the Boyle brothers made the trip in a brand new Chevy pickup.

"That was the first time I saw Lindenwood," he said. "It was just as beautiful back then as it is today. Little did I know that 50 years later I would be here as a vice president."

The Vice President for Human Resources position has suited Boyle well. He continued to exude happiness as he negotiated health insurance contracts, hired new faculty and staff, and dealt with the day-to-day nuances of one of St. Charles' largest employers.

In the HR role, Boyle's love of Lindenwood and its people grew even stronger. Fellow Vice President Julie

Mueller said Boyle continued recruiting students "everywhere he went. Even in restaurants, writing information on napkins. He bleeds Lindenwood through and through."

Mueller and others remember that Boyle and his wife showed their love of the institution for 10 long years, volunteering to sell football tickets every Saturday in the fall – rain or shine – at Hunter Stadium.

"That was before the stadium was renovated," Boyle remembered. "We had a little shack with practically no light. It was fun, but we always missed the first half."

A former college football player at the University of Arkansas, Boyle loves Lindenwood athletics, particularly football, and he also loves the arts. He has funded an endowed football scholarship and a physical education award, and he and his wife, Karen, have the Boyle Family Gallery in the J. Scheidegger Center named after them.

Boyle said it is hard to single out special moments because there have been so many over the years. But one that stands out is his Homecoming 2012 induction into the Lindenwood University Athletics Hall of Fame.

"It meant the world to me," he said. "I simply love Lindenwood University. I will miss our wonderful students and the great faculty and staff."

Alumni Picnic a Success Despite the Weather

The Sixth Annual Alumni Picnic took place Saturday, June 1, 2013, at Evans Commons on the Lindenwood University St. Charles campus. The picnic, originally scheduled for the grounds of the Heritage Campus, had to be moved due to inclement weather. A tornado and strong thunderstorms came through St. Charles the night before, causing power outages and downed trees and damaging some homes in the area, though the Lindenwood campus was not harmed.

Most of the planned activities took place inside the Evans Commons; attendees enjoyed a barbecue lunch, a student band, giveaways, and social time. Families were allowed to use the Den to play billiards and ping-pong and watch television on the big screens. The ice cream man made an appearance, and attendees lined up to order their favorite treats.

The annual picnic is always a great time, and it is safe to say a little harsh weather could not change that this year.

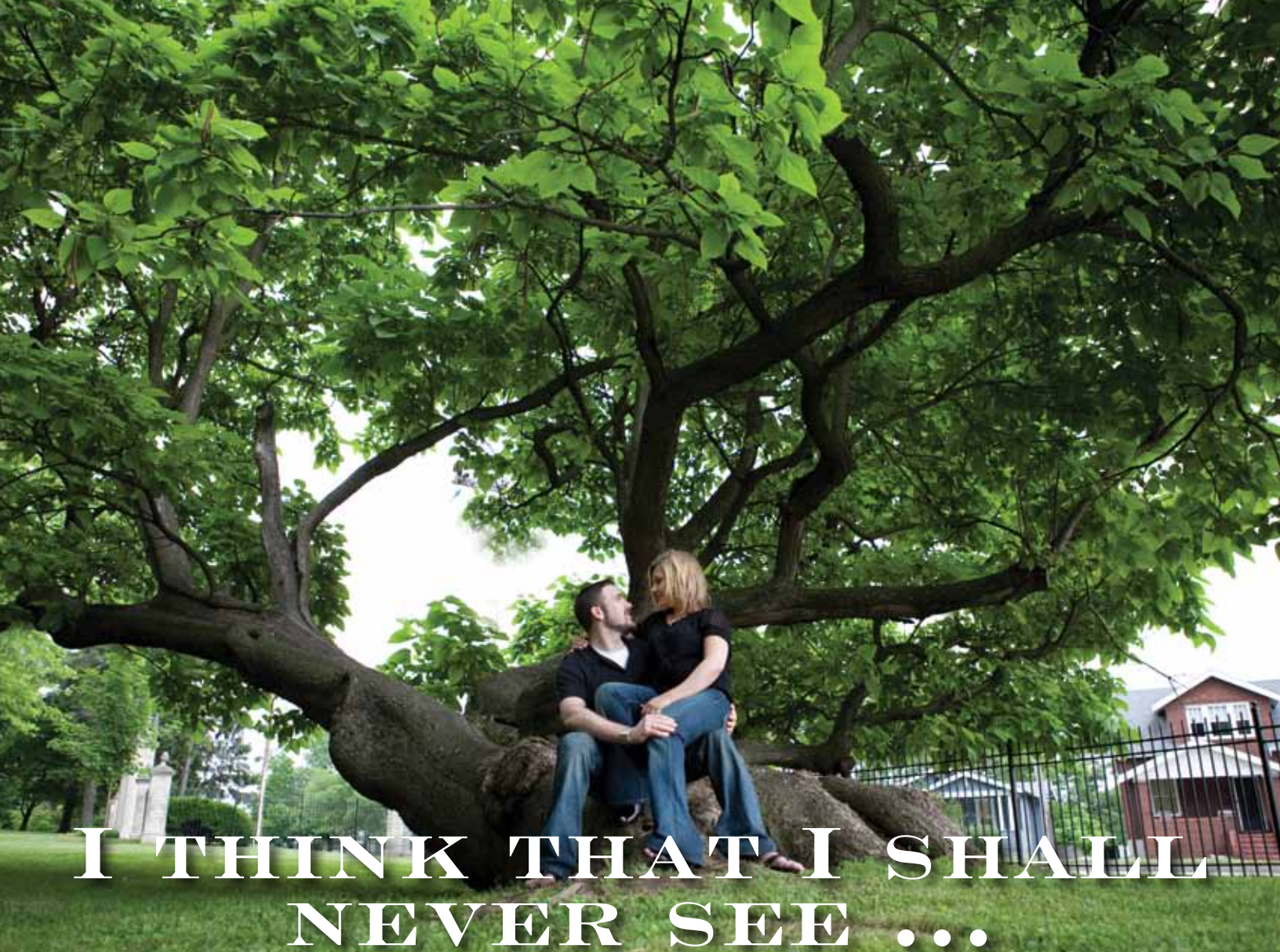


(Top photo) Jeff and Mary Holtmeyer with son Sam, 9, of Washington, Mo., attended the picnic to watch their son, Ben, a sophomore, play drums in the band.

(Middle photo) Ava Duree, 3, and Hunter Blum, 5, defeat their games of Operation.

(Bottom photo) A student band, Powell Street Jazz Band, entertained the picnic attendees.





I THINK THAT I SHALL NEVER SEE A TREE THAT LOOKS QUITE LIKE THIS

Leaning Tree Well Known among Students, Community

BY CHRIS DUGGAN

Lindenwood University has many instantly recognizable icons: the stately white columns of Sibley Hall, the gray stone alumni gate on Kingshighway, and the swings that dot the campus landscape.

Also, virtually any Lindenwood graduate, upon hearing the words “leaning tree,” will instantly know which one. The Catalpa (or Catawba) tree, also known as a “cigar tree,” while massive, is not known as much for its size as it is for the fact that its trunk is parallel to the ground. The tree, located adjacent to Kingshighway, just south of the

alumni gate, has served as the backdrop for photos of graduating seniors and bridal parties alike. It inspired the name of St. Charles’ Crooked Tree Coffee House, and it has captured the imagination of photographers and artists alike.

In mid-June, tin type photographer Jon Slade, of Wentzville, Mo., approached the University with a request to spend a day photographing the tree for a body of work he is assembling. The collection, called “A Bustle in Your Hedgerow,” consists of photos of trees and architecture that share physical characteristics with people. He hopes to place the exhibit in a gallery

when it is finished. Slade’s past work has appeared in the Soho Photo Gallery in New York, as well as galleries in St. Louis and St. Charles.

“I was drawn to the tree because of its age and its form,” he said. “It’s kind of graceful, yet gnarled and ancient looking.”

Kyle Routh, Supervisor of Grounds for Lindenwood, said the tree is most likely between 100 and 150 years old. Up until about a year ago, it was held up by wood braces that kept it from sagging to the ground from its own weight.

“The wood braces failed and about half the tree was on the ground,” Routh said.



that their picture will be special on their big day and not like everyone else's. Most people who call do not know what kind of tree it is, but they know it is unusual."

Floyd said it was once common practice for one or more members of the bridal party to sit on some portion of the tree, often one branch that jutted out like a bench, but these days, in keeping with Routh's preservation efforts, any climbing is strictly prohibited, as noted by signs that surround the tree.

"Now I have to go into much detail about how our grounds people are desperately trying to protect the tree and preserve another tradition at Lindenwood," Floyd said. "I still see people posing in front of it, and I still see people taking pictures of the tree, but I have yet to catch anyone breaking the rules."

Routh said Catalpa trees usually live about 100 years, sometimes longer. He says the "Crooked Tree" is most likely in the final stage of its life.

"There is some rot going on at the base, where the trunk is in contact with the soil," Routh said. "If there is a tree that can take it, though, it's the Catalpa. We'll do everything we can to get as many years out of it as possible."

Slade, in appreciation for his day of photography, made a special print of the tree and presented it to the University. Because of the nature of tin type photography, each print is one of a kind, not unlike the tree itself. Also, testament to the tree's longevity, Slade said the print itself will last in excess of 100 years.



(page 12 photo) Tim Hahn ('05) and Mystery (Hensley) Hahn ('05) used LU's leaning catalpa tree as the backdrop for their engagement photo in 2009. These days, sitting or climbing on the ancient tree is strictly prohibited. Photo by SJMackey Photography.

(left) About a year ago, Grounds Supervisor Kyle Routh installed new braces to hold up the tree, as well as signs instructing visitors to keep off.

(Below) In June, tin type photographer Jon Slade spent a day photographing the tree for a body of work he is assembling. He processed the photos on site in a darkroom tent and later presented one of the photos to the University.



"We brought in as many hydraulic jacks as we could and raised it back up. I built the current metal braces in the shop. I made them 100 percent stronger than they need to be; you could hold up a train car with them."

As for how the tree came to grow like that, there are many stories and theories. The website for the Crooked Tree Coffee House, a few blocks east of campus on First Capitol Drive, cites a legend that a beloved Native American chief was buried next to the tree and it bowed down in respect for him.

Stein Hunter, owner of the coffee house, said he heard the story by word of mouth. When he opened the shop 11 years ago, he was trying to come up with a name for it, and he thought of the tree right down the street, which his kids had always referred to as "the crooked tree."

Routh said there are other theories about the tree, including one that area Native Americans tied it down, as was sometimes their practice, to mark an encampment or a watering hole or some such thing. He doubts that was the case.

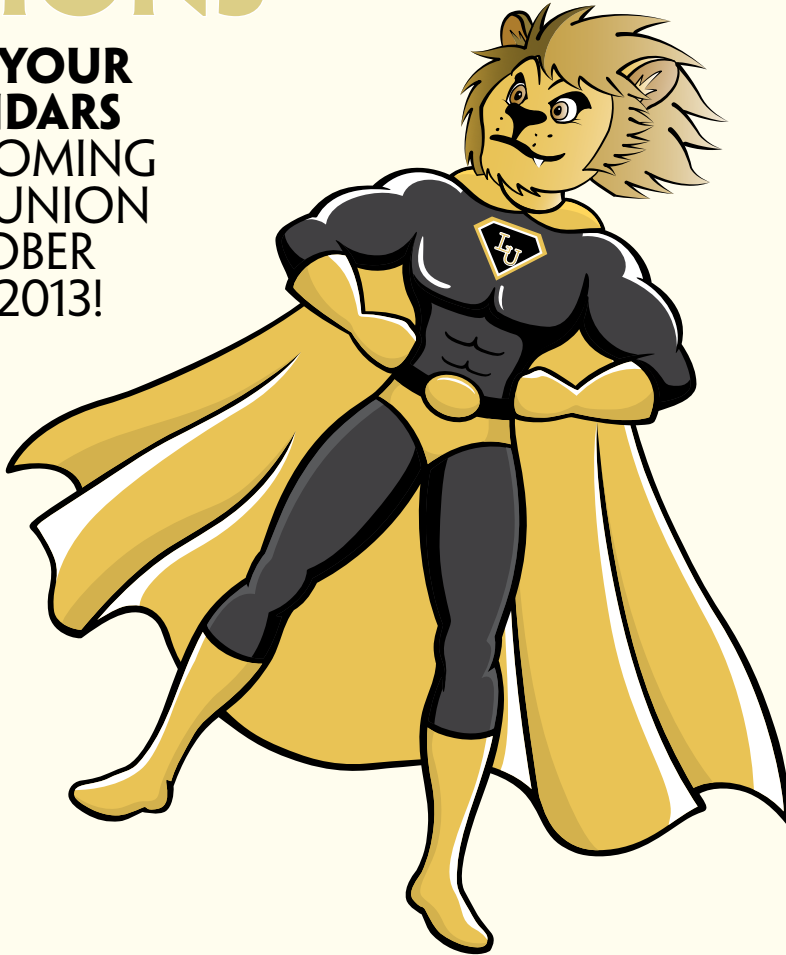
"That corner of the campus takes a lot of water drainage," Routh said. "With the ground saturated, probably about halfway through its life, it started to lean and maybe blew over. You can see the growth since then is going up again."

Charlsie Floyd, Lindenwood's Community Relations Director, said she has fielded many requests through the years from people to take their engagement and wedding photos at the tree.

"For several years now it has been the pleasure of the University to have its alumni, faculty, staff, and current students have their celebratory pictures taken on the campus," Floyd said. "They feel grateful

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REGISTRATION

Register online today through October 16, contact our alumni office at homecoming@lindenwood.edu, or call (636) 627-2943. All activities are free unless otherwise noted.

If you are unable to attend, learn at www.lindenwood.edu/giving how you can participate with a gift to support future students at Lindenwood.

VISIT

THE LU SPIRIT SHOPPE!
FRIDAY 8 A.M. TO 5 P.M.
SATURDAY 9 A.M. TO 3 P.M.
OR SHOP DURING THE GAME
IN THE HUNTER STADIUM PLAZA

CALENDAR

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2013

STUDENT ORGANIZATION FAIR
11 A.M. - 1 P.M.; EVANS COMMONS

Student organizations will construct their own booth for judging.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2013

LIP SYNC DANCE CONTEST
7 P.M. - 8 P.M.; EVANS COMMONS GYM

Enjoy the performances and watch our student groups battle for first place.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2013

HOMECOMING ENTERTAINMENT
DOORS OPEN 7:30 P.M.; SHOW AT 8 P.M.; EVANS COMMONS GYM

Visit www.lindenwood.edu/homecoming for this year's entertainment information.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2013

THE LIONS' RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE
10 A.M. - 4 P.M.; THE CONNECTION, SPELLMANN CENTER

Donate blood to the American Red Cross. One donation can save as many as three lives!

TABLE FRANÇAISE

1 P.M. - 2 P.M.; SPELLMANN CENTER DINING HALL

Join the students and faculty of the Lindenwood French program for their French chat - Table Française.

HOMECOMING AND REUNION GUEST REGISTRATION

1 P.M. - 6 P.M.; HYLAND ARENA

Pick up your Homecoming and Reunion packets. Extra lunch tickets and t-shirts can be purchased at this time.

ALUMNI ID STATION

1 P.M. - 6 P.M.; HYLAND ARENA

New Alumni ID cards are here; apply for your new photo ID during registration.

HISTORIC CAMPUS BUS TOURS

2 P.M., 3 P.M., 3:30 P.M.; HYLAND ARENA

Take a 30-minute bus tour.

DORM TOURS

2 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.; ALL ON-CAMPUS DORMITORIES

Visit your old dormitory; students will be available at all dorms to let visitors in to see their former living spaces.

PRESIDENT'S HOUSE TOUR FOR THE CLASS OF 1963

2 P.M.; LINDENWOOD HOUSE

A special tour and dessert reception for members of our returning 50th Class.

TREE DEDICATION IN MEMORY OF PROFESSOR JAMES FEELY

3:30 P.M. - 4 P.M.; LU QUAD NEAR PAVILION

Professor Feely taught in the Lindenwood English Department from 1958 to 1997, and passed away in the spring of 2013.

REDISCOVER LINDENWOOD

3:30 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.; HARMON HALL

Join Lindenwood's Archivist, Paul Huffmann, MLS, as he elaborates on the rich history of Lindenwood.

ALUMNI AND PARENT RECEPTION

4 P.M. - 7 P.M.; VIP ROOM, HYLAND ARENA

Reconnect with fellow alums and mingle with the parents of current students!

J. SCHEIDEGGER CENTER FOR THE ARTS TOURS

4:30 P.M.; J. SCHEIDEGGER CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Learn more about this magnificent building and theater in this 30-minute tour.

SCHOOL OF NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES

4:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.; HARMON HALL

Meet Dr. Peggy Ellis, Dean of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences, for Lindenwood University as she talks about the future of the program.

ALUMNI FASHION SHOWCASE

6:30 P.M. TO 7:30 P.M.; J. SCHEIDEGGER CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Meet LU Fashion Design alumni and current LU Fashion Design students as they showcase their talents in the fashion industry.

PEP RALLY

5 P.M. - 6 P.M.; EVANS COMMONS GYM

FILM SERIES
7 P.M.; YOUNG HALL

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME DINNER
7:30 P.M. - 9 P.M.; COLUMNS BANQUET CENTER
Join Lindenwood alumni, friends, and sports fans as we induct our seventh class into the Lindenwood Athletic Hall of Fame.

LYNN ANDERSON IN CONCERT
8 P.M.; J. SCHEIDEGGER CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Visit www.lindenwood.edu/center/ for show and ticket information.

**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 19, 2013**
RACE TO BE KING - 5K RUN AND WALK
7 A.M. REGISTRATION, 8 A.M. START; ROEMER HALL
To participate, register online at the official Homecoming website or email homecoming@lindenwood.edu.

LIONS BASKETBALL MEET AND GREET/PRACTICE
8 A.M. TO 10 A.M. WOMEN'S; 10 A.M. TO 1 P.M. MEN'S; HYLAND ARENA
Meet the 2013-2014 Men's and Women's Basketball teams!

BREAKFAST WITH THE PRESIDENT
8:30 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.; ANHEUSER-BUSCH LEADERSHIP ROOM
All are invited to join President James D. Evans for breakfast.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING
9 A.M.; ANHEUSER-BUSCH LEADERSHIP ROOM
All alumni are invited to participate in the annual Alumni Association meeting.

HOMECOMING REUNION AND PARADE
10 A.M. - 11 A.M.; LINDENWOOD CAMPUS
Join students, parents, and alumni to watch the Homecoming and Reunion parade.

HOMECOMING AND REUNION GUEST REGISTRATION
10:30 A.M. - 1 P.M.; LOWER LEVEL PARKING LOT, SPELLMANN CENTER
Pick up your Homecoming and Reunion packets.

ALUMNI ID STATION
10:30 A.M. - 1 P.M.; LOWER LEVEL PARKING LOT, SPELLMANN CENTER
New Alumni ID cards are here; apply for your new photo ID during registration.

FITNESS ACTIVITY - BOOT CAMP
11 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.; EVANS COMMONS GYM
Let the Exercise Science students help get you into shape with their boot camp class.

FITNESS ACTIVITY - BEGINNING YOGA AND RELAXATION
11 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.; EVANS COMMONS GYM
Join the Exercise Science students in a beginning Yoga and Relaxation class.

PLANNING YOUR ESTATE
11 A.M. - 12 P.M.; SPELLMANN CENTER
Join us for an informative seminar on planning your estate, presented by Donna H. Baber, JD, Director of Planned Giving at Lindenwood University.

BARBECUE LUNCHEON
11 A.M. - 1 P.M.; LOWER LEVEL PARKING LOT, SPELLMANN CENTER
Everyone is invited to gather before the kickoff for a luncheon. Pre-purchased tickets can be picked up at registration; extra tickets can be purchased near the tent.

KID'S DEN
11 A.M. - 1 P.M.; DORM PARKING LOT ACROSS FROM SPELLMANN CENTER
Bring your little lions to the Kid's Den at the tailgate event pregame.

FOOTBALL TAILGATE
11 A.M. - 1 P.M.; DORM PARKING LOT ACROSS FROM SPELLMANN CENTER

ALUMNI GAZEBO DEDICATION
12 P.M. - 1 P.M.; HERITAGE CAMPUS GAZEBO
Visit the new Alumni Gazebo and join us for music in the quad.

HOMECOMING FOOTBALL GAME
1:30 P.M.; HUNTER STADIUM
Cheer on the Lions to a Homecoming VICTORY as they take on Emporia State University!

ALUMNI ID STATION
1:30 P.M. - 3 P.M.; HUNTER STADIUM
New Alumni ID cards are here; apply for your new photo ID during the game.

FILM SERIES
7 P.M.; YOUNG HALL

AN EVENING WITH FRANKIE AVALON
8 P.M.; J. SCHEIDEGGER CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Visit www.lindenwood.edu/center/ for show information.

**SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 20, 2013**
LINDEN SCROLL REUNION
10 A.M.; HERITAGE CAMPUS PAVILION
Former Linden Scroll alumni, please join the current Linden Scroll students in the pavilion for a reunion brunch!

**SPORTING EVENTS
CALENDAR**
Cheer on the Lindenwood Lions! Don't miss these exciting sporting events Homecoming Weekend!

**FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 18, 2013**
WOMEN'S FIELD HOCKEY VS. DENNISON - 5:30 P.M.; HUNTER STADIUM
WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL VS. NORTHWEST MISSOURI - 7 P.M.; HYLAND ARENA
WOMEN'S SOCCER VS. EMPORIA STATE UNIVERSITY - 7:30 P.M.; HUNTER STADIUM

**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 19, 2013**
FOOTBALL VS. EMPORIA STATE UNIVERSITY - 1:30 P.M.; HUNTER STADIUM
WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL VS. NEBRASKA-KEARNEY - 7 P.M.; HYLAND ARENA

**SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 20, 2013**
FIELD HOCKEY VS. BELLERMINE - 12 P.M.; HUNTER STADIUM
WOMEN'S SOCCER VS. WASHBURN - 3 P.M.; HUNTER STADIUM

INDIVIDUAL EVENT PRICING

Individual item and event pricing is good for pre-registration and for walk-up registration the weekend of Homecoming and Reunion.

\$5 - Homecoming T-Shirt
\$8 - Lunch Ticket
\$10 - Adult, \$5 Child - Football Ticket
\$25 - Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner

Homecoming entertainment and J. Scheidegger event ticket pricing and sales available online at www.lindenwood.edu.

BUNDLE AND SAVE

Bundles good with pre-registration only. Registration and payment must be made by Wednesday, October 16, 2013, to take advantage of the savings. See Individual Event Pricing for reservations made after October 16.

\$8 - 1 Football Ticket and 1 Homecoming T-Shirt
\$10 - 1 Lunch Ticket and 1 Football Ticket
\$15 - 1 Lunch Ticket, 1 Football Ticket, and 1 Homecoming T-Shirt

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Ask for the Lindenwood University rate when making reservations to receive a special Homecoming and Reunion discount.

HOTEL	PHONE NUMBER	MILES FROM CAMPUS
Ameristar	(636) 940-43002
Comfort Suites - St. Charles	(636) 949-06942
Comfort Inn - O'Fallon	(636) 696-800010
Country Inn & Suites	(636) 724-55552
Drury Inn St. Peters	(636) 397-97008
Embassy Suites	(636) 946-55442
Fairfield Inn	(636) 946-19002
Hampton Inn	(636) 947-68004
Quality Inn	(636) 946-6936	1.5
TownePlace Inn	(636) 949-6800	2.5

RENTAL CAR PROVIDER

Enterprise Rent A Car (636) 946-3010
Ask for Bobby Kurtzborn or Ashley Ruble

Upcoming Performances at the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts

Student Theatre

The Last Five Years

Oct. 25-26, 7:30 p.m.

Oct. 31-Nov. 2, 7:30 p.m.

A Christmas Carol

Dec. 5-7, 7:30 p.m.

Student Fall Music Series

Choir Concert

Nov. 4, 7:30 p.m.

Orchestra Concert

Nov. 5, 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Concert

Nov. 7, 7:30 p.m.

String and Woodwind Concert

Nov. 19, 7:30 p.m.

Percussion Concert

Nov. 20, 7:30 p.m.

Brass Ensemble Concert

Nov. 21, 7:30 p.m.

Student Dance

Fall Dance Concert

Oct. 31-Nov. 2, 7:30 p.m.

The Dance Artist Showcase

Nov. 22-23, 7:30 p.m.

Art Exhibits

(Boyle Family Gallery)

Jennifer Baker

Oct. 7-Nov. 3

Opening reception Oct. 10, 4-7 p.m.

Matt Noblett—MFA Thesis

Nov. 7-17

Opening reception Nov. 10,
12-2 p.m.

Professional Shows

Swing This, Starring Debby Boone and
the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra

Oct. 12, 8 p.m.

Lynn Anderson: In Concert

Oct. 18, 8 p.m.

An Evening with Frankie Avalon

Oct. 19, 8 p.m.

Christmas with the Lettermen

Dec. 13, 8 p.m.; Dec. 14, 2 and
8 p.m.

Christmas Traditions with the Lennon
Sisters

Dec. 15, 5 p.m.

Christmas with Marilyn McCoo and
Billy Davis Jr.

Dec. 20, 8 p.m.; Dec. 21, 2 p.m.



Erin Bode Concert will Benefit Arts Endowment

BY CHRIS DUGGAN

Erin Bode is considered by many to be one of St. Louis' treasures. With multiple CDs filled with covers and original material, Bode and her band have traveled the world tirelessly and faithfully familiarizing audiences with what they call "the American Songbook": Irving Berlin, Cole Porter, Jerome Kern, George and Ira Gershwin, and many others.

On Jan. 30, 2014, Bode will come to the J. Scheidegger Center with her band and a string quartet from the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra for a special concert benefitting the Lindenwood University Arts Endowment. Tickets for the 8 p.m. show range from \$24.50 to \$42.50 with a special \$150 VIP option that includes an exclusive pre-show in the Lindenwood House with refreshments. Contact the LU Box Office at (636) 949-4433 for more information or to buy tickets.

Bode has performed throughout the United States, as well as on a number of European tours and at the Cotton Club in Tokyo. She has opened for Jamie Cullum, Michael Buble, Chris Botti, and many others and has been celebrated by reviewers in the *Wall Street Journal*, the *Washington Post*, the *Jazz Times*, and the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. Her distinctive voice has been called, "too exquisite to miss," and the band's precise musicianship has been lauded as well.

"We've been talking about doing a concert at Lindenwood for a while," Bode said. "We've been waiting for the right opportunity, and when the people at Lindenwood approached us, we decided we could help with what they do and bring in a nice audience."

The set list, she said, will consist of her favorite American Songbook selections; the

string quartet will be an added element to the Erin Bode group, the core members of which include Adam Maness on piano and Syd Rodway (Bode's husband) on bass. Cellist Bjorn Ranheim and violinist Shawn Weil have already committed to the concert, she said, and two other members of the orchestra, as well as a drummer, will round out the ensemble.

"We've been working with some members of the symphony, and thanks to our piano player, Adam Maness, who is a wonderful arranger, we have some great arrangements of these songs for those instruments," Bode said. "It will be a thrill for us to be able to do this and play in that beautiful theater."

Bode and her band have been busy with a full slate of live performances and the recent release of a CD of hymns, *Be Still my Soul*, to go with five previous CDs, all of which are available at erinbode.com. They are also working on a new CD, though there is no timetable for release.

The Lindenwood University Arts Endowment, which was established last year, allows the University to enhance programming at the Scheidegger Center, expand current academic arts programs, fund scholarships for students with artistic and academic merit, establish artist-in-residence programs, and provide access to theatrical resources for nonprofit groups.

For more information on the endowment, please contact Dean Joseph Alsobrook at (636) 949-4164 (jalsobrook@lindenwood.edu) or Susan Mangels, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, at (636) 949-4939 (smangels@lindenwood.edu).

"We're really excited about doing a concert at Lindenwood," Bode said. "I think people will have a great experience listening to the music we put together."

Speaker Series Offers Another Great Slate of Events

The 2012-13 Speaker Series ended with a memorable visit to the Hyland Arena by actor Mayim Bialik, from the hit TV comedy *The Big Bang Theory*. This year's series offers another diverse and interesting selection of events on a variety of topics. As always, speaker events are free, though some require free tickets, available at the Lindenwood box office at (636) 949-4433 beforehand.

"I think this year's lineup is one of the best that the selection committee has put together," said Paul Huffman, Lindenwood University Archivist and principal organizer of the series. "Given the chance, this group of speakers will challenge people's ideas, as well as inspire people to be life-long learners."

The series this year started on Sept. 17 with Nadine Strossen, New York Law School professor and former president of the ACLU, speaking on "Surveillance Society and the Threat to our Civil Liberties." The rest of the series includes an Olympic Gold Medalist, a CEO, and the lead NASA engineer for the curiosity Mars rover landing. The series is co-sponsored by the St. Louis Regional Chamber. The schedule is as follows:



Daymond John

Nov. 14, 2013, 7 p.m., J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts—Bezemes Family Theater

CEO of FUBU Clothing, John is a featured investor on ABC's *Shark Tank*. He will speak on "Fundamental Keys for Business and Personal Success." A free ticket is required for admission to this event.



Adam Steltzner

March 25, 2014, 7 p.m., J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts—Bezemes Family Theater

Steltzner was the lead NASA engineer for the Curiosity Mars rover landing, which amazed the world as it unfolded on television. Steltzner will present, "How Curiosity Changed My Life." A free ticket is required for admission to this event.



Shawn Johnson

Oct. 24, 2013, 7 p.m., Hyland Arena

The Olympic gold medalist (2008) and *Dancing with the Stars* winner (2009) will speak on "Winning Balance."



Deborah Horan

Feb. 18, 2014, 7 p.m., Spellmann Campus Center—Anheuser-Busch Leadership Room

A journalist who has covered the Middle East since 1993, Horan will present, "My Observations on Israel and the Middle East."



Mark Noah

April 22, 2014, 7 p.m., Spellmann Campus Center—Anheuser-Busch Leadership Room

Noah, who has a passion for historic airplanes, is also the founder of History Flight, which is dedicated to finding the locations of American missing-in-action service members. He will present, "Finding the Fallen: The Search for America's Missing-in-Action Servicemen."

For more information about the 2013-14 Lindenwood University Speaker Series, visit www.lindenwood.edu/academics/speakerseries.

HLC to Visit Campus in Late October

Lindenwood University, continuously accredited since 1921, will undergo a comprehensive visit by the Higher Learning Commission October 28-30.

Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Jann Weitzel, who has directed campus-wide preparations for the visit for more than a year, said the institution is ready for its regular comprehensive visit.

“Lindenwood is well prepared for this 10-year accreditation visit,” Weitzel said. “The Board of Directors, the President, and the campus personnel have worked together to demonstrate what a truly amazing institution we are.”

Weitzel said Lindenwood’s self-study was complete by the end of August and submitted to the HLC.

Lindenwood and other institutions of higher learning voluntarily seek accreditation because it gives them public accountability and allows them to demonstrate and affirm the quality they regularly profess. Accreditation also affords institutions the opportunity to conduct internal evaluation and institutional improvement.

The eight-member HLC site visit team members will consist of faculty, staff, and

administrators from other institutions within the North Central accrediting region. They will be well-trained and prepared for their task.

They are typically a diverse group, and the members will likely be chosen so that their respective talents and areas of expertise cover the criteria to be reviewed and evaluated.

The HLC team will evaluate Lindenwood in many areas, which include

Criterion One: Mission—The institution’s mission is clear and articulated publicly; it guides the institution’s operations.

Criterion Two: Integrity: Ethical and Responsible Conduct—The institution acts with integrity; its conduct is ethical and responsible.

Criterion Three: Teaching and Learning: Quality, Resources, and Support—The institution provides high quality education, wherever and however its offerings are delivered.

Criterion Four: Teaching and Learning: Evaluation and Improvement—The institution demonstrates responsibility for the quality of its educational programs, learning environments, and support services, and it evaluates their

effectiveness for student learning through processes designed to promote continuous improvement.

Criterion Five: Resources, Planning, and Institutional Effectiveness—The institution’s resources, structures, and processes are sufficient to fulfill its mission, improve the quality of its educational offerings, and respond to future challenges and opportunities; the institution plans for the future.

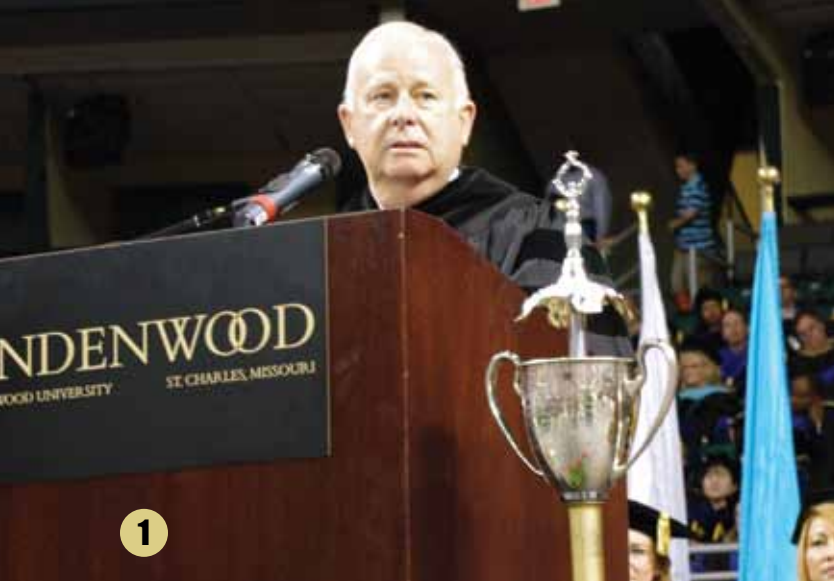
The visiting team will submit a draft report to President James D. Evans to read for possible factual errors. After that, the University will receive a final report that includes a summary of the accreditation visit and the proposed recommendation regarding the institution’s accreditation status.

President Evans will then be asked to provide a written response to the report. At that point, the HLC will review the team’s evaluation. About 3-4 months after the visit, HLC will notify the University of its status and of any requirements regarding accreditation.

LU Concludes Successful School of Business Campaign



Roger Ellis, Dean of the School of Business and Entrepreneurship, speaks at a special event in Harmon Hall on July 29 celebrating the successful completion of the Building the Future of Business fundraising campaign.



Graduation 2013

1. Retired General Crosbie Saint, former commander of the U.S. Army in Europe, was the keynote speaker for Lindenwood's Undergraduate Commencement on May 18.
2. Dr. James D. Evans, PhD, presents an honorary doctorate to noted communications industry executive Douglas Greenlaw, keynote speaker at Baccalaureate and Graduate Commencement on May 17.
3. Graduates and their families gathered on the lawn after the first commencement ceremony held on the campus of LU-Belleville. The ceremony was on Sunday, May 19.
4. The St. Charles Family Arena was once again the site for commencement ceremonies for the St. Charles campus.



Lindenwood School of Nursing Opens for Business

President James D. Evans, Dean Peggy Ellis, and faculty and staff members at Lindenwood University welcomed the first students August 27 to the Center for Nursing and Allied Health Sciences in Dardenne Prairie.

Lindenwood's new School of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences is offering post-associate degree coursework for students who already have a two-year nursing degree. The University is seeking to offer a Bachelor of Science in nursing degree completion program, said Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Jann Weitzel. She said Lindenwood expects to receive approval on that degree from the Higher Learning Commission as *Connection* went to press.

Ellis expects more than 50 students in the program by the new year. As that program grows, she and her faculty are busy preparing coursework and syllabi for a Master of Science in nursing degree, approval for which will soon be sought from the HLC. The University hopes to receive HLC approval on that degree in the spring.

The Center for Nursing and Allied Health Sciences is actually a joint effort between Lindenwood and St. Charles Community College, which is leasing space there. SCC has moved its entire Associate in Nursing program to the site, as well as its Licensed Practical Nursing, Occupational Therapy Assistant, Health Information Technology, and Health Occupational programs.

"This is a unique public-private arrangement that will be a model for the future," said Evans.

Evans and St. Charles Community College President Ron Chesbrough, along with each institution's respective boards,



President Jim Evans, center, with the faculty, staff, and students at Lindenwood's new School of Nursing and Allied Health in Dardenne Prairie, Mo.

worked on the partnership arrangement for about a year.

"Successful communities work together to prepare the workforce of the present and the future," said Greg Prestemon, president and CEO of St. Charles County Economic Development Center. "This partnership between two indispensable institutions

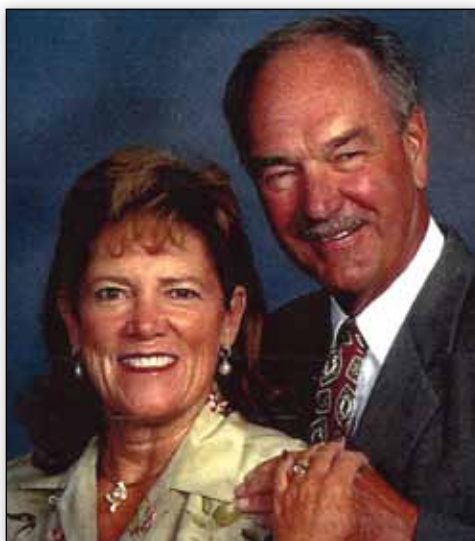
will not only change the lives of students and patients, it will help to transform the local economy. I believe that 10 years from now, people will mark this partnership as a pivotal event in the growth and development of St. Charles County."

Janice and Ron Ohmes Offer Their Prescription for the Future

When Janice Ohmes ('88) and her husband, Lindenwood University Board Member Ron Ohmes, attended the open house for Lindenwood's new Center for Nursing and Allied Health Sciences on May 9, they were immediately impressed by the quality of the new site and how well the academic programs would serve the community.

After all, as Dr. Peggy Ellis, Dean of Lindenwood's new School of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences, noted in a recent *St. Louis Business Journal* editorial, by 2020 the U.S. will face a shortage of 800,000 nurses. Consequently, they committed to a gift to name the Janice and Ron Ohmes Chemistry Laboratory at the center.

"We wanted to commemorate Janice's professional work in nursing as well as



Janice and Ron Ohmes

support these important endeavors to provide high quality care for so many people," said Ron Ohmes.

Janice Ohmes said their gift is a way to be involved in the academic programs for nurses studying at the center.

"I'm thrilled that so many future nurses will study chemistry in the lab that we named," said Janice Ohmes. "Doing this allows me to be a part of the education of dozens of nurses."

The Ohmeses said they hope that many other donors will contribute to the campaign as well. For more information on scholarship, capital naming, and program grant opportunities at the School of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences, contact Susan Mangels, Lindenwood's Vice President for Institutional Advancement, at smangels@lindenwood.edu.

Belleville Campus Continues Strong Growth with New Residence Hall

A new residence hall will soon open at Lindenwood University-Belleville, increasing resident capacity at the growing campus in southwestern Illinois.

LU-Belleville President Jerry Bladdick said that sometime in November, students should begin moving into the \$4 million, 190-bed residence hall.

"It's an L-shaped structure designed to fit the property on which it rests," Bladdick said. "It's still a two-story structure, and it is in keeping with the architecture here on the Belleville campus."

Bladdick said the new building will increase resident capacity in Belleville to 800. The 2013-14 academic year opened with 630 resident students at the campus.

"We've been renting extra hotel rooms

and doubling where the fire department will let us," Bladdick said. "The new building will be a comfortable and welcome addition to the campus."

Bladdick, who was appointed president for the Belleville campus in May, said the new residence hall is between the Dixon Student Center and the Lynx Lodge, directly behind the site of the state of Illinois' new crime lab, which is currently under construction.

Belleville's day campus, Bladdick said, began humbly with about 100 students just over three years ago. The population has grown each year: 100, 300, 500, and now 631.

Bladdick said the daytime program faculty has grown alongside the student

population. The number of full-time faculty members has gone from four in the first year to 39 now. He also said he is proud of the fact that 94 percent of faculty have terminal degrees.

Support staff has increased as well, providing a full-service library, housing, Work and Learn, and academic success services to students. In athletics, Bladdick said Lindenwood-Belleville has grown from two sports in its first year to 27 now. While Lindenwood-Belleville and Lindenwood's campus in St. Charles are separate, Bladdick pointed out that both campuses operate under the same mission and the same Board of Directors.



Lindenwood Day at the Edward Jones Dome

Join Lindenwood alumni, friends, and family
as the Rams take on the New Orleans Saints.

Sunday, December 15 • Noon

\$45 Package Includes

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'40s

Miriam (Neff) Fischer ('47), in recalling her days at Lindenwood, said that all lights had to be turned off at night, so everyone crowded into the bathrooms to study. That prom was held in the dining room to save money. Fischer resides in St. Charles, Mo.

'60s

Stephanie Smith-Harms ('61), who majored in religious education and received a scholarship to attend Lindenwood, recalls that President Franc McCluer's door was always open, and she especially enjoyed the teas that Dr. McCluer and his wife hosted at his home (now Warner Hall). She said that the students were required to wear hats and gloves. Her favorite memory was of the Sunday evening dinners at the home of Dr. McLeod, head of the Religion Department. She recalls enjoying her experience at LC as a "time of innocence" and a "time of great growth as a person." Her daughter's nephew has been offered a basketball scholarship to Lindenwood University-Bellefonte. Smith-Harms resides in San Diego, Calif.

Kristi (Slayman) Jones ('63) resides in Long Beach, Calif., with her husband, Axton. She was employed as dean of the College of the Arts and a professor in art history for California State University and has been retired for 10 years.

'70s

Michael Dean ('76) works for the Fall River Police Department as an E911 Operator. He received his bachelor's in communications and political science. He and his wife, Beatrice, have three children, and they reside in Fall River, Mass.

Denise Sykes-Collins ('79) is a manager of server administration at SSM Health Care. She resides in St. Louis, Mo.

'80s

Teresa (Goettsch) Wingert ('85) received her master's and resides in San Antonio, Texas.

Bonnie Barczykowski ('87) has been

named chief executive officer at the Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri. She had previously served as chief operating officer. Before she was involved with the Girl Scouts, Barczykowski owned and operated five Curves fitness franchises around the St. Louis area. She and her husband, Daniel, live in St. Charles, Mo.

Roberta Mueller ('89) lives in Ballwin, Mo., with her husband, Michael. She attended Lindenwood through the LCIE program and received her master's in communications. Mueller has her own business performing music for senior citizens. Her website is www.tallberta.com.

Glenn Parrott ('89 & '91) lives in St. Louis, Mo., with his wife, Christine. He is retired and now works part time for a dental lab.

Loretta Pritt ('89) graduated with her degree in business and is now retired from AT&T and living in St. Louis, Mo.

'90s

Crystal (Carr Scarborough) Newsom ('92) received her degree in business administration and is working for Enterprise Holdings Inc. as a department manager.

Karen Lettner ('93) graduated from Lindenwood with an MBA and now works for the Boeing Company.

Roland Lettner ('93) and his wife Karen live in St. Louis, Mo. Lettner works at KFZO, 850 AM, radio.

Jodell Larkin ('94) recently started her own wedding and event planning business, Starry Night Events, LLC. She graduated with a degree in marketing and resides in St. Peters, Mo.

Jack Digar ('96) and wife Regina live in St. Charles, Mo. He works for the National Archives as an assistant branch chief. The couple has three children.

Dora (Tcholakova) Williams ('97) graduated with a degree in education. She works as a teacher and resides in St. Charles, Mo., with her husband, Steve.

Denise (Blissenbach) Voss ('97 & '00) is a teacher in the Francis Howell School District. She and her husband reside in Dardenne Prairie, Mo.

Sara (Schaefer) Drost ('98) has opened Rally Formals in Ste. Genevieve, Mo. Her shop features attire and accessories for proms, pageants, weddings, and other

formal events. She and her business partner also custom design an original line of one-of-a-kind gowns for the shop, located on the web at www.rallyformals.com.

Elizabeth (Hoemann) Francies ('98) works at US Bank as a financial analyst. She is married and lives in O'Fallon, Mo.

Christy Christensen ('99) graduated with a degree in business. She worked in marketing for a news corporation but is currently a full-time mother residing in St. Peters, Mo.

'00s

Julio Herrera ('00 & '06) is a coach and recently opened a youth basketball club, Academia Basketball. He and his wife, Liz, have three children and reside in St. Charles, Mo.

Jeff Brown ('01) played football while a student at Lindenwood and graduated with a degree in athletic training. He is an athletic trainer and teacher at Fox High School in Arnold, Mo.

Edward M. Johnson Jr. ('02) graduated Lindenwood with his master's and received his doctorate from Maryville University. As of July 1, he is the first African-American principal at Brentwood High School. Johnson resides in St. Louis, Mo.

Jill Plassmeyer ('02 & '08) married Ryan Oetting ('03 & '08) on June 22, 2013. Plassmeyer is a physical education teacher at Fort Zumwalt West Middle School. Oetting teaches physical education at Fort Zumwalt West High School. Plassmeyer also coaches varsity girls' volleyball and junior varsity boys' volleyball, and Oetting is an assistant coach for the varsity softball and baseball teams. The couple resides in St. Charles, Mo.

Jennifer (Bargielski) Probst ('03 & '06) works in the Fort Zumwalt School district as a kindergarten teacher. She received a bachelor's degree in early childhood education and a master's in education administration. She lives in Dardenne Prairie, Mo., with her husband, Jason, and two children.

Joan (Blistain) Quinlisk ('03) of O'Fallon, Mo., has a degree in gerontology and is self-employed as a music therapist. She and her husband, Richard, have four sons.

Janis Bray ('05) has her own business, Smart Options for Seniors, in which she

utilizes her degree in gerontology. Bray lives in Troy, Mo.

Rick Duree ('05) graduated with his degree in finance and international business. He is the owner of the Lindenwood University Book-X-Change with his wife, Linda, and is a sponsor of Lemonade Day in St. Charles, Mo.

Angela Fowle ('05) has been named the executive director of the Foundry Arts Center. She was formally the exhibition manager for the center.

Cathy Hartmann ('05) was recently appointed the executive director of Springboard, a St. Louis company that provides innovative resources for children's education.

Amy (Bailey) Hess ('05) resides in O'Fallon, Mo., with her husband, James, and their twin boys.

Reed Livergood ('05) resides in Silver Springs, Md., and is in systems engineering at the MITRE Corporation.

Linda Duree ('06) is married to Rick Duree ('05), with whom she is a co-founder of the Duree Center for Entrepreneurship at Lindenwood. She is a mother of four and resides in Wentzville with her family.

Robert Duree ('06) graduated with a degree in accounting. He resides in Utah and owns a bookstore at Utah Valley University.

Paul Lee ('06) graduated with his degree in nonprofit management and resides in Cedar Falls, Iowa, with his wife, Amanda.

Todd Link ('06) was appointed police chief of Collinsville, Ill.

Laura Helling ('06) left her position as executive director at the Foundry Art Center and has joined the development team at international humanitarian organization Wings of Hope, in Chesterfield, Mo.

Brooke Sisco ('06) works as an admission advisor at DeVry University in Naperville, Ill. Sisco is also the head cheerleading coach at Benedictine University in Lisle, Ill. She is engaged to be married to Benjamin Schoeholz, a network systems analyst at North Central College.

Kathleen (Schlenter) Ferder ('07) is a senior contracts specialist at Enterprise Holdings, Inc. She is a finalist in the 46th Pillsbury Bake-Off Contest and will be going to Last Vegas in November to prepare her recipe, "Kickin' Spinach Cheese Bites" and compete against 99 other finalists. Her recipe is on the Pillsbury

website along with opportunities to vote for her recipe.

Katie (Pitlyk) Lombardo ('08) recently attended Webster University for her paralegal certificate. Lombardo lives in St. Louis, Mo.

Erin (Wood) Wesselschmidt ('08) married Jeffery Wesselschmidt on May 26, 2013. She studied elementary education while at Lindenwood and is currently employed at Washington West Elementary in Washington, MO.

Jason Cannon ('09) works at Florida Studio Theatre as an associate artist. Cannon received his first master's degree from Washington University in St. Louis in drama and continued for a second at Lindenwood in directing. He resides in Sarasota, Fla.

Lori Jurgiel ('09) received her master's in gerontology and is living in Weldon Spring, Mo.

Matthew May ('09) married Erin (Wolfman) May on September 29, 2013. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in nonprofit administration.

Teresa McKenzie ('09) has a degree in criminal justice and is working for the Missouri Department of Social Services.

'10s

Katrina Bennett ('10) previously taught at Lindenwood as an assistant professor in fashion design. Bennett has been in fashion design for about eight years. She currently owns her own business, Katrina Z-Chori, and is working on a collection of convertible and reversible dresses. She resides in Fairview Heights, Mo., with her husband, Egzabia, and her daughter, ZaChari.

Angela (Hayes) Clark ('10) is a second grade teacher and is married with two children. She resides in Florissant, Mo.

Kelly Dent ('10) is in her third year of teaching in the Pattonville School District. She has taught first grade and, most recently, kindergarten. She lives in Bridgeton, Mo.

Kyle Dent ('10) is married to Kelly (Durst) Dent ('08). He graduated with his degree in education, but after graduation opened up a restaurant in St. Peters, Mo., Shamrocks Pub n' Grill. He and his wife reside in St. Charles, Mo.

Brett Hayes ('10) and his wife, Meghan (Black) Hayes, live in St. Louis, Mo. His bachelor's degree is in business, and he works for Golden Liquor Distribution.

Vera Jackson ('10) received her master's in gerontology. Since graduating, she has worked as a director of nursing and a quality assurance nurse. Jackson lives in St. Louis, Mo.

Elizabeth (Crouch) Tewell ('11) was recently married to Jason Tewell, a kitchen manager at Ethyl's Smokehouse in O'Fallon, Mo. She is an art teacher at Prairie View Elementary school in the Wentzville R-IV School District.

Samantha (Gahr) Kennedy ('10) married **Michael Kennedy ('11)** on April 20. She is the Facilities Coordinator at Lindenwood University.

Wanda Ferguson ('11) and her husband, **Orlando K. Ferguson**, graduated Lindenwood in the same year. They reside in Wentzville, Mo.

Joseph Fincher ('11) studied finance while at Lindenwood and is employed at Scottrade in St. Louis, Mo., as a business development representative. He credits his current position to the instruction he received from his professors at Lindenwood.

Anetria Galmore ('11) was named vice president of nursing and chief nursing officer for SSM St. Joseph Health Center in St. Charles, Mo., on Aug. 12, 2013. Galmore has won several different awards and honors from the *St. Louis American* Foundation, Saint Louis University, *St. Louis Magazine*, and North County Incorporated. She received a master's in health management and lives in St. Charles, Mo.

Erin (Wolfman) May ('11) married fellow alum **Matthew May** on September 29, 2013, in St. Louis, Mo.

Michael Testa ('11) was recently published in the Express Scripts "Healthcare Insights" blog concerning a pharmacy fraud case he worked on in 2012.

Tom Waggoner ('11) has been named Assistant Athletic Director for Ticketing and Boosters at Lindenwood University.

Jessica Affsprung ('12) is a fashion designer and owner of I Am Sly. Affsprung was a finalist in St. Louis Fashion Week's Project: Design and currently resides and works from her home studio in Edwardsville, Ill.

Laura Nunez Clithero ('12) lives in Ellisville, Mo. She received a master's in education, and she teaches at St. Louis Language Immersion School (SLLIS).

Ashley Colgin ('12) works as a middle school math interventionist in the Valley Park School District. She resides in O'Fallon, Mo.

Andrew Dreckshage ('12) graduated with a degree in psychology. He is an assistant manager at Aeropostale and is studying gerontology in Lindenwood's LCIE program.

Ryan Griffin ('12 & '13) works as a digital account manager for Switched on Media in North Sydney, Australia. Griffin resides in Kirrawee, Australia.

Meghan (Black) Hayes ('12) received her master's and is teaches in the Wentzville School District. She and fellow alum **Brett Hayes ('10)** were married in May 2013.

Jessica Johans ('12) is the regional manager for the Young Presidents' Organization. She received a master's degree in human resource management from Lindenwood.

Stacey Noble-Loveland ('12) works for Senior Services Plus as a care transition specialist. She received her master's degree in gerontology.

Megan Meier ('12) has been appointed administrative intern at Westridge Elementary School in the Rockwood School District in St. Louis, Mo. For the last five years, Meier has served as a music teacher at Kehrs Mill Elementary School.

Melissa Miller ('12) received her bachelor's degree in psychology and is a graduate assistant at Lindenwood's Westport campus taking the LCIE gerontology track.

Jennifer Schwalb ('12) currently lives in Edwardsville, Ill., and is in the process of opening up her own business, providing social time and outings for elderly clients.

Candace Schwartzkopf ('12) studied psychology during her time at Lindenwood and is a graduate assistant at Lindenwood taking the LCIE gerontology track.

Kevin Wallace ('12) received his BA in business administration. He is an Air National Guard retiree and works as an inspector for Boeing. He has three children and lives in Florissant, Mo.

Jeffery Wright ('12) works for Tech Mahindra as a software engineer. He received a Bachelor of Science in information technology and lives in Lemay, Mo.

Elizabeth Key ('13) has moved to Toledo, Ohio, to work for the Red Cross

and plans to earn her doctorate in biology.

Allison (Boettcher) Korte ('13) received a master's degree in health administration and is a clinical project manager at Biomedical Systems in St. Louis, Mo.

Frank Mininni ('13) resides in O'Fallon, Mo., with his wife, Michelle, and their two children. He is the chief of police for the city of Normandy, Mo.

Teresa Pizzo ('13) graduated in March, receiving an MBA with an emphasis in accounting. She works at Schowalter & Jabouri, P.C. Public Accountants and Consultants as a staff accountant in the audit department.

Angela Thomas ('13) is the owner of Affinity Entertainment Productions, LLC. Thomas graduated with an MFA in writing.

Christopher Thurman ('13) works in the St. Louis Public Schools as a family and community specialist. Thurmond resides in Florissant, Mo.

Lesley Wetter ('13) is an operations support assistant at CitiMortgage. Wetter resides in Lake Saint Louis, Mo.

Tonya Renee (Stephenson) Wolf ('13) was married on April 13, 2013, to Jeffery William Wolf in Branson, Mo. The couple resides in Belleville, Ill.

In Memoriam

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

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

Marie Strawbridge ('42)
Cleveland, Ohio

Elizabeth (Thompson) Barry ('43)
Marion, Iowa

Rosemary Ellen (Ewen) Hatfield ('43)
Kalamazoo, Mich.

Genevieve (Sherwin) Garst ('44)
Fort Collins, Colo.

Betty (Slothower) Bolan ('45)
El Dorado, Kan.

Marian (Kinney) Rush ('45)
Houston, Texas

Marilyn (Child) Etzler ('46)
Hutchinson, Kan.

Sarah Anne (King) Mosley ('46)
Bryan, Texas

Marilyn (Robison) Lantz ('46)
Augusta, Ill.

Lila (Robinson) Sowell ('51)
Columbia, S.C.

Tillie Jean (Micheletto) Andrews ('57)
Collinsville, Ill.

Julie (Marr) Robinson ('57)
St. Louis, Mo.

Judith Lee Jay (Kirk) Wagner ('72)
Tampa, Fla.

Mark Winnett ('84)
Marion, Ohio

Pat "Patsey" Lillenkamp ('85)
St. Louis, Mo.

Mary Crain ('89)
Surprise, Ariz.

Alan Hartman ('99)
O'Fallon, Mo.

Annae Kinrea King ('00)
Dayton, Ohio

Kevin Fischer ('06)
St. Peters, Mo.

John Richard Middents (Professor)
Ann Arbor, Mich.

Correction: in the Spring/Summer In Memoriam, Suzanne Frossard Taylor was listed as being a student; however, Ms. Taylor was in fact a member of the faculty. She taught in the Health and Physical Education Department for several years.



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Lindenwood Now Member of NCAA

Early this summer, Lindenwood University President James D. Evans, PhD, was notified that the institution had successfully completed its three-year candidacy period to join the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA). As of September 1, 2013, Lindenwood officially became an active member of the NCAA Division II. Evans was thrilled to receive the news.

“Successful completion NCAA Division II candidacy is a great milestone in the long history of this university. Not only does it signify that our varsity sports have advanced to a new level of prominence, but it also enhances overall spirit and pride at our St. Charles campus. Most importantly, Division II membership brings many developmental and academic benefits to our students, for whom all of our initiatives are undertaken.”

Athletics Director John Creer said he was pleased and proud of the accomplishment.

“It truly is a very significant achievement, which will bring tremendous benefits to the entire University,” Creer said. “This news is the culmination of the vision of President Evans and the Board of Directors. The dedication and hard work of the athletics staff and coaches toward

developing a top-tier DII program has been the focus for four years.

“The biggest winners are our student-athletes, who will enjoy great competition and participate in all the opportunities that NCAA II membership provides, both athletically and academically.”

The Lindenwood University Athletics Department began the NCAA process four years ago with an exploratory committee studying the University’s athletics affiliation. A decision was made to apply to NCAA Division II, and three years ago, Lindenwood University was accepted as a candidate.

For the first two years of the candidacy process, Lindenwood developed processes and began converting to athletic scholarships. In addition, the University made application to, and was welcomed by, the MIAA conference.

In year two, the Athletics department began implementing and testing its processes developed in the first year, and began participating in the MIAA.

In the third year as a provisional member of the NCAA, the institution followed all NCAA regulations and participated in the MIAA.

As a full, active member of NCAA

Division II, the Lions are now eligible to compete in postseason competition.

During the past three years, Lindenwood athletics has grown. It has increased its athletics staff, and improved facilities—a new \$9 million Student-Athlete Center opened in the fall of 2012.

Lindenwood had a very successful transition as it went from the NAIA to the NCAA level. Last season in the MIAA, Lindenwood won a conference regular season and tournament championship in men’s soccer. Both the men’s basketball and football teams finished fourth or better in the conference standings. On the women’s side, the women’s lacrosse team has won two conference championships.

Lindenwood is now one of the largest NCAA Division II athletics departments with 27 sports programs. It will compete for NCAA Division II national championships in 24 sports, while the other three compete against mostly NCAA Division I programs at the National Collegiate level. Nineteen sports programs are a member of the MIAA, while the other eight programs compete in various other conferences or as independents.

Ramsey to Emcee Annual Sports Hall of Fame Banquet

ESPN 101 broadcaster and Lindenwood University alumnus and hall of famer Bob Ramsey will be the emcee Friday, October 18, for the Lindenwood Sports Hall of Fame Banquet. The event will take place at The Columns Banquet Center in St. Charles, Mo.

The 2013 Hall of Fame class includes three former student-athletes and four teams.

The former student-athletes being inducted are Katherine Hannah (women’s hockey), Ignacio Novas (men’s soccer), and Sandy Siehl (women’s basketball and field hockey).

The four squads are all national champions in their respective sports. The teams are the 2005-06 roller hockey team, the 2006-07 men’s wrestling team, the 2008 Lion Line, and the 2007-08 women’s hockey team.

Not only will the inductees be honored

at the banquet, they will ride the following day in the Homecoming Parade and will be recognized at the Homecoming football game.

For more information or to purchase tickets to the 2013 induction ceremony, contact Lisa Hundelt at lhundelt@lindenwood.edu.



Sportscaster Bob Ramsey will be the emcee for this year’s LU Hall of Fame induction dinner.



Running back Marvin Byrd III in Lindenwood's season opening victory over Lincoln University.

Lions Football Team Wins Opener; Returning Seven Starters

The Lindenwood football team enters its second season of NCAA play with a new look as just seven starters are returning from 2012. The inexperienced squad still has high expectations though, as Lindenwood was picked in preseason polls to finish in the top-five of the MIAA.

The team's top returner is senior cornerback Pierre Desir. Desir was Lindenwood's first All-American at the NCAA Division II level after he intercepted

nine passes during the 2012 season. Desir is quickly becoming known throughout the nation, as he is projected to become the first Lindenwood player taken in the NFL Draft.

Offensively, Dillon Miller won a tough battle to become the team's starting quarterback. The sophomore quickly left off where he ended last season by completing a school-record 34 passes in the team's 24-22 season-opening victory over Lincoln.

Lindenwood hosts several big home games in the second half of the season, including Homecoming on Oct. 19 against Emporia State and the MIAA Game of the Week on Nov. 9 against Pittsburg State.

The Lindenwood-Belleville football team also started the 2013 season on a winning note with wins over Culver-Stockton and Central Methodist in its first two weeks of the season. The Lynx will celebrate Homecoming on Oct. 5 against Menlo.

Turf, Other Facility Improvements Introduced This Year

With the Lindenwood Athletics Department making the final transition from the NAIA to NCAA Division II, many areas on campus have gone through a renovation process. One of the latest renovations this summer was the installation of EnviroTurf on the baseball and softball fields at the Lou Brock Sports Complex.

"Lindenwood is excited to install the new EnviroTurf baseball and softball turf fields," said John Creer, Director of Athletics. "This seems to be the direction collegiate programs are going, and it is nice to be at the forefront of this move."

"This is an exciting time for softball and baseball with the installation of the turf," said softball head coach Don Loberg. "Not many fields have this opportunity, which will allow us to practice and play games when other fields are wet and unplayable. It will save us time and money with not having to seed, fertilize, water the field, and tarping."

This adds to the list of renovations to the Lou Brock Sports Complex after it was built in 2005. Since its inception,

the complex has added bathrooms and concessions between the fields, an indoor training facility on the baseball field, and new clubhouses for both teams beyond the outfield fences.

Other improvements that occurred

throughout the summer of 2013 include office expansion and handicap renovation in the Hyland Arena, as well as expansion and renovation of the men's and women's volleyball locker rooms and the wrestling locker rooms.

Fall Seasons Getting Under Way

The Lindenwood men's soccer team made history in 2012 by winning the University's first MIAA Championship. The Lions now look to repeat in 2013 as eight returners are back from last year's squad.

Among the returners are four first-team all-MIAA performers from last season in goalie Fermin Hughes, defenders Craig McTear and Rodney Mays, and forward Andre Hayne. Lindenwood was selected the favorite to win the MIAA in the coaches preseason poll, and the national preseason poll selected Lindenwood No. 18 in the nation.

The women's volleyball team has a young squad with 17 of the team's 20

players being freshmen or sophomores. The most experienced returner is junior sett Emma Brydels, who averaged 9.58 assists a set last season.

The women's soccer team is also building its team through a youth movement. It will rely a lot this season on senior Bailey Cody, who has scored 21 goals throughout her first three seasons.

The field hockey team was named the most improved team in NCAA Division II last year. It continues its upward climb this year with eight home contests, including the end-of-the-year ISA Tournament.

Have a Great Homecoming Weekend!



Dear Lindenwood Alumni,

Our annual Alumni Reunion is just around the corner and we have been hearing from alumni across the country who will be attending this year's event. The event takes place

on October 18 and 19, and I would like to encourage you to be sure and sign up early for your favorite events.

The reunion offers decades of classmates the opportunity to reconnect and to rediscover our beautiful and historic

campus. To register, please contact the Alumni Office at (636) 949-4975 or go to the Lindenwood website and look for the reunion registration form using this url to facilitate your registration: www.lindenwood.edu/homecoming/rsvp.cfm. Many thanks to the members of the 50-year class of 1963 for their tireless efforts in connecting with their classmates to ensure that this honored class will be well represented at the reunion.

I hope our alumni will be in attendance at the annual Alumni Association reception on Friday afternoon in the Hyland Arena VIP Room and again at the breakfast on Saturday with President Evans, which will be held in the Spellmann Center's Anheuser-Busch Leadership room. Both

of these events are designed for you to be able to spend time reuniting with returning classmates.

Members of your Alumni Board have authorized a research project, which we believe will assist us in knowing how we might better serve our tens of thousands of alums with alumni events and programs. We are eager to have your input, and I urge you to take advantage of the opportunity to weigh in on these important topics when you receive notice of the survey.

We look forward to seeing you at our October reunion festivities,

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

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