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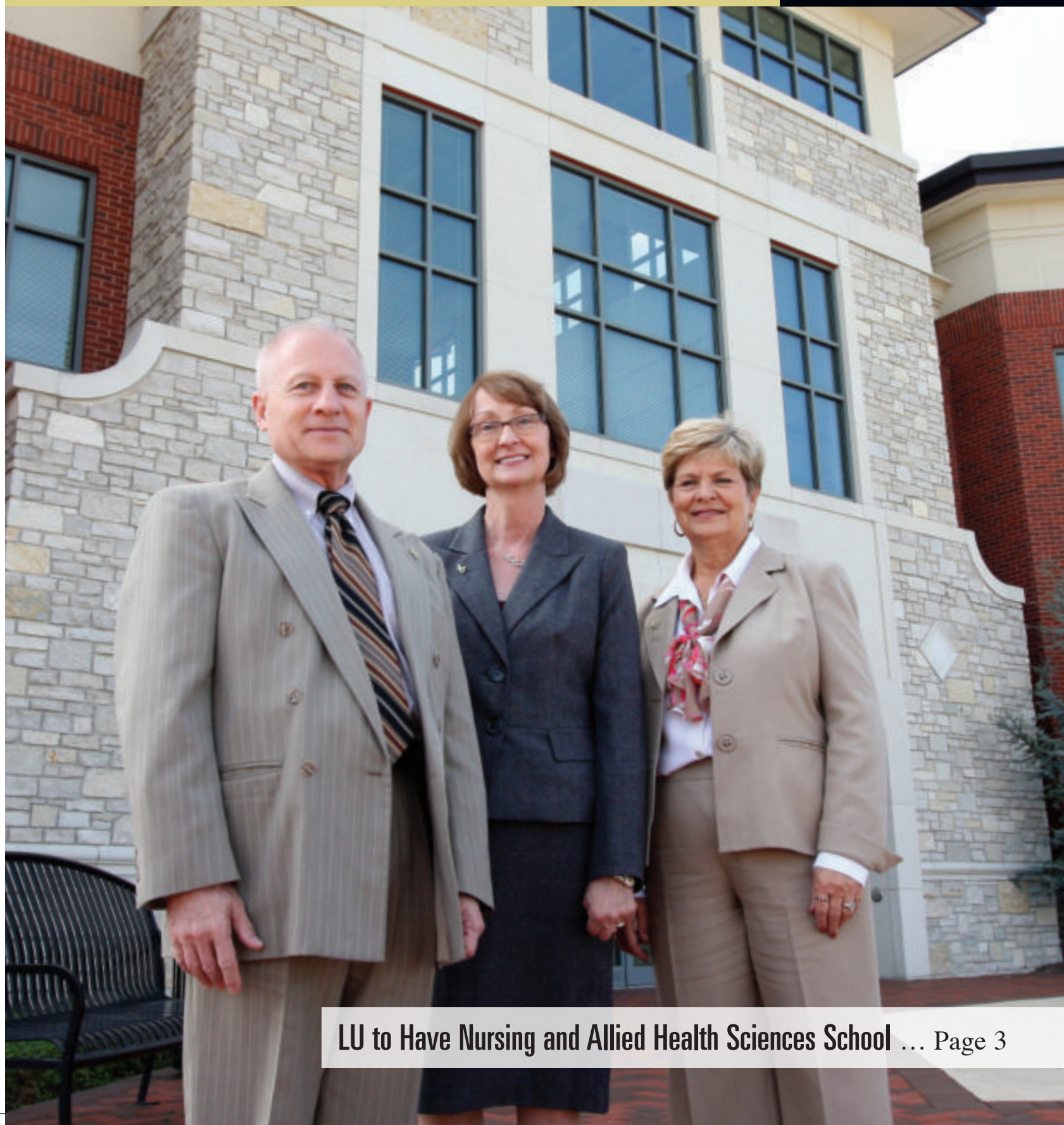
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P R E S I D E N T ' S M E S S A G E

President All Aglow

At one of last fall's Homecoming events, Alumni Board Chair Jan Lewien remarked that I seemed to glow (her description) during my conversations with alumni. I do not doubt her word on that matter. More than ever, I felt energized – indeed, effervescent – as I became engaged in discussions with many of you. There were several very good reasons for that feeling.

For one, dozens of you told me of your personal excitement and pleasure regarding the many accomplishments at the University over the past several years, including the continuing enhancement of the credentials of our faculty members, many innovative programs, beautification and expansion of the physical plant, and the many quality advances evident throughout the institution. Thank you for your comments! Alumni can be a very exacting group vis-à-vis the president of their *alma mater*. So I reveled in the enthusiastic endorsement of our past graduates. Was I aglow? You bet I was. No other source of feedback about Lindenwood is more important to me.

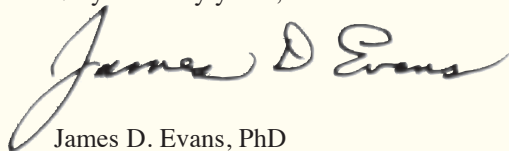
There were still other matters responsible for my luminosity last October. Lindenwood had recently closed on the purchase of a modern classroom and office building along Missouri Highway 40 (aka I-64), which had been the home of a private high school. The spacious, pristine building, which is just a 15-20 minute drive from our St. Charles campus, has 36 classrooms, including six fully equipped science laboratories, and many acres of ground for possible expansion. What is more, its architecture generally resembles that of the newly constructed buildings on the St. Charles campus. More germane to my auspicious mood, however, was the higher-education objective of acquiring the facility: Our Board of Directors had approved using it to operate a School of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences. Yes, I am pleased to announce that Lindenwood is renewing its commitment to offering education in the health professions, but this time in a more inclusive and far-reaching way. Be sure to read the story inside this issue for more information.

Then there was our entry into our first (provisional) year of membership in Division II of the NCAA (earned by the successful completion of two years of candidacy). The decision to have our St. Charles campus become a part of the NCAA network of intercollegiate athletics had been momentous. Along with Lindenwood's many accreditations, singularly beautiful campus, many academic initiatives, and the creation of another first-rate liberal arts campus at Belleville (Ill.), this major student sports initiative is one of Lindenwood's proudest achievements of late.

So did I have reasons to beam as I discussed these developments with you last fall? How exhilarating it is to see Lindenwood's timeless mission, which has always placed the student's education first, continue to sponsor so much progress and innovation in an age that has been so confusing and troubling for higher education in general. Thank you, Jan, for noticing!

Please stay in touch. I appreciate your views and questions, and I hope you, too, are beaming about your University.

Very sincerely yours,



James D. Evans, PhD
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On The Cover

Dr. James D. Evans, Lindenwood University President; Dr. Jann Weitzel, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; and Dr. Peggy Ellis, Dean of the new School of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences, pose in front of the nursing school's new building.



Dr. Peggy Ellis (center) tours one of the labs in the new Nursing and Allied Health Sciences building with Dr. James D. Evans, President, and Dr. Jann Weitzel, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

A *Linden Bark* newspaper clipping heralds the first graduates of Lindenwood's nursing program in 1945.



Lindenwood Board Designates New School of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences

Lindenwood has announced a new Bachelor of Science in nursing and allied health sciences degree completion program. The University's Board of Directors designated the new program as the School of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences at its November 9 meeting.

Along with the purchase of a new facility—the former Barat Academy property in Dardenne Prairie—and the hiring of a dean, the first pieces of the new program are in place. Plans were also announced to eventually expand into areas such as occupational and physical therapy and a master's degree in nursing.

"Increasingly, hospitals are requiring four-year degrees from nursing candidates," said Lindenwood President James D. Evans, PhD. "We will play a significant role in providing the necessary credentials for nursing candidates to succeed in a field that is expected to grow exponentially in the coming years as baby boomers age."

Lindenwood has a long history with nursing programs beginning as early as 1945. Women at Lindenwood College had the opportunity to participate in studies for a nurses-aid program. Nineteen students graduated with their nurse's aide caps in 1945. In 1956, Lindenwood coordinated with Deaconess Hospital to offer a pre-nursing program, which lasted until the early '70s.

In 1972, Lindenwood began coordinating with Jewish Hospital, now BJC Hospital, in course offerings and programming. In 1975, St. Luke's Hospital came on board and coordinated with Lindenwood to teach

students. In 1978, Lindenwood expanded its offerings in the Health-Science Department by offering a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing with a goal to put more nurses in the job market that met national and state association requirements.

This program was developed in consultation with an advisory committee consisting of nurse educators from diploma schools of nursing and associate's degree programs. Many of these classes were offered through the Lindenwood College for Individualized Education (LCIE) program at area hospitals such as St. Joseph (in St. Charles), Christian Northeast, Missouri Baptist, Normandy North, St. Luke's, and Deaconess. The program was designed for registered nurses who were graduates of diploma schools but who had been out of school for a long period of time. The program was short-lived, only lasting until the early 1980s.

Thirty years later Lindenwood has taken another step toward revitalizing and expanding the nursing program, which will open its doors to students in the fall of 2013. Currently, the School of Sciences offers a Pre-Nursing Program and has an agreement with Barnes-Jewish College of Nursing (BJCoN) in St. Louis. Students pursue a two-year course of study at Lindenwood and then transfer to BJCoN for two years of work leading to the BSN degree.

The courses taken for the current two-year Pre-Nursing Program prepare students to transfer to most RN or BSN programs in the region. In the fall of 2013, students will be able to complete their degrees at

Lindenwood.

The program will begin with a Bachelor of Science in nursing degree completion program for students who already possess a two-year RN degree from a community college.

Mary Frey, vice president of nursing at SSM St. Joseph Health Center in St. Charles, says that healthcare providers see the potential for a coming nursing shortage.

"Currently, the average age of nurses in Missouri is 47 and this is a reason for concern," Frey said. "There aren't enough nursing programs available to those entering the field. The goal is for all nurses to have their BSNs by 2020, or at minimum 80 percent of the nursing workforce."

Gaspare Calvaruso, president of SSM St. Joseph Health Center and a member of the Lindenwood University Board of Directors, agreed, stating that as the population ages the need for more nurses will intensify at the exact time the current group of nurses is getting older.

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Jim J. Shoemaker, Chairman of Lindenwood's Board of Directors, with Art Goodall, winner of the 2012 Sibley Medallion of Honor

Art Goodall Awarded Sibley Medallion of Honor at Butler Society Dinner

Longtime Lindenwood supporter Arthur Lynn Goodall was awarded the 2012 Sibley Medallion of Honor at the Butler Society and Sibley Heritage Society Dinner at the St. Charles Convention Center on Nov. 9. The Sibley Medallion is awarded in honor of outstanding service to the University.

The Goodall family has been involved in Lindenwood for over eight decades. Most recently, Goodall and his wife Carol established two endowed scholarships for military students. One will support a student ROTC member, and the other will help a military veteran return to college and earn his or her degree.

Reflecting on his legacy at Lindenwood, Goodall noted that he most appreciates having had a chance to steward the philosophy of the University and support the Christian values and spirit on campus.

His mother, Euneva Lynn ('28), graduated from Lindenwood with a degree in music. His daughter Jacquelyn ('83) is also a Lindenwood alumna, having earned her degree in theatre.

Goodall was baptized by Lindenwood President John Roemer and remembers dating Lindenwood women when he

was a Washington University student. His father, Arthur S. Goodall, served on Lindenwood's Board of Directors for 50 years. He established the Nannie S. Goodall Memorial Scholarship in memory of his mother and was honored by the naming of Lindenwood's historic Goodall Parlour in the Memorial Arts Building.

"Lindenwood meant a lot to my father," Goodall noted. "He spent much time raising funds for the University, and he was extremely proud of the honorary PhD that he was granted by Lindenwood."

Goodall graduated from Washington University in 1952 with a Bachelor of Science in industrial engineering. After serving in the army for three decades, including service in the Korean and Vietnam wars, Goodall retired and joined McDonnell Douglas Automation Company. While in the army, he was one of the early testers of the "DARPA NET," a predecessor of today's Internet. Later in the 1980s, Goodall worked with Dr. Dominic Soda at Lindenwood to install the University's first Internet system. He was elected to Lindenwood's Board of Directors in 1992 and served until 1996.

Of special mention, Lindenwood's historic alumni gate at the entrance to the Heritage campus is beautifully lit thanks to Goodall's recommendations while on the Facilities Committee.

In 2008, Goodall and his wife Carol were instrumental in renovating and refurbishing the beautiful and historic Goodall Parlour on campus in the Memorial Arts Building. The Goodalls not only provided funds for the project but also provided their own decorator and donated artwork for the room. Now, a portrait of Goodall's father, painted by Professor John Troy, hangs over the fireplace in the Goodall Parlour.

Goodall's friends describe him as dedicated, generous, faith-filled and motivational. He and his wife, Carol, to whom he has been married 57 years, live in Estes Park, Colo., and Lake Saint Louis, Mo., where he is active in the Dardenne Presbyterian Church's Stephens Ministry. He is also an avid amateur radio enthusiast and this summer assisted with emergency communications during the widespread Colorado wildfires.

Butler Society Dinner

Right: Lindenwood University President James D. Evans, PhD; Julie Mueller, Vice President for Operations and Finance; her husband, John Mueller; and Dale Rollings, of the Board of Directors, after the Muellers were recognized for moving up to the Benefactor level in the Butler Society.

Middle: Pam Grooms, Chair of Lindenwood's Music Department, directs choral group Voices Only. Grooms also provided piano music at the event.

Bottom left: (from left) Jane Calvert Rogers ('67) and Nancy Calvert ('61), members of the Lindenwood Board of Directors, and Lois Evans ('77, '85 & '97), wife of President James D. Evans.

Bottom right: Gene Reynolds, left, and his wife, Joyce, with President Evans after their introduction as Benefactors in the Butler Society.





Chris ('07) and Elise Burnette ('10) at their family farm in Union, Mo., where they operate Mad Buffalo Distillery.

ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT

Couple Launches Mad Buffalo Distillery

By Rachel Johnson



CHRIS BURNETTE ('07) AND HIS WIFE ELISE ('10) had originally planned to enjoy careers in the fields of law and marketing, respectively. A sizeable land inheritance and a strong sense of adventure dramatically changed those plans, and the couple is now dedicated to launching an environmentally friendly alcohol distillery.

Mad Buffalo Distillery was named in homage to Elise's mother, who was an advocate for Native American rights. It is located at Shawnee Bend Farms in Union, Mo., on land that was gifted to Elise and her brother, William Coulter Uphouse ('09), following the death of their father.

"There is a long list of things that you can do if you own a 200-acre farm, and making alcohol is probably at the bottom of the list for most people," Chris said. "But our family has a 200-year history

of distilling, and we were looking for something fun we could do with the land that everyone could be involved in."

The new business is already operating in the black thanks to the company's savvy use of existing resources. That is an impressive feat, considering many startups take several years to turn a profit. They took advantage of 30 years of family business experience in St. Charles.

In addition to having solid financial footing, the entrepreneurs benefited from the collective expertise of their closest supporters. The company's nine-person board is comprised entirely of relatives and friends who all bring different skillsets to the business. Contributions include sales, quality, safety, environmental, marketing, accounting, and master machinery specialties.

The group is obviously not prone to wasting resources, which is a philosophy that carries into every aspect of the business. "We believe in finding alternatives to consumerism, and we want to bring things back to our agricultural roots," Chris said. "We're not big fans of excess. I'll reuse anything if I can make it work."

The attorney-turned-distiller plans to use only the farm's output to fuel Mad Buffalo's operations. He's coined a new term, "ground to glass," which means all the ingredients in the products will be grown, harvested, cleaned, malted, milled, and used on site.

Their introductory line of spirits will be called Thunderbeast™, which will consist of short-aged bourbon, aged corn whisky, vodka, and traditional moonshine. All will be completely derived from corn grown on the farm. Rain water will be collected in refurbished barrels found on the property and used as a cooling agent for the distillate. Leftover grain will be sold to local farmers for livestock feed supplements, and wastewater from mash production will be used for irrigation.

Oak trees from the farm will be used to make barrels that will store Mad Buffalo's bourbon and other aged spirits. The couple is even going so far as to use sand from an area sand bar to make bottles and their own processed corn stalks to create product labels.

Their plan is to use only non-genetically modified corn and biofuel for their tractors as they move forward. They hope to be certified as organic producers within three years and will incorporate solar, wind, and other energy sources into their production processes as they grow.

"We're focused on sustainability," said



Family members William Coulter Uphouse ('09), Robert Ralston ('02), Chris Burnette ('07), Elise Burnette ('10), and the couple's 2-year-old son, Henry Burnette, proudly display one of the alcohol stills located at Mad Buffalo Distillery in Union, Mo.

Chris, who also happens to sit on the Board of the Missouri Coalition for the Environment. "It sometimes costs more, but we feel it's worth it to create a more environmentally responsible and localized product."

The Burnettes are currently in the final stages of completing required state and federal approval processes. Mad Buffalo's Thunderbeast™ line is expected to be available throughout Franklin County, Mo., and also at select locations throughout the St. Louis, Kansas City, and Springfield regions in early 2013.

Chris Burnette holds a bachelor's degree in American political studies with a concentration in environmental law and policy from Northern Arizona University. He earned a master's degree in non-profit administration from Lindenwood University and a juris doctorate with a concentration in urban development, land use, and environmental law from Saint Louis University School of Law. Elise Uphouse Burnette holds undergraduate degrees in electronic media and education from Northern Arizona University and a master's degree in multimedia design from Lindenwood University. Other Lindenwood graduates involved in the company include William Uphouse ('09), Robert Ralston ('02), Rebecca Ralston ('00), Matthew Schimmell ('09, '10), and Aydan Gadshieva ('11).



HUDSON TOURING EUROPE IN PRODUCTION OF WEST SIDE STORY

By Chris Duggan

Brandon Hudson, a senior majoring in dance, had to take some time off from his studies at Lindenwood this semester. He has a good excuse, considering he has been spending that time touring Europe with a production of *West Side Story*.

The tour, which concludes in Paris, France, on January 1, commemorates the 55th anniversary of the groundbreaking musical's premiere. More than 3,000 auditioned for roles in the musical in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, and Paris. Hudson plays the role of A-Rab, a member of the Jets, one of two rival street gangs in the story, which takes place in 1950s New York and is based on Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*.

Hudson's odyssey started in August 2011, when he earned the part of Baby John in a community theatre production of the musical in Peoria, Ill. "The director said I should audition in Chicago for the European tour of *West Side Story*," Hudson said. "I didn't, but I sent an email to the casting director."

Hudson was invited to the New York auditions in January of this year. Waiting with 150 other men, he went out and danced a number of times, making it through three sets of cuts, after which he was asked to sing and recite lines in front of a panel of production people. "It was really scary," Hudson said. "I'd never done

all of that before. I definitely relied on my professors and friends to guide me through the process."

He flew back to Missouri and waited, but no one called. In February he was told that all of the parts had been filled. "Then, in March I got an email asking me to come back, and I booked a ticket and went back to New York during Spring Break," Hudson said.

Hudson was in a group of only ten this time, and he had to do more dancing and singing and recite more lines. In early April while in a teaching methods class he was notified that he had been cast. He left the campus on May 18 and started rehearsals in Berlin three days later.

The first leg of the tour went through Berlin, Leipzig, Cologne, and Hamburg, Germany. Hudson was home in September before heading back out in October for the second leg and eight shows a week. "It's a new experience every night," he said. "The audience is always different. I can't believe how lucky I am to do it."

Originally from Pekin, Ill., Hudson got his first taste of dance working at Six Flags, where he was involved in the Fright Fest shows. He later moved to Florida, where he did the same thing at Disney World, taking classes for performers there. He transferred from community college to Lindenwood after hearing about the performing arts programs from some of his friends at Six Flags.



Top photo: Brandon Hudson (second from right) as A-Rab in a scene from *West Side Story*. Bottom photo: Jan Strzelec, Chair of the Dance Department at Lindenwood, with senior Brandon Hudson.

"As his professor and advisor, I can tell you Brandon has earned this," said Jan Strzelec, Chair of Lindenwood's Dance Department. "He works hard every day, and as his talent grows, his ego hasn't. We're so proud of him."

Slated to graduate in May, Hudson said he would like to obtain a contract dancing in the St. Louis area; if not, he will try New York. His experience with the *West Side Story* tour will undoubtedly be a big plus. "It's crazy to think that I came to Lindenwood to dance and was not sure what I wanted to do with it," Hudson said. "What's even more cool is that I came here completely untrained and I'm leaving trained and with a job."



Veterans Affairs Center Opens in Lower Level of Spellmann Center

Military personnel have enjoyed a strong relationship with Lindenwood for many years, thanks to a wide variety of programs and scholarships the University offers to assist them with their educational goals. Current and former service members can now access even more resources thanks to the school's new Veterans Affairs Center.

Located in the lower level of the Spellmann Center on the St. Charles campus, the fully staffed facility serves as a place where military students can hold meetings, complete coursework, gain information about their academic status, and more.

"It is more than just a room, but a one-stop shop where veterans and service members can get the answers they need in the manner they deserve," said Jann Weitzel, PhD, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost. "It's yet another way in which we honor our commitment to military personnel and thank them for choosing Lindenwood University as their partner in education."

The concept was brought to fruition with the help of Terry Russell, Dean of Students and Director of Lindenwood's Reserve Officers' Training Corps Program, and

Thomas Korth, Lindenwood student and U.S. Army veteran. Korth currently serves as president of the University's new Student Veterans Organization, which was created this year.

"My goal is to help our veterans at Lindenwood with a smooth transition in pursuing an education after their service," Korth said. "The veterans center creates a place for them to collaborate with each other and to form valuable relationships that might not be possible elsewhere."

In addition to the center and student organization, Lindenwood also announced this fall the launch of two new online degree programs, a Bachelor of Arts in general studies and a Master of Arts in leadership. The programs are designed to meet the needs of military personnel, who often benefit from the flexibility of online courses.

The online undergraduate degree in general studies and graduate degree in leadership were chosen in response to feedback provided by members of the Missouri National Guard, who requested them specifically. Both will be available in January of 2013.

(from left) Brett Barger, Dean of Evening and Graduate Admissions; Scott Tate, president and CEO of the Greater St. Charles County Chamber of Commerce; Ron Stivison, St. Charles City Council member and liaison to the St. Charles City Veterans Commission; George Newell, vice chair of the St. Charles City Veterans Commission; Terry Russell, Lindenwood Dean of Students and ROTC Program Director; LTC Larry Crowder of the National Guard; James D. Evans, Lindenwood University President; Jann Weitzel, Lindenwood Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost; Grace Harmon, Lindenwood Board of Directors member; Libby Huss, Lindenwood Board of Directors member; Donna Simms, Lindenwood Academic Services Representative and VA certifying official, National Guard SPC Corey Mack, Lindenwood Veterans Affairs Center representative; Matt Crain, Vice President of Lindenwood's Student Veterans Organization (SVO); and Thomas Korth, President of the SVO at Lindenwood University.



Staff Sgt. Jefferey Massey and Spc. Corey Mack of the Missouri Army National Guard stand outside of the new Lindenwood University Veterans Affairs Center on the St. Charles campus.

University Receives Military Friendly Designation Again

Lindenwood University was named in the fall to the 2013 list of Military Friendly Schools® by Victory Media, a global media entity that supports military personnel through the transition into civilian life. It marks the fourth consecutive year

Lindenwood received the honor, which places the school among the top 15 percent of all colleges, universities, and trade schools nationwide that are committed to recruiting and retaining military and veteran students.

"I am very gratified by the military friendly designation," said James D. Evans, PhD, president of Lindenwood University. "We have always valued the presence of service members and veterans in our classrooms, and Lindenwood is always

looking for ways to expand educational opportunities for this special group of scholars."

Lindenwood was included in a full listing of all honored institutions in the annual *G.I. Jobs* magazine *Guide to Military Friendly Schools®*, which was distributed digitally and in print to hundreds of thousands of active and former military personnel in early October. The list was also published in *Military Spouse* and *Vetreprenuer* magazines.

IMAGES OF HOMECOMING

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1. The Lindenwood cheer squads are always a popular element of the Homecoming Parade. 2. Dr. Shane Williamson, Director of First-Year Programs, with son Kennedy at the Alumni Barbecue. 3. Another big crowd of students and alumni alike came out for the Homecoming football game on Saturday. 4. Even spectators that lined the parade route got into the Lion spirit. 5. Joan Maupin ('62) (right) looks over an old yearbook with classmate Martha Wright ('62). 6. Scott Tate, St. Charles County Chamber of Commerce president, flips through the fall issue of *Connection* at the alumni breakfast. 7. Members of the honored class of 1962 at the Alumni Reception were (back, from left) Martha Wright, Betty Osiek, Joan Maupin, Jan Vassar, (seated, from left) Sandra Broadrick-Allen, Judy Estrely Neal, Mary Montgomery, Beth Mathews, and Ginny Hahn. 8. The start of the third annual Race to be King 5K.





Upcoming Lindenwood University Student Performances

THEATRE

A View from the Bridge
Feb. 7-9, 7:30 p.m.

Guys and Dolls
March 14-16, 7:30 p.m.
March 17, 2 p.m.

The Importance of Being Earnest
April 18-19, 7:30 p.m.
April 20, 2 p.m.

MUSIC

Band Concert
March 19, 7:30 p.m.

Choir Concert
March 20, 7:30 p.m.

Orchestra Concert
March 21, 7:30 p.m.

Jazz Concert
March 22, 7:30 p.m.

Opera Workshop Scenes
April 18 & 20, 7:30 p.m.

Chamber Concert
April 25, 7:30 p.m.

Student Conductors Concert
May 7, 7:30 p.m.

Voices Only Concert
May 8 & 10, 7:30 p.m.

DANCE

Student Dance Concert
Feb. 14-16, 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 17, 2 p.m.

Spring Dance Concert
May 2-4, 7:30 p.m.
May 5, 2 p.m.

FASHION

Spring Fashion Show
May 3, 8 p.m.

VIP Spring Fashion Show
May 4, 8 p.m.

Scheidegger Center Lineup Offers Something for Everyone



Mary Wilson, of the Supremes, will perform in the Bezemes Family Theater on Jan. 26, 2013.

After a fall season that featured capacity crowds for Kenny Rogers and Neil Sedaka, among others, as well as appearances by Arrival From Sweden and a certain Academy Award-winning ogre, the winter and spring lineup promises to be “supreme.”

Mary Wilson, who founded the Supremes with Diana Ross and Florence Ballard, will perform on the Bezemes Family Theater stage at 8 p.m. on Jan. 26, 2013. The Supremes made 40 albums and turned in 12 number-one hits, including “Where Did Our Love Go,” “Baby Love,” and “Stop, In the Name of Love,” and Wilson has gone on to a successful solo career as well. With a best-selling autobiography and a new CD due out later this year, Wilson provides a rare opportunity to see a music legend still at the top of her game.

Bobby Vinton will perform at 8 p.m. on Feb. 16, 2013, on the Bezemes stage, bringing decades of hits with him, including “Blue Velvet” and “Mr. Lonely.” A superstar who continues to sell out venues around the world, Vinton has sold an astounding 75 million albums in his career and has been honored by more than 100 national organizations and a dozen mayors of U.S. cities for his contributions to ethnic communities.

The acclaimed China National Symphony Orchestra will perform at 8 p.m. on February 26 works by Guan and Tchaikowski, as well as Beethoven’s

Symphony No. 7. Founded in 1956, the world class orchestra is known for its energy, precision, and meticulous performance and is a must-see for lovers of classical music.

Lindenwood’s own Theatre Department will present the classic musical *Guys and Dolls* on the main stage with performances at 7:30 p.m. on March 14 through 16 and 2 p.m. on March 17. This classic of American musical theatre is based on the short stories of Damon Runyon, portraying New York’s underworld of gambling and the colorful characters that inhabit it. Scoundrels Nathan Detroit and Sky Masterson and the straight-laced Sarah Brown, along with a collection of great Frank Loesser songs, make for one of the best-loved musical comedies of all time.

Sha Na Na: In Concert will perform at 8 p.m. on April 6 its nostalgic celebration of rock and roll, which includes a hefty dose of audience participation.

The Russian National Ballet will return to the stage at the Bezemes Theater with a performance of *Don Quixote*, based on the epic novel by Miguel de Cervantes, offering audiences a rare opportunity to see the beauty and artistry of Russian ballet live. The performance will be at 8 p.m. on April 27.

For the complete schedule and ticket information for each of the shows, visit www.lindenwood.edu/center. To purchase tickets, call the box office at 636-949-4433.

Leaving A Legacy

By Donna H. Baber, JD
Director of Planned Giving

I am excited to join Lindenwood as Director of Planned Giving. Before coming to Lindenwood, I was an estate planning attorney in the St. Louis area for 24 years. I look forward to assisting alumni and friends in exploring the ways they can support Lindenwood through a bequest or other planned gift.

The easiest way to make a planned gift

is to remember Lindenwood in your will or trust. You can also support Lindenwood by naming us as the beneficiary of an IRA or life insurance policy. All four of these options allow you to benefit Lindenwood after your death while maintaining control of your assets during your life.

The Sibley Heritage Society recognizes donors who have made provisions for Lindenwood in their estate plans through a bequest, beneficiary designation, or other planned gift. If you have already included us in such a planned gift, please let us know.

There are also several ways that you

can benefit Lindenwood while generating current income and obtaining significant tax advantages. Please contact me at (636) 949-4532 or dbaber@lindenwood.edu if you would like to receive a brochure explaining these options. In addition, please visit lugift.org for tools to assist you in exploring various ways to leave a lasting legacy.

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Entrepreneurship Symposium Brings Together Future and Current Business Leaders

The Duree Center for Entrepreneurship at Lindenwood University, in conjunction with the St. Charles County Economic Development Center, hosted a well-attended St. Charles Entrepreneurship Symposium on Sept. 29 at the University's St. Charles campus. The free event featured cutting-edge workshops designed to train and motivate future entrepreneurial leaders. Event organizers say they plan to make the symposium an annual event.

Guest speakers from multiple fields offered those in attendance professional solutions to their specific business issues. Workshops included "How to Make More Money," "Success from Home," "Launch Your Business," "Building Your Brand Online," and "Finding Money."

Local business representatives from 20 industries were also on hand to interact with attendees and offer valuable insight into how different industries benefit entrepreneurs.

"It was a great symposium, and I highly recommend it for entrepreneurs and start-ups," said one guest. "If you don't know, you will learn. And if you do, it never hurts to be reminded of what you know."

The Duree Center was founded by Lindenwood alumnus Rick Duree ('05), who is an award-winning successful entrepreneur and owner of the Book-X-Change in St. Charles, Mo. The center is dedicated to supporting entrepreneurs and building upon the entrepreneurial spirit within the Greater St. Louis Metro Area.

For more information or to view upcoming events, visit www.dureecenter.org.

Where in the World Are Lindenwood's Alumni?

Lindenwood University alumni are living and working in many different countries around the world. From research expeditions to academic presentations, graduates are involved in a wide range of exciting projects.

The Office of Alumni Relations wants to highlight where in the world Lindenwood graduates are making professional contributions. So, put on your favorite Lindenwood attire, snap a photo showcasing your location, and drop us a few lines letting us know what you're up to.

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Pictured: Ryan Guffey, PhD, ('02/'03) Assistant Vice President for Student Development and Special Projects, recently traveled to Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand, as the recipient of a Fulbright Scholar grant. He was selected from a pool of highly competitive applicants following the completion of an eight-month review process by the United States Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.

From June through October 2012, he instructed graduate and doctoral courses in comparative education and development; helped develop the curriculum for a graduate degree in international and comparative education; performed development training for professional staff; served as a liaison for the Eighth Biennial Conference of the Comparative Education Society of Asia; and conducted research on Thai history, culture, and education.



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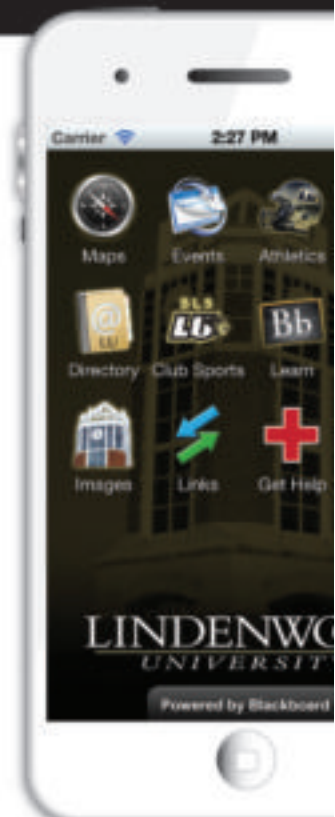
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Memories of the Lindenwood Class of 1962



Dr. Betty Osiek delivers her remarks to alums, parents, and friends October 20.

Dr. Betty Osiek, a member of the 50-year honored class, presented her Lindenwood memories at the Alumni Breakfast on October 20, 2012. Following are excerpts from her talk:

My Lindenwood memories, circa 1962, will not be totally representative

of my classmates who were residential students. Rather, my experience was that of those of us who were called “day students.”

There were 17 “day students” in our graduating class and the “Day Room” where we met was on the terrace level of Roemer Hall. Our group was in friendly competition with on-campus students, and we were sometimes successful in our efforts to take high honors academically.

When I began my first classes in 1959, Dr. Franc L. McCluer was the President. He greeted each student with a smile and knew most of us by name. Donald M. Mackenzie was the first male Dean of the college. Mary Lichliter, who was known as “Miss L,” was the Dean of Students, and Marguerite Odell was the Social and Alumni Director.

The Lindenwood College Chapel and First Presbyterian Church had just been built. C. Eugene Conover was the Dean of the Chapel and guided services for students. Students were required to attend a non-denominational chapel service every

Wednesday at noon and Vespers every Sunday night.

The faculty numbered just over 50 and included many talented and brilliant educators. I remember Hugo Bauer, who taught Spanish, and Juliet Key McCrory who was a speech teacher. Walter Grundhauser was a science professor who had worked on the Manhattan Project that produced the first atom bomb.

Bremen Van Bibber, Professor of Education, was influential in my becoming a teacher, for in him I saw an exceptional model of an educator. Jeanne Huesemann was an outstanding mathematics teacher who was herself an alumna of Lindenwood. Homer Clevenger was a popular history teacher who had once been mayor of the City of St. Charles.

I was a decade older than the majority of my classmates and was in a hurry to start a teaching career. I earned my bachelor’s degree in three years and received a scholarship and fellowship support to attend Washington University in St. Louis.

While studying for my master’s and PhD in romance languages, I found that I was well prepared for all of my classes and became aware of how exceptional my Lindenwood language professors—Dr. Thomas Doherty, Harriet C. Waller, and Dr. Mary Terhune—had been.

From 1959 to 1962, total enrollment was about 500 students with nearly half of them freshmen. Our graduating class had only one male student and three or four female international students.

We graduated on a sunny afternoon on May 27, 1962, and received our diplomas in a ceremony held on the lawn

of the Heritage campus. Journalist Pauline Frederick, the UN correspondent at NBC for 21 years, was our speaker.

Graduation day was an exciting life passage. For me, it opened the door to my career in academia. There were many high achievers in the class of 1962, and they have continued in activities that have surely made our alma mater proud.



Dr. Betty Osiek as an undergrad.

All of us, no matter what path we chose, appreciate the wonderful education and preparation for life that we received. We are grateful that the University today continues its quest to give the same excellent education, although now on a much larger scale.

New School of Nursing *continued from page 3*

“Because of our society’s aging population and an aging workforce, the demand for nursing will not slow down anytime soon,” Calvaruso said. “These issues, coupled with nursing schools restricting nursing program enrollments, make Lindenwood’s new nursing program incredibly important and relevant to our community. Lindenwood University and its students will be filling an important need for healthcare institutions across the region.”

This fall Lindenwood purchased the former Barat Academy, a 69,000-square-foot building on a 28-acre lot with the intention of locating the new nursing degree completion program in the facility. Located 20 minutes west of the main Lindenwood campus, the new building includes classrooms, a gymnasium, and

fully equipped chemistry labs.

Dr. Peggy Ellis has been named Dean of the new School of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences. Ellis was most recently associate dean of graduate studies at Saint Louis University’s nursing school, a position she had held since 2005. Ellis said she plans to focus on establishing the program’s curriculum and determining student needs.

Ellis has been in nursing education for more than 35 years at all program levels and has extensive experience in program development. She holds a baccalaureate degree in nursing from Southeast Missouri State University, a master’s degree in nursing with a focus on nursing education from the University of Central Arkansas, and a PhD in curriculum and instructional design from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. She completed post-master’s programs as an adult nurse practitioner and family nurse practitioner at the University

of Alabama Birmingham.

In addition to teaching at Saint Louis University, Ellis has taught in the classroom and online at Southeast Missouri State University, the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, the University of Alabama at Birmingham, and the University of Missouri—St. Louis. Ellis is an active member of nursing’s honor society Sigma Theta Tau, the American Nurses Association, and the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners. She serves as a program evaluator for the Commission of Collegiate Nursing Education, which accredits baccalaureate and higher degree programs.

“Lindenwood’s mission of concern for the worth and integrity of the individual, along with its reputation for innovation, makes it a perfect environment for educating nurses,” said Ellis.

'40s

Elizabeth Runge Garwood ('46)

currently resides in St. Charles, Mo. She spends her time enjoying the company of friends, playing bridge, attending alumni events, and reading her Kindle.

'50s

Patricia "Joan" (Kirchherr) Allen ('52)

She became a Dental Hygienist in 1958 and taught at the University of Texas, Houston and Ohio State University in the Schools of Dental Hygiene. She later became a dental health consultant and a health educator for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. She is now a genealogist for the Payton Society of Virginia and a member of 16 genealogical societies.

Barbara Curtis ('52) has dedicated her life to music. She started playing jazz professionally in 1949, eventually starting her own musical group, the Barbara Curtis Quartet. In 2005, she was given the prestigious Lifetime Community Achievement in the Arts Award by the City of Ukiah, Calif., for the unselfish way she shared her musical talents with the community. Curtis' name is also included in the St. Louis Jazz Honor Roll, which honors the musicians who made St. Louis the great jazz town that it is. In 2006, she was given the Woman of Distinction award from the city of Ukiah because of her accomplishments in music and in the community. She also received a special Congressional Award from Congress in honor of her career. Curtis and her husband, Harold, reside in Ukiah, Calif.

Carole Linhart Westerfeld Buxell

('57) learned synchronized swimming at Lindenwood College and was a member of the Terapins. In 1969, she picked up synchronized swimming again with a group in Brentwood, Mo., and competed in the Masters Synchro from 1979-1989. She was a competitor in the first World Masters and National Masters competitions, winning five gold medals and several silver metals.

'60s

Marty Radford Delmon ('62)

is entering her 25th year as a missionary in France. She is also an established writer with 19 published titles to her name. She says she never intends to retire.

Bob Hilliard ('62) recently completed three months of travel. He and his wife, Dena, spent three weeks in Eastern Europe then traveled domestically to Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and North Dakota. Hilliard is retired and enjoys travelling.

Joan Maupin, EdD ('62) received an MEd from the University of Arkansas after graduating from Lindenwood and an EdD from the University of Georgia. She later became a professor of family economics at Murray State University. Today she is a registered investment advisor and established her own company, Maupin Financial Services, in 1994.

Vicky Smith Tarleton ('67) lives in Nashville, Tenn., with husband Bennett Tarleton. Also living in Nashville is daughter Kate, a nurse practitioner married with two children, and son Will, an organic farmer. Tarleton has spent the last nine years at Belmont University as director of planned giving and major gifts. She balances work with a few volunteer board commitments, social events, and her family—especially her grandchildren.

Tricia Byrne ('68) recently retired from the Smithsonian Institution, which was her second career following her retirement from the United States Marine Corps in 1991. To celebrate her second retirement, she and her husband (along with five poodles) took their motorhome on a seven-week cross-country trip from their home in Falls Church, Va., to the West Coast.

Holly Zanville ('68) is currently a program director at Lumina Foundation, a national foundation focused solely on higher education access and success. This summer, she published her first children's book, *How BJ Diana Came to Live at the Z House*, the first of five family pet stories in the *Z House* series. A second book will be out soon. Zanville also blogs about the importance of reading to children at www.zhousestories.com.

'80s

Marilyn Podhorsky-Geery ('83)

recently returned from Yellowstone National Park, where she volunteered with the National Park Services during the Elk Rut. Podhorsky-Geery spends her time travelling and in July visited Peru.

Angela Ruffin-Stacker ('86), vice president of diversity recruitment in integration and growth at Wells Fargo Advisors, spoke at the Lindenwood University School of Business Roundtable on Women in Finance on Nov. 12, 2012.

'90s

Kimberly McBride ('97), a principal at Edward Jones, recently spoke at the Lindenwood University School of Business' Roundtable on Women in Finance on Nov. 12, 2012.

Jessie Resimius ('97) has retired after teaching elementary school for 32 years

in the Ritenour School District. She is now actively involved in Act Two Theater, serving on its board of directors and enjoying the shows at the St. Peters City Centre Theater.

Cortney Hupper Lenk ('99) and husband Adam Lenk announced the birth of their son, Collin, on Oct. 27, 2012. Lenk and her husband say they are excited to welcome the new addition to the family.

'00s

Stephanie Carns Carleton ('00)

received her PhD from the University of Missouri – Columbia and is now working at Monsanto.

Kara Mollison Gatto ('00) and her husband Michael were recently honored as philanthropists and community leaders by the Crisis Nursery in St. Charles. The Gattos are active in many not-for-profits in the area and own The Vine, a local St. Charles restaurant on Main Street.

Adam Veile ('01) and **Sean Long ('00)** have created an action-adventure book for young readers, *The Dreamcatcher Adventures: Greedy Jack Wallace*. *The Dreamcatcher Adventures* follows seventh-grader Blake Monroe and the ghost of Blake's Wild West ancestor as they race for a hidden ransom before an evil outlaw finds it first.

Jason Spurgeon ('03 & '12) and his wife, Rachel, welcomed their second child, Adelaide Rose, on Aug. 7, 2012. The family resides in St. Charles, Mo.

Dustan Blomker ('04 & '11) recently married **Katie Walters ('10)**. The couple resides in Lake Saint Louis, Mo. Walters is a fourth grade teacher at Duello Elementary in the Wentzville School District. Blomker recently became a field supervision director at Edward Jones, which includes supervising the daily activities of approximately 100 financial advisor branches in the Dallas/Fort Worth area.

Steven Hahne ('07) received a master's degree from Forest Institute of Professional Psychology in Springfield, Mo. He volunteers for RAVEN STL as a co-facilitator of groups teaching non-violence to domestic violence offenders.

Emily Rademan ('07) completed her Master of Arts degree in clinical psychology from Forest Institute of Professional Psychology in April 2012. She is now pursuing her doctorate in psychology. Rodeman, who is the second vice president of the Lindenwood Alumni Board, is the director/coordinator of Camp Look Out Latinas, which is designed to increase healthy relationship skills in Latina adolescents.

Sara M. Ohlms ('08) graduated from recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

'10s

Rachel Lamp ('10) has been hired as an institutional advancement associate at Lindenwood University. Lamp had been employed at the Academy of the Sacred Heart in St. Charles, Mo.

Carissa LaRonge ('11) was recently hired at Maximum Staffing Solutions in Creve Coeur, Mo.

Danielle Thompson ('12) married Peter Benetatos in August 2012. Thompson is a marketing analyst at NetEffects in Chesterfield, Mo. The couple resides in Lake Saint Louis, Mo.

Faculty/Staff

Robert Singer, associate professor of accounting, received the Distinguished Research Award from the Academy of Accounting and Financial Studies for co-authoring a paper titled "Goodwill Impairment: A Comparative Country Analysis." The paper was accepted for publication in the *Academy of Accounting and Financial Studies Journal*.

Donna Hawk-Reinhard, PhD, Adjunct Professor of Christian Ministry Studies, has published an essay in a book titled *The Use of Textual Criticism for the Interpretation of Patristic Texts: Seventeen Case Studies*. Her essay, "Transmission Implications Regarding the Authorship of Cyril of Jerusalem's Mystagogic Catecheses," examines the true authorship of a critical religious text.

Faculty Awards go to Newer Members and Veterans

Dr. Richard Boyle, Vice President for Human Resources, and Dr. Jason Dude Lively announced the winners of Lindenwood University's faculty awards for 2012 at the faculty meeting on Oct. 3.

Jo Ellen Kerkсиеk, Professor of History, won the Lindenwood Service Award.

Biology Professor **John Crawford** won the Scholar of the Year Award, which recognizes outstanding scholarly accomplishment outside the University.

Patrick O'Banion, Assistant Professor of History, was selected for the President's

Scholar-Teacher Award, which recognizes the use of research in the classroom.

Winning the Emerson Award for Teaching Excellence was **Mira Ezvan**, Professor of Business, the longest serving member of the group.

The Adjunct Teaching Award was presented to **Mark Theissen**, who teaches in the School of Sciences.

The LSGA Professor of the Year Award went to **Frank Thouvenot**, of the School of Education.

Lindenwood's 2012 faculty award winners were (front row, from left) Mira Ezvan, Frank Thouvenot, Jo Ellen Kerkсиеk, (back row, from left) Patrick O'Banion, Mark Theissen, and John Crawford.



In Memoriam

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

Margaret Hallman ('41)
Fort Worth, Texas

Adelaide (Wilke) Huncker ('41)
St. Charles, Mo.

Vera (Brandenburg) Nelson ('42)
Lacon, Ill.

Patricia (Latherow) Rupert ('46)
Fort Madison, Iowa

Nancy (Owen) Pappas ('47)
Stillwater, Okla.

Ramona Cooke Kabance ('51)
El Cajon, Calif.

Janet Elaine (Tabor) Sill ('51)
Black Diamond, Wa.

Anita (Marshall) Jackson ('54)
St. Petersburg, Fla.

Emily Hunter-Ruppert ('62)
Newbury, Mass.

Mary M. Crowell ('64)
Eolia, Mo.

Mary Ann Hess ('77)
Granite City, Ill.

Mary Edna Bates (Peterson) Hoffman ('78)
Meeker, Okla.

Jason Bozeman ('08)
Bellville, Ill.

Randall Robertson ('10)
Ocala, Fla.

Sarah Christine Birsic ('11)
Quincy, Ill.



Members of the 2012 Lindenwood Sports Hall of Fame Class pose for a picture after the event.

Lindenwood Sports Hall of Fame Welcomes 2012 Class

Lindenwood University inducted seven individuals and two teams at the Sixth Annual Hall of Fame Banquet over Homecoming Weekend in October.

Highlighting the 2012 class was the induction of Lindenwood President James D. Evans, PhD, and Lindenwood Vice President Richard Boyle, PhD, both for their meritorious services to athletics. The former student-athletes inducted were Dustin Bevard ('07) -Basketball, Jake Dieffenbach ('07) -Wrestling, Rhonda Kacizak-Maulson ('92) -Soccer and Softball, Kelly Massman ('99) - Soccer,

and Greg Thompson ('07) -Roller Hockey. The teams earning their place among the best in Lindenwood history were the 2000 women's soccer team and the 2005-06 men's basketball team.

Four current Lindenwood Student-Athletes also received awards during the banquet. Synchronized swimmer Reem Abdalazem and women's wrestler Shauna Isbell received the Student Achievement Award for outstanding accomplishments outside of college competition.

Women's lacrosse player Jamie Miller and cheerleader Jessica Gann were the

inaugural recipients of the Shining Light Award, which recognizes excellence in the classroom, on the field of play, and in the various University communities.

Lindenwood alumnus and St. Louis sports radio personality Bob Ramsey was the emcee at the event, and Lindenwood Sports Hall of Famer and head athletics trainer Randy Biggerstaff gave the invocation. Dr. Evans and NCAA Athletics Director John Creer both spoke at the induction ceremony and helped present the awards, and SLS Athletics Director Mike Elam helped Creer present the Shining Light Awards.

Lions Make Bowl Game in First NCAA Season

The Lindenwood University football team used a strong finish to the 2012 season to advance to postseason play for the first time as an NCAA member. The Lions ended the regular season with an 8-3 overall record and tied for fourth in the MIAA with a 7-3 mark.

An injury to Lindenwood's starting quarterback Ben Gomez appeared to sidetrack the team's postseason aspirations midway through the season as the Lions lost back-to-back games in weeks seven and eight. But a new offensive game plan and the improved play of backup Dillon Miller got the team back on track. Lindenwood won the final three games of the year, including a 44-33 road win over the defending NCAA Division II National Champions, Pittsburg State.

The win over Pittsburg State helped move the team up to fourth in the conference standings and earned the team a spot in the Dec. 1 Mineral Water Bowl, an NCAA Division II bowl game between members of the MIAA and the Northern Sun. The Lions were to have played Winona State as *Connection* went to press.

The 2012 Lions were led by a 22-person senior class, including 15 who have been a part of the program for at least four years. Among those seniors were two of the top players in school history, wide receiver Andrew Helmick and running back Denodus O'Bryant. That pair combined for 29 of Lindenwood's 45 touchdowns this season.

LU-Belleville Finishes 4-6

The Lindenwood-Belleville football team wrapped up its historic first season of play in November and finished with an admirable record of 4-6. Burned into the team's memory was an exciting 43-37 season-opening home victory over Avila University. The Lynx and Coach Jeff Fischer are already working hard in preparation for next season.

Basketball Teams Open Inaugural NCAA Seasons

Men's Basketball

The Lindenwood men's basketball team was hoping to sneak up on some teams in the MIAA, but its reputation is already known as the program was picked to finish in the upper half of the conference standings in both the media and coaches' preseason polls.

One reason that Lindenwood has such high expectations is that it returns seven of the top eight scorers from last year's 28-3 squad. Among the returners is Alex Bazzell, who averaged 15.4 points last season and needs just 125 this season to become the ninth Lion with 1,000 career points. Other key returners include Garrett Reeg, who averaged 10.9 points and 6.0 rebounds per game in 2011-12.

One of the additions this season is a familiar face as Brett Thompson returns after redshirting last year. The 6-11 center averaged 7.8 points, 6.2 rebounds, and nearly a block a game in 2010-11 while helping Lindenwood reach the NAIA Tournament.



Lindenwood men's basketball kicked off its 2012 season with the Barbecue with Brad fundraising event in the VIP Room of the Hyland Arena. About 150 attended.

Women's Basketball

The Lindenwood women's basketball program enters its first season in the MIAA with one thing in mind—that it deserve to be there. Preseason expectations also agree that the Lady Lions are ready for one of the top NCAA Division II conferences as the team was picked in the middle of the pack in preseason polls.

The Lady Lions return two seniors, four juniors and three sophomores while welcoming in four freshmen. Lindenwood

will look for leadership from the return of its top three scorers last year in senior Sarah Schneiders and juniors Caroline Bourlioux and Marissa Lehnig. Those three combined to average 35.7 points a game last season, and they also had a 15.7 rebounding average.

Among the talented class of newcomers are Tori Kuhn and Jenny Rocha. Kuhn will be a low-post threat in her first collegiate season, and Rocha will see a lot of time running the point for Lindenwood.

Men's Soccer Wastes No Time

The men's soccer team made history this fall by capturing Lindenwood University's first MIAA title. The Lions finished 8-0-2 in conference play and won the conference race by one game over Northeastern State.

Lindenwood, which was not eligible for the national tournament due to the transition to the NCAA, was ranked eighth in the nation in the final regular season national poll. The Lions then proceeded to win the MIAA conference postseason tournament, defeating two teams that received bids to the NCAA tournament.

Seven Lions were named to the all-conference squad, including four first-team members. Goalie Fermin Hughes was the conference Freshman of the Year. Other first-team members were defenders Craig McTear and Rodney Mays, and forward Andre Hayne.

Lindenwood finished the year with a 15-2-3 overall record, and it won its final eight games of the season.

Gymnastics Set to Debut at Lindenwood

The grace and skill of one of the Summer Olympics' most popular sports comes to St. Charles in January when the Lindenwood women's gymnastics team begins its inaugural season. The Lady Lions have an exciting schedule, including competing against four teams that finished last season in the NCAA Division I rankings.

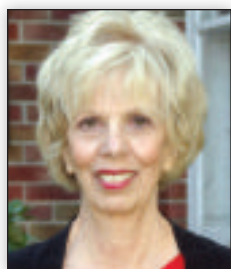
The biggest competition of the year is a quad meet in Fayetteville, Ark., that includes nationally-ranked Arkansas and Mizzou. Other teams ranked at the end of last year are Auburn and Denver. Lindenwood has three regular season home meets, including its home opener on Jan. 18 against Southeast Missouri. Other home opponents are Bowling Green on Feb. 9 and Texas Woman's on March 10. In late March, Lindenwood begins postseason in the Midwest Independent Conference

Championships.

Lindenwood has 11 gymnasts on its inaugural roster, including 10 freshmen. The lone gymnast with collegiate experience is Emily Turik, an uneven bar specialist who transferred to Lindenwood from the University of Bridgeport. The rest of the roster comes from throughout the United States with gymnasts from Missouri, Nebraska, Georgia, Florida, Texas, California, and Colorado.

"Beginning with our first official practice back in September, the team has come in with a positive attitude and a hunger to work hard and be at their best," said head coach Gretchen Goerlitz. "We know that we will be able to be successful because of how well this team responds to challenges and their desire to continually improve."

Growth, Expansion Continue at LU



Each day as I drive past the Lindenwood University campus on my way to work, I am reminded of the tremendous growth that our alma mater has experienced.

Last year the new Evans Commons opened and students are now fully utilizing that wonderful facility. This fall Lindenwood unveiled its new Student-Athlete Center, which houses activities for a multitude of our athletic programs, and the Scheidegger Center for Performing Arts is again bringing first-class productions to the St. Charles community.

In October, we hosted our annual Alumni Reunion, and several hundred alumni participated in activities on the campus. The class of 1962 celebrated its 50th anniversary, and the attendees were in awe of the vast changes. They were thrilled to see that the original Heritage campus is still as beautiful as ever and being cared for by today's students. It was an honor to meet so many of our alums who hailed from coast to coast and as far away as France.

Your Alumni Association Board of Directors has added three new members. Dan Bedell ('12) is from St. Charles, Mo.,

"In October, we hosted our annual Alumni Reunion, and several hundred alumni participated..."

Judy Pontius ('68) is from Estero, Fla., and Elizabeth "Libby" Rogier is from Swansea, Ill. We are attempting to expand our geographic diversity and bring aboard more recent graduates.

The St. Charles Alumni Club is adding new members, and our Alumni Office is working hard on outreach and expanding opportunities for local alumni to participate in on-campus activities.

I look forward to seeing you at upcoming events, and please stay in touch with the Alumni office at (636) 949-4975 to provide us with your current contact information.

Jan Lewien
President, Alumni Association
Class of '85, '04, '07



Guess Where This Is

Can you tell us where this stonework is located on campus? If so, please email your answer to alumni@lindenwood.edu. Only Lindenwood alumni are eligible to participate. Five winners will receive a prize from the Lindenwood University Alumni Association.

The winners from the fall 2012 "Guess Where This Is" were Claudia Davis ('08), Brian Ferrari ('11), Aaron Randolph ('10), and Maurice Vick, ('95). The featured object was the lion head sculpture on the exterior wall of the Field House.



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