



The Legacy

Lindenwood's Student Newspaper

Students face jump in costs next year

By Ashley A. Elbert and Samantha Werbiski
Contributing Reporters

Undergraduate resident students will need more than \$20,000 to attend Lindenwood University next year.

The board of directors approved a 2.3 percent increase in room, board and tuition at its Feb. 13 meeting, bringing the total cost next fall to \$20,360, compared with \$19,200 now.

Costs for undergraduate students in the adult accelerated program will go up

3.3 percent, bringing a nine-hour cluster of courses to \$2,790 per quarter. Graduate students in a similar program will pay \$3,330, a 2.8 percent increase.

"It is unfortunate that we do have to pay more, but next year is my last year," said Kelly Reinhardt, a commuter student.

With operating costs going up, the increase could have been higher, university officials said.

But President James D. Evans said in a statement that Lindenwood was sharing those "costs with students.

We didn't want them to bear the brunt of the increase."

Operating costs include hiring more personnel and paying teaching staff and paying steeper utility bills.

"With the increase of enrollment, the operating costs will be distributed over a greater number of students and this will be better for the students" Evans said.

Lindenwood's student body for the 2008-2009 academic year exceeded 14,000. That figure includes residents, graduate students and those attending classes at the university's various satellite

campuses.

The 37-member board strived "to keep costs as low as possible to help the students during this economic crisis," the president said in an interview.

The overall increase is lower than last year's, when tuition jumped 2.4 percent and room and board went up 4.8 percent.

"The basis of [their] decision was families are going to experience more financial difficulties," Evans said of the board, referring to the economic problems facing the country.

When compared with Maryville University, an area private college, Lindenwood undergraduate students now pay \$450 less, but after the increase they will be paying \$710 more per academic year.

But the figure is far less than what students will pay at Washington University, where tuition, room and board will be more than \$50,000 next year.

"The country is in an economic crisis, and everyone is trying to make enough money to make ends meet," Lindenwood undergraduate

Kyle Kelley said. "I know that this affects the university as well, but it affects the student body a lot more."

Still, Evans said students will not feel a large difference in tuition since most of them will qualify for federal Pell Grants, which are expected to increase for the 2009-2010 academic year. The tuition difference for each full-time resident student will be about \$500 annually after financial aid, he said.

Some Lindenwood students also are facing a possible decrease in state funding

Legislative bills target Access Missouri

By Jordan Lanham
Co-Managing Editor

Freshman Olivia Saldana left campus last week with some bad news.

The Missouri Legislature had filed two bills in support of Gov. Jay Nixon's proposal to equalize the annual funding students at public and private universities and colleges can receive under Access Missouri, a grant established a few years ago to help offset the cost of higher education in the state.

Proponents like Gary Forsee, president of the University of Missouri System, argue that the readjustment makes sense. Forsee himself declined several requests for an interview.

But in a news release issued last month, Forsee said, "The governor is on the right track to make this a fair and balanced financial aid program that will improve access to higher education for all students."

Saldana receives \$3,850 in Access Missouri funds in addition to a Lindenwood grant, Work and Learn payment and two outside scholarships.

If the legislation passes in the House and Senate and reaches the governor's desk, it almost certainly will be signed into law.

That action would reduce her state grant by \$1,000, even while the university is increasing board, hous-



Legacy photo by Hiroko Furuhashi

Olivia Saldana might face a tough choice next year. If the Missouri Access Missouri grant is reduced for private universities, school may be unaffordable.

ing and tuition by a similar amount. "I already have a part-time job, but I don't make enough money to pay tuition," she said, "If I try to work more and study, it will be very stressful."

Saldana is one of more than 1,400 Lindenwood students and more than 14,000 around the state who could be adversely affected by the proposal.

URGING ACTION

The filing of Senate Bill 390 and House Bill 792

drew immediate response from university officials. "If you are receiving the Access Missouri Grant, this legislation, if passed, could affect your ability to continue your education at the institution of your choice," Provost Dr. Jann Weitzel said in a mass e-mail to students and faculty.

"The plan would raise the amount of aid that students who attend public institutions receive while slashing the amount received by students who attend private institutions. Keep in mind that public schools, such

as Mizzou, Missouri State, UMKC, etc., already receive over \$7,000 per student from the state of Missouri, money that private schools such as Lindenwood do not receive."

President James D. Evans sent out his own mass e-mail, urging students and faculty to contact their state representatives and protest the proposal.

The president attended a Feb. 12 meeting of the Coordinating Board of Higher Education at the Wildwood campus of St. Louis Community College in which

leaders of public and private institutions debated the governor's proposal.

While the board has no control over whether the proposal becomes law, Evans said, "no rational person who heard the discussion could have felt much sympathy for the public universities point of view."

"The general conclusion reached by the representatives of private universities is that the public universities are not focused on the original purpose

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Sibley Day brings new traditions

By Ashley Christopher
Staff Reporter

Integrity. A search for the truth. A willingness to explore various intellectual activities.

These are all values that should be remembered on today's first-ever Sibley Day, said English professor Ana Schnellmann, a member of the Faculty Planning and Development Committee.

The Committee planned today's activities.

"Sibley Day is a celebration and a reminder of the values so important here since Lindenwood was founded in 1827," Schnellmann said.

Sibley Day is the brainchild of Lindenwood President James Evans.

Schnellmann said Evans wanted "a day dedicated to Lindenwood University's celebrating itself as an intellectual community that shared a strong goal and a specific purpose—to help prepare students to become truly enlightened members of a global society."

The university hopes that today will show students a little bit about the school's traditions, past and future, said Schnellmann.

"We hope the members of the university family will share pride in our intellectual and potential accomplishments," she said.

A list of Sibley Day activities is available on the Lindenwood Web site.

Cafeteria tries new technique in effort to minimize student food waste

By Joe Varrone
Staff Reporter

The deli station in the cafeteria now has a scale for weighing meat and poultry in an effort to minimize food waste.

Assistant Manager Lukasz Lach said the cafeteria got the scale because too much food was being wasted.

"If you go to any grocery store around here, you will see that meat and poultry are around \$3 to \$4 per pound.

These items are very expensive, and this is a business as is anything else, so we can't afford to just waste the food," he said.

To minimize food waste, Lach said students are allowed to have 2 ounces of meat or poultry each time they get food from the deli station.

"I want to remind students that even though they can only receive 2 ounces of meat per visit, there is still no limit on how many times a student

may come back and get more food," Lach said. "They can come back as many times as they want."

Some students are pleased with the efforts the cafeteria is making to eliminate food waste.

Senior Will Johnson said he thinks it's a good idea to weigh the food if it will eliminate waste.

"In the end, students can still get as much as they want," Johnson said. But if

the cafeteria feels that it helps save money, they should definitely weigh the food."

Lach said the best way to see how much food is being wasted is to go into the dish room and see the untouched food.

"Students are often in a hurry, and many people just throw it away if they don't have time to eat it," he said.

Freshman Yasmina Elkasmii agreed.

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Legacy photo by Megan Brown

Cafeteria workers now must measure out the food they serve in the deli.

Twain historian talks controversy

By Ashley A. Elbert and Cindy Lovell
Contributing Writers

Mark Twain historian Dr. Cindy Lovell spoke to students about the life, writings and controversies of Twain during her participation in the Lindenwood Speaker Series.

"There are two common errors associated with 'Adventures of Huckleberry Finn,' one being benign and the other being controversial," Lovell said to a crowd of about thirty.

"The benign being that there is no 'the' in the title of the book, and the controversial being his use of the 'N' word to refer to Jim."

Lovell was very thorough with her explanations, reading excerpts from the book to give the crowd a good sense of what she was referring to.

"I got the background of 'Huck Finn,'" said Lindenwood student Angela Hitchcock, who had never read the book before. "She was a very engaging and animated speaker."



Legacy photo by Lauren Kastendieck
Lovell, a Mark Twain historian, speaks about mistaken beliefs that Twain's book 'Adventures of Huckleberry Finn' promotes racism.

During the talk, Lovell reminded the crowd of the importance of literature, saying that the nickname used for Jim shows the power words can have and the authenticity of the writings. "We must understand the immediate events that are going on in the author's life while the book is being written," explained Lovell.

'Adventures of Huckleberry Finn,' published in 1884, was number five on the American Library Association's list of banned books in 2007.

Lovell attributed the ban to mistaken beliefs that the language used in the book promotes racism.

Lovell explained the importance of the book's controversy and how it is a reminder of how far America has come with references to Barack Obama and changing society.

Paul Huffman, Lindenwood's library archivist, said, "Dr. Lovell was very good at expressing the relevancy of Mark Twain's writings to modern times."

Lovell ended with encouraging everyone to go to the Mark Twain Boyhood Home and Museum web site, www.marktwainmuseum.org, and sign a petition to support their efforts to make year 2010 "The Year of Mark Twain," to mark the 175th anniversary of his birth and the 100th anniversary of his death.

In brief

Spirit Squads regain titles

The Lindenwood Spirit Squads swept the Cheerleading and Dance HAAC NAIA competition with four first-places and a second-place finish in Hip-Hop during the Valentine's Day weekend.

This year's competition was hosted by Benedictine College in Atchison, Kan. where many schools came to compete in various cheerleading and dance divisions such as All-Girl, Co-Ed, Mascot, Jazz and Hip-Hip.

As the All-Girl cheerleading squad geared up to perform, Lindenwood's coach Ricky Hunt commented: "This group of girls is by far the most talented group we have had in the All-Girl program...they have come a long way."

LU's All-Girl squad went on to win first-place in the division, which contributed to the overall success of Lindenwood's Spirit Squad victory in the NAIA regional competition.

-By Megan Dubbe

Etiquette dinner tomorrow night

Professor Judy Kamm will host the annual Business Etiquette Dinner, focusing on professional do's and don'ts, scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 26 from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Leadership Room on the fourth floor of the Spellmann Center.

The dinner will teach the etiquette of good business, dining with style and grace along with modern manners. Included will be setting a table, which silverware to use, how to communicate on a business level and how to make small talk.

For more information, contact Kamm at 636-949-4833.

-By Jessie Kassil

New ATM now in Spellmann lobby

A Commerce Bank ATM has been installed inside the entrance of the third floor of the Spellmann Center. Commerce customers will be able to use the ATM free of charge.

Students and faculty who do not bank at Commerce will be charged a fee of \$1.50 for each transaction. Additional fees depend upon the customer's financial institution.

FAFSA deadline set at April 1

The deadline to apply for federal student aid is quickly approaching. It is recommended that students file the FAFSA no later than March 15. There will be no exceptions or appeals for late filing. A free online application is accessible by visiting www.fafsa.edu.gov.

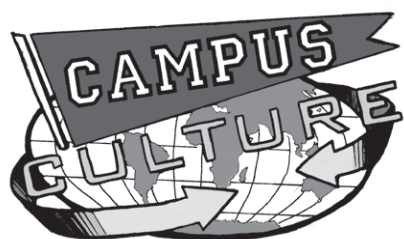
The school code for Lindenwood is 002480. All applications must be received no later than April 1. Questions regarding FAFSA can be answered by calling Financial Aid at 636-949-4923.

Circle K holds pancake fundraiser

The Lindenwood University Circle K partnered with the local Kiwanis Club Tuesday, Feb. 24 for a pancake fundraiser.

Proceeds will benefit several charities in the St. Charles area and also help send some Lindenwood students to the upcoming district convention.

Circle K members worked different shifts from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Blanchette Park to serve all-you-can-eat breakfasts of pancakes and sausage. Tickets were \$5 in advance and \$6 at the door.



Legacy Illustration by Colin Adams

Uzbekistan student enjoys the 'diversity' of culture in the U.S.

By T.J. Grigone
Staff Writer

Do you know where Uzbekistan is? It's in central Asia, bordered by Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Afghanistan, and Turkmenistan.

While Lindenwood is sometimes known for its population of international students, what are the chances you would run into somebody from Uzbekistan?

"I think we are a minority on campus," said senior Erkin Khasanov, native of Samarkand, Uzbekistan's second largest city.

"Currently there are five people from my country on Lindenwood's campus. Three of us are from Samarkand, and the other two are from Tashkent, the capital of

Uzbekistan."

Khasanov, 23, is majoring in business administration and management with a minor in international business.

He started his academic career at Samarkand Institute of Economy and Service where he had a full scholarship, ranking number one with the highest state test score. After a year, he decided to further his education by studying abroad.

"I chose the U.S.A. because, as a matter of fact, it is the most powerful country with a lot of opportunities," said Khasanov.

After researching grants, scholarships, and academic



Khasanov

awards offered by American universities, Khasanov applied for admission at Lindenwood, where he would be accepted on a tennis scholarship.

With the differences in American and Uzbek culture, Khasanov says coming to the United States was a bit of a culture shock. "It was a long, hard and difficult process to adjust," said Khasanov.

"Though from my point of view, every culture is beautiful for its uniqueness. I like U.S. culture for its diversity, because the U.S.A. is a multi-national culture, and here people live from almost all parts of the world." Khasanov speaks six different languages, including Uzbek,

Tajik, Russian, Turkish, Persian and English.

Khasanov lives in a two-bedroom apartment in St. Louis with his wife, who is due to give birth in May. "I hope I am going to be a dad before final exams," said Khasanov.

"We have been told that we are going to have a boy. I was so happy to hear that because I was betting with my wife about it being boy or a girl. I won the bet."

What does the future hold for Erkin Khasanov?

"I really want to get my master's degree in accounting in the U.S., particularly at CUNY," he said.

"After my master's degree I am planning to go back to Uzbekistan and seek for job promotion."

Excellence in community service leads to prestigious 2008 Honor Roll award

Only 15 universities in Missouri chosen; award is highest federal recognition schools can achieve for service

By Natasha Sakovich
Assistant Arts and Opinions Editor

The Corporation for National and Community Service recently honored Lindenwood University with the prestigious President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll award for 2008.

The Honor Roll award is

the highest federal recognition a school can achieve for its commitment to service-learning and civic engagement.

Only 15 universities in Missouri were selected to receive the Honor Roll award.

Lindenwood placed alongside Washington University and Saint Louis University in their category.

Lindenwood accepted the

award on Feb. 9, 2009, according to Rachel Wilmes, P.R. specialist for Lindenwood.

Dr. Julie Turner, assistant professor of Non-Profit Administration, stated that this placement serves as Lindenwood's first for the Honor Roll award.

Attributing to the reception of the award is the fact that "Lindenwood is one of only 70 colleges and universi-

ties in the nation with a Non Profit Administration program," said Turner.

Other factors that were considered to be placed on the Honor Roll were the percentage of total student enrollment engaged in community service activities, the percentage of total student enrollment engaged in at least 20 hours of community service per semester, and the

extent to which the institution offered academic service-learning courses.

Another factor considered by the Corporation in its selection was the university's latest Federal Work-Study community service participation rate, as reported by the U.S. Department of Education.

According to an earlier press release regarding the award, in 2008 nearly 65 students completed Work and Learn hours at community agencies.

As stated in the release by Mike Tolman, director of Work and Learn, "Each hour's assigned value is \$8, so by that account, Lindenwood students provided nearly \$160,000 worth of service in the community throughout the year."

These factors allowed Lindenwood to be chosen for such an award. "Dr. Evans really wants Lindenwood to excel in this area," said Turner.

Lindenwood continues to form programs such as the 2009 Lion's Pride Project Summer Youth Leadership Summit to further outreach to the community.

The program, coordinated by Turner, will "assist rising high school students who possess an affinity of helping others and who demonstrate exceptional leadership skills to develop a deeper understanding of their roles in social change."

Programs such as the Lion's Pride Project and the opportunity for Work and Learn students to serve at local organizations make Lindenwood stand out among other universities as being dedicated to helping the community.

For more information about the Corporation for National and Community Service and to see the list of universities that were honored, visit their Web site at www.learnandserve.gov/about/programs/higher_ed_honorroll.asp.

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How will the tuition increase for the 2009-2010 school year affect you?

By Lauren Kastendieck and Natasha Sakovich
Staff Writers

“As an international student, we pay double already, so it will increase for us.”

—**Toyah Muhammad, sophomore**



“I have a set amount of money to spend on college, and everything that goes over that amount I have to pay myself. If it does increase, I would have to pay that amount.”

—**Jenna Busch, senior**

“If I find scholarships, grant money, and also money from soccer, then I can stay here.”

—**Roman Balaban, freshman**

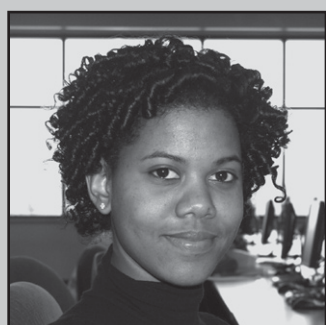


“My dad just lost his job, so I’m already looking for ways to get money for school. I may have to get a job or apply for more loans.”

—**Jennifer Gentsch, sophomore**

“It will probably only affect my spending money since I don’t pay for college.”

—**Charo Richardson, senior**



“I go here because of a good scholarship, and if the tuition is not that different from another school that I want to attend, I will end up going there.”

—**Heather Spurlock, junior**

“The increase shouldn’t affect me much since I have volleyball and other scholarships.”

—**Kara Morse, freshman**

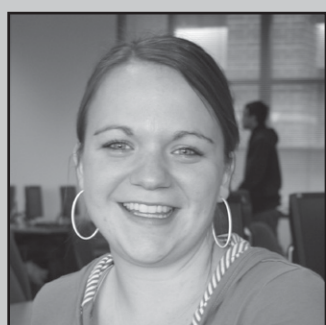


“If it increases, that will be a lot more money to pay that I can’t afford.”

—**Tyler Jokerst, sophomore**

“I have scholarships that won’t take on the new increase, so I would have to take on a loan for the first time.”

—**Katie Bock, senior**



ATM: convenience at a cost

I’ve probably paid about a couple hundred dollars in service fees from using an ATM. I live in Texas so my accounts are with Bank of America, which is not too far from the campus but it’s still not in walking distance during very cold weather or rainy days. An ATM on campus was definitely welcomed on my part.

My first semester, I easily wasted \$164.00 in service fees using the ATM in QuikTrip. Two and three dollars here and there didn’t seem much when I was taking out approximately \$60 per trip.

Then I realized that this is why I write. My math skills are fair, but minimal. If I don’t have to physically calculate my

expenses—everything is on my online bank statement—I prefer not to think about it.



Sam Werbiski

One day, I went to QT because I had less than ten dollars in cash and was going out with my friends. I didn’t want to be carrying checks, my debit card, and my credit cards so cash was my only option.

The first time I selected the amount, I only received \$20—leave it to me to push the wrong button. The second time I selected \$40, and was about to leave when I realized that I needed to pay a friend the money she had lent me the weekend

before. I went back to that same robbing machine. This time, I played it safe and keyed in more than I needed: \$80.

Not until a few days later when I checked my online statement, did I find out that I was being charged \$3 per transaction. My service fees for that one day amounted to almost \$10. I’m very distracted and have become so accustomed to agreeing to policies without actually reading them—a habit many of us have picked up in this efficient and speedy world.

These service fees may not change the amount of money in your account much, but don’t allow its ease and convenience to fool you. Ultimately, it is there to offer a service—at a price of course.

Lots of money, but no stimulus

The European Socialist Act of 2009 offers a helping of non-stimulating pork projects, and many won’t begin until 2010. According to the Congressional Budget Office, only 20 percent of the bill begins in 2009. If President Obama believes this is such a “dire crisis” and will “get worse” if we don’t “act quickly,” why wait? The answer is political positioning.

The money allocated to states is largely intended to expand entitlements, such as welfare, Medicare and Med-

icaid. Funding these programs is a front to buy votes for the 2010 and 2012 elections. Politicians, especially liberals, know if they shove money in your bank account, they have your vote!

To fund this expansion, Obama proposes raising tax-

es on the upper class.

The IRS says upper class households already pay most of the taxes: top 1 percent pay 34 percent, top 5 percent pay 54 percent, and the top 10 percent pay 66 percent of America’s tax base. That’s

2/3 of America’s tax revenue paid by only the top 10 percent of wage earners. And

Obama wants to hike taxes on these individuals? Sorry, but I will NOT pay higher taxes to those “entitled” to a larger share of my earnings because I’ve worked harder to lead a successful life. This is Socialism!

The Founding Fathers understood the value of hard work and dedication to self, family and God. We’re losing those values. We must strive to maintain freedom, capitalism, free markets and a small central government, principles that define us.



Tim Meyer

Phelps’ photo doesn’t shock at all

I’m not easily outraged, but the recent scrutiny of Olympic swimmer Michael Phelps has endured over a picture of him with a bong has left me scratching my head.

Now, I think it’s important to add that I have no agenda regarding the ongoing debate over the legalization of marijuana. I believe this issue goes far beyond that discussion.

Kellogg’s has backed out of their endorsement deal with Phelps, which was expected. But I wonder if they dropped Phelps so quickly simply because it was expected.

I hope they came to their conclusion based on heavy

analysis and debate of the situation rather than responding with the knee-jerk reaction that many people suspect.

There is no marijuana or smoke visible in the picture, but I won’t argue that Phelps wasn’t smoking. He is a twenty-three year old kid who appears to be smoking weed at a house party – is this really a shocking image?

Controversial and shocking for Kellogg’s clean-cut

image, okay, but is it more controversial than Phelps’ 2004 drunk driving charge?

It just seems like an unbalanced message Kellogg’s is sending.

Now, eight people who attended the party have been arrested for possession of marijuana. Phelps is also being investigated by the sheriff’s office.

This whole thing sounds absurd to me. This is all because of a single picture that – legally

speaking – looks to hold very little water.

I’m not a law expert, but I think the case would be shattered when it’s shown that there’s no evidence of marijuana being smoked.

Again, I think this was a swift reaction by the local authorities because they were in the spotlight. To me, it looks like a small town sheriff trying to make a name for himself.

Michael Phelps is a young man that made a mistake. He should have known that the consequences of a mistake would be significantly extrapolated because of who he is. But this whole thing has been completely overblown.



T.J. Grigone

The Sibleys are more historic than Martin Luther King?

When I first heard about Sibley day, I was really excited to have a day off. Then I discovered that night classes are expected to continue as usual, which is the only class I have on Wednesday. Oh well, no big deal.

But it did raise another question for me—why is Sibley day more important than Martin Luther King, Jr. Day or President’s Day? These days have a pro-

found historical significance, yet Lindenwood ignores them. I found the scheduled 15-min. event for MLK Day to be a little insufficient, in comparison to something like this. Fifteen minutes for Mr. King, and a whole day for the Sibleys? The Sibleys were great people I’m sure, but didn’t exactly affect nationwide history in the same way.

I’m fine with having a day to celebrate Lindenwood’s

intellectual and educational achievements and atmosphere. Lindenwood is a historic site and it’s worthwhile to remember that. It’s nice to have a commemoration of Lindenwood’s unique history. But I wonder if we have the day off because it’s more convenient than the other national Monday holidays.

It can be moved around or changed if it doesn’t go as planned, or isn’t as convenient next year. It might not even happen next year. That makes it seem a lot less significant.

I also wonder if it will become a chance to sleep in and catch up on the unceasing piles of homework we have rather than a time to explore something new. Sibley Day is an interesting idea, but I wonder if it’s really practical.

I don’t think Lindenwood’s history should take precedence over national history.



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Access

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of Access Missouri, which is to help needy students cover the cost of college," Evans said.

Evans said that during the formation of Access Missouri in 2006, public institution officials thought it was appropriate and fair for private universities to receive a higher amount of the funds.

"They didn't complain about unfair treatment until the public universities operations budget was frozen," he said.

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS

Operating budgets for the state higher education system have been frozen for the 2009-2010 academic year. Forsee has referred to the economic situation for public universities as a "perfect storm," according to the *Columbia Missourian*.

At the meeting earlier this month with the higher education board, Forsee said state

institutions will hurt next year unless their students receive more funding from Missouri Access.

A spokesman for the governor, Scott Holste, told *The Legacy* last week that the proposal represents an attempt to make the grant fair to all students. As a result, the governor has proposed increasing annual spending on Access Missouri by \$2.5 million, bringing it to around the \$100 million mark.

"The governor feels that all grants should be equal throughout the state of Missouri," Holste said.

Holste said that the proposal is not a push for students to attend state institutions instead of private ones.

There is no incentive to go to a public or private university," he said, "Public schools are supported with the taxes by the people of the state. They are, in essence, Missouri's schools."

Presidents and chancellors from various public institu-

tions did not return calls for comment.

But Assistant Vice Chancellor Bob Samples of the University of Missouri-St. Louis said that the governor thinks that it is in everyone's best interest to provide a fair and balanced, need-based program.

"Our campus supports that proposal," he said.

THE GRANT

Access Missouri is designed for eligible full-time students who have \$12,000 or less per year for their family contribution.

Access Missouri now offers a maximum of \$4,600 a year to private school students and \$2,150 a year to students who attend public institutions.

Nixon's proposal would modify the grant, setting the maximum amount available at \$2,850 for students at both private and public colleges.

Students who attend pri-

ivate universities face losing up to \$1,750 a year in financial aid. Some of these students, like Saldana, aren't sure how they will make up the difference.

Her situation became even more tenuous recently when her father's work schedule was cut back at the General Motor's plant in Wentzville. The company itself also discontinued one of her outside scholarships.

Saldana said that she doesn't want to be forced to leave Lindenwood next year, but might have to attend community college instead. She applied for the A+ program, which offers two free years of community college to qualified students.

Michael Frazier, a senior mass communication major who plans to graduate in December, said that he intends to fight the proposal.

"Higher education should not be this difficult to obtain financially. Keep these levels the same and cut the state

budget somewhere else," Frazier said.

Frazier receives \$2,300 a semester in Access Missouri funds and said that although he and his family are not financially strained, the financial aid is necessary to avoid more expense for him and his family.

Frazier said he doesn't think he would take out a student loan, but he might have to start paying more money out of his own pocket.

"If it weren't for these grants from the state and the school, my family and I could not currently afford college and that is a damned shame," he said.

The Independent Colleges and Universities of Missouri (ICUM) issued a press release the day the proposal was filed, expressing disappointment and urging lawmakers to consider their students and reject the bills.

"There is no denying we have a challenge funding public higher education in

our state, but Missouri legislators should not balance the budget on the backs of our neediest students," Todd Parnell, president of Drury University, said in the press release.

Columbia College President Gerald Brouder said that his main reaction to the introduction of the bill was one of disappointment.

"Not so much related to the institutions not receiving the money," he said, "but the students who won't receive the money."

Brouder said that for students at private universities who are expecting the \$4,600 maximum to sustain them for their time in college, the "rug is being pulled out from under them."

Information for this story was contributed by Ashley Christopher, Joe Varrone, Hiroko Furuhashi and Brit-tany Jalinski.

Tuition

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through the Access Missouri grant.

"Another reason I disagree with them raising the tuition is that Governor Nixon is about to sign a bill that will cut the funding that private schools get as much as 38 percent," Kelley said.

But Kathy Steenbergen, an account representative, said that Evans and the university

board members are working to keep costs as low as possible, pointing specifically at the meal plan.

"President Evans and the board members are going to absorb most of the cost and that is why the tuition increase is so small," Steenbergen said.

Information for this story was contributed by staff reporter Joe Varrone.

Food

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"I see people take three times as much food as they need," she said.

"Some people pile food on their plate, so it's a good idea to [try to limit] the food amount."

Ralph Pfremer, manager of Pfoodman Services, has helped the cafeteria organize its food management.

He agreed with Elkasmi

and said he sees students pile food on their plate.

"Some students put as much food on their plate as possible because they don't want to have to get up again, since the lines for food are so long," Pfremer said.

The board of directors has decided to increase tuition by 2.3 percent next year.

Because of this small increase in tuition, Pfremer

said, Pfoodman Services must work within those limits.

"Even though it is a challenge, we have always made sure that we have provided the students with the proper nutrients needed," he said.

"If the food is being wasted because students don't like it, we'll look into it."

The cafeteria meal plan costs \$1,550 per semester.

Pfremer said he is in the process of negotiating to build another cafeteria on campus.

"We're building a cafeteria that is going to be really, really, really cool," he said.

"It's going to be food-court style with national brand food.

"We're really excited about this."



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Men's bowling team receives top ranking

By Travis Green
Contributing Reporter

The Lindenwood Lions men's bowling team has rolled enough strikes and spares this season to be ranked No. 1 by the National Collegiate Bowling Coaches Association and the Bowling Writers Association of America.

The team garnered the honor in January, with only a few more competitions left in the season – the first time it has achieved the top ranking after Christmas tournaments.

"We don't get a chance to compete in the Christmas tournaments, and that has hurt us in the past because the writers and voters don't get to see us compete out there in Las Vegas and seem to forget us," said Emil Williams Jr., a graduate student and assistant

coach of the team.

While proud of the honor, team members say they'll settle for nothing less than a national championship, which will be determined in April.

The team won its last championship in 2005, when Williams was a member. Last year the Lions lost in the second round of double elimination.

"This is a redemption year for this team. They were young [last year]," Williams said.

Now a senior, bowler Mike Dole put it bluntly in referring to the loss: "I don't want to feel like that again."

Dole feels fired up over nationals this year in part because the tournament will take place in his hometown, Rockford, Ill., where the team ironically won its last champion-

ship.

The team competing in the final tournament is composed of eight upper classmen and lower classmen – three being freshmen.

"These guys now have the experience of being on the losing end. Now it is time to take care of business," Williams said.

Dole, who has experienced a third-place finish in the nationals, said a championship "means more to [him] than anything in the world." He, along with Brett Cunningham, an All-American transfer from Mohawk Valley Community College in Utica, N.Y., and senior Ryan Council are considered to be the team leaders.

"I take this to heart," Cunningham said.

Head Coach Randy Lightfoot said freshman Brad Miller, who won a \$5,000 prize

in singles tournament in Las Vegas over the Christmas break, could be a great anchor bowler.

Council himself said that the "freshman are amazing."

The Lions move on to sectionals next month, when teams will be ranked according to the results of that tournament, before heading to the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) Intercollegiate Team Championships, or the nationals, on April 15.

The team would have to lose almost every game not to reach the nationals with its No. 1 ranking intact, Lightfoot said.

For the team to succeed, "we have to click," Dole said.

"They have the talent," Williams said. "But it is just about putting it together."

My Take

Sports dynasties? You don't have to look too far for one

Remember the great dynasties in sports history?

I think about the Boston Celtics, who won 11 NBA Championships from 1956 through 1969. Or the New York Yankees of the late '90s, who accumulated four World Series Championships in five years.

How about the Montreal Canadiens, winners of six Stanley Cups in eight consecutive finals appearances – led by 10 future Hall of Famers.

Never having been a fan of these teams, I often wondered how it felt to root for a perpetual champion.

But then I remembered one of the best kept secrets at Lindenwood: men's roller hockey.

Now some may ask, "We have a roller hockey team?" My response? We don't just have a roller hockey team. We have a roller hockey dynasty.

The Lions have won seven straight national championships and will vie for their eighth in early April.

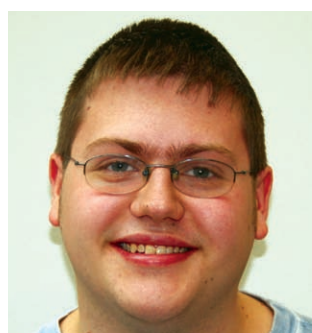
Just how dominant has this program been? Here's an unfathomable stat: From 2004-08, the Lions won 109 consecutive games.

One hundred and nine contests. It doesn't matter what sport or what level of competition you're playing. From pee-pee football to major league baseball, winning 109 straight games is an unbelievable accomplishment.

To put it simply, winning is the status quo for Lions roller hockey.

"We never really talked about [the streak], if at all," Head Coach Ron Beilsten said.

And when the streak finally ended in a 6-4 loss to UMSL



Micah Woodard
Sports Editor

on Mar. 2, 2008, the Lions smoothly took it in stride.

Beilsten's postgame locker-room speech was priceless: "Guys, we thought your effort was great. We didn't put the pucks in the net today. See you at practice Tuesday."

Even in defeat, the Lions kept their eyes on the prize, and that determination led to their seventh straight championship last April.

With success, however, also came the proverbial target on their backs.

Inside the roller hockey world, Lindenwood is synonymous with victory, especially when the national tournament rolls around.

"You can bet that everyone is talking about us," Beilsten said. "We accept that responsibility and that challenge."

Beilsten added, "If we go to any rink anywhere in the country, coast to coast, they know Lindenwood."

It's ironic that such a revered, respected program gets so little notoriety on this campus. Lions roller hockey has dominated the sport, and credit should be given where credit is due.

But Beilsten isn't worried about it.

"We let the program speak for itself."



Legacy photo by M. E. Brown

Freshman forward Necco Belanger takes a faceoff against Chris Vassos of Arizona State on Feb. 6. The Lions finished the season 36-3.

Lions finish season ranked No. 1

By Alex Jahncke
Assistant Sports Editor

With the regular season over, Lindenwood's men's ice hockey team finally can look forward to the playoffs.

The Lions ended the regular season on Friday and Saturday with a stellar record of 36-3.

The team is ranked No. 1 in the American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA).

The Lions have fought hard to attain this position. Not only did they take three of four games from rival Illinois, but they also swept them at their home arena.

"This was a huge step for us. The first win was a big accomplishment," Head Coach Derek Schaub said.

"The second night we just went in kind of loose and played our game."

As far as the playoffs are concerned, nothing is guaranteed.

At least five other teams, other than the Lions, have a chance to win.

"I think the first round will be close. They will have their nerves going. But

they will figure out they just got to do what they do night in and night out," Schaub said.

All in all, the playoffs will be the defining moment for the Lions. Win or lose, there is no denying that this team has done everything they could to get where they are now.

"This is an exciting team. They are really fun to watch. Everyone contributes, and they are fun to be around," Schaub said.

"This year's team has definitely prevented a lot of headaches that I have had in prior seasons."

This past Sunday the Lions participated in the St. Louis Blues Alumni game and took on former Blues players.

All proceeds went to the Disabled Athlete Sports Association (DASA) Junior Blues Sled Hockey program.

"It's a really fun and relaxed atmosphere. It's a time for the players to loosen up and just have fun," Schaub said.

The Lions will compete in their conference tournament starting Friday.

"This is an exciting team. They are really fun to watch."

—Coach Schaub

Lacrosse team sets sights on national championship, not conference

By Micah Woodard
Sports Editor

The Lions men's lacrosse squad has won four consecutive conference championships, but the players want more.

"We're not satisfied with just winning the conference tournament," senior captain Michael Coursault said. "We want to go all the way this year."

To go all the way, the Lions would have to win the Men's Collegiate Lacrosse Association (MCLA) national tournament in May.

Lindenwood has made the MCLA tournament four straight years but has never advanced past the first round.

The Lions went 14-7 last year and won the Great Rivers Lacrosse Conference (GRLC) tournament.

The team was forced to retool this season after graduating 11 students from last year's squad, including several captains and offensive stars.

Nevertheless, Coursault said this team is stronger than last year's.

"We have some great players with great potential," said Coursault, who is

entering his fourth season. He received First Team All-American honors last season.

The 2008 Lions were led by their top short-stick defender, Pete Frisella, who graduated.

"He was a great captain, a leader," Coursault said.

But Frisella's replacement, junior midfielder Grant Perkins, is "more than adequate to step into that role," Head Coach Troy Hood said. "He has shown that he is more than capable of that."

The Lions also lost Jonathon Diplock, an All-American scoring star, who returned to school in his native Canada.

"We'll more than make up for that [loss]," he said, citing the Lions' new transfer student, junior midfielder Sam Spallitta.

Coursault called Spallitta a great player.

"He's a big, strong kid, and he knows lacrosse really well," he said.

The Lions' offense also will be led by graduate student Chris Jehling, whose strength is mental awareness.

"He gives us a presence on attack.

He's a very smart player," Hood said. "It's almost like having a coach on the field."

Coursault agreed. "He has a high level lacrosse IQ," he said. "He's almost like the quarterback of our offense."

And Jehling will lead a new offense with a revamped scheme and a new philosophy.

Last season the Lions ran a power offense and relied on one-on-one matchups from offensive playmakers. However, with more depth and an overall faster team this year, the Lions will rely on their transition game and movement off the ball.

"It's more of a team concept," Hood said.

Team unity and chemistry are focal points for the coaching staff, and the players have implemented the ideas effectively.

"You can talk until you're blue in the face about team unity, but the team has embraced it," Hood said. "This is about all of us."



Legacy photo by M. E. Brown

A Lion cradles the ball in a scrimmage held against SLU on Feb. 15



Legacy photo by M. E. Brown

Veteran left winger Keith Tkachuk signs a jersey for Jacob Bunting at the Lindenwood Ice Arena on Feb. 12.

Blues autograph at local rinks

By Megan Brown
Staff Reporter

“So who do you think is more excited to meet Keith?” asked Lake St. Louis resident Doug Bunting.

Without a second thought, his 12-year-old son, Jacob, flung his hand into the air. Shaking his head, 23-year-old Lindenwood student Michael Rasnic looked at Jacob in disbelief.

The “Keith” they were referring to was Keith Tkachuk, veteran member of the St. Louis Blues.

On Feb. 8, hockey fans had the opportunity to meet Tkachuk and other Blues players at 10 rinks across the St. Louis area.

At the Lindenwood Ice arena in Wentzville, enthusiasts lined up for several hours before the scheduled arrival of Tkachuk and right winger B. J. Crombeen.

“Oh gosh, there were 200 [people], easy,” said Rick Pratt, a general manager. The arena also hosted Blues members last year.

The Blues have always been known for their connection to their fan base, made evident by their open practices at St. Louis Mills Ice Zone and their alumni Blues game against LU on Feb. 22.

After signing autographs for less than two hours, the two players traveled to Chesterfield. They went to Hardee’s Iceplex, which hosts the

St. Louis Bandits, a junior ice hockey team, co-owned and managed by Kelly Chase, former Blues player and radio sports announcer.

Since Tkachuk’s son plays on the Bandits team, “he’s out here all the time,” said Eric Finch, assistant manager at the Hardee’s Iceplex.

Also at the Iceplex were fellow teammates Dan Hinote, T. J. Oshie and David Backes. This crowd was much larger with over 700 fans.

At one point, Chase and the Iceplex management tried to cut off the line.

However, the players continued signing, eventually getting up from their table to meet people.

SCOREBOARD

Men’s Hockey

Sep 26- North Dakota State, W 15-2
Sep 27- North Dakota State, W 10-1
Sep 28- North Dakota State, W 15-1
Oct 3- Central Oklahoma, W 7-1
Oct 4- Central Oklahoma, W 2-1
Oct 10- Ohio, W 6-2
Oct 11- Ohio, W 5-1
Oct 12- John Carroll, W 12-0
Oct 16- Saint Louis (Mo.) W 8-1
Oct 17- Saint Louis (Mo.) W 6-1
Oct 24- Iowa State, W 4-3
Oct 25- Iowa State, L 4-3
Oct 31- Liberty (Va.) L 5-4
Nov 1- Liberty (Va.) W 6-1
Nov 7- Western Michigan, W 9-2
Nov 8- Western Michigan, W 8-4
Nov 14- Eastern Michigan, W 12-2
Nov 15- Eastern Michigan, W 7-5
Nov 21- Illinois, L 4-0
Nov 22- Illinois, W 5-0
Nov 28- Oklahoma, W 5-3
Nov 29- Oklahoma, W 4-3
Dec 5- Kent State (Ohio) W 4-1
Dec 6- Kent State (Ohio) W 6-0
Jan 9- Oklahoma, W 6-1
Jan 10- Oklahoma, W 4-1
Jan 16- Robert Morris, W 3-0
Jan 17- Robert Morris, W 10-0
Jan 23- Michigan-Dearborn, W 14-3
Jan 24- Michigan-Dearborn, W 7-1
Jan 30- Minot State (N.D.) W 5-2
Jan 31- Minot State (N.D.) W 10-3
Feb 1- Minot State (N.D.) W 8-0
Feb 6- Arizona State, W 15-1
Feb 7- Arizona State W 6-1

Feb 13- Illinois W 4-1
Feb 14- Illinois W 4-0
Feb 20- Robert Morris W 5-1
Feb 21- Robert Morris (Ill.) W 6-1

ACHA Standings

School, W-L-SOL-OTL-Pts

Lindenwood 34-2-1-0-69
Iowa State University 31-8-2-0-64
Illinois 23-7-0-1-47
Michigan-Dearborn 22-17-1-1-46
Ohio 20-12-2-0-43
Kent State 20-14-1-0-41
Eastern Michigan 16-19-4-1-37
Robert Morris 13-20-2-1-29
Western Michigan 13-15-1-1-28

Team Leaders

Goals
Chad Boeckman- 28
Jake Ebner- 28
Carson Hamill- 25

Assists
Henri St. Arnault- 45
Steve Balint- 40
Kyle Bailey- 34

Points
Henri St. Arnault- 64
Steve Balint- 61
Chad Boeckman- 59

Women’s Ice Hockey

Sep 26- Grand Valley State (Mich.) W 9-1

Sep 27- Grand Valley State (Mich.) W 10-2
Oct 3- Robert Morris (Ill.) L 1-0
Oct 4- Robert Morris (Ill.) W 4-1
Oct 11- Michigan W 10-0
Oct 12- Michigan W 6-0
Oct 18- Michigan State, T 1-1
Oct 19- Michigan State T 3-3
Nov 1- St. Benedict (Minn.) L 3-0
Nov 2- St. Benedict (Minn.) W 5-2
Nov 8- Ohio State, W 3-1
Nov 9- Ohio State, W 4-1
Nov 15- Northern Mich., W 12-0
Nov 16- Northern Mich., W 10-0
Nov 22- Liberty (Va.) W 4-1
Nov 23- Liberty (Va.) W 7-1
Jan 10- Saint Mary’s, L 3-2
Jan 11- Saint Mary’s, W 3-1
Jan 13- Rhode Island, W 4-1
Jan 14- Rhode Island, T 0-0
Jan 15- Rhode Island, W 3-2
Jan 16- Robert Morris, W 3-2
Jan 17- Robert Morris, W 3-2
Jan 24- Western Michigan, W 13-0
Jan 25- Western Michigan, W 12-1
Feb 7- Arizona State W 1-0
Feb 13- Illinois W 1-0
Feb 14- Illinois W 6-1
Feb 20- Robert Morris W 9-3

CCWHA Standings

School, W-L-T-OTL-Pts
Lindenwood 21-1-3-0-45
Michigan State 20-3-3-0-43
Grand Valley State 12-7-0-0-24
Michigan 11-11-1-0-23
Western Michigan 5-13-0-0-11
Ohio State 2-16-3-1-7

Northern Michigan 0-16-2-0-2

Team Leaders

Goals
Mandy Dion- 30
Alexandra Johansson- 17
Ashley Rebeck- 12

Assists
Shannon Murphy - 20
Mandy Dion- 19
Lisa Moreau - 14

Goaltending
Becca Bernet- 10-2-1, 1.39 GAA
Alexa Bauer- 5-0-2, 1.03 GAA
Lori Barton - 4-0-0, .57 GAA

Men’s/ Women’s Table Tennis

Sep 6- Lindenwood September Open
Sep 20- Badger Open
Oct 11- Bernard Hock Open
Oct 19- Rockford Hills Open
Nov 9- NCTTA Midwest Fall Regional
Nov 15- Butterfly/South Shore Open TBD
Feb 8 TBD NCTTA Midwest Spring Regional
Feb 14 TBD Macy Block Giant RR Open
Feb 21 TBD ACUI Region 11 Singles
Mar 7 TBD Killerspin Arnold Challenge (March 7-8)
Mar 21 TBD Lindenwood March Open (March 21-22)
Apr 2 TBD NCTTA National Championship
May 2 TBD St. Joe Valley Open (May 2-3)

Women’s Wrestling

Sep 19- World Team Trials
Oct 4- Oklahoma City L 44-2
Oct 4- U.S. Olympic Education Center L 6-34
Oct 4- Oklahoma City Blue, L 28-7
Oct 25- Wisconsin-River Falls W 39-4
Oct 25- Missouri Baptist W 25-7
Oct 29- Black and Gold Scrimmage Home Scrimmage
Nov 15- Missouri Valley Tournament, L 40-4
Dec 3- Missouri Valley, L 22-20
Jan 10- Cliff Keen National Duals, L 34-7
Jan 11- Pacific, W 26-5
Jan 11- Jamestown, L 34-9
Jan 16- Oklahoma City, L 45-1
Jan 21- Missouri Valley, L 30-13
Jan 31- WCWA College Nationals, 8th
Mar 9- University Nationals
Mar 22 TBD US Senior Nationals Away
May 15- USA Bodybar Open

Men’s Basketball

Oct 31- Doane (Doane Classic) W 71-63
Nov 1- Hastings (Doane Classic) W 82-68
Nov 3- St. Louis College of Pharmacy, W 90-40
Nov 5- McKendree (Ill.) L 82-77
Nov 7- Northwestern Oklahoma, L 62-58
Nov 8- Northern New Mexico W 80-59
Nov 14- Taylor, W 74-59
Nov 15- Missouri Baptist, L 93-101
Nov 21- Tabor, W 86-67
Nov 22- Sterling, W 80-62
Dec 4- Culver-Stockton, W 69-58
Dec 6- Baker (Kan.) W 90-62
Dec 11- Evangel, W 68-65
Jan 8- Missouri Valley W 78-73
Jan 10- Graceland (Iowa) W 84-70
Jan 12- Avila, L 86-90
Jan 15- Central Methodist, L 78-65
Jan 17- MidAmerica Nazarene (Kan.) L 87-49
Jan 19- Benedictine (Kan.) W 74-70
Jan 24- William Jewell, L 85-71
Jan 29- Culver-Stockton, W 72-69
Jan 31- Baker (Kan.) L 77-74
Feb 5- Evangel (Mo.) L 81-68
Feb 7- Benedictine (Kan.) W 63-60
Feb 12- Missouri Valley W 62-57
Feb 14- Graceland (Iowa) W 96-89
Feb 16- Avila W 79-68
Feb 19- Central Methodist L 71-66
Feb 21- MidAmerica Nazarene (Kan.) L 73-60
Feb 28- William Jewell

HAAC Standings

School, HAAC record, Overall
MidAmerica Nazarene 16-1, 20-7
Central Methodist 15-4, 24-5
Evangel 13-5, 19-8
William Jewell 12-6, 19-9
Lindenwood 11-8, 18-11
Avila 7-11, 11-17
Benedictine 6-11, 8-16
Missouri Valley 6-12, 11-15
Baker 6-12, 8-20
Culver-Stockton 5-13, 5-23
Graceland 2-16, 5-23

Team Leaders

Points per game
Toriano Adams 13.5
Richard Rose 13.0

Mariano Bowles 11.9

Rebounds per game

Toriano Adams 10.3
Mariano Bowles 6.8
Shane Williams 4.4

3-Point Percentage

Tyler Donaldson .750
Jason Schneider .423
Brandon Kunkel .415

Free Throw Percentage

Brandon Kunkel .861
Mark Budde .813
Richard Rose .795

Women’s Basketball

Nov 1- Hannibal, W 73-61
Nov 4- Lincoln Scrimmage
Nov 8- St. Louis College of Pharmacy W 92-45
Nov 11- McKendree (Ill.) W 77-59
Nov 14- Lambuth L 54-109
Nov 15- Union L 51-99
Nov 18- Missouri Baptist 7 p.m. L 61-71
Nov 21- Cardinal Strich 4 p.m. L 80-89
Nov 22- Coe 1 p.m. W 74-65
Dec 1- William Woods 5 p.m. L 64-70
Dec 4- Culver-Stockton 5:30 p.m. W 74-56
Dec 6- Baker (Kan.) 5:30 p.m. L 54-71
Dec 11- Evangel 5:30 p.m. L 56-73
Jan 8- Missouri Valley 5:30 p.m. W 75-62
Jan 10- Graceland (Iowa) 2 p.m. W 79-68
Jan 12- Avila 5:30 p.m. L 49-63
Jan 15- Central Methodist 5:30 p.m. W 69-65
Jan 17- MidAmerica Nazarene (Kan.) 2 p.m. L 60-74
Jan 19- Benedictine (Kan.) 5:00 p.m. W 65-64
Jan 24- William Jewell, L 57-99
Jan 29- Culver-Stockton, W 67-53
Jan 31- Baker (Kan.) L 66-77
Feb 5- Evangel, L 53-72
Feb 7- Benedictine (Kan.) L 59-80
Feb 12- Missouri Valley W 77-63
Feb 14- Graceland (Iowa) W 84-75
Feb 16- Avila L 84-65
Feb 19- Central Methodist W 59-54
Feb 21- MidAmerica Nazarene (Kan.) L 74-58
Feb 28- William Jewell 2 p.m.

HAAC Standings

School, HAAC record, Overall
Evangel 15-3, 18-9
Benedictine 14-3, 19-8
Avila 14-4, 22-5
William Jewell 14-4, 20-8
MidAmerica Nazarene 12-5, 18-9
Lindenwood 9-10, 14-14
Baker 8-10, 14-14
Central Methodist 6-13, 9-19
Graceland 3-15, 5-18
Culver-Stockton 2-16, 5-20
Missouri Valley 2-16, 3-26

Team Leaders

Points per game
Natalie Hooss 13.8
Shay Chin 9.4
Sarah Schnieders 9.2

Rebounds per game

Shay Chin 9.7
Gabriella Green 6.0
Natalie Hooss 5.2

3-Point Percentage

Arista Waite .500
Kiara Smith .500
Sarah Schnieders .379

Free Throw Percentage

Natalie Hooss .789
Lynsey Siebert .727
Cassie Morton .700

Men’s Wrestling

Oct 29- Black and Gold Scrimmage
Nov 1- Lindenwood Open
Nov 8- Wisconsin-Stevens Point Open
Nov 15- Iowa State Open
Nov 23- Missouri Open
Dec 6- Wisconsin-Parkside Open
Jan 9- NWCA/NAIA National Duals
Jan 17- Nebraska-Omaha Glen Brand Open
Jan 21- SIU-Edwardsville
Feb 4- Truman
Feb 7- Missouri Valley Open
Feb 21- NAIA Regional Tournament
Mar 5- NAIA National Championship

Men’s Roller Hockey

Nov 1- St. Louis CC (Mo.) W 10-0
Nov 1- Missouri, W 8-0
Nov 2- Truman (Mo.) W 11-1
Nov 2- Missouri S&T, W 11-1
Nov 15- Missouri-St. Louis, W 4-2
Nov 15- Missouri State, W 10-0
Nov 16- Illinois State, W 10-0
Jan 24- Great Plains Season Weekend, W 12-2, W 4-3, W 16-7

Jan 31- Mt. Pleasant Event, W 8-1, W 10-5

Feb 1- Buffalo (N.Y.) W 7-5
Feb 7- Great Plains Season Weekend, W 10-2, W 6-3
Feb 21- Great Plains Season Weekend W 11-1, W 5-4, W 13-3
Feb 28- Great Plains Season/Regional Weekend
Apr 2- Collegiate Roller Hockey Championship

GPCIHL Standings

School, W-L-T-Pts
Lindenwood 20-0-0-40
UMSL 13-4-0-26
Mizzou 8-5-1-17
Missouri S&T 5-11-1-11

Team Leaders

Goals
Brandon Barnette- 28
Travis Fudge- 25
Sean Sullivan- 24

Assists
Brandon Barnette- 29
Kyle Gouge- 27
Jeff Hill- 18

Points
Brandon Barnette- 57
Kyle Gouge- 41
Travis Fudge- 44

Goaltending
Dave Thomas- 11-0-0, 1.88 GAA
Jason Ceballos- 8-0-0, 1.36 GAA
Marcus Rogers- 3-0-0, 3.33 GAA

Men’s Volleyball

Jan 23- Lewis (Ill.) L 3-2
Jan 24- Carthage (Wis.) W 3-2
Jan 27- Hannibal-LaGrange, W 3-0
Feb 4- Missouri Valley, W 3-0
Feb 6- Lindenwood Tournament, W 3-0, W 3-2, W 3-2, W 3-0
Feb 10- Missouri Valley W 3-0
Feb 13- Park W 3-1
Feb 14- Graceland (Iowa) W 3-1
Feb 18- Hope International (Calif.) W 3-1
Feb 19- California Baptist L 3-1
Feb 20- California Baptist L 3-0
Feb 21- California-Santa Cruz W 3-1
Feb 24- Missouri Baptist 7:30 p.m.
Feb 26- Quincy (Ill.) 5 p.m.
Feb 27- Park Tournament TBD
Mar 3- Johnson & Wales (Colo.) 7 p.m.
Mar 4- Johnson & Wales (Colo.) TBD
Mar 6- Carthage (Wis.) 7 p.m.
Mar 7- Cardinal Strich (Wis.) 11 a.m.
Mar 7- Siena Heights (Mich.) 1 p.m.
Mar 11- Park 7 p.m.
Mar 13- Clarke Tournament TBD
Mar 17- Missouri Baptist 7:30 p.m.
Mar 19- Quincy (Ill.) 7 p.m.
Mar 24- Hannibal-LaGrange 4 p.m.
Mar 25- Graceland (Iowa)
Apr 3- MAMVIC West Tournament
Apr 15- NAIA National Tournament

Men’s Golf

Sep 1- Missouri Intercollegiate, 3rd
Sep 13- Mt. Mercy College Classic, 2nd
Sep 22- Lindenwood Fall Invitational, 11th
Oct 3- Delta State Invitational, 5th
Oct 13- Illinois State Invitational, 13th
Oct 23- NAIA Preview Invitational, 1st
Nov 3- Mobile Fall Classic, 4th
Feb 16- Arizona Intercollegiate
Mar 2- Spring Hill Invitational
Mar 9- Rome News-Tribune Invitational
Mar 30- Kentucky Intercollegiate
Apr- Indiana Wesleyan Invitational
Apr 13- Brickyard Classic
Apr 22- Baker Spring Invitational
May 4- HAAC Championship
May 19- NAIA National Championship

Women’s Golf

Sep 14- Western Illinois Tournament, 9th
Sep 21- Southern Indiana Tournament, 7th
Sep 27- Millikin Tournament, 2nd
Oct 6- UMSL/Washington Tournament, 6th
Oct 12- Maryville Tournament, 1st
Oct 27- Lindenwood Fall Invitational, 1st
Nov 3- Mobile Fall Classic, 3rd
Mar 2- Mobile Invitational
Mar 29- Maryville Invitational
Apr 1- William Woods Invitational
Apr 3- Truman Invitational
Apr 6- Missouri Valley Invitational
Apr 18- Brickyard Invitational
May 12- NAIA National Championship

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Young Lady Lions kick off lacrosse season



Courtesy photo

Senior goalie Amanda Shapiro attempts a save against Colorado State.

By Aisha Foster
Staff Reporter

The Lindenwood women's lacrosse players kicked off their 2009 season on Feb. 13 at the Santa Barbara Shootout.

The Lady Lions went 2-2, defeating Arizona 14-7 and 24th-ranked UC-San Diego 13-4, but they fell against fourth-ranked Cal Poly 11-9 on Saturday and Brigham Young 6-1.

Against UC-San Diego, Eleni Papadakos scored five goals and had one assist, and Lauren Garrett, Justiene Groothuis and Danielle Poe each scored two. Maguire Padley and Laura Boland netted one goal each. Goalie Amanda Shapiro made six

saves.

Boland scored four goals against Arizona, Groothuis netted three, Kelsey Anderson, Garrett and Papadakos each scored two goals and Padley and Barron sent one goal past the goalkeeper. Shapiro made eight saves. Against Brigham Young University, Papadakos scored the lone goal for Lindenwood.

Head coach Jack Cribbin has described his team as young and full of potential. There are 23 players on the

team, 11 freshmen. "The team is young and talented, always playing with heart and intensity," said Cribbin. He expressed high hopes for the team this season, coming off the success of last season.

The team ended the 2008 campaign with a final record of 16-10 and was ranked as high as No. 7 in the country – a school record. The Lions had a 4-0 CPWLL Conference record in '08, winning their second consecutive conference title.

Cribbin said that his team has a very positive attitude and is very diverse, with players from other states and other countries. He said the chemistry and dynamic of the team this season is very inspiring.

"There are no huge egos, the players all get along, motivate each other, cheer each other on and most importantly, they always have fun," said Cribbin.

Although the team is still early in the season, Cribbin is extremely satisfied with his team thus far. "The girls are quick learners and they work very hard to accomplish their goals, both athletically and academically. They have exceeded our expectations," he said.

"The team is young and talented, always playing with heart and intensity."

—Coach Cribbin

SCOREBOARD

Men's Baseball

Feb 13- TBA (College of the Ozark Tournament) Cancelled
Feb 14- College of the Ozark, Cancelled
Feb 14- Hastings (Neb.) Cancelled
Feb 20- Freed-Hardeman, W 10-6
Feb 20- Freed-Hardeman, W 6-4
Feb 22- Freed-Hardeman 12 p.m.
Feb 28- Spring Arbor (Mich.) 10 a.m.
Feb 28- Campbellsville (Ky.) 12:30 p.m.
Mar 1- Campbellsville (Ky.) 1 p.m.
Mar 7- Benedictine (Kan.) 1 p.m.
Mar 7- Benedictine (Kan.) 3 p.m.
Mar 8- Benedictine (Kan.) 1 p.m.
Mar 8- Benedictine (Kan.) 3 p.m.
Mar 14- Graceland (Iowa) 1 p.m.
Mar 14- Graceland (Iowa) 3 p.m.
Mar 15- Graceland (Iowa) 1 p.m.
Mar 15- Graceland (Iowa) 3 p.m.
Mar 17- William Jewell 1 p.m.
Mar 17- William Jewell 3 p.m.
Mar 20- MidAmerica Nazarene (Kan.) 1 p.m.
Mar 20- MidAmerica Nazarene (Kan.) 3 p.m.
Mar 21- MidAmerica Nazarene (Kan.) 1 p.m.
Mar 21- MidAmerica Nazarene (Kan.) 3 p.m.
Mar 22- McKendree (Ill.) 1 p.m.
Mar 25- Baker (Kan.) 1 p.m.
Mar 25- Baker (Kan.) 3 p.m.
Mar 28- Culver-Stockton (Mo.) 1 p.m.
Mar 28- Culver-Stockton (Mo.) 3 p.m.
Mar 29- Culver-Stockton (Mo.) 1 p.m.
Mar 29- Culver-Stockton (Mo.) 3 p.m.
Mar 31- Avila (Mo.) 1 p.m.
Mar 31- Avila (Mo.) 3 p.m.
Apr 1- William Woods (Mo.) 3 p.m.
Apr 4- Central Methodist 1 p.m.
Apr 4- Central Methodist 3 p.m.
Apr 5- Central Methodist 1 p.m.
Apr 5- Central Methodist 3 p.m.
Apr 8- William Jewell (Mo.) 1 p.m.
Apr 8- William Jewell (Mo.) 3 p.m.
Apr 10- Crichton (Tenn.) 3 p.m.
Apr 11- Crichton (Tenn.) 12 p.m.
Apr 14- Baker (Kan.) 1 p.m.
Apr 14- Baker (Kan.) 3 p.m.
Apr 18- Missouri Valley 1 p.m.
Apr 18- Missouri Valley 3 p.m.
Apr 19- Missouri Valley 1 p.m.
Apr 19- Missouri Valley 3 p.m.
Apr 22- Avila (Mo.) 1 p.m.
Apr 22- Avila (Mo.) 3 p.m.
Apr 24- Evangel (Mo.) 1 p.m.
Apr 24- Evangel (Mo.) 3 p.m.
Apr 25- Evangel (Mo.) 1 p.m.
Apr 25- Evangel (Mo.) 3 p.m.

HAAC Standings

School, Overall Record
Lindenwood 2-0
William Jewell 6-2
Benedictine 4-2

Evangel 4-3
MidAmerica Nazarene 1-1
Culver-Stockton 3-4
Graceland 2-5
Avila 0-0
Central Methodist 0-0
Missouri Valley 0-0
Baker 0-1

Men's/Women's Track and Field

Dec 5- Saluki Fast Start
Dec 28- Springfield Half-Marathon
Jan 9- Missouri Invitational
Jan 16- SIU-Carbondale Invitational
Jan 23- Iowa State Open
Jan 24- Illinois College Open
Jan 30- Northern Iowa Invitational
Jan 31- Illinois Wesleyan Open
Feb 6- Mule Relays
Feb 14- Indiana Wesleyan Invitational
Feb 14- Missouri Valley Race Walk
Feb 14- Azusa Pacific Invitational
Feb 20- HAAC Championships, 1st/1st
Mar 5- NAAIA Indoor Championships
Mar 21- Central Methodist Open
Mar 27- Missouri Relays
Mar 27- Rice Classic
Apr 1- Texas Relays
Apr 3- Eastern Illinois Classic
Apr 11- Emporia State Open
Apr 11- SIU-Edwardsville Classic
Apr 16- Kansas Relays
Apr 18- Culver-Stockton Invitational
Apr 23- Drake Relays
May 1- HAAC Championships
May 7- North Central Invitational
May 9- Lindenwood Invitational
May 21- NAAIA Outdoor Championships

Men's Lacrosse

Feb 13- Fontbonne (Mo.) Scrimmage
Feb 21- Clemson (S.C.) 1 p.m.
Feb 22- Hartford Community College (Md.) W 22-0
Feb 27- Texas A&M 7 p.m.
Mar 1- Southern Methodist (Texas) 12 p.m.
Mar 6- Missouri 7 p.m.
Mar 8- Carthage (Wis.) 1 p.m.
Mar 12- Utah 7 p.m.
Mar 15- Indiana 1 p.m.
Mar 16- Texas State 7 p.m.
Mar 20- Michigan State 7 p.m.
Mar 22- Texas Tech 1 p.m.
Mar 26- Missouri Baptist 7 p.m.
Apr 9- Colorado 7 p.m.
Apr 11- Colorado State 1 p.m.
Apr 17- Illinois 7 p.m.
Apr 19- Kansas 2 p.m.
Apr 24- Illinois State 7:30 p.m.
Apr 26- Purdue (Ind.) 12 p.m.
May 2- GRLLC Conference Tournament
May 12- MCLA National Tournament

MCLA Standings

Lindenwood 1-0
Illinois State 0-0
Purdue 0-0
Illinois 0-0
Indiana 0-0
Kansas 0-0
Missouri 0-0

Women's Lacrosse

Feb 13- BYU (Santa Barbara Shootout) L 6-1
Feb 13- Arizona (Santa Barbara Shootout) W 14-7
Feb 14- Cal Poly San Luis Obispo (Santa Barbara Shootout) L 11-9
Feb 15- UC-San Diego (Santa Barbara Shootout) W 13-4
Feb 21- Central Michigan, W 10-2
Feb 21- Robert Morris (Ill.) W 14-0
Feb 27- TBA (A-Town Throw Down) TBD
Feb 28- TBA (A-Town Throw Down) TBD
Mar 1- TBA (A-Town Throw Down) TBD
Mar 7- Notre Dame (Ohio) 1 p.m.
Mar 10- Baylor (Texas) 1 p.m.
Mar 14- Dayton (Ohio) 11 a.m.
Mar 14- Illinois 3 p.m.
Mar 18- Savannah Art & Design (Ga.) 7 p.m.
Mar 21- Wheaton (Ill.) 11 a.m.
Mar 2- Oakland (Mich.) 3 p.m.
Apr 4- Miami (Ohio) TBD
Apr 4- Kentucky TBD
Apr 9- Colorado TBD
Apr 11- Colorado State TBD
Apr 18- WCLL Championship
May 6- WDIA National Championship

WCLL Standings

W-L-T-Points
Pittsburgh 5-2-0-10
Lindenwood 4-2-0-8
Michigan 4-2-0-8
Ohio State 2-1-0-4
Miami (OH) 2-2-0-4
Kentucky 1-1-0-2
Central Michigan 1-2-0-2
John Carroll 1-2-0-2
Calvin College 0-0-0-0
Marquette 0-0-0-0
Michigan State 0-0-0-0
Northwestern 0-0-0-0
Buffalo 0-0-0-0
Chicago 0-0-0-0
Dayton 0-0-0-0
Illinois 0-0-0-0
Toledo 0-0-0-0
University of Wisconsin 0-0-0-0
Wheaton College 0-0-0-0

Women's Water Polo

Jan 30- Wheaton Tournament
Mar 7- Grinnell Tournament
Mar 28- Miami (Ohio) Tournament
Apr 18- Heartland Division Championship
May 2- CWPA Collegiate Club Championship

Women's Softball

Feb 13- Belhaven (Belhaven Tournament) L 5-3
Feb 14- Union (Belhaven Tournament) L 8-6
Feb 14- Belhaven (Belhaven Tournament) L 9-7
Feb 14- Mid-Continent (Belhaven Tournament) W 4-2
Feb 14- Mid-Continent (Belhaven Tournament) W 9-1
Feb 18- Missouri S&T, W 2-1
Feb 18- Missouri S&T, L 2-1
Feb 20- Briar Cliff (Iowa) W 5-4
Feb 21- Briar Cliff (Iowa) L 7-5
Feb 27- Olivet Nazarene (Ill.) 2 p.m.
Feb 27- Indiana Tech 4 p.m.
Feb 28- Olivet Nazarene (Ill.) 12 p.m.
Feb 28- Indiana Tech 2 p.m.
Mar 6- Belhaven Tournament
Mar 10- Missouri-St. Louis (Mo.) 4 p.m.
Mar 10- Missouri-St. Louis (Mo.) 6 p.m.
Mar 13- Williams Baptist (Ark.) 1 p.m.
Mar 13- Williams Baptist (Ark.) 3 p.m.
Mar 14- Graceland (Iowa) 12 p.m.
Mar 14- Graceland (Iowa) 2 p.m.
Mar 17- Ashford (Iowa) 4 p.m.
Mar 17- Ashford (Iowa) 6 p.m.
Mar 19- Harris-Stowe 4 p.m.
Mar 19- Harris-Stowe 6 p.m.
Mar 25- Benedictine 3 p.m.
Mar 25- Benedictine 5 p.m.
Mar 26- McKendree 2 p.m.
Mar 26- McKendree 4 p.m.
Mar 28- William Jewell (Mo.) 12 p.m.
Mar 28- William Jewell (Mo.) 2 p.m.
Mar 29- Baker 12 p.m.
Mar 29- Baker 2 p.m.
Mar 31- Alcorn State (Miss.) 1 p.m.
Apr 1- Louisiana 6 p.m.
Apr 1- Louisiana 8 p.m.
Apr 2- LSU-Alexandria 4 p.m.
Apr 2- LSU-Alexandria 6 p.m.
Apr 3- Mississippi Valley State 3 p.m.
Apr 3- Mississippi Valley State 5 p.m.
Apr 4- Lambuth (Tenn.) 3 p.m.
Apr 4- Lambuth (Tenn.) 5 p.m.
Apr 7- Illinois-Springfield 2 p.m.
Apr 7- Illinois-Springfield 4 p.m.
Apr 8- Central Methodist 4 p.m.
Apr 8- Central Methodist 6 p.m.
Apr 10- Iowa Wesleyan Tournament
Apr 14- Evangel 3 p.m.
Apr 14- Evangel 5 p.m.
Apr 15- Missouri Valley 4 p.m.
Apr 15- Missouri Valley 6 p.m.
Apr 16- McKendree 4 p.m.
Apr 16- McKendree 6 p.m.
Apr 18- MidAmerica Nazarene 1 p.m.
Apr 18- MidAmerica Nazarene 3 p.m.

HAAC Standings

Apr 19- Avila 1 p.m.
Apr 19- Avila 3 p.m.
Apr 21- Culver-Stockton 5 p.m.
Apr 21- Culver-Stockton 7 p.m.
Apr 22- Missouri Baptist 5 p.m.
Apr 22- Missouri Baptist 7 p.m.
Apr 24- HAAC Playoffs

HAAC Standings

School, Overall Record
Central Methodist 5-0
Evangel 6-3
MidAmerica Nazarene 2-2
Lindenwood 4-5
William Jewell 2-4
Missouri Valley 2-5
Avila 0-0
Benedictine 0-0
Culver-Stockton 0-0
Graceland 0-0
Baker 0-2

Team Leaders

Average
Kayla Murphy-.467
Jodi Urhahn-.429
Sophia Galati-.421

Home Runs

Dani Merli- 2
Jessica Long- 2
Kate Kolisch- 1

RBI

Dani Merli- 7
Jodi Urhahn- 7
Jessica Long- 4

Runs

Kayla Murphy- 6
Sam Van Pelt- 6
Jodi Urhahn- 5

W-L Record

Aubrey Moss- 1-0
Rebecca Peddicord- 2-2
Katy Wine- 1-3

ERA

Rebecca Peddicord- 3.50
Katy Wine- 3.78
Aubrey Moss- 4.48

K/9

Aubrey Moss- 11.07
Rebecca Peddicord- 8.68
Katy Wine- 2.70

WHIP

Rebecca Peddicord- 1.18
Katy Wine- 1.32
Aubrey Moss- 1.77

Innings Pitched

Rebecca Peddicord- 28.0
Aubrey Moss- 20.1

Katy Wine- 16.2

Synchronized Swimming

Jan 31- Ohio State/Incarname Word/ Miami, 1st
Feb 7- Jessica Beck Memorial, 2nd
Feb 14- Richmond (Va.)
Feb 15- William and Mary
Feb 21- Illinois/Ball State/Colorado State Home
Mar 7- Regional Championships
Mar 25- US Collegiate Championship

Men's/Women's Swimming and Diving

Oct 4- Intrasquad Meet
Oct 18- Show Me Invitational 5th/3rd
Oct 25- Rose Hulman Relays, 2nd/1st
Nov 1- Lindenwood Five Team Meet, 3rd/2nd
Nov 7- Missouri State L 67-44/ L 68-44
Nov 22- Washington Thanksgiving Classic, 3rd/3rd
Dec 5- Saint Louis, L 130-84/ L 143-72
Jan 9- Washington, L 137-81/ L 130-88
Jan 16- Washington Invitational 5th/4th
Jan 24- Lindenwood Four Team Meet, 4th/3rd
Jan 31- Monmouth Invitational, 2nd/4th
Feb 11- Liberal Arts Invitational, 2nd/2nd
Mar 4- NAAIA National Championships

Men's Tennis

Mar 7- Baker (Kan.) 1 p.m.
Mar 22- Illinois-Springfield 10 a.m.
Mar 30- Oklahoma Wesleyan 2 p.m.
Apr 1- Dallas Baptist (Texas) 2 p.m.
Apr 3- Oklahoma Christian 2 p.m.
Apr 4- Oklahoma Baptist 10 a.m.
Apr 7- Missouri Valley 3:30 p.m.
Apr 14- McKendree (Ill.) 3 p.m.
Apr 18- William Jewell (Mo.) 12 p.m.
Apr 19- Graceland (Iowa) 10 a.m.
Apr 24- HAAC Tournament (Apr. 24-25) TBD

Women's Tennis

Mar 7- Baker (Kan.) 1 p.m.
Mar 22- Illinois-Springfield 10 a.m.
Mar 30- Oklahoma Wesleyan 2 p.m.
Apr 1- Dallas Baptist (Texas) 2 p.m.
Apr 3- Oklahoma Christian 2 p.m.
Apr 4- Oklahoma Baptist 10 a.m.
Apr 7- Missouri Valley 3:30 p.m.
Apr 14- McKendree (Ill.) 3 p.m.
Apr 18- William Jewell (Mo.) 12 p.m.
Apr 19- Graceland (Iowa) 10 a.m.
Apr 24- HAAC Tournament (Apr. 24-25) TBD

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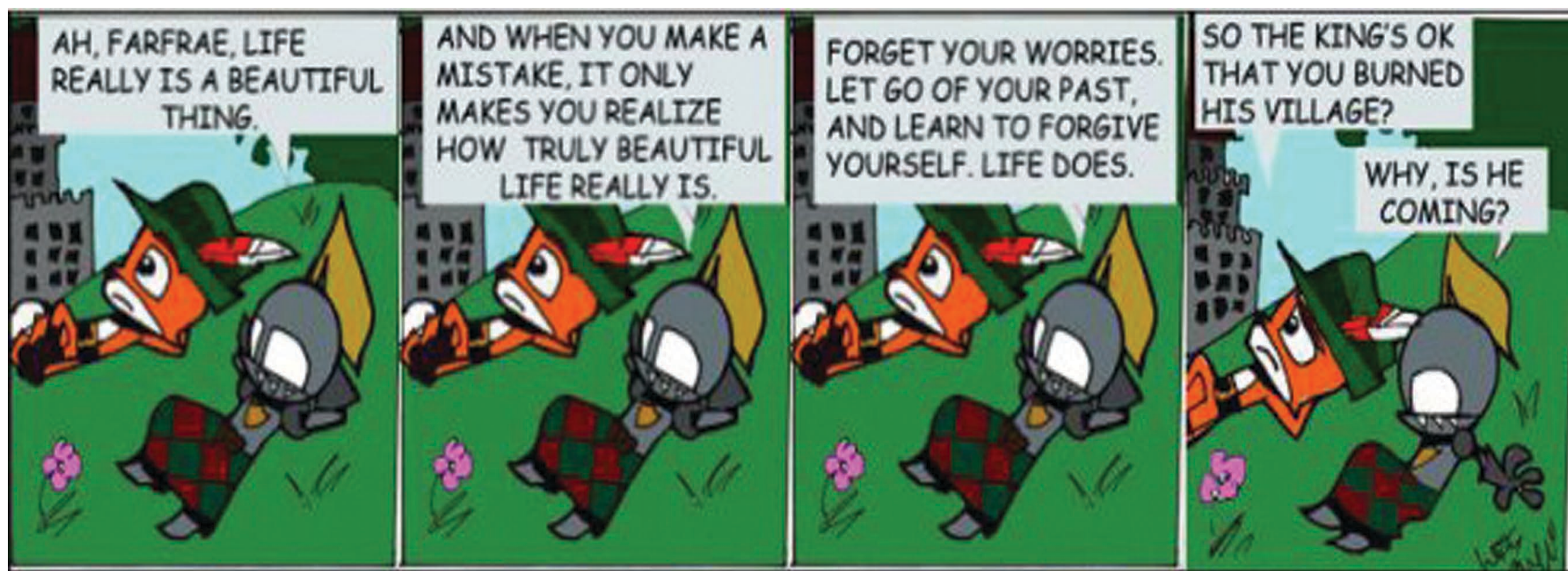
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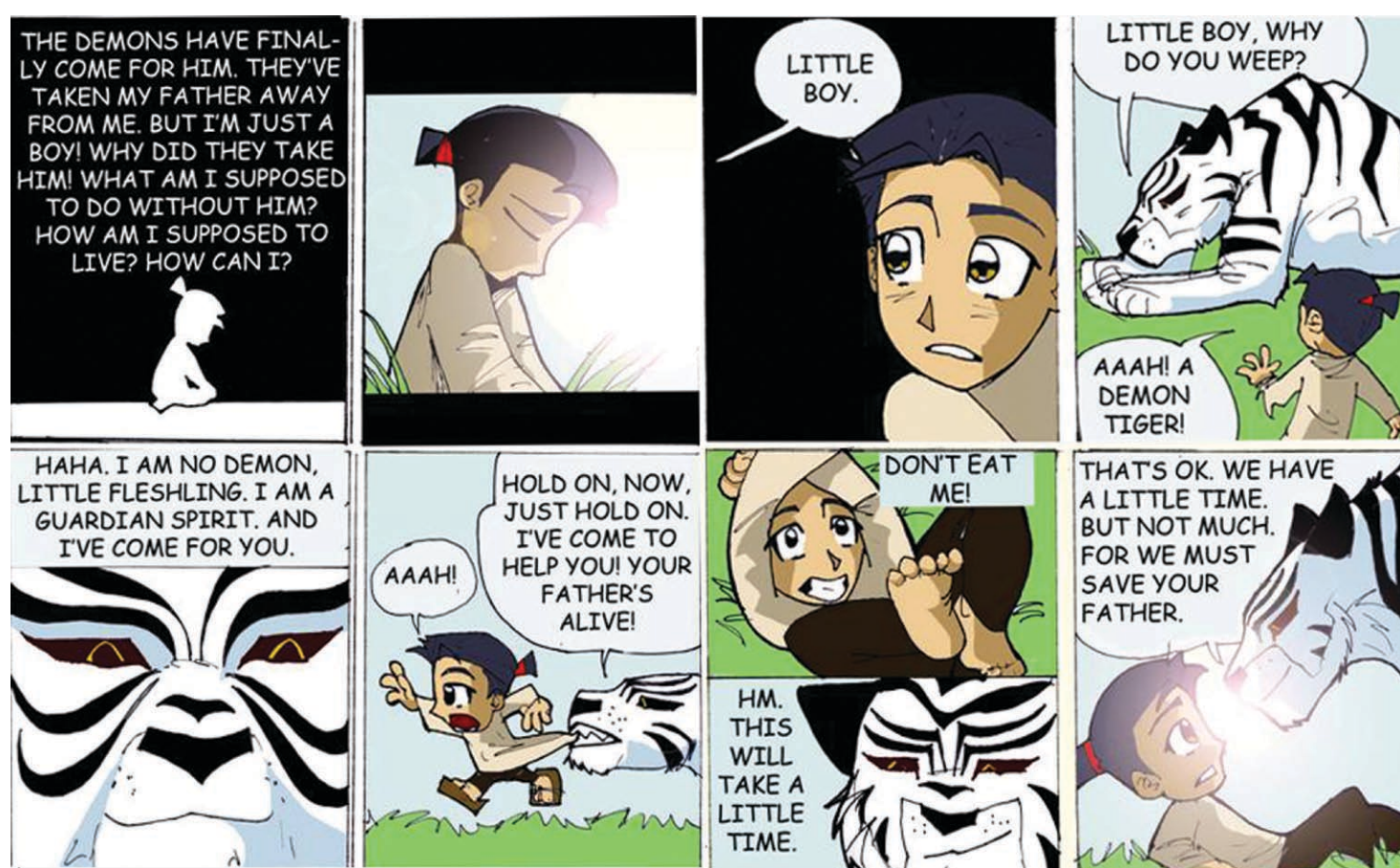


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'Annie' brings sunny thoughts

By Sara Meadows
Contributing Writer

When I pulled into school Tuesday morning, I could hardly contain myself. No, I wasn't excited about another long day in the classrooms. "Annie", the musical, had finally arrived.

Semi-trucks filled the side lots of the J. Scheidegger Center for Performing Arts, unloading tons of equipment and props that would eventually come together for the performance that night.

As my day went on, I couldn't wait for the excitement that would come that night.

Seeing "Annie" was a huge deal to me for many reasons.

As a young child I grew up watching her over and over again. I would sing along with the movie and cry when it was over until my mother played it for me again.

I think that is when my obsession with "Annie" began.

I loved the music, the dancing, the laughs and the fact that children acted in it and I could somewhat relate to them since I was a child also.

Growing up, I shared my love for "Annie" with everyone I met. All of my friends like "Annie" because if they didn't, I didn't like them.

Now that I am in my twenties, I have finally gotten the chance to see Annie performed on stage, as I was eager to see it.

After a long day at school, I waited around for my fiancé

to join me.

After a few brief and heated conversations persuading him to come along, he gave in because he knew he was in a losing battle.

As the lights dimmed and the orchestra began to play, my face lit up like it did years ago.

I felt just like one of the children that were there beside me.

The opening scene took my breath away! The set was phenomenal! It was so detailed and looked so real.

Between the lights, acting, singing, props, and excitement in the theater, when the intermission came, I didn't want to get up.

I turned to my fiancé, and he just had a smile on his face. For someone that didn't want to come and had a closed mind, he sure was having fun.

When the intermission concluded, the second half began. It was just as jam-packed with entertainment as the first half was.

Finally, as the curtains closed and the crowd stood up to applaud. I looked down at my watch and couldn't believe my eyes. It was 10:30 p.m. Where had the time gone?

I had a long commute home and it was a rainy mess outside, what a bummer.

I then laughed and looked at my fiancé and said, "When the day is gray and lonely, just stick up your chin and grin, and say, the sun will come out tomorrow!"

'The Diviners' comes 'full circle' as play brings tears and laughter to audiences in black box theater

By Samantha Werbiski
Staff Writer

"The Diviners," a play set in rural Indiana during the era of the Great Depression, centers around the relationship between a mentally-impaired adolescent boy, Buddy Layman, and a young retired preacher, C.C. Showers.

The play began with Buddy and C.C. as they grasped on to each other's fingers. The viewer would soon recall the portrayal and understand its solemn, yet hopeful union.

The almost-bare set included a wooden structure depicting homes, stools for the diner, and a well. This smallness of set took nothing away from the plotline or the actors' comfort in portraying the citizens of a close community.

Joshua Payne, the actor that portrayed Buddy, illustrated the character's ear-

nest desire to be by his deceased mother's side and his humorous attempts at harmless mischief equally well. The dirt that clings to his body and his constant itch to scratch, as well as his keen sense for finding water and his fear of rain, are a few of the odd characteristics that Payne portrays.

C.C. Showers, played by Brian Kappler, transformed before the audience's eyes. The protection he gave Buddy was not that of a preacher, but of a man who knew what it was like not to use his words—the words he so clearly rambled on as a preacher, but did not understand. C.C. seemed to admire Buddy's innocence. Kappler presents a most genuine nature.

Despite the plot and depressing undertones, the play was filled with humor. The cast is filled with quirky characters, common and proper for a small

community.

Joseph Bayne plays Dewey Maples, the awkward and timid worker in love with Kimi Wibbenmeyer's character Darlene Henshaw. Dewey tries learning to dance to impress Darlene.

Luella Bennett, played by Hassie Davis, describes her miraculous bicycle fall and her encounter with C.C. which frequently and enthusiastically interrupted by Norma Henshaw (played by Taylor Lewis), the pushy religious fanatic.

The play forms a full circle. Buddy's eulogy is both an opening and closing act. His struggle to live against the element of water—the element that took his mother—is an inevitable fight.

Payne's acting is commendable throughout the play, especially his resistance to and embrace of water.

Classic's opening night proves a success; 3 more shows to go

By Stephanie Polizzi
Copy editor

The Lindenwood theater department had a successful opening night with its performance of "The Wizard of Oz" on Friday, Feb. 20. Musical performances included the classics such as "Somewhere Over the Rainbow."

These songs make "The Wizard of Oz" one of my favorites. As I watched, I felt transformed within me bringing me back to childhood, to the days of singing along with the music. The laughter continued during the performance. The intended comedic points throughout were well emphasized by ac-

tors and kept the audience entertained.

Throughout the performance, a Foy system was used. This system set the cast flying in and around the stage. During the tornado, Mrs. Gultch flew on her bike, Glenda flew in her bubble, and the monkeys flew in and snatched Dorothy up to fly her to the wicked witch. Later the wizard flew out of Oz in his hot air balloon. These effects were extremely essential to the overall appeal of the stage performance because the show wouldn't have been at the same level of entertainment without it.

The Lion, played by Michael Juncal, received a well-

deserved roar of applause before the closing curtain. Shortly after, the majority of the cast came together for one final performance of "Somewhere Over the Rainbow." The audience rose to their feet and applauded as the curtain was lowered and the lights came on.

Though there were some tiny bumps on the yellow brick road along the way, the overall performance was a hit. So if you're looking for something fun to do this upcoming Friday or Saturday, go see "The Wizard of Oz." There are three shows remaining at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and a matinee on Saturday at 2 p.m.



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