



Friday, February 12, 2016

- Congratulations to **Art and Susie Johnson** on the birth of a new grandchild, **Grady Ray**, 8lbs 7oz. We welcome the Lindenwood future Lion, class of 2034!
- The Lindenwood **Student Athletic Advisory Committee (SAAC)** is continuing to sell calendars to raise money for the Make-a-Wish Foundation. The group is also planning to host a “Make-A-Wish” night at the February 24 basketball games in which they will be granting a wish for a local child.
- The Lindenwood **Men’s and Women’s Swimming and Diving** teams were named College Swimming Coaches Association of America (CSCAA) Scholar All-American teams after both programs had over a 3.00 GPA for the fall semester. The women’s team ended the semester with a 3.43 GPA, which was 14th best in National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division II. The men’s team was ninth nationally with a 3.32 GPA.
- **Human Resources** has implemented a new training and development initiative that will include compliance, wellness, and safety skill development. The delivery of ongoing training and development will take many forms. For compliance and safety, we have selected SAFECOLLEGES training software. This is a very affordable, easy way to

deliver effective training and to be able to document our efforts for compliance purposes.

- Lindenwood School of Education Assistant Professor **Vanessa Cochran** [was interviewed on Fox 2 News February 1](#) to discuss her personal experiences with heart health. Cochran also wrote a [blog entry](#) about the subject for SSM Health.
- Lindenwood Belleville hosted “**A TASTE OF HOME**” celebration February 9 - February 13, to recognize and celebrate the many regions each student represents.
- Heart health is a significant issue nationally; however, this is especially true for the Lindenwood University community. Nearly 40% of our total cost to run the medical plan in 2015 was attributed to heart health. **Candace Schwartzkopf**, Administrative Assistant for Employee Benefits, organized this year’s annual Go Red Luncheon in an effort to bring greater awareness to the Lindenwood community. Go Red Week has never received such a tremendous amount of participation and support as it did this year under Candace’s leadership!
- **Dr. Cynthia Bice** has been selected by the editors of Ingram’s, Kansas City’s Business Magazine, to be named among *Ingram’s 2016 Icons of Education*.
- USA Rugby’s D1A Player of the Week is Lindenwood’s **Malon Al-Jiboori** a star player out of Union High School in Oklahoma, the 6-foot-3, 240 pound freshman has been on the radar of USA Rugby’s age grade All American staff for some time.
- **Athletics Director John Creer** led several student-athletes and Leo the Lion in a fund-raising phone-a-thon to support the YMCA!



- The **Athletics Department** launched its redesigned website at www.lindenwoodlions.com during the first part of January. The redesign, led by Sports Information Director **Daniel Newton** in partnership with Sidarm Sports, gives a fresh new look to one of the most viewed athletics website at the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division II level. In 2015, over 321,000 visitors clicked on the website and it had nearly 2.4 million page views.
- The **Lindenwood University Belleville** men's swimming team captured its first Mid-South Conference Championship on Saturday, February 6.
- During Winter Quarter 2016 in the **School of Accelerated Degree Programs**, the MFA in writing program increased by 22 students (14%), Information Technology bachelor's and master's degrees increased by 36 student (15%) and the MS in Human Resources Management increased 22 students (41%).
- **Belleville** Adjunct Professor **John Tieman** will have his essay, "*Sergeant Major Edgar Allan Poe*" published in the next issue of The International Journal of Applied Psychoanalytic Studies.

- Lindenwood University and the city of **Ferguson** began a partnership to assist the community with scholarships, grants, and entrepreneurial opportunities to Ferguson residents. [The Ice House Entrepreneurship Program](#) has been a big success and funding has now been increased to allow for more people to take advantage of the free program.
- The **Men's Wrestling** team has a high national ranking, coming in at number 10 in the latest poll. The Lions are 8-2 on the season.
- Lindenwood **Football** players **Connor Harris** and **Matt Klingler** continue to rack up postseason awards. Both were named to the D2Football.com first team All-American squad, becoming the first Lions to earn that honor. Lindenwood was one of just two Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA) schools with multiple players on the first-team list.
- Lindenwood University Belleville School Counseling students, **Brandy Green Crawford, Katrina Hanke, Michael McBrien, Susan Parker and Shandell Rucker**, have earned scholarships to the Illinois School Counseling Association Conference in Springfield. The conference fee also includes a free year membership to the organization.
- **Women's Hockey** goalie **Nicole Hensley** finished the month of January with 3,862 career saves, which is the most by a women's goalie in the history of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) collegiate hockey. Hensley won't officially have the NCAA record due to Lindenwood's reclassification in her freshman season, but will still end her career as one of the top goalies in College Hockey America (CHA) history.
- Student Life Sports coach JD Stephenson has selected a **USA Rugby AIG Men's Junior All-American** squad of 26 young athletes, four are from Lindenwood, to take on Canada's under-20s on Saturday, February 13, at Dell Diamond in Austin, Texas. The four Lindenwood students are **Malon Al-Jiboori, Lorenzo Thomas, Deion Mikesell** and **Chance Wenglewski**.
- **Dr. J. Tim O'Meara**, a professional anthropologist specializing in economic development in the Pacific, presented "Applied Anthropology in the Pacific Islands" Tuesday, February 9 at Dunseth Auditorium in Harmon Hall.

- **Richard Anderson**, a Lindenwood University adjunct instructor and senior research fellow for the John W. Hammond Institute for Free Enterprise, will visit Birmingham, England, the week of April 18 to help PhD students with their dissertations.
- The Lindenwood **Men's Basketball** team is still in a fight for its first ever National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division II Tournament bid as it sits in second place in the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA) at the end of January.
- Lindenwood University **Men's Football** player, **Matt Klingler**, is the 2015-16 National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division II statistical champion for Punting Average. In addition, **Connor Harris** is the 2015-16 NCAA Division II men's football statistical champion for Tackles per Game.
- The following “**shout out**” is for our Professors and Deans (by school they are associated with) who volunteered many Saturday afternoons to meet with prospective student athletes during Football Recruiting Weekends;

	Business:
David Arns, Robert Rodermund, Stan Coker, Patricia Schaefer.	
Communications: Mike Wall (has not missed a recruiting weekend in 10 years).	Cr
iminal Justice: Darren Marhanka, Billi Patzius, Grant Shostak.	
Education: Cynthia Bice, Mary Ruettgers.	Fine Arts: Joseph
Alsobrook, Leslie Allnatt, Pamela Grooms.	<i>The staff at the</i>
<i>box office in the J. Scheidegger Center helped by taking families on</i>	
<i>tours.</i>	Humanities:
Michael	
Whaley.	Science: Ricardo
Delgado, Marylin Patterson.	Sport, recreation
and Exercise Science: Delaine Young, Paul Wright, Betsy Feutz.	
- The **Lady Lions Gymnastics** team is off to a good start in 2016. The top highlight was scoring a 195.325 during the Lindenwood Five Team Meet, which was a new regular season program record.

- The Tony Award winning musical comedy “**The Drowsy Chaperone**”, will be directed by **Nick Moramarco** and performed onstage at Lindenwood University Belleville’s LU Auditorium 7:30 p.m. this Friday and Saturday and 2:00 p.m. Sunday. The performance will feature both students and local residents in its cast. For more information: <http://www.bnd.com/living/magazine/article59551476.html#storylink=cpy>.
- The Lindenwood **Baseball** team had its season opener at the Lou Brock Sports Complex on Friday, February 5 against Harris-Stowe, winning both games.
- The Lindenwood **Wrestling Team** will host the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA) Championships Sunday, February 14 at Hyland Arena. The event will start at 10 a.m. and run until the 10 individual conference champions are crowned. The Lions finished second at last year’s MIAA Championship and will look to move up that final spot this year for its first MIAA tournament title.
- **Betsy Feutz**, instructor Sports Science Center, **Casey Finnell**, Director NCAA Athletic Academic Success, **Ashton Lichvar** (Field Hockey), **Maddy Piccininni** (Women’s Golf), **Michael Mlambo** (Men’s Track & Field), **Brad Currier** (Men’s Golf) attended the **2016 NCAA APPLE Conference** in Grapevine, TX. The APPLE model identifies seven areas where athletic departments can impact substance abuse among student-athletes, recruitment, expectations and attitudes, policies, education, drug testing, sanctioning, and referral and counseling.



- The Lindenwood University **Belleville Men's Basketball** team earned an upset win over number 3 ranked Columbia College, as they defeated the Cougars 69-68. For more information: http://lindenwoodlynx.com/news/2016/2/4/MBB_0204160238.aspx?path=mbball
- **Mary Reuter**, Assistant Vice President & Executive Director of Community Relations in Belleville, attended the reception welcoming General Carlton D. Everhart II to Scott Air Force Base. General Everhart II was honored to celebrate his recent appointment as Commander of the United States Air Mobility Command. Air Mobility Command's mission encompasses more than 130,000 active-duty and Air Reserve Component military and civilian personnel.

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