

# CONNECTION

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**Homecoming &  
Reunion Weekend**  
October 9–10, 2009

## A Message From President Evans Alumni Worldwide

Dear Lindenwood Alumni and Friends,

I often wonder how many of you recall Lindenwood's mission statement: To offer values-centered programs leading to the development of the whole person – an educated, responsible citizen of a global society. The latter feature was not always a component of our mission but is now a very significant one. With the recent shakeup of the U.S. economy and the concomitant and consequent international reverberations, we have become acutely aware that this university and her stakeholders – all of us, without exception – really are members of a world community. That will not change henceforth, and we cannot return to the way we used to be. Hence, the idea of educating for a future that will hinge on broad human understanding is more important than ever.

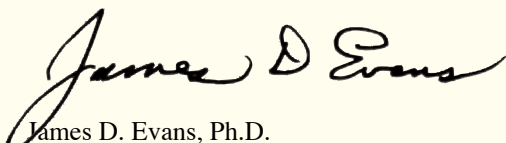
Although Lindenwood has had foreign, or “international,” students in small numbers from time to time throughout its history, the diversity of our student body today is unprecedented. About 750 of our 14,000+ students hail from more than 80 countries. Because Lindenwood remains a “selective admission” institution, we are blessed with the crème de la crème of international college students. The results of this good fortune are numerous and propitious: As noted by one of our recent commencement speakers, Lindenwood is one of the champions of cultural multiplicity in this region. Not only do these very talented visitors from other lands have the opportunity to study at one of America's finest higher-education institutions, but our domestic students (the other 95 percent of our student body) benefit immeasurably from ample exposure to new perspectives and other ways of life. We have a very active Intercultural Club that serves both our domestic and our international charges. Our students' educational experience is richer, and both the value and the shelf life of a Lindenwood degree are enhanced in the context of what lies ahead for our graduates. They become more completely educated and more capable citizens of the world.

Relatedly, this summer we opened the Lindenwood University Center for International and Global Studies, which eventually will be housed in our Memorial Arts Building. The Center is offering a new M.A. degree in International Studies (already amply populated for its inaugural semester), a speaker series, and a refereed online professional journal, the JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL AND GLOBAL STUDIES. The Center is directed by Dr. Ray Scupin and Mr. Ryan Guffey, both serving in our School of Humanities.

Ray, Ryan, and I visited Panama this past summer, where we sponsored a reception for 52 of our 500+ alums from that great republic. In perfect English, your fellow Lindenwood grads spoke of the profound influence that their Lindenwood experience had had on their lives and described their impressive professional pursuits and achievements. Many asked that I convey their regards to the Lindenwood community. You would be proud to know these members of the global Lindenwood Nation.

Please stay in touch!

Very sincerely yours,



James D. Evans, Ph.D.  
President



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## On The Cover

Lindenwood students celebrate during the Homecoming Parade in 2008.

# Homecoming & Reunion '09



## Friday, October 9

### Alumni Museum Tours - 1-3pm

Location: Across from campus - on corner of Madison Avenue and Kingshighway.

### Registration - 3pm

Location: Hyland Performance Arena

### Historic Campus Bus Tours -

3:30 - 4pm / 4-4:30pm / 4:30-5pm

Location: Hyland Performance Arena

### Alumni & Friends Reception - 5-8pm

Includes all honored classes with special seating for each class, heavy hors d'oeuvres and non-alcoholic beverages. All alumni are invited and the event is free of charge. Business attire. Event is hosted by the St. Charles Alumni Club. Location - Hyland Performance Arena VIP Room



### Playing Friday and Saturday night!

### CATS the Musical: The National Tour - 8pm

Join us for a performance at the new J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts. Tickets are \$25, \$35, \$45, and \$55. Alumni will receive preferred seating. To purchase tickets please contact the Box Office at 636-949-4433 or visit online at [www.lindenwood.edu/center](http://www.lindenwood.edu/center). Location: J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts

## Saturday, October 10

### Alumni Breakfast with the President - 8:30-9:30am

Alumni and parents are invited to join us for breakfast and to meet Dr. James D. Evans, Lindenwood University president. All alumni are invited and the event is free of charge. Location - Anheuser-Busch Leadership Room in the Spellmann Center (Large building with clock tower)

### Alumni Association Meeting - 9:30-10am

All alumni are invited to participate in the Annual Alumni Association meeting and to meet the members of the Lindenwood Alumni Board. Location - Anheuser-Busch Leadership Room in the Spellmann Center

### 2nd Annual Homecoming & Reunion Parade 10-11am

Join us on the Lindenwood campus to watch the Homecoming Parade. This year's floats will highlight the different eras and decades of history.

### Student-Led Campus & Dorm Walking Tours 11am-12pm

All dorms will be open during this time. Tour your former residence hall. Location - Meet at Welcome Center / Admissions Building



### Alumni BBQ Luncheon & Pregame Festivities - 11:30am-1:30pm

We invite all alumni and guests to gather before kickoff for a luncheon, entertainment, camaraderie, and festivities as we recognize our honored classes. Honored class members will have reserved tables at the alumni tent. Cost of lunch is \$8.50 per person and includes chicken, hamburgers and hotdogs. A portion of the lunch proceeds goes to support student scholarships. Other pregame festivities are free of charge and all alumni are encouraged to attend. Location: Harmon Hall Parking Lot / Alumni Tent



### Homecoming Football Game 1:30pm

The Lions will take on Baker University (Kansas). Free tickets and VIP seating will be provided to any alumni and guest who are interested in attending. Location - Harlen Hunter Stadium



### Arthur S. Goodall Parlor Rededication - 4:30-5:30pm

Join us at the beautifully renovated Goodall Parlor which has served as an important meeting place on campus for many years. Mr. Goodall effectively served on the Lindenwood College Board of Directors for 46 years. The new portrait of Arthur S. Goodall painted by Lindenwood Professor John Troy will be unveiled. Location - Memorial Arts Building

### Professor Groff Bittner Piano Dedication - 6-6:30pm

Join us for the dedication of a Steinway piano in honor of the 50th Anniversary of Music Professor Groff Bittner's dedication and service to Lindenwood. Location - J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts



Events are subject to change. Please check website for any changes.

## Hotel Information

(Ask for Lindenwood University Rate)

Hampton Inn  
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636-947-6800

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Local discount code: 310866

Embassy Suites Hotel  
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St. Charles, MO 63303  
636-946-5544

To find more accommodations, visit [www.lindenwood.edu/alumni](http://www.lindenwood.edu/alumni)

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314-426-7555  
[www.hertz.com](http://www.hertz.com)

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Maiden Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status (please circle) M S D W

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Class of: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I am planning to attend 2009 Homecoming & Reunion

Yes, I will be bringing a guest

Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please R.S.V.P. online at [www.lindenwood.edu/alumni/](http://www.lindenwood.edu/alumni/) or by email at [wfrazier@lindenwood.edu](mailto:wfrazier@lindenwood.edu), by phone at 636-949-4975 or mail form to:

Lindenwood University Alumni Office  
209 S. Kingshighway  
St. Charles, MO 63301

### I am planning to attend:

- Alumni Museum Tours, October 9, 1 pm
- Historic Campus Bus Tours, October 9, 3:30 pm, 4 pm & 4:30 pm
- Alumni & Friends Reception, October 9, 5 pm
- CATS the Musical, October 9, 8 pm  
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- Annual Alumni Association Meeting, October 10, 9:30 am
- Homecoming & Reunion Parade, October 10, 10 am
- Campus & Dorm Walking Tours, October 10, 11 am
- Alumni BBQ Luncheon, October 10, 12 pm  
Cost = \$8.50 per person. Number of tickets \_\_\_\_\_  
Reservations may be made online or please make check payable to Lindenwood University and mail with registration form
- Homecoming Football Game, October 10, 1:30 pm  
Free of charge. Number of tickets \_\_\_\_\_  
Reserved tickets will be available at the alumni table at the Harlen C. Hunter stadium prior to kickoff
- Arthur S. Goodall Parlor Rededication, October 10, 4:30 pm
- Professor Groff Bittner Piano Dedication, October 10, 6:00 pm
- CATS the Musical, October 10, 8 pm  
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## New Dean of Humanities Embraces Teaching

"The funny thing is that I swore I never wanted to be a teacher," said Ana Schnellmann, who has been on the Lindenwood University English faculty since 1995 and was recently named dean of the School of Humanities.

"Dr. Schnellmann has been a dedicated professor for many years," said Weitzel. "The administration saw her potential as a strong academic leader."

Schnellmann, who grew up in the St. Louis area, earned her bachelor's degree in English from the College of St. Benedict in Minnesota, where she said the values and mission of the school had a huge impact on her.

"I still keep a copy of the core Benedictine values in my car, where I look at them at least once every day," Schnellmann said. "I think they're highly applicable to Lindenwood."

Those values include awareness of God, community, prayer and work, listening, hospitality, stewardship and peace. Schnellmann received a fellowship and went on to graduate school at Ohio University in Athens, where she again studied English. Her plan, still, was not to teach, but to become a copy editor for a publisher. After earning her master's in 1989, she worked various teaching jobs to, as she put it, put off looking for full-time work.

"I admit I was not very vocationally oriented at that time," Schnellmann said.

Schnellmann took on a variety of teaching assignments, ranging from working with high school honors students to teaching women's studies to violent male sex offenders in a prison. She also piloted a program for poor rural women, teaching everything from college level courses to



**Dean Ana Schnellmann reviews beginning of the semester paperwork with Provost Jann Weitzel.**

very remedial skills. She realized she loved teaching during a stint as an instructor at Hocking Technical College in Nelsonville, Ohio.

"I still remember the student with whom it clicked for me," Schnellmann said. "I worked with him a lot, and I'll never forget the moment when he figured out that he could write. There was just no better feeling in the world."

Schnellmann earned her doctorate in English from Saint Louis University in 1995. That same year, a position opened up for an English professor at Lindenwood, where she has taught ever since, specializing in 19th century literature. Here, she says she has had many more such moments like the one with the student at Hocking Technical College. Schnellmann admits she has a reputation as a pretty

challenging teacher, but, she says, we learn and grow when we are pushed.

"Truly learning something means leaving your comfort zone," she said. "I tell my students it's like lifting weights. You don't gain strength unless you push yourself to your limit."

This summer, Schnellmann is leaving her comfort zone in taking on the role of dean of humanities, something she says she was initially reluctant about when approached for the job. Ultimately, she decided to accept.

"It's a wonderful opportunity to serve as a liaison between the executive and the faculty and students," Schnellmann said. "I can't even tell you how much I've learned. I'll continue to teach; this semester I have three courses. I wouldn't have taken the job otherwise."

## Intelligencer Keeps Readers Up to Date on Daniel Boone Home

The School of American Studies emphasizes the preservation and protection of the historic structures, collections, and natural resources of the Historic Daniel Boone Home and Boonesfield Village Historic Site and interprets the early American frontier experience in Missouri as exemplified by the Boone family and their contemporaries. *The Boonesfield Village Intelligencer*, a newsletter produced by the school and published quarterly, provides information about the Boone Home, its restoration projects, its programs and activities as well as the historical interpretation concerning this important American frontier site.

Many articles are of interest to the historian as well as to the broader

community. The *Intelligencer* outlines the many activities, concerts, and events for young adults, volunteers, students and families at the Daniel Boone Home. For example, one story in the *Intelligencer* outlined the activities of the Summer Interpreters' Boot Camp designed for students in grades 9-12. These students learned the skills used on the frontier. Making textiles, fire starting, blacksmithing, open fire and hearth cooking, working with wood tools and black powder firearms are just a few of the subjects studied hands-on at the Daniel Boone Home.

The 1,000-plus acre land base which comprises the Daniel Boone Campus and its natural resources provides unique lab and field work for students and faculty

as well as many activities for the greater community. The Daniel Boone Home and Boonesfield Village offer a unique lab and field work site for experiential learning in areas of interpretation and public history opportunities for teachers to expand supplemental resources for their classrooms.

To learn more about the Daniel Boone Home Campus or to receive a copy of the *Boonesfield Village Intelligencer*, please contact Amanda Carrow, director of marketing at 636-798-2005 or [acarrow@lindenwood.edu](mailto:acarrow@lindenwood.edu). You can also visit [www.lindenwood.edu/boone](http://www.lindenwood.edu/boone) to stay up-to-date with the latest Boone Home events and news.

# Harmon Hall, LU Commons Top Construction List

Lindenwood University has provided countless students with the solid foundations needed to pursue their goals. The university is now expanding on its own foundations through campus projects that blend its strong history with its bright future.

Current projects include the remodeling and expansion of Harmon Hall, the construction of a new LU Commons student center, and the creation of a new main entry gate (see story below).

**Colorful green insulation draws attention to the Harmon Hall project today, but that will soon be covered.**



Lindenwood began the renovation and expansion of Harmon Hall in September, 2008. Named for the father of late Lindenwood Chairman of the Board Ray Harmon, the building housed the university's Fine Arts Division from 1969 to 2008. After construction is complete, Harmon Hall will be the new home of the School for Business and Entrepreneurship.

"The refurbished Harmon Hall will give our business students a sense of cohesion and identification," said Ed Morris, dean of the School of Business and Entrepreneurship. "It will provide state-of-the-art facilities and technologies to prepare our students to successfully compete and contribute in today's highly sophisticated economy."

When the two-year project is complete, the building will have nearly doubled in size, adding nine classrooms and several seminar halls, breakout rooms, and office space. The existing interior also will have been remodeled and a new façade added to the entire building.

In early May, Lindenwood broke ground on the LU Commons student center. Located adjacent to the Robert F. Hyland Performance Arena, the 119,000 square-foot building will feature a wide array of



**Foundation work is under way on the LU Commons, which will be adjacent to the Hyland Performance Arena.**

amenities when it's finished in about two years.

Students will have access to a dining hall, three basketball courts and one multipurpose court, a suspended track, a variety of exercise and fitness equipment, music and game rooms, a mail room, laundry facility, student organization meeting rooms, and office space.

"This is a very exciting project," said Julie Mueller, chief operating officer and vice president for operations and finance. "There truly will be something for everyone."

## No Doubt You're in Lindenwood Country

For more than a decade, Lindenwood University has been making a statement with new buildings that are changing the skyline in St. Charles. Now, there is a new monument enhancing the campus' attractiveness.

A new front gate is in the final stages of construction. At the intersection of Kingshighway and First Capitol, the gate is a "significant and permanent monument to Lindenwood's growth and success," said Julie Mueller, chief operating officer and vice president for operations and finance.

Work on the limestone, brick, and stone gate began in June. The gate's concept percolated in 2003 and 2004, and is coming to fruition this summer. The gate is about 18 feet tall at its highest point, and reaches across two lanes of traffic.

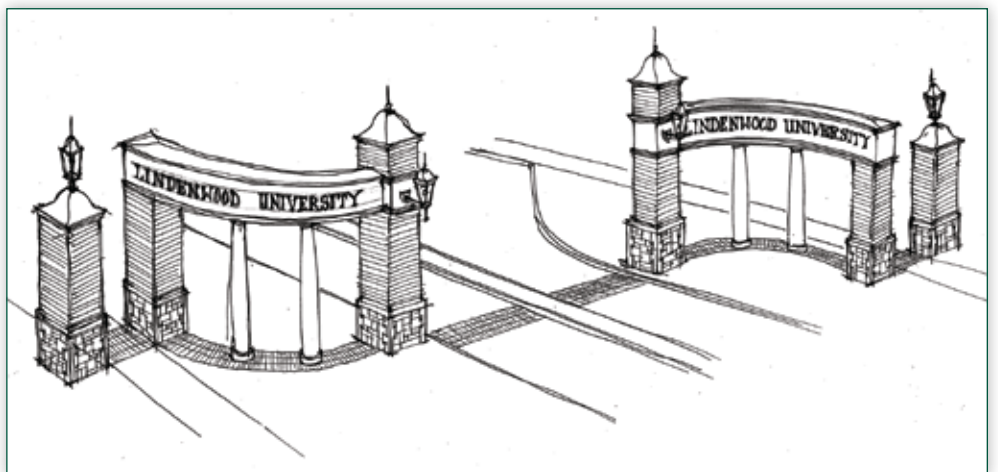
"It was purposefully designed to incorporate the old and the new," said Mueller, who added that Lindenwood's historic limestone look can actually be followed down Kingshighway, past the historic Lindenwood College gate and around the corner and down Watson Avenue.

Mueller stressed that the old gate is treasured and admired, but access is restricted and "we wanted a high profile

gate that reaches out to the old and the new Mueller said. "We hope the new gate will someday have the historical significance of our old gate."

Even if you aren't coming to Lindenwood University the beautiful new gate, along with the banners down First Capitol, make a strong impression and leave no doubt one is in "Lindenwood Country."

**Below — A drawing of the new Lindenwood front gate, which is nearing completion.**



**Above — Construction on the new gate started in late Spring.**

# Breakfast Outlines Capital Campaign, Improvements, Expansion

The Belleville community came out in force August 11 to a breakfast marking the expansion, renovation, and development of Lindenwood University's Belleville Campus. A crowd of about 125 heard Mayor Mark W. Eckert and County Board Chairman Mark Kern speak, in addition to Lindenwood President James D. Evans, Ph.D., and Lindenwood's newest and vice president, Jerry Bladdick.

"We are extremely fortunate and pleased to have a seasoned educator of Jerry's stature at the helm of our rapidly growing Belleville campus," said Evans. "He and his administrative team will advance both our day and our evening colleges in Belleville from very strong to exceptional."

Bladdick and his team have recruited 75 students to start Lindenwood's new day college program this fall, and they are also managing Lindenwood's evening college efforts.

"I am very excited about working in Belleville and St. Clair County, Ill.," said Bladdick. "The community can expect to see a great deal of me as I make every effort to meet and work with community leaders, business leaders and future Lindenwood students."

Bladdick and Mary Radcliff, executive director of community relations, reviewed the \$7 million in work that has been completed to preserve the beauty of the former Belleville West High School while bringing the facilities and infrastructure up to the highest level to support the needs of both traditional and non-traditional university students.

The Investing in Belleville campaign has involved the restoration of the historically important Ittner Auditorium, now being used for many events by the University and the community. Renovations to the Main Building have been completed bringing new office and classroom space



Members of the Lindenwood-Belleville soccer team gather for a photo.

with enhanced technology. The library classroom building has been renovated with new "smart" technology classrooms, ADA accessible entrance, upgraded window replacements and restrooms with new fixtures and finishes. In addition a campus-wide security system has been put in place. Just as work has gone on to improve the interior spaces of campus buildings, so, too the exteriors of the buildings have been tuckpointed and roofed.

Carolyn Green, of William B. Ittner Architects, showed the architectural drawings done for the new Welcome Center. The Welcome Center will provide an expanded lobby and welcome area for the Ittner Auditorium. There will be exhibit and reception space for large gatherings, new restrooms that are ADA accessible, a

concession and coat room, and a landscaped garden.

Since Lindenwood took ownership of the former Belleville West High School in 2003, the University has established academic programs to meet educational needs at both the undergraduate and graduates levels. Majors in business administration, communication, criminal justice, human resource management and health management are examples of programs offered at the undergraduate level. Graduate studies include the Master of Arts in education, educational administration, professional counseling and other important degree areas designed to serve the educational needs of students and their community.

President James D. Evans, Ph.D. addresses the crowd.



Daniele Stabile gets help finding his class from Vice President Jerry Bladdick.



Lindenwood Vice President for Institutional Advancement Lucy Morros, Barbara Kern and Patty Gregory.



# Library Archives are Portal to Lindenwood's History

In 1975 Mary Ambler, the retired former head of the Butler Library, began collecting documents and other items of interest to Lindenwood. It was the beginning of the Lindenwood University archives that now bear her name.

Lindenwood Archivist Paul Huffman said the archives were maintained by Ambler (who died in 1995) and other volunteers like Virginia Terry and Corinne Hill over the years until he was hired in 2007. Huffman earned his undergraduate degree from Lindenwood and, while working toward his master's in library science at the University of Missouri-Columbia, inquired about an internship in the archives at the Butler Library. The request was granted, and the internship later turned into a full-time job.

The archives, located on the second floor of the Butler Library, consist of official records and publications of the university from throughout its history, as well as personal papers of notable individuals, rare books and what he calls "primary source" material, which are items like letters or unpublished documents, of which there is only one. The collection, of course, continues to grow as the university produces more and more publications and materials. In fact, copies of the magazine you are



**Curator Steve Gietschier and Archivist Paul Huffman**

reading right now will soon be cataloged in the archives, if they have not been already.

Joining Huffman this summer is Lindenwood's new curator, Steve Gietschier, who is tasked with corralling the various historical items in Lindenwood's possession, which he says number in the thousands.

Gietschier worked most recently for the *Sporting News*, for which he managed the magazine's extensive collection of documents and artifacts before the publication moved its operations to North Carolina this past year. Gietschier will also teach as an assistant professor of history.

"There are objects in almost every building on this campus," Gietschier said. "Whereas Paul has custody of the archives in this room, my job as curator is to

determine what we have and where it is, rather than collect it all in one space."

Huffman and Gietschier are working toward setting up an archives presence on the Lindenwood website. Visitors will be able view specific items, such as old yearbooks, student newspapers or other documents and items, from their homes.

Currently, Huffman encourages students and alumni to visit the archives if they are looking for a specific document or item. He said he is also working with area

agencies to create opportunities for students to learn in a real-world setting. A project is currently under way in which Lindenwood is helping digitize 5,000 loyalty oaths from the Civil War for the Missouri History Museum in exchange for two internships for Lindenwood students.

"We are always interested in contributions of items from alumni as well," Huffman said. "If you have a collection of personal papers or items that have historical value to LU, such as flyers or programs from events, we are interested in seeing them."

Huffman can be reached at 636-949-4823 or [phuffman@lindenwood.edu](mailto:phuffman@lindenwood.edu). Gietschier can be reached at 636-949-4567 or [sgietschier@lindenwood.edu](mailto:sgietschier@lindenwood.edu).

## LUTV Only a 'Mouse Click Away'

Lindenwood University's high definition television channel, LUTV, is now available to anyone in the world with access to a computer and an Internet connection. The station's programming streams 24 hours a day through a link on the university's website.

"This is truly exciting because we can now reach a wider audience than ever before," said Peter Carlos, LUTV station manager and associate professor of communications. "It's especially a huge advantage for friends and family of international students attending Lindenwood. They're just a mouse click away from the latest school news, entertainment, and sporting event coverage."

LUTV's program lineup, which offered only a few shows in 2003, has grown to include more than 30 shows. All Lindenwood programs are produced by university communications students under the direction of Carlos, Ed Voss, LUTV director of operations and assistant professor of communications, and Ben Scholle, associate professor of communications.

Each of the three instructors has worked professionally in the world of television, film, and video production. Their real-world experience is of great benefit to students, especially when they're teaching inside the new station at the school's J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts.

"We have everything here in our studio that professionals in the field are using today," said Carlos. "Our set was designed by the same people who built the Fox Sports Midwest set, and we have all the accouterments necessary to produce the highest-quality programming."

The LUTV studio boasts a newscast desk, a sit-down interview set, and a weather and sports station complete with a green screen for visual displays. All shows are filmed using the latest high definition cameras available.

"Lindenwood administrators strongly support us and believe in investing in the best, relevant technologies in digital media," Carlos said. "It really is the future of education and our students benefit from making their mistakes and learning on the equipment here. Then, when they finish their programs they are fully prepared to



**Graduate students Joe Richter and Tracy Friend anchor an afternoon newscast while Dee Dee Yrigoyen operates a high-definition camera inside the LUTV studio.**

walk onto any professional set and start working, typically at an advanced level."

LUTV programming can be accessed by visiting Lindenwood's homepage at [www.lindenwood.edu](http://www.lindenwood.edu) and clicking on the LUTV graphic located in the lower right-hand corner of the page. The station also airs on Charter Communications channel 989, Florissant City Television channel 10, and AT&T U-verse channel 99.

## A Lindenwood Evening ... Central American Style

Lindenwood University held its second-ever Panama alumni event July 23 in Panama City at the posh seaside Sheraton Hotel and Convention Center. Fifty-two alums, along with numerous honored guests, participated in a celebration to remember.

The honored guest list was a "Who's Who" that included dignitaries from the governmental loaning institution, IFARHU, and the former First Lady of Panama, Dora Boyd de Perez Balladares, who was Lindenwood's Baccalaureate speaker in 1997.

The event celebrated the achievements of Lindenwood's Panamanian alumni. The evening's key note address was delivered by President James D. Evans, who updated the Panamanian alumni on all the accomplishments the school has made over the past several years. He presented details of the current \$100 million capital campaign, which includes new apartment-style men's and women's housing, new academic degree programs and, arguably most exciting of all, the new Student Commons.

Ray Scupin, director for the Center of International and Global Studies and Ryan Guffey, associate director of the Center,

accompanied President Evans on the trip.

"This trip could not have been more exciting or come at a better time," Guffey said. "As of this last May, there are now over 500 alumni from Panama since Lindenwood's relationship began with the government of Panama in 1996."

Scupin continued by saying, "I am just so happy to meet many of my students from the last 30 years. It brings me great joy to hear about their successes." Margarita Pearce and Carlos Martinez, Lindenwood's local representatives, deserve credit for organizing and implementing an outstanding event. Anyone interested in joining the Panamanian Alumni Association should contact Pearce or Martinez at [mpearce@lindenwood.edu](mailto:mpearce@lindenwood.edu) or [cmartinez@lindenwood.edu](mailto:cmartinez@lindenwood.edu), or go to Facebook and join the Lindenwood Panama Alumni Association group at Lindenwood University-Panama.

In addition to the alumni event, Evans and the Lindenwood delegation met with the presidents and academic deans at the



**Juan Carlos Flores (1999), Aldo Villalaz (2006), Walter Jemmott (2002), Tania Lezcano (2002), Michael Mathieu, Ginnette Rodriguez (2004), Alberto Bissot (2002), Dr. James Evans, Margarita Pearce (1999), Sofia Alvarez, and Leonel Berrocal (2002).**

University of Panama and the Universidad Catolica Santa Maria La Antigua (USMA) to discuss collaborative efforts.

"We are interested in providing diverse and enriching study opportunities to our students," Evans said. "Panama provides such a unique intersection of cultural and environmental beauty, I felt it was necessary to further our relationship with these institutions in order to provide an opportunity for our students to study in such a wonderful country."

## LU Alum is World Traveler/Teacher

Ray Underwood has a talent for the English language and an insatiable hunger for adventure. He has held teaching positions in the United States, Taiwan, and Japan and is currently an instructor in Belgrade, Serbia.

Underwood graduated from Lindenwood in 2003 with a degree in English and a certification in secondary education. He taught for one year at both Berkeley High School and Christian Brothers College High School in St. Louis, before accepting a full-time position in Arizona. According to Dean of Humanities Ana Schnellmann, he "flies in for coffee" on an annual basis. He visited Schnellmann earlier this summer.

"I enjoyed my time teaching in the states but international jobs were always

my goal," said Underwood, 28. "And when I visited my cousin who was teaching at Amsterdam International School at the time, I saw that it was possible to be a teacher while having this surreal life abroad."

Once he had the two years of experience needed to break into the international field, Underwood began searching for positions outside of the United States. He landed his first overseas position at Hsinchu International School in Taiwan.

"It seemed like the right opportunity for me at the time, so I decided to give it a shot," said Underwood. "It was great because the location was central and easy to travel from. I think I went to Bangkok and Singapore about four times each and just tried to see everything I could in that region."

Never one to stay in one place for long periods of time, Underwood sought out a new position the following year at Saint Maur International School in Yokohama, Japan. He was drawn to the school because of its smaller size and established reputation.

"In your career you don't want to make lateral moves, so I was looking to step it up," Underwood said. "This is one of the oldest international schools in the world and has a rich sense of tradition. It was truly international with students and faculty from

Kenya, Switzerland, England, France, and really all over the place."

Once Underwood completed his two-year contract in Japan, he again evaluated his options. He traveled to Waterloo, Iowa, in early 2009 to attend one of the largest international placement fairs for educators in the country.

"By now I had built up my resume so I had several options to choose from," Underwood said. "I interviewed with schools in South America, Europe, and the Middle East. I wanted to experience something different since I had already been in Asia."

He narrowed his choices to Turkey, Peru, or Serbia. Because of his desire to teach in Eastern Europe, Underwood decided to take the position in Serbia based on the quality of the school in which he would be teaching and the region's affordable cost of living.

"I took the job with the idea that it's a good school and maybe I can settle in a bit for four years or maybe more," he said. "If not, then that's no big deal because I'll have even more experience and be more marketable in the end."

As for Underwood's future plans, he doesn't look too far ahead.

"I'm just going to take it year by year, and if I get tired of this I can always come back to St. Louis because I love the city," he said. "For now, though, I'm just checking out other things and seeing how it goes."

**Ray Underwood, center top row**





# Breathtaking Beauty

## A Constant for Reunion Group

There is something truly unique about the group of students that I attended Lindenwood with back in the late 1980s and early 1990s.

We attended the then college during a time of great transition. Most of us were there both before and after the late President Dennis Spellmann came on the scene.

I think most of us will agree that that period sometimes was accompanied by great uncertainty and also frustration, as often comes with transition.

However, there were two things that were always a constant during our time at Lindenwood...the breathtaking beauty of the campus, with its amazing architecture and grand old trees, and some of the best people you could ever meet in your lifetime.

My memories of the latter have stayed with me the most.

One of my favorite, if not my absolute favorite, memories of our tour of the Lindenwood campus during our visit last May was seeing the buildings, both new and old, with some of those great people that I attended the school with.

The laughter we all shared upon recalling our experiences in some of the older buildings and our sheer awe upon entering the newer ones was one of the many things that made my trip back to Lindenwood completely worthwhile.

How funny it was to hear Vicki Davenport ('90) recall how she used to camp out in Roemer Hall on the night before registration so she could get into all of the courses she wanted.

Unfortunately this also made us feel a little old after realizing that we actually attended college before online registration.

We also remarked that if the coffee shop now in Butler Library was there in our



**President James D. Evans, above center, took students from the classes of 1990 to 1993 on a tour of the campus, including the new J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts (bottom left).**

day, along with the much comfier furniture, we would have likely spent more time there!

We were amazed by the Spellmann Center, which now houses the school's cafeteria and mailboxes and has an amazing view of the spectacular new football field.

The J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts houses a theatre that is so big that three Jekyll Theatres could fit on its stage!

It felt very good to see that the time of transition that we experienced at Lindenwood has now come full circle to benefit those who came after us.

I am thrilled to see how far our little Lindenwood has come in the last 20 years.

Everyone that I have met since college

has heard over and over how much I loved my time at Lindenwood. But, you know what? It wasn't the buildings, the classes, or the trees that I loved the most. It was my many wonderful friends, that I didn't realize I missed so much until I saw them again last spring.

My daughter has already said several times, "I'm going to mommy's college." So that leads me to a final question ... "Is there an alumni discount?"

*Special thanks to our author, Charlotte Skoien Norgaard ('92) for her unique perspective after a group of her Lindenwood buddies visited the campus in the spring.*



**Left to right: David Riazzi ('93), Jill Miller Lawrence ('90), Charlotte Skoien Norgaard ('92), Jeanette Baloun Garrett ('92), Chris Sonksen ('91), Tan Davenport ('92), Leeann Davenport ('06), Paul Lampe ('91), Jason Quackenbush ('91), Ann Quackenbush (Jason's wife), Jennifer Boschert ('91), Vicki Davenport ('90 & '92), Cheryl Johnson Smiddy ('91), Dianne DiMaggio Kargus ('91), Dave Lawrence (Jill's husband).**

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Alumni



More than 300 Lindenwood University alums enjoyed a beautiful afternoon on campus June 6 at the second Alumni and Friends Picnic. This year's picnic was held in the quad area next to Roemer and Sibley Halls under the large linden trees.

Lindenwood alumni and friends kicked off the afternoon with a picnic lunch under the big white tent and enjoyed catching up with old friends and family. The talented Lindenwood Student Jazz Band provided music throughout the entirety of the event and helped to create a joyful atmosphere.

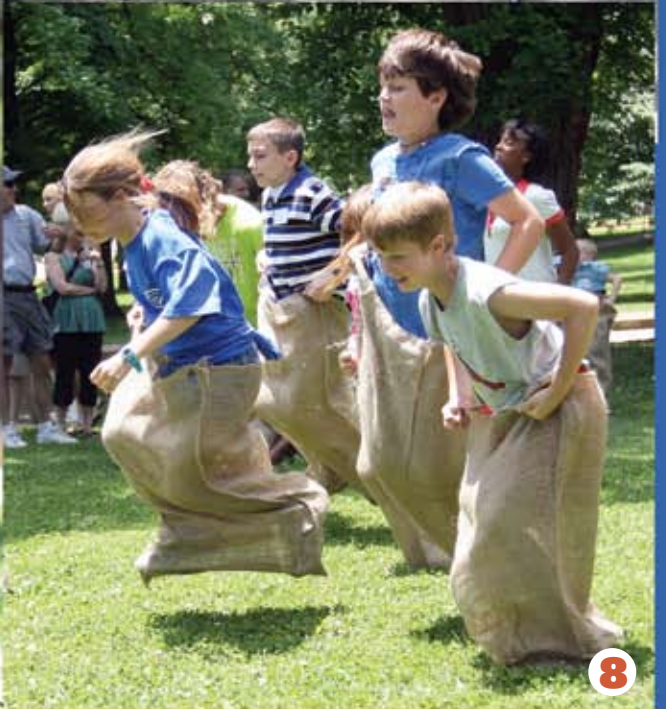
After lunch the festivities began and there was no shortage of activities for all. The children (and adults) enjoyed the petting zoo with animals such as a camel, a giant tortoise, a donkey, a baby lamb and a baby pig.

Children raced to the finish line in the old-fashioned burlap sack and three-legged races. Games such as tug-of-war, water balloon toss, and hula hoop contests were also huge hits. Not everything was for kids though, and many competitive alumni and friends competed in the hula hoop contest, tug-of-war, and washers tournament.

To top off a wonderful afternoon, everyone enjoyed a cold treat from the ice cream truck. The picnic concluded with all children receiving a participant ribbon and goodie bag, and Lindenwood attendance prizes were awarded to alums.

A big thank you to everyone who came out to support this event and we hope to see you again next year. This is one Lindenwood event you don't want to miss!

# & Friends Picnic



**1** Gabe Schwarz, son of Christel Schwarz ('07), enjoys a cool treat from the ice cream truck.

**2** Austin Stricker feeds the baby camel.

**3** Sandy Rossi Prince ('87) and Jeff Prince ('89), with children Dominic and Josie, enjoy the Lindenwood swings.

**4** Lindenwood jazz combo performs melodic music in the gazebo.

**5** Lindenwood alumni fight to see who is the strongest.

**6** Latricia Clark ('06) and her children enjoy ice cream in the quad.

**7** Kyle Hagan ('06) and daughter Savannah enjoy the petting zoo and playing with the baby lambs.

**8** Children participate in old fashioned sack races.

**9** Lisa Schneider and Riley Schneider enjoy the three legged race competition.



# Your Gift Counts!

Your support of Lindenwood University benefits students by providing additional scholarship opportunities, enhanced academic programs, various sports programs, and maintenance and expansion of facilities. Your gifts help equip the leaders of tomorrow!

## GIVING OPPORTUNITIES:

### Student Scholarships

Donations for scholarships in any amount are greatly appreciated by students needing help to achieve their dreams. Endowed scholarships, requiring a gift of \$25,000, provide scholarship assistance to thousands of students every year who might not otherwise attend Lindenwood.

### Student Honors Awards

This fund named for an individual, family, business, or other organization recognizes deserving students on their outstanding achievements at the University's Honors Convocation each spring. Honor awards start at gifts of \$10,000.

### Student Emergency Textbook Fund

The increasing cost of books, the tools of a student's trade, sometimes requires help from the Emergency Textbook Fund. Gifts in any amount help this important program.

### Annual Fund

Gifts to the Annual Fund help cover the operating costs of the university so tuition and room and board can be kept affordable for the students. These gifts are unrestricted, which means they are available to be used where the need is the greatest.

### Capital Projects

Gifts can be designated to go toward various capital campaigns currently in progress. Naming opportunities are available to recognize contributions at various levels.

### Graduate Student Conference Program Fund

The purpose of this fund is to provide financial assistance to students to help defray costs of attending conferences and workshops. Attendance at conferences and workshops to present papers and to interact with researchers and practitioners is an

important component of graduate students' education and professional development.

### Brick Paver Stones

If you haven't purchased a Lindenwood brick, now is your chance to help more of the best and brightest students attend Lindenwood while leaving your mark on Lindenwood history. Leave a lasting impression by purchasing a brick paver stone on our campus walkways. For a donation of \$100 the personalized brick will be seen by thousands of students and visitors each year.

### Plant a Tree

Lindenwood University was named for the grove of linden trees on our main campus. Linden trees can last for more than 100 years and can commemorate your foresight; all types of trees, along with a special brass plaque, are available for purchase.

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### Gifts of Cash

Gifts of cash can be made to the Annual Fund, Capital Fund, or the Endowment.

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Many companies encourage philanthropy by matching your gift. Simply contact your personnel or payroll department for your matching gift form, complete your portion of the form, and mail in with your gift.

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An outright gift of appreciated property or a bargain sale agreement produces a current tax deduction for you and a wonderful way to donate to the University.

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With careful planning, gifts of tax-qualified retirement plans assets, such as IRA's, can reduce your taxes and allow for a charitable gift.

### Estate Planning

Your will or trust allows you to distribute a percentage of your estate or a fixed dollar amount to Lindenwood. If you already have a will in place, amendment by a simple and inexpensive codicil allows you make a gift and assure your legacy.

### Life Insurance

Either the donation of a fully or partially paid policy or the purchase of a new policy naming Lindenwood University as the beneficiary can lead to a substantial deduction for you and a generous and enhanced gift.

### Other Planned Gifts

Gift annuities and certain recognized trust vehicles allow you to generate income while realizing tax savings. You can discuss such financial instruments as charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder trusts, and others with our director of planned giving.

### Lindenwood Giving Societies

The Butler Society, recognizing lifetime giving levels over \$25,000, and the Sibley Heritage Society, recognizing individuals who have made provisions in their estate plans beginning at \$1,000 are two special groups of donors who exemplify the giving spirit of those who seek to assure Lindenwood's future.

For information regarding any of these giving opportunities please contact the Institutional Advancement Office at 636-949-4903 or by mail:

Institutional Advancement Office  
Lindenwood University  
209 S. Kingshighway  
St. Charles, Missouri 63301

# Make the Transition to Planned Giving

By Eric O. Stuhler  
Director of Planned Giving and  
In-House Legal Counsel



Eric O. Stuhler, '78

I finally did it! I donated a linden tree and it is now planted at the new Roemer parking lot. The young linden is the first thing I see as I pull into work from Watson Street and I know it will be fun to watch as it takes root and grows tall. The young tree is only a little

more than 10 feet in height now, but I know it will be around long after my departure. Planting a tree is like planned giving . . . I may not be able to enjoy its shade in my lifetime, but others will.

The ornamental linden tree is usually planted for deep shade because of its mass foliage. It has herbal qualities and its blossoms can be used to make tea. Beekeepers love the tree as it produces a wonderful honey, with the help of the bees of course. The tree is historically known

by the Germans as the “tree of lovers” as its leaves are always in the shape of a heart. Every time I see the linden leaf I am reminded how much I really do love Lindenwood.

It may be time for you to do some planting of your own and transition to planned giving in support of your university. Statistically, 80 percent of all people make charitable gifts during their lifetime, yet only 8 percent leave a charitable gift in their estate plan. Why the disconnect? Maybe it just might be my lawyer colleagues. We are trained in law school to make sure a client leaves money for his or her spouse and children, then minimizing what taxes go to Uncle Sam, and that’s it. You will have to alert your lawyer that you wish to continue your tradition of supporting Lindenwood after your passing as you did during your lifetime.

The linden tree can live for a hundred years, yet there are recorded linden trees that lived for 900 to 2,000 years. When the tree is harvested, it is put to many uses. The wood is soft and has little grain. Its use ranges from electric guitar bodies to the making of clothing from the fibers in its bark. Maybe we could start a new fashion trend by using linden bark to weave outfits

similar to the Ainu people of Japan and some Native American tribes. The linden tree gives of itself long after its lifetime.

Approximately three-quarters of the record setting fundraising by the Institutional Advancement Division of Lindenwood this year was in the form of planned gifts. There are many types and I would be glad to discuss what works best for your situation. I am always available at [estuhler@lindenwood.edu](mailto:estuhler@lindenwood.edu) and (636) 949-4617.

A future gift in your estate plan makes you eligible for membership in the Sibley Heritage Society. A bequest of \$1,000 or more allows you to join this elite recognition group and allows us to thank you during your lifetime for your generosity.

During uncertain economic times, a planned gift allows flexibility if your situation changes and does not require a present cash outlay. Now more than ever you should consider being part of Lindenwood’s expectancies showing you have faith in our University’s future. Plant a “tree” in the form of a bequest and allow others yet to come to enjoy the shade.

*DISCLAIMER: Lindenwood University believes this information to be accurate. It is not engaged in giving legal or tax advice. Please consult your own legal advisor if assistance is needed.*

## LINDENWOOD

### Belleville Campus Anniversary Celebration & Open House

Wednesday, October 21

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

We invite all alumni and the greater Belleville community to join us in celebrating the 6th anniversary of the opening of the Lindenwood University-Belleville campus.

Complimentary food, entertainment, campus tours, and fun. Mingle and network with alums and students. Reminisce with your friends, former classmates and professors. Hear about the exciting things happening at the Belleville campus.

To R.S.V.P. please contact the Alumni Office at [alumni@lindenwood.edu](mailto:alumni@lindenwood.edu) or (636) 949-4975. Please R.S.V.P. by October 16.

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To request your alumni discount card, please contact the Alumni Office at [alumni@lindenwood.edu](mailto:alumni@lindenwood.edu) or by phone at (636) 949-4975.

## Homecoming to Include Touring Broadway Show *CATS*



The National Tour of *CATS* opens October 9-10, 2009, at Lindenwood's J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts in the Bezemes Family Theater for two special performances. For tickets and information, call the Box Office at 636-949-4433 or visit [www.lindenwoodcenter.com](http://www.lindenwoodcenter.com).

In addition to reunions, football and other traditional Homecoming activities, this year Lindenwood University alumni will have the opportunity to see the national touring production of one of Broadway's most successful and enduring musicals, *CATS*.

Performances of *CATS* will be at 8 p.m. on Oct. 9 and 10 at the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts in the dazzling 1,200-seat Bezemes Family Theater. Tickets, which range in price from \$25 to \$55, are available by calling the Lindenwood Box Office at 636-949-4433 or online through the Scheidegger Center website ([www.lindenwoodcenter.com](http://www.lindenwoodcenter.com)).

One of composer Andrew Lloyd Webber's most beloved musicals, *CATS* debuted in London in 1981 and opened on

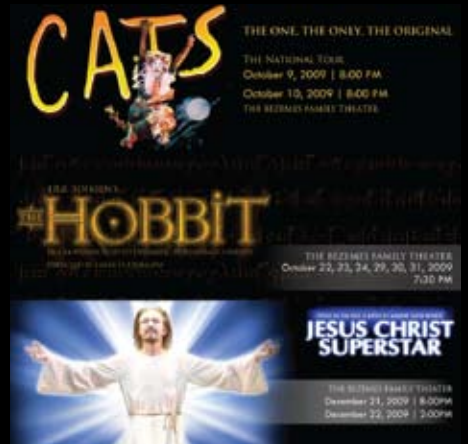
Broadway in 1982, winning seven Tony Awards, including Best Musical, and a host of other awards. The plot is based on *Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats*, by poet T.S. Eliot, who was born in St. Louis. The score includes 20 of Webber's most beloved songs, including the hit "Memory."

The performances will be the first ever in St. Charles County by the national touring production of *CATS*. It is just the beginning of a spectacular performing arts season at the Scheidegger Center. A schedule of shows for this fall, winter and spring is at right. Productions by the Lindenwood School of Fine and Performing Arts are denoted with an asterisk. Dates and times are subject to change. For more information about any of these shows, visit [www.lindenwoodcenter.com](http://www.lindenwoodcenter.com).

The stately J. Scheidegger Center has a wide selection of shows coming this fall.



## Upcoming Performances at the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts



Hal Holbrook in: "Mark Twain Tonight!"  
Oct. 16; 8 p.m.

"The Hobbit"\* Oct. 22-24; 7:30 p.m. /  
Oct. 29-31; 7:30 p.m.

Lindenwood Fall Dance Concert\*  
Nov. 6-7; 7:30 p.m.

"25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee"\*  
Nov. 11-14; 7:30 p.m.

Lindenwood Choir Concert\*  
Nov. 16; 7:30 p.m.

Lindenwood Orchestra Concert\*  
Nov. 19; 7:30 p.m.

Lindenwood Jazz Band Concert\*  
Nov. 20; 7:30 p.m.

"A Christmas Carol"\*  
TBD

"Christmas with Roger Williams"  
Dec. 12; 8 p.m.

"Jesus Christ Superstar": The National  
Tour, Dec. 21; 8 p.m. / Dec. 22; 2 p.m.

The Russian National Ballet Theatre  
Presents: "Swan Lake"  
Jan. 22, 2010; 8 p.m.

Divine Performing Arts: "Chinese New  
Year Spectacular"  
Feb. 11, 2010; 8 p.m.

Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night"\*  
Feb. 18-20; 7:30 p.m.

"South Pacific"\*  
March 4-6; 7:30 p.m. /  
March 11-13; 7:30 p.m.

# All in the Family

## Steady Stream of Bocks Have Walked Halls at LU

On the surface, Brenda and Jim Bock and their four children may look like the typical family. But their commitment to excellence and dedication to service truly sets them apart, evidenced by each of the children's contributions at Lindenwood University.

The Bock siblings - Jimmy, Katie Rose, Amanda, and Jessie- were homeschooled and instilled with strong senses of moral values and discipline by their parents. These qualities have led each of them to achieve impressive success academically, athletically, and in the area of civic involvement.

We've been very involved with the swim team for 20 years at the Crestwood Aquatic Center and all of my kids began swimming there when they were 5 years old," Brenda Bock said. "When they finished at the center, each of them eventually went on to become lifeguards at our local YMCA."

Jimmy, 23, was the first to be selected as the YMCA's Youth of the Year Award scholarship recipient in 2003. He used his Bright Flight Scholarship and the financial aid he received to attend Lindenwood, where he swam and played water polo, was involved in numerous student organizations, and also launched some of his own.

"He started a chapter of the co-ed service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega and also created an organization called the St. Michael Society," said Brenda. "It's now called the Catholic Student Union and my other children are currently involved in it at the university."

Jimmy entered seminary following his graduation from Lindenwood in 2007 but ultimately decided to take a different path. He married his wife, Carin, scored in the 11th percentile of students in the nation to take the Law School Admission Test, and currently attends the Ave Maria School of Law in Naples, Florida.

The second eldest sibling, Katie Rose, 22, followed in her brother's footsteps by receiving the YMCA's Youth of the Year Award. Leaders at another organization, Scholarship of America/Chrysler, acknowledged her accomplishments as well by awarding her the maximum amount



**Front row, from left: Amanda Bock, Brenda Bock, Katie Rose Bock and Jessica Bock. Back row, from left: James Bock, Sr., Caryn Bock and her husband, James Bock, Jr.**

offered through their scholarship program.

"She wrote an essay and filled out information about her grades and community service," Brenda said. "We got the letter in the mail and we were shocked to see that she'd won first prize, especially since the opportunity had been open to all children of the more than 30,000 Chrysler workers nationwide at the time."

Katie Rose also is quite active in Lindenwood organizations. She was on the swim team, involved in the School of Human Services leadership program, named Homecoming Queen in 2008, and also awarded the Dennis C. Spellmann Human Service Agency Management Award.

She graduated from Lindenwood in 2009 with degrees in nonprofit administration and psychology, and is currently enrolled in the master's program. Katie Rose Bock is resident director in Niccolls Hall, where her two younger sisters also live.

Amanda, 19, carries an exemplary grade point average and anticipates her graduation from Lindenwood in 2012 with a

degree in nonprofit business administration.

She too also received the top financial aid award through Chrysler's scholarship program on her journey to the university.

"When Amanda won the Chrysler scholarship it truly was unbelievable," said Brenda. "It was against all odds and we truly are blessed that both of our girls received the award."

The youngest in the family, Jessica, 18, joined her sisters at Lindenwood in the fall of 2009. "She became the third Bock sibling to be named the South City YMCA Youth of the Year before coming to Lindenwood, where she is currently involved in countless student organizations."

"We all just love Lindenwood and the school has been very generous to our family" said Brenda. "We did our job as parents by giving our children the tools to make the right choices after they left home," she continued. "They do well because of their faith and because they choose to do right. They are involved in so many organizations because it's their way of being generous and giving back."

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# ALUMNI

## Class Notes

### '80s

Laura Jenkins Boitnott ('89) is a district sales manager for Wausau Paper. She has two children, Meghan and Corbin, and resides in St. Peters, Mo.

Phillip Keipp ('83) has been appointed the vice president — chief financial officer for Huttig Building Products, Inc. He is a CPA with extensive financial and accounting experience and has worked for companies such as HD Supply Waterworks and KPMG, LLP. He took over the position this past July.

### '90s

Antonio Cicerelli ('90) was married in 2006 to Pattie Legate. He and his wife reside in St. Peters, Mo., and are expecting their first child, a baby boy, due in November 2009.

Greg Maxon ('93) is the group travel and sports sales manager for the Greater St. Charles Convention and Visitors Bureau. He resides in O'Fallon, Mo.

Darren Modde ('94 & '05) is a math teacher at DeSmet High School. He resides in Manchester, Mo., with his wife Sarah and children Samuel and Ruth.

Cory Simek ('90) was recently appointed director of the international trade administration of the United States Department of Commerce. Cory manages the Commercial Service office in St. Louis, which helps Missouri and Southern Illinois exporters do more and better business all over the world.

Dr. Denise Bickel-Swenson ('98) received her Ph.D. in social work with an emphasis on end of life care from the University of Missouri-Columbia on May 17, 2009.

### '00s

Kate Chaopanich Balakanich ('00) is the general manager of Overseas Ed. Ltd., and resides in Thailand with her husband, Itthichai.

April Mear Becherer ('08) is a first grade teacher for the Signal Hill School #181 in Belleville, Ill., where she resides with her husband Keith.

Christopher Belt ('08) recently published a children's book entitled *The Adventures of Nate and Gnat*, published by AuthorHouse. Belt uses cartoon characters to help

educate children about character, safety, accountability and responsibility. He currently serves as an electronic supervision officer for the St. Clair County Courts and resides in East St. Louis, Ill., with his wife and two children. He is also the founder of Difference Makers, a professional organization that mentors children age 9-18.

Atiqua Bownes ('08 & '09) is a financial service representative at First Bank in Webster Groves, Mo. She resides in Belleville, Ill.

Kimberly Colnaghi ('00) is a senior implementation specialist for ADP TotalSource in St. Louis. She resides in Maplewood, Mo.

Curt Denham ('09) is employed by Bridgeway Behavioral Health as a counselor. He graduated with a M.A. in professional counseling, and resides in St. Charles, Mo.

Patricia Dyer ('09) is an accountant with The Boeing Company in St. Louis. She resides in Wentzville, Mo., with her husband Stephen and son Michael.

Jacquelyn Griffin ('08) is employed by Hewlett-Packard and resides in Little Rock, Ark.

Beth Hamby ('07 & '08) was recently named the Hazelwood School District's Outstanding New Secondary Teacher of the Year. She is planning to be married in 2010 and currently resides in Florissant, Mo.

Jennifer Twillman Herndon ('06) graduated from Saint Louis University with a master's of medical science, and is a licensed physician assistant. She is working full time in the emergency room at Sullivan Hospital in Sullivan, Mo., and part time at Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Peters, Mo. She resides in St. Peters with her husband Dorian and continues to play as an ice hockey goalie as she did when she attended Lindenwood.

LaDonna Reed Hudson ('06) is a branch manager at U.S. Bank, and resides in Swansea, Ill. with her husband Joey and children Major and Jaylon.

Kathy Iffrig ('00 & '06) is the regional business manager in the Boeing Law Department. She is proud that the Lindenwood heritage is being carried on in her family with the recent admission of her son, Jordan, to Lindenwood University.

Jordan will attend the St. Charles campus and will be a member of LU's prestigious shooting team. She resides in Wentzville, Mo.

Kari Ann Knobloch ('08) was featured on the cover of the fall/winter 2009 *St. Louis Bride* magazine. For the photo shoot she wore designer wedding gowns and her Pointe dance shoes. She majored in dance and resides in Millstadt, Ill.

Caitlin McIntosh ('07) recently starred in the film *Shadowland*, a film by St. Louis filmmaker Wyatt Weed that aired at the Tivoli theatre in St. Louis in late July. She played the character Laura, who is a vampire. Caitlin is a fitness model and actress.

Tamara Miller ('07 & '09) recently obtained an MBA from Lindenwood. She is a paralegal with Thompson Coburn LLP in St. Louis. She resides in Collinsville, Ill., and has two children, Antanee' and Shar'ron.

Dr. Michele Wilkerson Raithel ('02) is the owner of the Revolutions Natural Medical Solutions Naturopathic Clinic in Folsom, Calif. The grand opening of the clinic was held in June. She resides in El Dorado Hills with her husband Justin.

Henri St. Arnault ('09) a Lindenwood men's ice hockey player, has recently been named to *ESPN the Magazine's* District 7 Academic All American 1st Team in the college division. He is now up for the magazine's national award voted on by the Collegiate Sports Information Directors Association. He is the first LU student athlete in any sport to earn academic honors in the two years since Lindenwood began nominating student athletes. He finished his hockey career as the all-time leader in points with 202 and assists with 142.

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for  
Reunion  
October 9-10?



# NEWS & NOTES

## In Memoriam

Jean Ross Moravec ('29)  
Baltimore, Md.  
Margaret Dallmeyer Fischbach ('35)  
St. Charles, Mo.  
Harriette Judge Reeves ('37)  
Memphis, Tenn.  
Elizabeth Groff Dunseth ('38)  
Lawrenceville, Ill.  
Jane Roberts Dunsford ('38)  
Dodge City, Kan.  
Mary Coombs Zullig ('38)  
St. Louis, Mo.  
Margaret Jane Ballew Branch ('40-'42)  
Dallas, Texas  
Louise Walker Geeslin ('41)  
Brady, Texas  
Ann Rayburn Levenson ('41)  
Lexington, Ky.  
Helen Meyer Niedner ('41)  
St. Charles, Mo.  
Flora Cravens Quillian ('42)  
Edmond, Okla.  
Nancy Wallace Mojonier ('44)  
River Forest, Ill.  
Mabel Wilkins Salfen ('46)  
Bridgeton, Mo.  
Janet Koetter Bushnell ('49)  
St. Charles, Mo.

Elizabeth (Betty) Keighley Engstrom ('49)  
Tucson, Ariz.  
Beth Kahre Martin ('49)  
Kokomo, Ind.  
Carol Greer Duckworth ('50)  
Falmouth, Mass.  
Jean McKahan Behnke ('51)  
Hot Springs, Ark.

Jean Denker Zerr ('60)  
St. Charles, Mo.  
Viktor Kemper ('68)  
Macomb, Ill.  
Lucille Meyer Steinhoff ('72)  
St. Charles, Mo.  
Ricky Richardson ('94-'95)  
Chief Warrant Officer 2  
Franklin, Mo.

## Please Help Us Find Our Lost Alums!

Our "Lost Lions" section can now be found by visiting us online at [www.lindenwood.edu/alumni](http://www.lindenwood.edu/alumni).

We have lost track of some of our alumni over the years, and we need your help in finding them. Our lists are updated every quarter, and will now be published online.

Thanks to many of you, we have been able to reconnect with several of our alums and we appreciate all of the support!

## Alumni News — We Want To Hear From You

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
First Maiden Last

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please check if this is a:  new address  new phone number

Home Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Class Year, Degree (BA, MBA, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate (Month/Day/Year) \_\_\_\_\_

Major(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Dorm Lived In \_\_\_\_\_

Alumni News/Recent Activities (Births, Marriages, Jobs, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Please send:  Annual Report  Fine & Performing Arts Schedule  Undergraduate Admissions Information  
 Graduate Admissions Information

Return to: Alumni Office, Lindenwood University, 209 S. Kingshighway, St. Charles, Missouri 63301-1695  
Or e-mail [wfraier@lindenwood.edu](mailto:wfraier@lindenwood.edu)

# Biggerstaff Leads Pack of Hall of Fame Inductees

Long-time athletic trainer Randy Biggerstaff headlines the 2009 class of the Lindenwood Athletics Hall of Fame. Biggerstaff, who is being inducted for meritorious service, is one of nine inductees in this year's class, which also includes six student-athletes, one coach and one team.

The 2009 induction ceremony will take place during Lindenwood's Homecoming on Oct. 10. The class will be introduced during the Lindenwood football game that afternoon and will be honored at a banquet and induction ceremony later that evening.

## Randy Biggerstaff

Randy Biggerstaff is in his 14th year at Lindenwood after starting the school's athletic training education program. Today, Biggerstaff oversees the athletic training program for one of the largest athletics departments in the country with approximately 1,600 student-athletes.

## Max Brown, Football

Max Brown was a four-year starter at quarterback for the Lindenwood football team from 1995-98. He was a three-time all-conference selection and the offensive leader for the 1998 team, which made the postseason for the first time in school history.

## Marijke Callebaut, Women's Soccer

Marijke (CoCo) Callebaut was a member of the Lindenwood women's soccer team from 2001-04 and was a three-time All-American. She led the Lady

Lions to three NAIA National Tournament appearances, including making the semifinals in 2002.

## Steve Crotz, Women's Basketball Head Coach

Steve Crotz was the women's basketball coach at Lindenwood from 1990-1996. In those six seasons, he compiled a record of 127-61, won five conference championships, five conference tournament titles, and advanced to three NAIA Division I National Tournaments.

## Edward Donnie Dillard, Track and Field

Edward Donnie Dillard was a member of Lindenwood's track and field team from 1994-95. In 1994, he became the first Lindenwood athlete to win an individual national championship when he captured the 60 yard dash title at the indoor championships with a time of 6.39.

## James Hale, Baseball/Men's Basketball

James (Skip) Hale was a two-sport star athlete for Lindenwood from 1975-79. He was a four-year starter in baseball and a three-year starter in basketball. He was named the Lindenwood Athlete of the Year in 1979.

## Branko Savic, Men's Soccer

Branko Savic was one of the top men's soccer players in school history from 2000-2003. He was a four-time All-American and recorded 80 goals and 58 assists during his career. Savic earned third-team All-American honors in 2000 and 2002,



Randy Biggerstaff

was second-team in 2001, and a first-team selection in 2003.

## Kelli Wind, Swimming and Diving

Kelli Wind was a three-time national champion diver for the Lindenwood swimming and diving program. She is still the school record holder in the 3 meter dual dive. She won three individual national championships, capturing the 1m dive in 2001 and sweeping and the 1m and 3m dives in 2002.

## 2001-2002 Roller Hockey

The 2001-02 Lindenwood roller hockey team won the 2002 National Collegiate Roller Hockey Association National Championship with a 6-4 win over Michigan State. That victory started a dynasty as it was the first of seven straight national championships for the Lions.

*Lindenwood's Hall of Fame committee reviews nominations from alumni and friends and selects honorees based on athletic and academic performance as well as their standing with the university.*

# New Athletic Website Offers Live Stats, Video, More

The Lindenwood University Athletics Department launched its new website over the summer at [www.lindenwoodlions.com](http://www.lindenwoodlions.com). The new site includes numerous new features on it that makes the site one of the best among NAIA schools.

One of the biggest improvements on the new website is the addition of photos throughout the site. Most stories will now have at least one action photo, and there is a photo gallery with images of past Lindenwood events. Another feature is a Lindenwood Athletics Youtube Channel, which will display interviews with Lindenwood coaches and athletes, and highlights of sporting events.

When fans cannot make it out to campus for home events, it will be easier to follow teams from home. Live stats will be provided for football, basketball, hockey, baseball and softball games. A link to the LUTV internet broadcast will also be provided when they show contests.

"I am extremely impressed with our new athletic website," said women's

lacrosse head coach and admissions counselor Jack Cribbin. "It is quite simply, outstanding. The site has become one of our greatest recruiting resources and a perfect way for past, present, and future students to stay connected to Lindenwood athletics."

Lindenwood collaborated with Internet Consulting Services (ICS) on the new website. ICS is one of the country's largest college athletics web-based content management companies, with nearly 300 colleges from all levels of the NCAA and NAIA. Lindenwood joins the ICS family which also includes schools like Syracuse University, University of Hawaii, Temple University, Davidson College, Cornell University, and Grambling State University.

The features above are just some of the top highlights of the new website. Be sure to check out [LindenwoodLions.com](http://LindenwoodLions.com) and continue to follow it this school year as new features continue to be added and old features, like the roster and schedule pages, receive improvements.



A view of the new [www.lindenwoodlions.com](http://www.lindenwoodlions.com)

# Sights Set High for Fall

## Football

The Lindenwood University football team was one play away from reaching the national championship game in 2008. The Lions and Coach Patrick Ross hope their offseason preparations will help them reach that next level in 2009. Lindenwood returns 15 starters from last year's squad, including all six players who were named first-team all-HAAC.

The offense will be anchored by an offensive line which returns Jeff Hynes, Dan Jones and Mike Errante. Hynes won the Rimington Award last season as the best center in the NAIA. The top skill returner is Rudy Fleming who set every school single-season receiving record in 2008.

The defense will be paced by cornerback Brandon Gould and linebacker Logen Wright. Both are first-team all-conference performers and have been voted team captains numerous times.

The Lions have some big home games during the second part of their season, including Homecoming on Oct. 10 against Baker, and contests with possible HAAC title implications versus Benedictine on Oct. 31 and William Jewell on Nov. 14.

## Women's Volleyball

The Lady Lions volleyball team hopes to extend two streaks this season by winning its fifth straight HAAC championship and advancing to a third straight NAIA National Championship. A pair of all-conference hitters will lead



**Rudy Fleming set a Lindenwood record with 11 touchdown receptions in 2008.**

the 2009 squad in Krista Yoder and Ellen Fandry. Those two players combined for just under 1000 kills last season.

## Men's Soccer

The Lindenwood men's soccer team had a stingy defense that allowed just one goal a game last year while winning 12 games. The goalkeeper is gone from that unit, but the Lions do return many key figures from the backfield and midfield, including Alen Bradaric, Adam Featherstone, and Vladimir Marica. The top returning scoring threat is all-conference performer Ivan Mijatovic who scored eight goals last season.

## Women's Soccer

The Lindenwood women's soccer team came one goal short of reaching the NAIA National Tournament last season and is highly motivated to make the national postseason this year. The Lady Lions return 93 percent of their scoring including all-conference midfielders McKenzie Creamer, Lindsay Shea, and Brigitte Bollwerk.



Brandon Newton



Nenad Simic



Mike Torie



Deval Leenheer

## Stars of the Lindenwood's Summer

**Baseball:** Brandon Newton spent his summer playing in the New England Collegiate Baseball League with the Pittsfield American Defenders. Newton hit .308 with five doubles, two home runs and 15 RBI.

**Swimming:** Nenad Simic made his way back to his native Serbia this summer to compete in the World University Games. Simic swam in the 50 meter freestyle and finished 56th. He also swam in the 100 meter freestyle and finished 59th. Both were personal bests.

**Track:** Mike Torie spent his summer competing in the World University Games in Belgrade, Serbia. Torie set a personal and Lindenwood best in the discus with a throw of 58.31m. The throw helped Torie qualify for the finals where he finished in 12th place.

**Synchronized Swimming:** Deval Leenheer spent her summer competing in the World Championships of synchronized swimming in Rome, Italy. Leenheer finished 22nd in the technical solo competition and 23rd in the free solo preliminaries.

# LU Lions 2009 Fall Home Schedule

## Football

Sept. 12	Central Methodist	6 p.m.
Sept. 26	MidAmerica Nazarene	6 p.m.
Oct. 10	Baker	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 31	Benedictine	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 14	William Jewell	1:30 p.m.

## Women's Volleyball

Sept. 8	Culver-Stockton	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 15	William Woods	7 p.m.
Oct. 2-3	Lindenwood Tournament	TBA
Oct. 10	Benedictine	4:30 p.m.
Oct. 16	William Jewell	3 p.m.
Oct. 16	Columbia	7 p.m.
Oct. 17	Oklahoma City	11:30 a.m.
Oct. 17	Trevecca Nazarene	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 22	Maryville	7 p.m.
Oct. 27	MidAmerica Nazarene	7 p.m.
Nov. 3	Evangel	7:30 p.m.

## Men's Soccer

Sept. 2	Columbia	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 18	Harris-Stowe	8 p.m.
Oct. 6	Culver-Stockton	8 p.m.
Oct. 17	Benedictine	7 p.m.
Oct. 24	Baker	7 p.m.
Oct. 27	Central Methodist	8 p.m.

## Women's Soccer

Aug. 31	Maryville	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 12	Trinity Christian	1 p.m.
Sept. 17	McKendree	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 6	Culver-Stockton	6 p.m.
Oct. 17	Benedictine	5 p.m.
Oct. 24	Baker	5 p.m.
Oct. 27	Central Methodist	6 p.m.
Nov. 5	Bethel	6 p.m.

## Men's Tennis

Sept. 9	Maryville	4 p.m.
Sept. 17	SIU-Edwardsville	3:30 p.m.
Sept. 29	McKendree	4 p.m.

## Women's Tennis

Sept. 10	SIU-Edwardsville	3:30 p.m.
Sept. 15	Maryville	4 p.m.

## Field Hockey

Sept. 18	Hendrix	2 p.m.
Sept. 19	Sewanee	TBA
Sept. 23	Saint Louis	TBA
Sept. 26	Bellarmino	2 p.m.
Oct. 15	Fontbonne	TBA

## Men's Water Polo

Sept. 19-20	Lindenwood Invitational	TBA
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• All Schedules Subject To Change

## Campus Buzzing with Activity; Join Us for Reunion

By *Cortney Lenk*  
President,  
Lindenwood Alumni Association



**Cortney Lenk, '99**

Summer is over, and Lindenwood's fall semester is under way! All of Lindenwood's campuses are buzzing with activity. The start of school and the coming of the fall season are always exciting and busy times for Lindenwood.

This fall also marks the end of my term as president of the Alumni Association. It has been a privilege to represent Lindenwood in this capacity for the last four years. I have very much enjoyed being the president of the Alumni Association and would like to thank everyone who supported me along the way.

As president, I am proud to have seen a large increase in alumni participation. As the year progresses, I hope that this trend will continue as the Alumni Office and Board work hard to boost alumni support.

I also hope that you are planning on attending Homecoming and Reunion Weekend October 9-10. It is going to be a jam-packed weekend of events, and there will be something to do for everyone. There are also many new events this year such as our Saturday Alumni BBQ Luncheon. Come out and support your alma mater and join us for a great weekend! You don't want to miss this exciting weekend.

On behalf of the Alumni Board, I would also like to say thank you to all of you who have supported the University and who continue to do so. During my term it has been wonderful to see all the changes and improvements around the Lindenwood campus and, most importantly to see the impact that your gifts have on our students. Although my term as president will end in October, I plan to remain a supportive and active alum and I hope to see you around campus in the future!

Have a wonderful fall!

Sincerely,

Cortney Lenk  
President- Lindenwood Alumni Association

## Michael Roberts to Speak at October 21 Event

Entrepreneur, author, visionary, and Lindenwood alumnus Michael Roberts will speak at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 21, in the Spellmann Center's Anheuser-Busch Leadership Room as part of Lindenwood University's new Entrepreneurial Speaker Series.



**Michael Roberts**

Since graduating from Lindenwood in 1971, Roberts has been a successful entrepreneur, public official, author, and real estate developer. With his brother, Stephen Roberts, he founded Roberts & Associates, a consulting and construction management firm, and a highly successful broadcasting and wireless business.

Roberts has received several awards, including the prestigious Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the Year award along with his brother Stephen in 2007. They currently own and manage 11 hotels, primarily in the Midwest and the South. Roberts has served on the boards of several companies and other organizations and is a nationally renowned speaker.

Roberts is the author of *Action Has No Season: Secrets and Strategies to Gaining Wealth and Authority*. His Oct. 21 presentation, entitled "Building a Legacy and the Future for Emerging Entrepreneurs," is the inaugural event in the Entrepreneurial Speaker Series hosted by Lindenwood's School of Business and Entrepreneurship; it is free of charge and the public is invited.

For more information about the presentation, contact Anthony Clark at 636-949-4742 or [aclark@lindenwood.edu](mailto:aclark@lindenwood.edu).

## Guess the Names

Can you tell us the names of the two dogs pictured at right with former President John Roemer? If so, please email your answer to [alumni@lindenwood.edu](mailto:alumni@lindenwood.edu). Only Lindenwood alumni are eligible to participate. Five winners will receive a prize from the Lindenwood University Alumni Association.

In last issue's "Guess What This Is," the picture was of the Lindenwood University sign in front of campus which states "Founded 1827."

Winners from the Summer 2009 Connection are Cliff Johnson ('78), Nichole Smith Johnson ('99), Martha Boschert Latham ('97), Steve Williams ('01), and Larry Wilson ('92).

