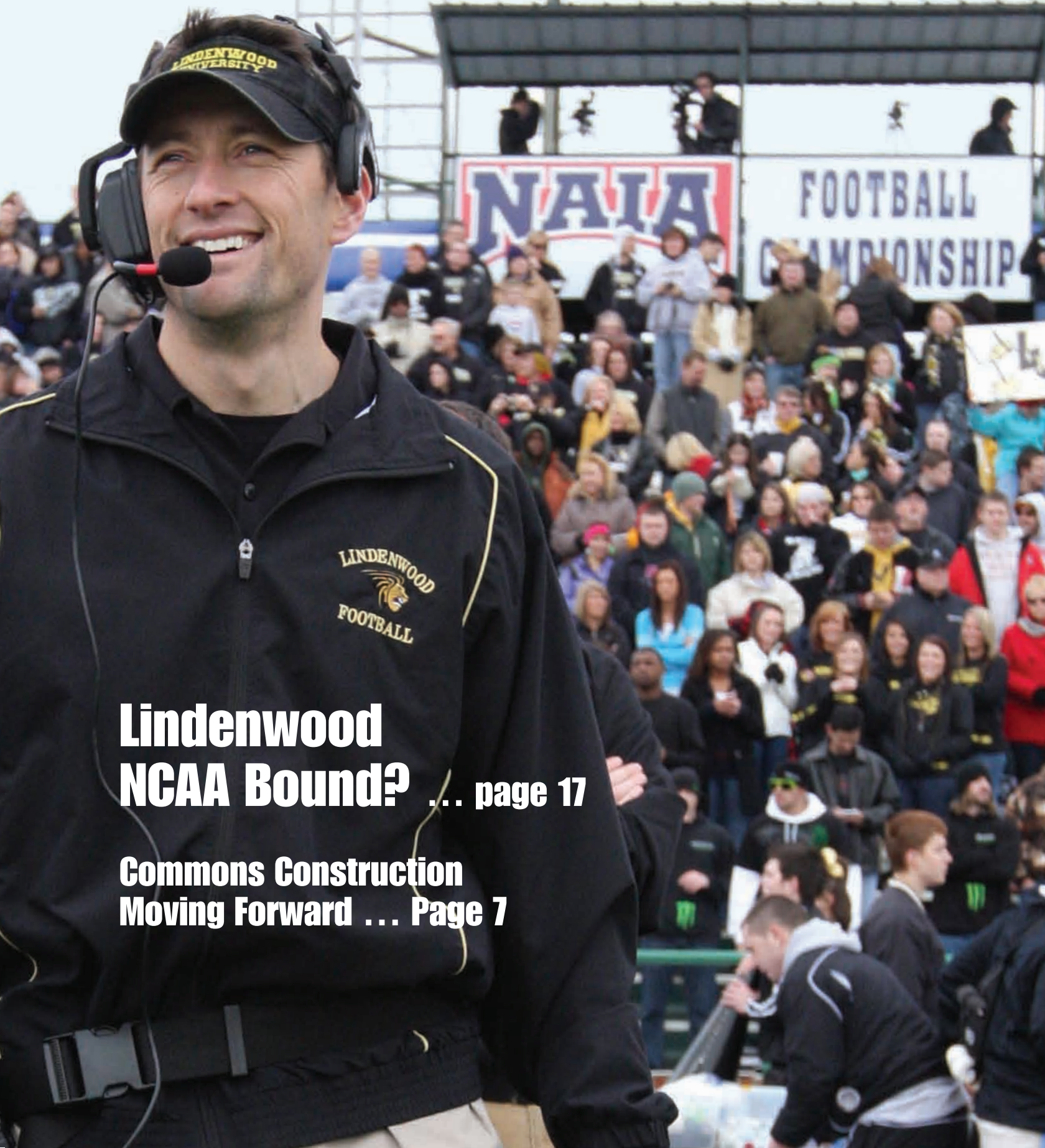


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A Message From President Evans They Came Sporting Remembrances

Dear Alums and Friends,

I hope the realization that the first decade of the 21st century just ended has not startled you as much as it did me. Bill Gates published a book titled *Business at the Speed of Light*, but my recent experience is that Lindenwood's modern-day efflorescence as a midsized university trumps even Gates' metaphor. You know exactly what I am talking about if you have visited our St. Charles campus within the past two or three years.

Speaking of visiting the campus . . . we continue to do everything possible to encourage our graduates to return to Lindenwood periodically for updates, nostalgia, conversation, and fun. You might be aware that we hold an alumni picnic every summer – with no cover fee whatsoever – to incentivize the opportunity to drop in for a day or so. It is great to see the turnout increase each year, and it is so gratifying to observe the warm and joyful reunions of old friends who first met here.

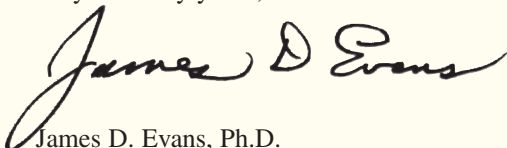
Our most recent alumni outreach initiative took a new form: It was the first scheduled gathering for graduates who had played basketball for the University. This inaugural celebration, which was held in the VIP Room of the Hyland Performance Arena, drew about 50 participants (counting spouses) and featured chili dogs and various desserts in addition to an opportunity to watch the current men's and women's basketball teams compete against William Jewell. Our honored guests were also treated to an opportunity to see our new men's coach, Brad Soderberg, in action. Many commented that Brad's passion, focus, and masterful strategy were nearly as interesting as the athletic maneuvers transpiring on the hardwood.

I cannot find words sufficient to express how good it was to renew ties and exchange experiences and updates with so many of my former students – Lindenwood basketball greats such as Dan Odom, Pat McMillan, and Stacey Bogle Bolser, to name just a few. We held a formal recognition ceremony at halftime, during which about 30 of our special guests were individually introduced and applauded by the fans. We were all so touched and proud to see each of these alums join his or her athletic cohorts, shake their hands, and take a place in the ebullient line of honorees. I thanked them personally when they returned to the VIP Room. After all, Lindenwood's intercollegiate sports program would not have evolved to its present level of acclaim without the essential part these former athletes played in paving the road to distinction.

By the way, the men's team won, 72-62. Our women lost their game, but they'll be back! Will you? Please pay us a visit soon.

Lois and I send our best wishes and appreciation to you.

Very sincerely yours,



James D. Evans, Ph.D.
President



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On The Cover

Head football coach Patrick Ross at the NAIA National Championship game in Rome, Georgia. The trip in December was Lindenwood's first time ever playing for the football national championship.



For the Cost of a

Latte ...

B e c o m e a D o n o r T o d a y

By *EMILY RADEMAN '07*

I am so proud of my alma mater and the number of the changes that have occurred in the short time since I graduated in 2007! My pride continues to grow as Lindenwood carries out its mission and progresses, changes, and adapts to this ever-changing world.

I grew up on a farm outside of Jefferson City, Mo., and always knew I would go to college, even though most of my extended family did not. The big question was where would I go and what could I afford. My parents were willing to help cover some of the cost, but there was no way they could afford full tuition. After speaking with an admissions counselor at Lindenwood and discussing my ACT score and GPA, I found out that I qualified for a significant scholarship! I immediately decided to attend LU, not only because of the scholarship offer but because of the beautiful campus and the friendly atmosphere I found on my first visit.

Within a few weeks, I adjusted to the college experience, to St. Charles, and to being away from home for the first time. And, I fell in love with Lindenwood! Throughout my years there, I made friendships that I will have forever and I developed great relationships with professors that also continue. I also learned a lot about myself and who I was as a person while creating a foundation to continue my education following my graduation with a bachelor's degree.

My recent appointment to the Lindenwood Alumni Association Board has allowed me to stay involved with

Lindenwood even though I no longer live in the area. I can continue sharing my passion for the University and showing my appreciation for the opportunity that was afforded me when I received my scholarship. Since I am the most recent graduate on the Board, I hope to help encourage recent grads to return for alumni events and to support their alma mater.

As I continue working on my doctorate in clinical psychology, I look back and realize that I would have never become who I am today without my education at Lindenwood. I truly believe that every experience we have in life leads us where we are meant to be. Lindenwood University positively influenced my path and I will be forever grateful for the opportunity the University provided me.

With this in mind, I donate my time and money to Lindenwood, as others have before me, in order to help students who, like me, need financial support to achieve their dreams and goals. As a grad student, I cannot afford to give a lot of financial support, but for the cost of a latte I know that my small contribution can do big things. I urge you to support Lindenwood in order to help today's students achieve their dreams and goals. I'm not asking that you make a donation that you cannot afford, but even a donation of \$5 is enough to show your appreciation for the education you received. With continued support from alums like myself, Lindenwood will be able to continue helping students to succeed!



Author Emily Rademan resides in Springfield, MO. Her Lindenwood degree is in psychology.

New Alums Can Make a Powerful Difference!

Please contact Whitney Fraier, Director of Alumni Relations, about how your small gift can make a difference for the students of Lindenwood University.

at wfraier@lindenwood.edu or

(636) 949-4975

Twenty-Five Students of Lindenwood Frolic Hours After Midnight in the Corridors to Dismay of Faculty. Written for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch on March 6, 1905

Pillows Fly In Battle *at Girls College*

Twenty-five young ladies, members of the higher classes at Lindenwood College, a fashionable boarding school for girls at St. Charles, are prohibited from hearing "Parsifal," although they have their tickets for Wednesday evening, on account of friction between the students and the faculty at the seminary.

The girls are now on "probation" as a direct result of a pillow fight after the midnight hour in darkened hallways of the staid old school, a refusal to desist when commanded by the lady principal and a continuous noise from a dozen pianos in rooms opening from all the hallways and making sleep impossible for the more timid students and the members of the faculty alike. For this offense each of the 25 girls was placed on "probation," that is, each is refused all privileges which are usually accorded members of the higher classes. She cannot receive company Friday evening, and she cannot leave the school property, nor can she study in her room. Instead she must go to the study rooms the same as when she was a freshman.

The clash began one morning last week, when not one of the 75 students in the school reached the dining room in time for breakfast.

On this morning the bell rang for the girls to arise. A few minutes later the second bell, calling them to breakfast, sounded. But the halls were hushed with an unnatural silence. There was no sound of scurrying feet, going down stairways three steps at a

time that their owners might not be late for the meal. Instead of all of this there was the unmistakable sound of partially suppressed titters coming from the rooms on all sides of the upper hallways.

In the spacious dining room there was a scene not greatly different from that in the hallways. The long table, which is usually alive with 75 girls, all too anxious to be in their places, was surrounded by vacant chairs except at one end sat the president of the college, the Rev. Charles P. Ayres. At the opposite end sat Mrs. Ayres. Between them there was vast vacant spaces, the monotony broken at intervals by somber members of the faculty.

None of the girls were sent for, but when the meal was finished the orders of the president began circulating to the different rooms. The order was short. It commanded that all young ladies who had failed to appear at breakfast that morning should remain in their rooms during the remainder of the day.

Pillow fights had long been tabooed at Lindenwood. There had been none for many months, but this was determined upon to excite the wrath of the faculty.

The night after the punishment for the breakfast episode 25 white-robed figures stole from their beds shortly after the long stroke of the clock. Each was armed with from one to a dozen pillows of all manner of color and design. At a signal the fight was on. The figures of the participants stood out in the partially lighted hallways.

It was one big battle royal. Screams issued forth and resounded through the halls unrestrained.

Suddenly the lights were extinguished, but even then the battle raged more furiously. Then the voice of Mrs. Herrin, the principal, was heard in the darkness from the direction of a stairway. The voice commanded silence, but to all appearances it was not heard by the participants in the battle. The voice was heard no more.

The girls felt injured. They were being ignored by the faculty. They were not making enough noise. They chose the pianos and forth from a dozen rooms came all manner of discords and music, both instrumental and vocal.

Even this failed to bring complaint from the faculty and finally the 25 girls stole away to their rooms to a certain extent defeated and quiet again reigned through the school.

The next morning President Ayres learned the names of the 25 girls. Then each was placed on "probation." She cannot have any of the privileges of the school until this order is revoked and the president has given no intimation of the length of time it shall be in force. He even mentioned the fact that it was entirely possible that none of the young ladies would receive permission to use the tickets they had already purchased for "Parsifal." This is causing much worry but the students hope President Ayres will see fit to remove the "probation" rule.

The Sound of MUSIC

Isidors Remember Aunt's Fondness of Lindenwood

It has been 45 years since the music of Gertrude Isidor filled the halls of Lindenwood's Memorial Arts Building, but her legacy will live on at the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts.

On a mission to find out more about his favorite Aunt Gertrude, John Isidor and his wife, Sandy, residents of Cincinnati, Ohio, contacted Lindenwood. As a child, John frequented the campus to visit Gertrude, and those memories have always been some of his favorites. John remembered how much Lindenwood meant to Gertrude and heard many stories about her time at the college. As a result, he wanted to find out more about the place where she spent so many years.

After discussions with University Archivist Paul Huffman and with the help of the Alumni Office, John learned that Gertrude taught violin at Lindenwood from 1926 to 1965 and was well known for her teaching tenacity and for her strong love for music. In helping John learn more about his aunt, former Lindenwood professors Groff and Fern Palmer Bittner ('57) shared many stories of their days of teaching with Gertrude.

"Gertrude was one of the most unbelievable violinists we have ever heard," said Groff Bittner. "She played so forcefully and fast that many times she would break and pop her strings and they would go flying in the air."

They also remembered that Gertrude never seemed to age and that her white hair was always beautiful, never moving even when Gertrude was playing her heart out.

John remembers his aunt as an extraordinarily nice person and very talented violinist. He said that Gertrude moved to Ormond Beach, Fla. to retire. There, she met Joe Dahms and was married for the first time, at age 80. In 1988, she passed away peacefully at the age of 91. Although it has been many years since Gertrude's passing, John has never forgotten her connection to Lindenwood.

Last October, John traveled to the campus of Lindenwood to see the place that his aunt called "home" for so many years.

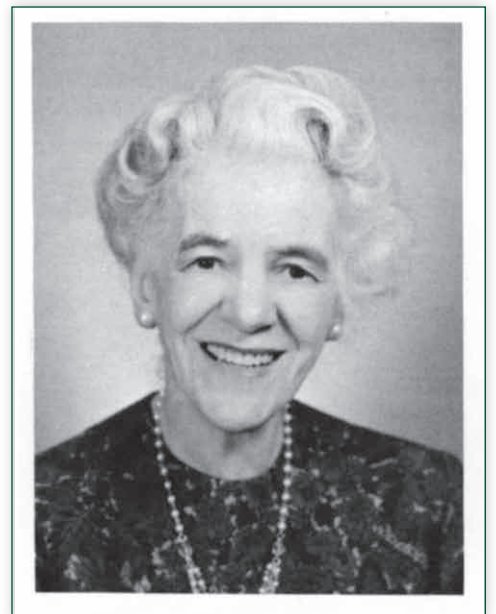


John and Sandy Isidor made a generous donation to Lindenwood University in the name of John's aunt, Gertrude Isidor. John Isidor visited the campus in October.

During his time on campus, he visited many of the campus buildings that Gertrude spent time in: the Memorial Arts Building and Roemer Hall. He also visited the Mary Ambler Archives in Butler Library where he was able to find many articles and pictures of his aunt's time at Lindenwood.

On the tour of campus, he visited the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts, which today houses Lindenwood's music programs, recital rooms, and music faculty offices. After the visit, John and his wife decided to name a Scheidegger Center office to honor his Aunt Gertrude. Although Gertrude may no longer be teaching at Lindenwood, her name and legacy will live in perpetuity in the Gertrude Isidor Dahms Office—where the string music faculty and students gather today.

The Isidor family is proud to remember Gertrude in this way, knowing that their donation will go to support the Lindenwood music department and its students.



Professor Gertrude Isidor was a musician and an artist. She received a postgraduate diploma with distinction from the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music.

The Joy of Teaching at Lindenwood Canale Cherishes Creative Energy of Students

The walls in Ann Canale's office in room 223 of Butler Hall are lined with bookshelves that hold well-worn copies of the weightiest of the classics and decidedly lighter works, like the children's book *There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly*.

"I teach folklore," she explains with a smile.

Canale has been teaching at Lindenwood since 1981, when she answered an ad in the MLA newsletter after completing her doctorate in comparative literature at the University of Massachusetts—Amherst.

"I've been here longer than my students have been alive," she mused. "Actually, Lindenwood is kind of like the school where I got my bachelor's."

That was Rosary College, now Dominican University, in River Forest, IL. Canale, who grew up in Memphis, went to school there to study philosophy, which she said appealed to her because she could take courses in a lot of different areas.

From there, she got her master's in English from John Carroll University in Cleveland, after which she taught for four years at the University of Western Illinois in Macomb before going to Massachusetts to do her doctoral work. She chose comparative literature, once again, because of a desire to think and learn broadly.

"I am a student," Canale said. "I want to expand my awareness of literature, art, and ways of thinking. I did not want to be tied down to one country's literature."

She has studied various languages, including ancient Greek, Italian, Latin and "a little French, German, Sanskrit and Japanese," so she could study literature across boundaries. Canale said when she came to Lindenwood, she was immediately



English Professor Ann Canale has been teaching at Lindenwood since 1981.

taken by its dynamic English faculty.

"Jim Feely, Howard Barnett, and Jean Fields were all here," she said. "It was a true liberal arts school with a list of challenging courses and creative student involvement."

Canale still cherishes that creative student involvement, manifest in activities like Creatifest (formerly Creative Happenings), in which students and faculty are invited to present works of art, writing, photography, drama and music each semester.

"Each one has its own personality," she said. "It's always a joy to see the originality and the spirit of the students as they present their own works."

Summing up her time at Lindenwood,

Canale said she finds the collegiality of the faculty one of the extraordinary things about the school, not to mention the students—both the creative stars and those who struggle and find their way during their time at Lindenwood.

"There are two things that describe Lindenwood to me," Canale said. "At Jean Fields' wake there were three students who said she changed their lives, and (professor) John Wehmer once said the joy of teaching at Lindenwood is to see hesitant students succeed who would get lost at another school. That is the immediate effect of Lindenwood on students that is such a joy to see."

Lindenwood Day at Busch Stadium

Join us for Lindenwood Alumni Day at Busch Stadium on May 2.

Enjoy a St. Louis Cardinals game while supporting your alma mater. Part of the ticket proceeds goes to support Lindenwood student scholarships.

Game tickets are \$15 and include admission and a free hot dog and soda voucher. Additionally, it is Albert Pujol's MVP Weekend, Rawlings Albert Pujols Bat Day, and Prairie Farms Run the Bases Day for kids.

Don't miss out on this event; it's sure to be a home run!

Purchase your tickets today by visiting www.stlcardinals.com/lindenwood. For more information, call the Alumni Office at (636) 949-4420.

Alumni who purchase tickets will be entered into a chance to win a pre-game field visit for two during batting practice!



New LU Commons Will Enhance Campus Life Experience

Lindenwood University is in the midst of two large construction projects that will dramatically alter the campus skyline and carry the University well into its next 180 years of service. The new LU Commons student center and the remodeling and expansion of Harmon Hall will not only enrich the University's learning environment but will also strengthen the spirit of community among students and faculty.

In May 2009, civic leaders joined Lindenwood University leaders for a special event celebrating the LU Commons groundbreaking. The 119,000-square-foot facility will be located adjacent to the Robert F. Hyland Performance Arena and feature a wide array of amenities when it is completed in the fall of 2011.

The new facility was designed with specific student requests in mind. The LU Commons will include three basketball courts and one multipurpose court, a suspended track, a variety of exercise and

fitness equipment, an additional cafeteria complete with a la carte stations and a large central dining hall, music and game rooms, a mail room, laundry facility, student organization meeting rooms, and office space.

"I'm glad to see this happening because I think it will make a positive difference in the campus culture," said Ashley Stewart, president of the Lindenwood Student Government Association. "The LU Commons will offer a place for students to hang out and have fun. If they're on-campus more, there will be more incentive for them to attend events and participate in student organizations."

When planning the building, Lindenwood administrators surveyed many individuals, and incorporated a significant amount of student input into the final building plans.

Construction crews have also made swift progress on the remodeling and expansion of Harmon Hall. Launched in 2008, the project will create nine additional

classrooms and several seminar halls, breakout rooms, and office space. A new external façade, which will eventually grace the entire building, can already be seen on the outside of the completed addition.

Named after the Rev. Dr. Lloyd B. Harmon, father of the late Lindenwood Board of Directors Chairman Ray Harmon, Harmon Hall housed the University's Fine Arts Department from 1969 until the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts opened in 2008. The refurbished Harmon Hall will be the home of the School for Business and Entrepreneurship upon its completion later this year.

"The entire Lindenwood community will benefit from these wonderful new buildings," said President James D. Evans, Ph.D. "For generations to come, they will stand as reminders of the institution's strong commitment to quality facilities and academic opportunities for our students."

By February 2010, the steel superstructure of the new 119,000-square-foot LU Commons offered the campus community a clear outline of the new building, which will be adjacent to the Hyland Performance Arena. The \$20 million building will house additional dining facilities and student activity areas.



Student Fashion Design Show Coming in April

The Lindenwood University School of Fine And Performing Arts is anticipating sell-out crowds at two evening performances of the Fashion Design Program's 13th Annual Fashion Show, *Take Off*. Upper-level students will showcase their designs at 8 p.m. on Friday, April 30, and on Saturday, May 1, in the Emerson Black Box Theater of the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts.

"We are expecting 220 guests for each show," said Florence Dewan, Department Chair and Assistant Professor of Fashion Design at Lindenwood. "Tickets will be available to the general public both nights, but the VIP show is May 1. We will welcome representatives from the local fashion industry, members of the media, sponsors of the show, and family members of student designers."

Take Off promises to deliver an array of styles, ranging from casual to avant-garde. The collections produced by Lindenwood's aspiring designers are both unique and innovative.

"Many of these young courtiers have served as interns at prestigious local

organizations as well as in New York and Europe," Dewan said. "There is an incredible amount of talent here."

Tickets cost \$25 per person. A reception, included in the ticket price, will precede the fashion show at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 1. Proceeds from both *Take Off* shows will benefit the Lindenwood University Fashion

Design Program.

The Emerson Black Box Theater is located in the J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts at 2300 West Clay Street in St. Charles, Missouri, 63301. Tickets can be purchased by calling the Lindenwood University Box Office at 636-949-4433.

A student design featured during the 2009 show, *Moda Metropolis*



Green Thumbs Wanted!

Team up with other alums and members of the Alumni Association Board for our Campus Spring Planting Day on Friday, May 7 from 10 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. If you have a green thumb (or even if you don't) and some spare time, help us beautify our campus by planting spring flowers.

Rain or shine, adults and youngsters alike can help by assisting with digging, planting, weeding, and watering the flowers on the Heritage side of campus around buildings such as: Roemer Hall, Butler Library, Butler Hall and Ayres Hall.

The day will begin at Roemer Hall and remember to bring your picnic lunch. Light snacks and water will be available throughout the event.

Help us and RSVP today to alumni@lindenwood.edu or by calling our alumni reservation line at 636-949-4420.

Merchandising Class Renovates Boone Home Gift Shop

The gift shop at Lindenwood University's Historic Daniel Boone Home has a fresh and inviting new look thanks to a complete renovation that took place in December 2009. The project was part of a Special Topics in Retail Merchandising course through which students earned three credit hours in a two-week period.

Doug Cannon, Department Chair and Assistant Professor of Retail Merchandising, led the team of 10 participants through the modified January-term class. The term typically takes place from Jan. 4-22, but work on the gift shop began Dec. 14 and took about eight days to finish.

"We started that Monday and had a deadline to meet of finishing before Christmas Eve," Cannon said. "It's was a small window and hectic to say the least, but fun for the students and a great opportunity to expose them to some practical applications with regards to retail merchandising."

With minor assistance from local contractors, the class removed the contents of the entire building, painted the walls, re-sealed the floors, and updated the shop's restrooms. They also arranged new merchandise on contemporary display cases and tables throughout the space.

"It was an ideal situation for the students to apply their background, education and experience," said Cannon. "The upgrades to the facility are something both the students and Boone Home staff can take pride in and that visitors can enjoy."

Additional photographs and video of the renovation process can be viewed by visiting Lindenwood's fan page at www.facebook.com or the University's YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/LindenwoodU.



Above: Lindenwood's Daniel Boone Home. **Below:** The gift shop after renovation.



Go Green for LU

Alumni who contribute an email address to the University help LU save the earth's resources. Send your current email address and mailing address today by visiting us online between March 1- May 15 at www.lindenwood.edu/alumni or by email to alumni@lindenwood.edu.

Each alum who updates his or her contact information will receive a FREE Lindenwood Alumni recyclable shopping bag.

Help us GO GREEN and receive your bag in the mail today!

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In Search of Roemer's Coal Mine

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

My duties here at Lindenwood occasionally take me on unforeseen adventures. This one started when the University received a tax notice from the State of West Virginia. Someone purchased an interest in real estate once owned by Lindenwood, and if we did not pay the back taxes of \$7,000, we would lose our interest in the property forever. The adventure had begun.

In 1940, John Roemer willed an interest in coal mineral rights to Lindenwood Female College that now has an assessed valuation of \$198,730. Lindenwood stopped paying taxes on the property and it was sold to the State of West Virginia in 1993. We would have one final opportunity to redeem the property for the University.

I was dispatched to Morgantown, West Virginia, birthplace and boyhood home of Don Knotts, (Barney Fife of *The Andy Griffith Show*). My first stop was to look into the valuation of the interest at the County Assessor's Office and meet with the staff attorney. The attorney, who was familiar with the general area, speculated that this acreage, at a thickness of five feet, could contain 3 million tons of coal. With a standard 80 percent recovery, the tract could earn \$6 million if mined!

I then met with a local West Virginia attorney to review what I had found, and he stated that the assessment of such property is no longer being conducted by the local assessor. The assessment now comes from the West Virginia State Tax Department in Charleston. Assessments have skyrocketed because they now use a "shotgun" approach rather than assessing on an individual tract

basis. This means that a landowner may have mined out all the coal (making the land worthless) without it being reflected in the actual value.

My search for clues continued at the Recorder of Deeds office. It was not John Roemer, but Lillie Roemer who had family in Morgantown. This property first appeared in land records in 1864 (one year after West Virginia became a state). Lillie inherited the property from her parents and brother (the Pickenpaugh family), and John inherited it from her in 1923.

A review of John's will revealed that Lindenwood received 373 acres of coal rights on June 18, 1940. (Did you know that he left his chauffeur \$500 when he died?) On October 21, 1949, Vice President Thomas H. Cobbs (as in Cobbs Hall) sold 65 acres of the inheritance to National Steel Company, which brought the acreage down to the current 308 acres.

Since geological descriptions do not match geographical descriptions, the dilemmas I faced were finding the exact location of the property and deciding whether it was worth anything. I made several inquires and solicitations to interested local coal companies. We soon learned that the sale of the 65 acres of property from Lindenwood in 1949 was all the "good stuff."

The property ended up being located adjacent to a new Wal-Mart and under State Highway 119 (also known as Don Knotts Blvd). Test borings had been done, and the vein was so small and so deep that it was not worth the amount of the taxes. Game over, but now we know for sure.

I felt very close to the Roemers during this trip, and it should make us all appreciate the foresight that John Roemer had in leaving us property in his will. We



John Roemer, president of Lindenwood from 1914-1940

did not have a Sibley Heritage Society back then, but you can follow in the Roemers' footsteps and join now.

Becoming a member of the Sibley Heritage Society makes your future bequest a part of the "expectancies" which will fund Lindenwood University's future. A gift of \$1000, or more in your will or trust, with no current cash outlay, makes you a part of this elite group. You will then receive annual invitations to special events at the University allowing us to thank you during your lifetime. Contact me at 636-949-4617 for all the details.

Lindenwood invested in your future, and now you can invest in Lindenwood's future. Isn't it about time you join?

St. Charles Alumni Club Seeking New Members

Want to get involved with your alma mater? The St. Charles Alumni Club allows a continuation of learning opportunities, networking situations, and a chance to give something back to the university.

The St. Charles Club is a group of alumni working together to sponsor student scholarships, promote Lindenwood pride, and host social activities.

The Club is involved with sponsoring activities during Homecoming and Reunion Weekend, such as the Welcome Reception, Dorm Decorating Contests, and Parade Float Judging. In addition, the group also hosts the Annual Fall Fashion Show fundraiser to raise scholarship support for

LU students. The Club also contributes to special Lindenwood projects and helps to upkeep the Lindenwood Alumni Museum.

The Club is actively seeking new members and would love to have your support. Dues are only \$10 a year, and your support and involvement will help the club to accomplish even greater things in 2010! To find out more information or to sign up, please contact St. Charles Alumni Club President Mary Gismegian ('81) at mgismegian@lindenwood.edu or (636) 949-4807 or visit the club online at www.lindenwood.edu/alumni.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We have lost some of our alums over the years and we need your help to find them.

To view a complete listing, visit us online at www.lindenwood.edu/alumni.

Help us find your classmates, so our 2010 Homecoming & Reunion is a success!



Graduate student DeAnna Jarrel-Massie and senior Peter Colombotto in the recent Lindenwood theatre production *Anything Goes*.

Action Packed Performing Arts Season Still Has Much in Store

Lindenwood University's J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts has had an amazing 2009-2010 season. Hal Holbrook's *Mark Twain Tonight* and the Broadway revival of *Jesus Christ Superstar* returned to the stage of the Bezemes Family Theater, in addition to acts like Joan Osborne, the Russian State Ballet Theatre, and the Chinese performing arts spectacular *Shen Yun*.

The Bezemes Theater stage was also host to the March 17 taping of a PBS fund raising special, *Marvin Hamlisch Presents: The '70s, The Way We Were*, which was hosted by the legendary Hamlisch and featured stars like Debby Boone, Three Dog Night, and Peaches and Herb performing their favorites.

There has also been a slate of outstanding student shows from the Lindenwood School of Fine and Performing Arts, including dance concerts, vocal and instrumental music concerts, and theatrical productions like J.R.R. Tolkien's *The Hobbit*, *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*, and the timeless musical *Anything Goes*.

There is still much more to come, including the graduate thesis project *Mr. Marmalade* on the Emerson Black Box Theater stage on April 8-10. Written by

Noah Haidle, this dark comedy is about a little girl and her imaginary friend, Mr. Marmalade.

Lindenwood's outstanding dance program will present its Spring Dance Concert at 7:30 p.m. on April 21-24 on the Emerson stage, and Lindenwood's premiere acapella group *Voices Only* will have a concert on April 26 and 27 at Emerson.

The Theatre Department will present a musical revue featuring the songs of Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein at 7:30 p.m. on April 30 and May 1 in the Bezemes Family Theater. Rodgers and Hammerstein created the music for some of America's most beloved musicals, including *Oklahoma*, *South Pacific*, *Carousel*, *The King and I* and *The Sound of Music*, lovingly brought to life in this production by Lindenwood's outstanding musical theatre students.

Another graduate thesis project, Donald Margulies' *Dinner With Friends*, takes the stage at Jelkyl Theater in Roemer Hall on May 6-8, and Lindenwood's annual fashion show, which showcases the creations of the prolific and successful Fashion Design Department, will be in the Emerson Theater at 7:30 p.m. on May 7 and 8.

Upcoming Student Productions J. Scheidegger Center for the Arts



Voices Only, which will offer a concert in April, rehearses with director Pam Grooms.

Mr. Marmalade
Apr. 8, 9, 10, 7:30 p.m.

Improv Show
April 17, 7:30 p.m.

Dance Concert
Apr. 21-24, 7:30 p.m.

Voices Only
April 26-27, 7:30 p.m.

An Evening with Rodgers and Hammerstein
Apr. 30 and May 1, 7:30 p.m.

Dinner with Friends
May 6-8, 7 p.m.

Student Fashion Show
May 7-8, 7:30 p.m.

Improv Show
May 11, 7:30 p.m.

Visit www.lindenwoodcenter.com
for tickets and show information.

Upcoming Lindenwood Alumni & Special Events

LU Softball and Baseball Player Alumni Recognition Game

April 3, 2010

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Location: Lou Brock Field, LU Campus

Belleville Counseling Alumni Mix & Mingle

April 9, 2010

Time: 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Location: Fischers Restaurant, Belleville, Ill.

Clay Target Shooting Team Event, Dinner & Auction

Friday, April 16, 2010

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Location: Gateway Gun Club, Hazelwood, Mo.

St. Charles Alumni Club-Daniel Boone Home Tour & Sugar Creek Winery Event

Sunday, April 18

Boone Home Tour Noon;

Winery Tour 2 p.m.

Defiance, MO

2010-2011 Football Banquet & Forecast Dinner

Thursday, April 22, 2010

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: The Columns Banquet & Convention Center, St. Charles

School of Business & Entrepreneurship 3rd Annual Golf Tournament

Friday, April 30, 2010

Shotgun Start Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: Whitmoor Country Club in St. Charles

Lindenwood Day at Cardinals Game

Sunday, May 2, 2010

Game Time: 1:15 p.m.

Location: Busch Stadium

For more information or to purchase tickets visit www.stlcardinals.com/lindenwood.

LU Grad Checkout Day

Thursday, May 6, 2010

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Location: St. Charles Campus Anheuser-Busch Leadership Room in Spellmann Center

Campus Spring Planting Day

Friday, May 7, 2010

Time: 10 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Starting Location: Roemer Hall at St. Charles Campus

Baccalaureate Ceremony

Friday, May 14, 2010

Time: 7:30 p.m. -10:00 p.m.

Location: Family Arena, St. Charles

Undergraduate Commencement

Saturday, May 15, 2010

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12: 00 p.m.

Location: Family Arena, St. Charles

3rd Annual Alumni and Friends Picnic

Saturday, June 12, 2010

Time: 11: 30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Location: Outdoors in the Quad, St. Charles Campus

LU Night at the Gardens

Wednesday, June 23, 2010

Time: 5:00 p.m. – close

Location: Missouri Botanical Garden

Homecoming and Reunion Weekend

October 15 -16, 2010

Look for more details to come in July.

Check out these upcoming alumni events and find more information by visiting us online at www.lindenwood.edu/alumni or by calling the alumni office at (636) 949-4975.



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Mark your calendars for Reunion & Homecoming 2010, October 15-16, 2010.

Tour our beautiful campus, participate in the weekend's festivities, and relive your favorite campus memories.

Honored Classes

Classes of 1950, 1960, 1970, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995, 2000, and 2005 will be honored.

Look for more Reunion & Homecoming details to follow. A schedule of the weekend's events will be mailed to all alums in June.

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Class Notes

'30s

Frances Metzger Weeks ('36-37) is happy to report that her grandson was recently married in August 2009. Frances attended Lindenwood for one year and then went on to obtain her B.A. and R.N. degrees from the University of Kansas. She was a psychology major while attending Lindenwood and resided in Niccolls Hall. She currently resides in Leawood, Kan.

'50s

Janice Davis Small ('55) was recently married to Rufus Clayton Small on October 24, 2009. She moved from Peabody, Mass., to Oak Harbor, Wash. She was an English and communication major at Lindenwood and resided in Sibley Hall.

'60s

Nancy Knock Walters ('60) is retired and currently resides in Cincinnati, Ohio. After Lindenwood she went on to obtain degrees at Purdue University and University of Cincinnati. She remains active in her community and is a member of various organizations, including: Cincinnati Woman's Club, ACLU, AAUW, League of Women Voters, Cincinnati Women's Political Caucus, and the American Society of Medical Technology.

Margaret Millar Dawson ('62-'64) is a speech pathologist at the Craig City School District in Craig, Alaska, where she resides with her husband Paul. After attending Lindenwood for two years, she finished her degree at Henderson State University and went on to complete her master's in speech pathology at the University of Arkansas Fayetteville.

Susan Drozda Jones ('63) retired in 2005 and lives with her husband in Salt Lake City, Utah. She enjoys skiing the steep and deep at Snowbird and ski racing in the US Ski Team Masters all over the West. She also enjoys spending time with her three grandchildren and would love to reconnect with friends on Facebook.

'70s

Robert Peters ('72) is a retired teacher and coach. He majored in sociology at Lindenwood, and was a member of the soccer and baseball teams. He played from '71-'72 for Coach Larry Volo. He currently resides in Louisville, Ky.

John Dooley ('74) was recently honored by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers with selection as a

senior member. Only 12 percent of IEEE members are selected as senior members, which acknowledges both professional accomplishments and length of service in the field. He has also published two research papers about the writing of cryptologist Herbert Yardley. Dooley is a professor and chair of computer science at Knox College in Galesburg, Ill., where he currently resides with his wife Diane.

Debra Spicknall Wright ('78) is the vice president for distribution strategy, tax exempt segment, for Prudential Retirement in Hartford, Conn. She resides in Galloway, Ohio, with her husband Scott, a retired psychologist, and her son Charles.

'80s

Roy Joachimstaler ('84) was recently elected as chief of police for the City of O'Fallon, Mo. He began his career in 1969 as a police cadet and worked for the City of St. Louis Police Department for 39 years. He received a master's degree in management from Lindenwood.

Victor Avellino ('85) is an attorney with Boggs, Avellino, Lach & Boggs. He played men's soccer for four years while attending Lindenwood and was a 1983 Academic All-American and a four-time Scholar Athlete. He currently resides in Fenton, Mo.

Tom Gerrity ('89) has been selected as the new senior product director for private label products for 7-Eleven, Inc. He joined the company in 1981, and before his career at 7-Eleven he worked for Venture Stores and Target. He currently resides in Dallas, Texas.

'90s

Vanessa James Gordon ('92 and '03) recently started her own business as a designer, specializing in women's couture and interior décor. Vanessa graduated from Lindenwood with a degree in mass communications and her MBA. She studied fashion and interior design as a hobby before she realized her love for the industry. She and her husband Tony live in Atlanta, Ga.

Steven Pinkerton ('92) is a police officer for the City of St. Louis. He was a sociology and criminal justice major and was a member of the football team for four years. He was an honorable mention All-American in 1993 and holds the school records for longest field goal, 54 yards, and most 50-yard field goals in one game.

Dr. Tracy Reed ('92) recently received the 2009 Neighborhood Business of the Year Award for the 27th ward in the city of St. Louis. She was selected for her special

commitments to and her investments in the city. She is a podiatrist and owner of Tracy M. Reed, DPM, and currently resides in Florissant, Mo.

Patricia Gebard Chapin ('93 and '02) is employed with the Department of Defense and the U.S. Marine Corps as a family advocacy counselor. She received Lindenwood degrees in psychology and professional counseling and is currently pursuing her Ph.D. in general psychology from Capella University. She currently resides in Yuma, Ariz.

Thomas Kerns ('93) is a supervisory federal agent for the United States Postal Inspection Service. He was a business and physical education major and a member of the men's soccer team from 1980-1982. He currently resides in O'Fallon, Mo.

Lakhisha Starks ('96) is an employee at US Bank. She received a bachelor's in political science and public administration from Lindenwood. She currently resides in St. Louis, Mo., with her daughter Tea'ia.

Vicki Adams ('98) was recently recognized for her work as a local educator and founder of the nonprofit Metamorphic Center, a nonprofit educational "museum" dedicated to hands-on learning experiences that make math more accessible. She was former educator at Orchard Farm School District and is currently an adjunct professor at Lindenwood. The center is located in Ferguson, Mo., where she currently resides.

Sara Schaefer Drost ('98) started her own live entertainment production company in 2009 called Flying Princess Productions, LLC, dedicated to providing quality entertainment in southeast Missouri. She currently resides in Sainte Genevieve, Mo.

Edward Howard ('98) is employed by Notify Tech in San Jose, Calif., as a territory sales manager. He graduated with a bachelor's in criminal justice and currently resides in Milpitas, Calif.

Jeffrey Maldari ('99) is employed by Strategic Value Partners as a controller. He graduated with a degree in Accounting and while at LU was a member of the baseball and football teams. He currently resides in New Rochelle, N.Y., with his wife Jacquelyn Martin Maldari ('00).

Timothy Ryder ('99) has joined RW Smith, one of the country's leading fixed income interdealer brokers, as midwest regional director based in the Chicago office. He was previously employed with JP Morgan Chase and 1st Capital in Dallas. He currently resides in Chicago, Ill.

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Julie Sehnert ('99) has joined the staff of Central Illinois Community Blood Center as director of donor relations. She previously served as the district sales manager for the Biomedical Services Division of the Missouri/Illinois Region of the American Red Cross. She graduated with a master's in health care management and marketing and she currently resides in O'Fallon, Mo.

'00s

Jessica Kruse Hays ('00 and '03) is an MCR generalist for The HON Company. She, her husband Kevin, and their children, Ethan and Mason, reside in Muscatine, IA.

Suzanne Lay ('00) recently launched her own clothing label called Suzanne Lay and her spring 2010 collection. After graduating from Lindenwood with a degree in Fashion Design, she worked for companies such as Weismann Designs for Dance and Lord and Taylor. She is also the director of designers and collections for Fashion Week at Bourbon Park in New Orleans this April. She currently resides in St. Peters, Mo., with her husband Ray and children McKenzie and Tyler.

Jeff Beaton ('01 and '08) is a lieutenant with the Shrewsbury Police Department. He holds degrees in criminal justice and human resource management and is also a recent graduate of the FBI National Academy. He resides in Fenton, Mo., with his wife Kris and children Nathan and Kamryn.

Elizabeth Kemple ('01) is a management analysis specialist II with the State of Missouri Department of Social Services. She currently resides in Jefferson City, Mo.

Michelle Patrico ('01) is a softball coach for Trinity Catholic High. She was a member of the Lindenwood softball team from 1997-2001 and was an All-Conference (four years), All-Region (four years), Regional MVP, and All-American player. She currently resides in Florissant, Mo.

Michael Wegman ('01) was recently hired as the business development manager for Foundation Supportworks, Inc. (FSI). He was previously the national sales manager for Drive Rite Piering Systems and comes to FSI with years of experience in the civil construction industry. He graduated with a bachelor's in economics from University of Missouri and received his MBA from Lindenwood. He resides in Spring Hill, Tenn., with his wife and three children.

Balkys Robles ('02) is a marketing and technical associate with Brandes Investment Partners in San Diego, Calif.,

where she currently resides. She graduated with her master's in communications from Lindenwood and her bachelor's in computer systems engineering from the Universidad Santa Maria La Antigua.

Ryan Teson ('02) is employed as a business analyst. He currently resides in St. Charles, Mo., and while attending LU was a member of the swimming team from 1999-2002. As a member of team he was a four-time national qualifier.

Laurie Tretter ('02 and '04) was recently recognized as a Shining Star at the St. Louis Science Center's 10th Annual Shining Star Awards Banquet on Nov. 20. She was commended for her contributions to the lives of her students and colleagues. A music teacher at Blades Elementary School in the Mehlville School District, she graduated with a bachelor's in music and a master's in education administration and currently resides in St. Louis, Mo.

Ambar Ortega Ryon ('03) is currently employed as an HR generalist and resides in St. Peters, Mo., with her husband Shawn. She received her bachelor's in tourism management from the Universidad Santa Maria La Antigua and her master's in human resource management from Lindenwood.

Dwyer Edmeade ('04) is a systems analyst for the government of St. Kitts Electricity Department in St. Paul's, St. Kitts, where he currently resides. He received a bachelor's from Lindenwood in management information systems.

Dr. Nena Kircher ('04) has recently completed her doctor of psychology degree from the Forest Institute of Professional Psychology in Springfield, Mo. She was also recently married on July 10, 2009, to Daeton DeGrant. She is currently employed as a licensed clinical psychologist at Midwest Behavioral Health and resides in St. Charles, Mo. She is also proud to announce that her youngest brother will be attending LU as a freshman in fall 2010.

Sara Reeb Robertson ('04) is the assistant attorney general for the Missouri Attorney General's Office in St. Louis, Mo. She is a recent graduate from the Saint Louis University School of Law and resides in Belleville, Ill., with her husband Joe.

Tim Sawyer ('04), a local potter, has returned to Lindenwood to assist in the new ceramics building. Tim worked in creating the pottery shop at the Historic Daniel Boone Home campus. Tim and his wife Christy own Plank Road Pottery and reside in St. Charles, Mo.

Philip Brandt ('05) was recently appointed as vice president of employee services for Patriot Coal Corporation. He

previously served as senior vice president of human resources for GKN Aerospace and has served in human resources for Ralston Purina. He comes to this position with over 19 years of industry experience and currently resides in O'Fallon, Mo.

Bill Sax ('05) has been hired as a new assistant professor of administration of justice and deputy director of the Police Academy of Southwestern Illinois College. Over the last 30 years Sax has served in the Belleville Police Department and recently retired with the rank of captain and was the Patrol Division commander. Sax became an adjunct professor in 2007 at Lindenwood University- Belleville Campus. He resides in Belleville, Ill.

Mike Shanfeld ('05) is a physical education teacher at Pierremont Elementary School in the Parkway School District. For five seasons, he has also served as the Parkway South Varsity Men's Basketball assistant coach. He resides in Ballwin, Mo., with his wife Dana and sons Ryan and Tyler.

Mitch Stevens ('05) is a social studies teacher at Parkway South High School in the Parkway School District. For five seasons, he has also served as the Parkway South Varsity Men's Basketball head coach and is currently an assistant on the volleyball staff. He resides in Kirkwood, Mo., with his wife Angie and son Sloane.

Mary Bedford Thomas ('05) is currently the property manager for the East St. Louis Housing Authority. She graduated from the Lindenwood-Bellefonte campus with a degree in business administration. She currently resides in Belleville, Ill., and is involved in many professional organizations, such as the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials, and Certified Public Housing Managers.

Mary Ann Baker ('06) is a researcher at Southern Illinois University. She received her bachelor's in communications at Lindenwood and currently resides in Ava, Ill.

Ryan Darks ('06) is a physical education teacher for the Francis Howell School District and currently resides in St. Peters, Mo., with his wife Jennifer Roth Darks ('05). He was a member of the football and lacrosse teams while attending Lindenwood.

Heather Saltzman ('06) announces her engagement to Jacob Meyer Lampert. She received her bachelor's in marketing from Indiana University and obtained her master's in education from Lindenwood. She is currently a teacher in the Rockwood School District, and her fiancé is a ticket

broker. The couple is set to marry in June 2010 and will reside in St. Louis, Mo.

Elizabeth Boyle ('07) is a tax senior for Spartech Corporation. She graduated with a bachelor's in accounting and currently resides in St. Charles, Mo.

Brooke Busken Haskins ('07) is a victim advocate for Jefferson County in Hillsboro, Mo. She graduated with a degree in nonprofit administration and was member of the golf team at Lindenwood. She currently resides in High Ridge, Mo., with her husband Ron ('05).

Leaha Sharpe Jones ('07) and Michael Jones ('07) currently reside in Davenport, Iowa. Leaha is pursuing a master's degree in counseling in education from Western Illinois University, and Michael is pursuing a doctorate of chiropractic at Palmer College of Chiropractic.

Becky Randolph ('07) is an English teacher with the Springfield District 186 in Springfield, Ill., where she currently resides. She graduated from Lindenwood with a degree in English and secondary education and was a member of the Lady Lionettes Dance Team.

John Salter ('07) was recently highlighted for his 4-1 record in wrestling since his first pro fight in March 2009. He is currently an assistant wrestling coach at Thompson High School in Alabama and holds a professional belt in Ultimate Event Promotions. He recently fought in the Ultimate Fighting Championships (UFC) and fights in the Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) middleweight division. He currently resides in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Ryan Shockley ('07) has been hired as the 2010 season head coach for the Allegany County Nitros of the New York Collegiate Baseball League, where he previously played as a middle infielder

on the 2005 team. He is also employed as the assistant baseball coach at Spalding University in Louisville, Ky. He played baseball at Lindenwood for four years and still holds the all-time record for hits.

Steve Solomon ('07) is an eclectic gestalt facilitator and counselor who works for Advanced Professional Gestalt Counseling. He graduated with a master's in professional counseling and currently resides in Portland, Ore.

Tara Stepanek ('07) is currently a high school teacher with the Ferguson-Florissant School District. She received her master's in teaching from Lindenwood and currently resides in Bridgeton, Mo.

Kristi Calhoun ('08) is the call center supervisor for Marcone. She was a marketing major at Lindenwood and currently resides in St. Charles, Mo.

Lindsey Chier ('08) is a production artist for Group360. She was a graphic design major at Lindenwood and played soccer for two years. She currently resides in Fenton, Mo.

Nick Hunter ('08) is currently pursuing his doctorate in osteopathic medicine at Touro University-Nevada. He recently completed his master's in anatomy from Texas Tech Health Science Center. At Lindenwood he was a member of the shooting team and natural science club. He currently resides in Lubbock, Texas.

Kristy Sullivan ('08) is a high school language arts teacher and currently resides in St. Louis, Mo. She was a member of the cross country and indoor and outdoor track teams at Lindenwood from 2003-2008.

Kelly Swettenham ('08) announces her engagement to Matthew Rygelski of Wentzville, Mo. Kelly is a math teacher at Belleville East High School and received her master's in education at Lindenwood. Matthew is the CEO and founder of

Phonewire, Inc. The couple plans to wed July 2010. She currently resides in Belleville, Ill.

Passion Tolson ('08) is employed at Saint Louis University as the business operations supervisor. She received her bachelor's in public relations from Florida A&M University and received her MBA from Lindenwood. She currently resides in St. Louis, Mo.

Erin Steele West ('08) is an account manager with PetroGrowth Advisors. She graduated with a degree in social work and was a cheerleader at LU. She resides in Irving, Tex., with her husband Jared ('08).

Stephanie Harrison ('09) has been named the principal of Belleville East High School in Belleville, Ill., and will assume the role on July 1, 2010. She has worked in education for 18 years, and will become the first-ever female principal at Belleville East. She currently resides in Fairview Heights, Ill., and holds an educational specialist degree from Lindenwood.

Sandy Johnson ('09) is employed by Touchette/Kenneth Hall Hospital in Centreville, Ill., as a provider relations representative. She graduated with a bachelor's in marketing and currently resides in East St. Louis with her husband Ricky and children Victor and Victoria.

Mildred Rutto ('09) has recently been hired as an accounting assistant at the Churchill Center and School in Town and Country, Mo. She graduated with a MBA in finance.

Eric Schroer ('09) is a performance coach with Velocity Sports Performance in Chesterfield, Mo. He received a bachelor's degree in physical education from Lindenwood and is currently pursuing a master's in school counseling. He currently resides in Ballwin, Mo.

In Memoriam Alumni

Grace Ritter Jackson ('34)
Richmond, Va.

Shirley Spalding Dwyer ('40)
Venice, Fla.

Sarah Phillips Gallagher ('41)
Farmersville, Texas

Shirley Gardner Smith ('43)
Valencia, Calif.

Barbara Snyder Campbell ('44)
Oskaloosa, Iowa

Mary McClain Halliburton ('44)
Oceanside, Calif.

Mary Lynn Whitnell Thorpe ('44-'45)
Albuquerque, N.M.

Janee Falter Shelley ('45)
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Caroline Levy Gillette ('46)
St. Charles, Mo.

Donna Tipton Cossman ('46-'48)
Baton Rouge, La.

Janet Gezel ('48)
Olney, Md.

Dorothy Monroe Stetson ('48)
Ann Arbor, Mich.

Patricia Poling Mathias ('48)
Evansville, Ind.

Carolyn Fieber Morton ('52)
Lexington, Va.

Mary Lou Mathews Clifton ('51)
Kansas City, Mo.

Jean Knox Barklage ('53)
Mt. Lebanon, Pa.

Catherine Holmes Broyles ('53)
St. Louis, Mo.

Mary Kircherr ('53)
Minneapolis, Minn.

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

Jennie Lou Barton Chase-Lund ('55)
Bremerton, Wash.

Zilpha "Zeke" Curtin ('55)
New Harbor, Maine

Elba "Bunny" DeCamp Peterson ('55)
Palo Alto, Calif.

Donald Grimes ('58)
Fayetteville, Ark.

Mary Ann Gatchell Nissing ('58)
St. Louis, Mo.

Joyce Hinchman Stack ('79)
Naples, Fla.

Karlyn McKee Witt ('88)
Boise, Idaho

Monica Harris Espelien ('90)
Pevely, Mo.

Lloyd Henry Peters ('91)
Florissant, Mo.

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Former Psychology Professor

Dr. Dixon Bramblett
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Allegra Swingen



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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.

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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.

Athletic Boosters

The Lindenwood University athletics department has grown significantly over the past two decades, going from just a few sports to having one of the largest and most successful athletic departments in the nation. Lindenwood currently sponsors 46 varsity athletic teams and continues to thrive

thanks to our athletic boosters program.

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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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.

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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.

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Lindenwood Giving Societies

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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

NCAA Bound?

Lindenwood Should Know By July 1

Lindenwood University will apply June 1 for membership in NCAA Division II and should know within a month whether the institution is accepted for candidacy.

The Lindenwood Board of Directors voted unanimously February 12 to allow the administration to proceed with the application. For the past several months, a committee of faculty, staff, coaches, and alumni had been studying a possible NCAA move and recently recommended the switch to President James D. Evans. Lindenwood is a perennial power in the NAIA, but that organization has been losing its most powerful athletic programs to the NCAA in recent years.

"The NAIA and Heart of America Conference have been wonderful partners for many years," said Evans. "However we feel the time is right to move to the NCAA. It is in the best interests of our students."

Lindenwood, which has one of the largest athletic programs of any college in the country with 46 sports, is expected to sponsor 21-24 sports in NCAA Division II, leaving the remainder as "club" sports. The institution has engaged one of the top NCAA consulting firms in the country during the application process and the transition to the NCAA.

"It's an exciting time to be a Lindenwood alum," said Bob Ramsey ('78), who served on the committee last summer investigating a move to the NCAA. "This is going to be a popular change for our student-athletes and will do nothing but help recruiting and enhance our alma mater's great reputation."

Ramsey's hard work on the exploratory committee didn't go unnoticed. Evans appointed him to the all-important President's Athletic Advisory Council (PAAC), which will monitor academic performance and graduation rates for student-athletes, and advise the president and athletic director on key athletic issues.

"We have a large number of former Lindenwood athletes who are alums all over this country," said Ramsey. "It is an honor to be chosen to serve the institution."

If Lindenwood is approved by the NCAA Division II membership committee in July, it will enter a two-year candidacy period during which time it will still compete in the NAIA and the Heart of America Athletic Conference. In the third year, Lindenwood would become a provisional member of NCAA Division II and would not be eligible for post-season competition.

A move to the NCAA would also



Many Lindenwood alums were among the loyal following that packed the stands at the NAIA National Championship football game between Lindenwood and the University of Sioux Falls in Rome, Ga. The Lions came close to defeating the two-time national champions, ultimately falling 25-22.



Lion fans and alums from across the country tailgated at an Alumni Office-sponsored event prior to the championship game.

require a new conference, and Lindenwood has begun discussions about joining the powerful MIAA conference with the likes of Truman State University, Missouri Western, Northwest Missouri State

University, University of Central Missouri, Missouri Southern, Southwest Baptist, Lincoln University, Nebraska-Omaha and Washburn, Pittsburg State, Emporia State, and Fort Hays State in Kansas.

Alums, Fans Turn Rome Into Lion Country

The Lindenwood University football team made history in December, traveling to Rome, Ga., for its first-ever NAIA National Championship game. The Lions took on the University of Sioux Falls on Dec. 19 and although the final result was a loss, the experience was a positive one for the football program and Lions' fans.

The team arrived in Rome, Ga., on the Wednesday evening prior to the game and experienced a bowl-game environment leading all the way up to kickoff. Friday evening, Rome became "Lindenwood Country" as more than 2,000 Lions fans made their way to the game.

On game day, Lindenwood faculty, staff, students, and boosters warmed up for the contest with an alumni tailgate party across the street from the stadium. The fans then packed the stands behind Lindenwood's bench to cheer on the Lions. The announced attendance was 5,000 for the championship game, with the majority of fans cheering for the black and gold.

"The University showed great representation in Rome," said head coach Patrick Ross. "Our fans were energetic the entire game, and our players could feel their positive energy."

In the title game, Lindenwood's defense played its top game of the year, holding Sioux Falls to nearly 30 points below their season average. A couple of special team miscues came back to haunt the Lions in a 25-22 defeat.

"I loved the courage our team showed all season long," said Ross. "We may not have played our best game of the season, but we didn't lack any intensity or desire. It was a privilege to coach these guys."

Matt Bramow catches his first of two touchdowns versus Sioux Falls in the NAIA National Championship game. Bramow finished the year with a school record 12 touchdown receptions.



Winter Sports Wrap Up Successful Season

Men's Basketball

Year One of the Brad Soderberg era was a success as the Lindenwood men's basketball team made major strides throughout the year. The Lions finished the regular season with a 21-9 overall record and a 13-7 HAAC mark, both improvements over the 2008-09 season. LU



Brett Thompson goes for a layup in the Lions HAAC postseason tournament victory over Missouri Valley College.

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was victorious in a first-round conference tournament home game against Missouri Valley, defeated Central Methodist, and fell one win short of the national tournament by losing to William Jewell in overtime in the HAAC conference tournament.

The main change came on the defensive side of the court. The Lions did not allow over 70 points in a conference game and opponents shot just over 40 percent from the field.

Toriano Adams was named first-team all-HAAC after averaging a double-double for the regular season. Joey Parker and Brett Thompson were third-team all-conference picks, and Richard Rose earned honorable mention honors.

Men's Ice Hockey

The men's ice hockey team went through the entire regular season ranked No. 1 in the ACHA national poll. The Lions went 38-5 during the year, racking up 24 straight victories to open the season. Two losses to Ohio cost the team a regular season division title, but Lindenwood got revenge with a 4-0 win over the Bobcats in the division tournament finals.

Women's Ice Hockey

Like their male counterparts, the Lady Lions skated through their regular season as the No. 1 team in the nation. Lindenwood went 38-2-2 in the regular season, including a 38-1-1 mark against other ACHA members. The Lady Lions won both the division regular season and conference

tournaments, and sported a defense that allowed just 54 goals.

Wrestling

Even in a rebuilding year, the Lindenwood wrestling team proved that it was one of the elite teams in the NAIA. The Lions went 5-2 in dual competition, finished fifth at the NAIA National Duals, and were runner-up at the NAIA East Qualifier.

Lindenwood went into the national tournament ranked No. 4 in the country, and had seven wrestlers individually ranked. Among the team leaders were Sam Schmitz, one of the nation's best grapplers at 149 pounds, Chris Chionuma, the team's leader in wins, and Jake Johnson, Lindenwood's leader in pins.

Athletics Hall of Fame

Lindenwood University is accepting nominations for the 2010 Athletics Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame committee will accept nominations until May 1 for this year's class.

The Class of 2010 will be the fourth inducted into the Lindenwood Athletics Hall of Fame. Over the first three years, 27 student-athletes, four coaches, three meritorious honorees, and three teams have earned a spot in the Hall of Fame.

For more information on how to nominate, visit the Hall of Fame section of the athletics website at www.lindenwoodlions.com.

Spring Teams Return Ample Talent for 2010

The Lindenwood University baseball team has a revamped pitching staff this year and it hopes that the new arms can carry the team to Idaho and the NAIA World Series.

A pair of NCAA Division I transfers top the team's starting pitching rotation. Chris Johnson pitched two games last season for the Lions before being sidelined with an injury. Prior to Lindenwood, he threw for Texas Christian University. Bryant Hollingsworth comes to the Lions from NCAA Division I power Cal State Fullerton. Rounding out the starting pitching staff are Zach Malaway and Evan Vinyard. That quartet is expected to collect a lot of strikeouts and victories.

Offensively, the top returners are Justin Lamar, Frank Corpus, and Dave Harris. All three players hit over .300 and combined for 99 runs and 78 RBIs.

Softball

Lindenwood finished third in the HAAC Conference race last season and has expectations to better that in 2010. The offense returns over 80 percent of its runs and hits from last year, while the pitching staff returns two of its three main hurlers.

Among the returning offensive bats are Jessica Long, who led the team with a .415 batting average, Sam Van Pelt, who was second with 36 runs, and Sophia Galati, who had a team-high 34 RBIs. The pitching duo of Rebecca Peddicord and Aubrey Moss collected 23 wins and 262 strikeouts in 2009.

Men's Lacrosse

The Lions men's lacrosse program is going for its sixth straight trip to the national tournament in 2010. Led by seventh-year head coach Troy Hood, Lindenwood has the ingredients to make that goal happen.

The squad is young with all but eight members of the 34-person roster being freshmen and sophomores. The Lions are anchored by the senior leadership of Sam Spallitta and Grant Perkins.

Women's Lacrosse

The women's lacrosse team made school history during the first regular season national poll of the season when the Lady Lions were No. 3, the highest mark in program history. Lindenwood earned that ranking after going 2-1 against top ten teams at the UC-Santa Barbara Shootout, with the lone loss being by one goal to the No. 2 in the country.

Lindenwood is led by senior Laura Boland, who already holds the school's career marks for goals, assists, and points. Boland and the Lady Lions hope to make more history in May by reaching the



Danielle Merli is one of the top returning Lindenwood softball players in 2010 after she hit .318 with 28 runs and 23 RBIs last season.

second-round of the national tournament for just the second time, and possibly appearing in the semifinals for the first time.

Nationally Ranked Teams

Three other spring NAIA sports enter their seasons in their respective national rankings. Men's tennis was ranked 17th, men's golf was 18th, and women's golf was 20th. All three of those programs

will be among the favorites to win HAAC Championships and advanced to the national championships.

Official Athletics Website

For complete details on the latest happenings on all 46 Lindenwood sports programs, including all of its spring programs, visit the school's official athletics website at www.lindenwoodlions.com.

Alumni basketball players gathered on January 25 for a special reception with Lindenwood staff and faculty and were recognized in a ceremony between games. Look for more alumni/athletic events in the near future. Check out the alumni section of the Lindenwood website for upcoming events!



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Spring Into Action

By Jan Lewien, '85, '04, '07
Alumni Board President



What a great time to be a Lindenwood alum! Our Alumni Director, Whitney Fraier, is scheduling a variety of exciting activities for you to participate in during the next several months.

It's an opportunity

to re-connect with classmates and network with your fellow alumni of all ages. The following are only a few of the upcoming events – many of them designed for the whole family to enjoy:

- LU Inaugural Annual Softball and Baseball Player Alumni Recognition Day (April 3)
- Lindenwood Day at the Cardinals Game (May 2)
- Campus Spring Planting Day (May 7), a campus beautification project. Come out and help plant flowers in the heritage section of the campus!
- Third Annual Alumni and Friends Picnic

(June 12). Help us build on the 400-plus alumni that attended the 2009 picnic!

- LU Night at the Missouri Botanical Garden (June 23)
- Homecoming and Reunion Weekend (October 15-16)

The Alumni Association Board is focusing on increasing the level of alumni financial support of our alma mater. We invite you to help us accomplish this goal by attending University-sponsored events and by supporting us with a gift this spring. If you have not given a gift to the University previously, please consider doing so this year. Large or small, your participation counts because every donation increases the University's ability to secure corporate and foundation support and helps keep our students in school.

We want to remain in touch with you through the Linden Bark and the Connection so please make sure that you share your address changes with the Alumni Office.

Thank you for your continued support, and I look forward to seeing you at upcoming alumni events.

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



3rd Annual Lindenwood Alumni & Friends Picnic Saturday, June 12, 2010 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Mark your calendar and get ready to join us for the Third Annual Alumni and Friends Picnic on June 12 from 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Bring your spouse, date, kids, grandkids, friends and other alums for a day filled with great food, fun games, prizes, and more.

Join us for traditional picnic games such as sack races, tug-of-war, water balloon toss, hula-hoop contests and more for the entire family. Alums can reconnect with former classmates and professors and enjoy a day on the beautiful Lindenwood campus.

The event will be held on the heritage campus under the linden trees in the quad.

To RSVP for this alumni event please email alumni@lindenwood.edu or call our reservation line at (636) 949-4420.

Guess Who This Is

Can you name the former Lindenwood professor pictured here? If so, please email your answer and your favorite memory of this professor to 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 Sibley Chapel pipe organ. The winners from the Winter 2009 *Connection* are Dr. Nancy Rubenstein ('61), Laura Vonland Unterweger ('84), Dr. Tracy Reed ('92), and Christopher Orf ('99).

