

## Message From President Evans

It has been just over a year since the Lindenwood Board of Directors asked me to step to the helm of this great frontier university - first as acting president and then as president. What an exhilarating, rewarding experience it has been! When I first walked onto this Eden-like campus more than 33 years ago, I knew I had embarked on a calling that promised a lifetime of service and leadership in values-based higher education. Never did I dream, however, that I would have the chance and honor to contribute to the Lindenwood mission in my present capacity. The opportunity is at once humbling and inspirational.



A successful university must have two foundations: a strong financial/material base and a mission-guided spirit. Throughout its storied history, Lindenwood has had material ups and downs – always managing to survive and then thrive through gifts and blessings, high-quality adaptation (such as the LCIE program that we started in the 1970s), or the advent of gifted leaders (such as John Roemer and Dennis Spellmann). What is even more important, however, is the persistence of the essential spirit of this school, which transcends particular persons, conditions, and times. That spirit consists of a focus on development of the whole person, quality academics for life, and precious relationships among people. Now that God has again blessed us with an era of relative prosperity and material strength, it is up to us to ensure that Lindenwood's mission is fulfilled in the highest and best possible ways. There is no reason not to be the finest teaching university in the Midwest.

We are progressing briskly toward the latter ideal. Here are just a few highlights of this past year:

- Establishment of our first doctoral degree program (the Ed.D.), with others to follow
- Phenomenal progress on the construction of our Center for Fine and Performing Arts
- Startup of our comprehensive First-Year Student program
- Rebirth of the student newspaper, the Lindenwood Legacy

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- Opening of our Weldon Spring Campus, which specializes in technology management
- Expansion of educational programs at our Daniel Boone Campus in Defiance, Mo.
- Development of plans for the "Lindenwood Commons" Student Center
- Implementation of a number of improvements in internal and external communications, including The Connection
- Too many others to list

What a blessing it is to have Lindenwood in our lives! I hope to see you at the Homecoming festivities this October 19-20. Please be sure to join us this year, because I have more good news for you.

Very sincerely yours,

ames D. Evans, Ph.D.

President

## Investiture Ceremony To Be November 9

Lindenwood University will formally install James D. Evans as its 21st president during ceremonies at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 9, 2007, in the Hyland Performance Arena.

Evans became acting president Aug. 30, 2006, upon the death of then-president Dennis C. Spellmann. Lindenwood's board of directors unanimously approved Evans as president Feb. 9, 2007.

A crowd of nearly 2,000 is expected for the ceremony, which will attract state and federal dignitaries and higher education leaders from across the country. Evans says many Lindenwood students will attend the event as well.

The university has not held this formal rite of passage since 1966 when John Anthony Brown became president.

All alumni are welcome. An alums interested in attending the investiture ceremony should contact Director of Alumni Affairs Katy Montgomery at 636-949-4975.

#### Lindenwood's 21 Presidents

Mary Easton Sibley 1827-1856 A.C. Schenk 1856-1862 Thomas P. Barbour 1862-1865 French Strother 1866-1870 J.H. Nixon 1870-1876 Mary E. Jewell 1876-1880 Robert Irwin 1880-1893 William S. Knight 1893-1898 Mathew Howell Reaser 1898-1903 George Frederic Ayres 1903-1913 John F. Hendy 1913-1914 John L. Roemer 1914-1940 Harry M. Gage 1941-1946 Franc L. McCluer 1947-1966 John Anthony Brown 1966-1973 Franc L. McCluer 1973-1974 William Spencer 1974-1979 Robert Johns 1979-1982 James Spainhower 1983-1988 Dennis Spellmann 1989-2006 James D. Evans 2007-

# **SUMMER/FALL 2007**

## First-Year Experience Energizes Newcomers To Lindenwood

Having students feel connected during their first year of college is of paramount importance to students, parents and the university. To address that, President James D. Evans has instituted a First-Year Experience program for all incoming first-year and transfer students with fewer than 24 transferable hours.

The new program took place the week prior to the beginning of classes and was specifically designed to help enhance each student's academic, personal and social development. By the time the new students attended their first classes, they had already made friends, met their advisor(s), had seen every building on campus, and knew where to obtain answers to their questions.

In addition, each student received a goodie bag that included a T-shirt, lanyard, stapler, and ID holder. The program lasted for five days with particular emphasis on techniques for high school to college transitioning, mature social interaction, personal responsibility, and how to navigate the university culture.

Some of the highlights included the academic division receptions, the Student Development and Academic Connection, a soccer game, and an ecumenical Service. More than 900 students participated.



Group leader Candice Graves (center) leads a team of first-year students in the creation of a cheer as part of the First-Year Experience program. The week's activities were designed to address the first-year students' needs and introduce them to the Lindenwood campus and culture.

Many of the students left with a feeling of belonging, excitement and welcome, which was summed up in one participating student's statement, "this place rocks!"

"We are all very proud of the work performed by the faculty, Student Development Office, and, most certainly, Dr. Shane Williamson, our director of First-Year Programs, who put on a spectacular event," said Vice President of Student Development John Oldani. All first-year students will complete a two-credit-hour Lindenwood University Life 101 course in their first semester. This course is designed to equip every student with the needed tools to succeed at Lindenwood. Topics covered include time management, study skills, critical thinking, classroom etiquette, values clarification, test-taking strategies and Lindenwood University's history and expectations.

## '07-'08 Academic Year Begins With Record Enrollment; Plans For Expansion

Lindenwood University set a new enrollment record on August 27, opening the academic year with 3,532 resident students.

President James D. Evans said that Lindenwood's resident population should level out at around 3,475 in late September.

"It's going to be a little crowded in the cafeteria the first month or so," Evans said. "But there are lots of food service options. Despite the fact that we are at capacity, move-in went smoothly, and our faculty is energized and ready to start the term."

Evans announced plans to construct a new student commons building on the LU campus. He said it would be a 40,000- to 50,000-square-foot structure that would enhance student recreation and activity and house a secondary dining hall. In addition, Evans said the university plans on constructing apartment-style housing on 40 acres behind the Hyland Performance Arena off Duchesne Road.



Students packed the Hyland Performance Arena for Opening Convocation Ceremony on September 5, 2007.

# DONOR SPOTLIGHT

## Alum Jim Winka's Solid Giving History Had Humble Beginnings



Jim Winka on a recent campus visit.

Jim Winka received both his bachelor's and MBA degrees from Lindenwood in 1986 and 1991, respectively. His giving history to Lindenwood began in 1987 with a donation of just \$10. Jim made regular gifts, increasing them a little each year. When he started working for McDonnell Douglas and later Boeing, they matched his donation and his annual gifts doubled.

As his career progressed, Jim made a statement of intent to leave Lindenwood at least \$1,000 in his will, becoming a member of the Sibley Heritage Society, while still making an annual gift. Jim took advantage of the resources at Lindenwood's Planned Giving Office prior to meeting with his lawyer for the drafting of his estate plan. Soon he realized another giving

opportunity by committing a paid-up life insurance policy to his school in the amount of \$25,000, making him eligible for membership in the Butler Society.

Jim has worked hard and invested wisely and now plans to make a substantial bequest from his estate to Lindenwood University. He currently works for the National Archives and Records Administration, whose motto is: "Preserve the Past and Secure the Future"...words that Jim certainly lives by.

Jim Winka was given the tools he needed to succeed from Lindenwood, and his generosity is a shining example of an alumnus doing it right!

## KC Alumni Gathering At Kemper Museum

Lindenwood University is planning an exclusive gathering for Kansas City-area alumni and parents from 5-7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 15, at the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art.

The group will assemble in the museum atrium for wine and hors d'oeuvres. Lindenwood University President James D. Evans will provide a brief rundown on the university's growth and outreach efforts, and UMB investment officer William Greiner, 2005 stock market strategist of the year, will give a presentation on investments and the world economy today. UMB is underwriting the gathering for Lindenwood.

"We are absolutely thrilled to have the chance to visit with our alumni and parents in the Kansas City area," said Evans. "We plan to bring several of our key staff members to the event. We've got several special things planned for the evening."

Evans said Director of Alumni Affairs Katy Montgomery is planning giveaways and Lindenwood's admissions director is hoping to present scholarships to top Kansas Cityarea students that evening.

"We think everyone is going to have a wonderful time," said Vice President for Institutional Advancement Lucy Morros. "This is a way for all of us to renew old friendships and establish new ones. We think this event will be a tremendous success, and we are looking forward to similar gatherings in other cities around the country."

For more information on the Kansas City alumni gathering, please contact Montgomery via email at kmontgomery@lindenwood.edu or call her at 636-949-4975.

## **Exclusive Gathering**

Kansas City-Area Alumni and Guests

Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art

Thursday, November 15, 2007 5 — 7:30 p.m.

## Guess What This Is!



E-mail Director of Alumni Affairs Katy Montgomery at kmontgomery@ lindenwood.edu. Tell her what this is and where it is at your alma mater. Make sure to supply your name, street address, city, state, zip and telephone number. The first five winners will receive a Lindenopoly game from the Spirit & Supplies Shoppe.

# ARTS HIGHLIGHTS



# Pianist Will Open \$32 Million Arts Center At LU: Alumni Have First Opportunity To Secure Tickets

Internationally known piano virtuoso Sasha Starcevich will open Lindenwood University's new Center for Fine and Performing Arts with a special sneak preview concert in September 2008.

This announcement is being made in Connection to give alumni the first chance to secure tickets to this special event, said President James D. Evans. The Center for Fine and Performing Arts is a \$32 million, 138,000- square-foot structure being built on the southern tip of campus.

"We want our alumni to be in the house when we open the doors," said Evans. "This will be a memorable evening. The entire campus will be buzzing."

Starcevich is enjoying an amazing career as an international performer and teacher. He has performed with orchestras throughout Canada, the U.S., China and Europe and has toured Russia with the Samara

Philharmonic Orchestra. He has been an adjunct professor of music at the State University of New York, department chair of music and professor of piano at the South Carolina Governor's School for the Arts, and has had years of private studio teaching across the country.

Starcevich has a Ph.D. in music from Yale University. While at Lindenwood, Starcevich will also conduct a master class with LU music students who are concentrating on piano studies.

Lindenwood's Dean of Fine and Performing Arts, Marsha Parker, credits a special friend of the university and an accomplished musician in her own right, Betty Britten, with bringing Starcevich to Lindenwood for the concert.

To place your name on a waiting list for tickets, please contact Katy Montgomery, director of alumni affairs, at 636-949-4975.

## Fine & Performing Arts Schedule For 07-08

#### **MAINSTAGE PRODUCTIONS**

10/4-6, 10/11-13

"Blithe Spirit," Jelkyl Theatre, 7:30 p.m. 10/18-20, 10/25-27

"Blame it on the Movies," LUCC, 7:30 p.m. 11/30, 12/1, 12/6-8

"A Christmas Carol," Jelkyl Theatre, 7:30 p.m.; December 1: 2 & 7:30 p.m. 3/6-8, 3/13-15

"Bye, Bye Birdie," Jelkyl Theatre, 7:30 p.m. 4/17-19, 4/24-26

"Crimes of the Heart," Jelkyl Theatre, 7:30 p.m.

#### **DOWNSTAGE PRODUCTIONS**

9/7-8	Improv Show, 7:30 p.m.
9/27-29	Student-directed one-acts, 7:30 p.m.
11/8-10	Thesis Production, 7:30 p.m.
11/15-17	Thesis Production, 7:30 p.m.
2/21-22	Senior Production, 7:30 p.m.
2/29-3/1	Staged Readings, 7:30 p.m.
4/11-12	Improv Show, 7:30 p.m.
4/29-30	New Play Showcase, 7:30 p.m.

#### **DANCE**

11/1-3	Fall Dance Concert
	Jelkyl Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
11/4	Fall Dance Concert
	Jelkyl Theatre, 2 p.m.
5/1-3	Spring Dance Concert
	Jelkyl Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
5/4	Spring Dance Concert
	Jelkyl Theatre, 2 p.m.

## MUSIC 11/15

11/27	Choral Concert, LUCC, 7:30 p.m.
12/2	Voices Only Concert
	LUCC, 7:30 p.m.
3/18	Choral Concert, LUCC, 7:30 p.m.
3/19	Band Concert, LUCC, 7:30 p.m.
4/24	Spring Spectacular, LUCC, 7:30 p.m.
4/26	Spring Spectacular, Belleville, 7 p.m.
5/4	Voices Only Concert
	LUCC, 7:30 p.m.
5/6	Student Conductor Concert
	LUCC, 7 p.m.

Jazz Band Concert, LUCC, 7:30 p.m.

#### **FASHION DESIGN**

į	4/27	Student Fashion Show
i		Westfield Shopping Center,
		West County Mall, 7:30 p.m.
1	5/2	Lindenwood University Student
i		Fashion Show for High Schools,
1		LUCC, 10 a.m.
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# FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

## Michael Castro Has Inspired Lindenwood Students For Nearly 30 Years

All college grads have that favorite professor or two. Their images are permanently embedded into the memory banks of alumni, young and old.

Perhaps they provided friendship in a time of need. Maybe they offered life-changing career advice. Maybe they just had that magnetism that made people want to learn.

At Lindenwood University there are many who make the favorites list. One whose name comes up constantly is Michael Castro. He has been impacting the lives of adult evening students in Lindenwood's accelerated program for working adults, LCIE (Lindenwood College for Individualized Education), for nearly 30 years.

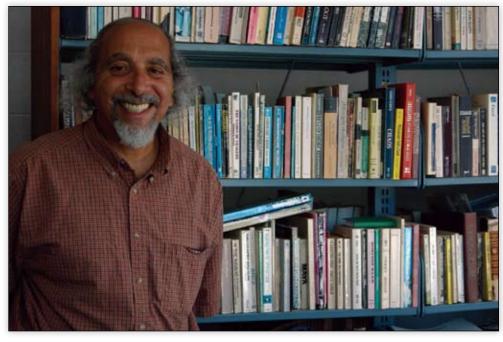
Castro is an accomplished poet. He has been called "a fascinating instructor who has a way of making you want to know more." He is a seasoned academic and career advisor. And he has a unique perspective on adult education.

"You think most adults are already shaped," Castro said. "But their growth through the LCIE program is evident. You see their self-confidence and self-esteem grow as they move along. The changes are very noticeable. They exceed their own expectations."

Castro attributes that personal growth to the way LCIE operates.

"The emphasis is on writing and presentation," he said. "That helps build things in their everyday life and helps them realize their abilities. It shows up in their demeanor."

Castro was hired at Lindenwood in 1980, not long after the LCIE program started. He taught health administration and worked his way over to cross cultural studies and Communications. He developed and nurtured the Cross Cultural Studies program and founded the highly-popular MFA in Writing. In addition, he was instrumental in establishing the Communications program, which he now directs.



LCIE Professor Michael Castro in his office at the Lindenwood University Cultural Center. The LCIE program offers accelerated classes for working adults.

Castro remembers the early days of Lindenwood's LCIE Communications program and its unpretentious beginnings. Today, however, he is busy advising and teaching. He has contributed to the awardwinning LCIE program and says he would love to see the MFA in writing continue to expand and perhaps produce a publication. He would also like to see the university develop a visiting writers program.

He loves to hear from former students, and oftentimes the feedback fuels and motivates Castro.

"I am happy to hear students say a class inspired them or made them think or see the world in a different way," he said. "I see education as a pathway to growth and self-realization. It is nice to see some students come here with that open attitude or perhaps get it after they arrive at Lindenwood."

Castro said he is "inspired by a good discussion. There is a certain kind of energy in the classroom. I am also inspired by a good poem, a sunny day...a view of the mountains."

Poetry has been an enormous interest and influence in Castro's life. He has a long list of poets he admires, including Allen Ginsberg, Jerome Rothenberg, Howard Schwartz and Quincy Troupe. Troupe was Castro's longtime co-editor of "River Styx." Castro founded River Styx as a literary organization in 1975, and it later developed into a magazine.

As one might expect, Castro spends much of his free time delving into literature and "spending times with friends involved in that world." These days one might find him performing poetry and music at a local synagogue or spending time with his wife of 20 years, Adelia, a photographer, sculptor and college educator.

Castro is proud of his "tribe" of three children and seven grandchildren and he loves basketball and baseball, art and music and teaching at Lindenwood.

If you would like to contact Dr. Castro, please email him at mcastro@lindenwood. edu.

# 2007 NEW FACULTY

## LU Brings In Top-Notch Faculty Members; Most Have Earned Doctorates

Lindenwood University has announced the addition of 23 new full-time faculty members in a wide array of departments, including education, science, management, religion, music and many others. While many received their education in the St. Louis area, there are also representatives of schools in New Orleans, Wisconsin, Kansas and many others.

Lindenwood President James D. Evans said the new faculty reflect LU's commitment to academic excellence.

"This is a truly outstanding group of people," Evans said. "I am very pleased with their appointment and Lindenwood is proud of have them join our excellent faculty."

#### They include:

- Annie Alameda, assistant professor of physical education. She has a bachelor's from Illinois State University and a master's from St. Louis University.
- Gerald J. Dunn, associate professor of mathematics. He has a doctorate from the University of Michigan and has extensive real-world experience.
- Shannon James Flynn, assistant professor of biology. With a doctorate in microbiology from the University of Tennessee, Flynn has taught extensively and has been published in a variety of journals.
- Larry Granda, assistant professor of mathematics. He earned his master's and doctorate from St. Louis University and has taught there as well.
- Pamela Grooms, assistant professor of music. She has a master's from the University of Missouri—St. Louis and has been a pianist with the St. Louis Philharmonic Orchestra.
- Evelyn Hendrix, assistant professor of management. With a doctorate from George Mason University, Hendrix brings extensive experience as an instructor and as a business consultant for higher education and the private sector.
- Shannon Highley, assistant professor of management. She has an MBA and two bachelor's degrees from Southern Illinois University –Edwardsville.
- Eve Jones, assistant professor of humanities. She has an MFA in

creative writing from the University of Missouri—St. Louis, where she has also taught and has been recognized for her poetry.

 Holly Beth Karraker, assistant professor of education. She will teach in the graduate counseling program. She has a doctorate, a master's and a bachelor's from St. Louis University.

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- Jason Dude Lively, associate professor of communications. He earned a doctorate from Nova Southeastern University and also had degrees from Tarleton State University and Howard Payne University.
- Nadine Menninga, assistant professor of mathematics. She has a doctorate in mathematics from the University of Illinois.
- Billi Patzius, assistant professor of criminal justice. She has a master's in criminology, as well as two other degrees, from the University of Missouri—St. Louis. She also has experience working in the family courts in a number of capacities.
- Renee Porter, assistant professor of management information systems. She has a doctorate from St. Louis University and additional degrees from Southern Illinois University and the University of Southern Mississippi.
- P. Joseph Powers, assistant professor of education. With a doctorate from St. Louis University, he brings extensive academic credentials and 33 years of school administration and teaching experience in Norway and the United States.
- Keith Russell, assistant professor
   of humanities. He has a doctorate
   from Southern Illinois University—
   Carbondale with additional degrees from
   Southeast Missouri State University and
   Truman State University. He also has
   experience as a published writer and as
   an instructor.
- Robert J. Stephens, assistant professor of religion. He has a doctorate from

- the University of Iowa with additional degrees from the University of Kansas and Missouri State University.
- Terrance A. Stewart, assistant professor of education. He has a doctorate from the University of Missouri—Columbia and has worked as a high school teacher and principal, as school superintendent, and as assistant commissioner of the Division of Administration for the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.
- F. Robert Talbott, assistant professor of management. He has an MBA from Lindenwood and is currently working toward a doctorate in business administration from the University of Missouri—St. Louis. He has worked as a consultant, software engineer, multimedia programmer and applications developer for a variety of companies.
- Jeanie Thies, assistant professor of criminal justice. She has a doctorate from the University of Missouri—St. Louis, as well as additional degrees from UM—St. Louis and the University of Missouri—Columbia.
- Julie Turner, assistant professor of nonprofit administration. She has a doctorate from the University of Missouri—St. Louis and other degrees from Michigan State University and Hope College.
- Joyce A. West, assistant professor of education. She has a doctorate in education administration from St. Louis University and additional degrees from Washington University. Throughout her career, she has worked in a variety of administrative posts in public education.
- Shane Y. Williamson, associate professor of education and director of First-Year Programs. She has a doctorate from Rutgers University and additional degrees from Shippensburg University. She has worked as an administrator at a number of colleges and universities.
- Paul S. Wright, associate professor of physical education and head cross country/track coach. He has a doctorate from the University of Utah and additional degrees from Clemson University. He has worked in a variety of posts in education and parks and recreation and has been a successful coach at the college level.

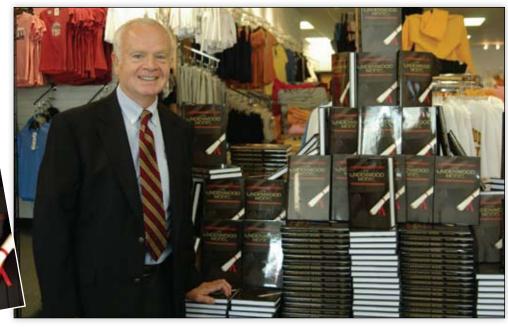
## Dean Ed Morris Uses Lindenwood As Laboratory For New Book

Lindenwood University Dean of Management Ed Morris has written a book sure to rock the cozy, comfy world of higher education. "The Lindenwood Model: An Antidote for What Ails Undergraduate Education" will be on sale soon in bookstores and is available now to LU alums in the campus Spirit & Supplies Shoppe.

The implicit message in this book, published by the Lindenwood Press, is that higher education is on a collision course with reality. Morris writes that over the last several decades, colleges and universities have greatly expanded their reach and scope, most becoming "multiversities" of one

form or another. Morris says their growth has not been accompanied by the scales of economy to be expected.

"Most schools suffer from low productivity and runaway costs," Morris writes. "At the same time, the quality of their core product, undergraduate education, has become highly suspect."



Ed Morris, dean of management at Lindenwood, recently released his new book, "The Lindenwood Model." A book signing is scheduled for 1-3 p.m. on September 29 at Main Street Books in St. Charles.

A second message in the book, perhaps not so implicit, is that the Lindenwood University model, which operates much differently than most colleges and universities, may provide valuable lessons for bringing academia back to reality. Morris, who received his Ph.D. from St. Louis University, joined the faculty at Lindenwood University in 2002. He will

sign copies of his book for LU alumni on Homecoming Weekend during the alumni reception at 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19. Should you desire a copy of the book before then, contact John Snipes in the Spirit and Supplies at 636-949-7670 or visit the store, which is located off First Capitol Drive in the strip center near Auto Zone.

## Can You Text? Service Helps Keep Students Informed In Emergencies

Lindenwood University this fall will have the ability to send emergency text messages to its students.

President James D. Evans has signed a contract with clearTXT, a company that will provide the service. Evans said the university will only use text messaging for important alerts and emergencies.

The system will be voluntary, Evans said, but the university strongly encourages all students to participate. Students began registering for the service during early check-in in July and August. LU performed a successful test of the system just after Labor Day.

"We hope we will never have to use this service," said Evans. "But we need a quick and reliable way to communicate with our students in an emergency. Text messaging is undoubtedly going to be a faster way of communicating than email."

Evans said the university began talks with clearTXT late in 2006, but the tragedy at Virginia Tech "caused us to speed up the process and examine how we could more efficiently handle crisis communications."

Lindenwood is absorbing the full \$4,000 cost for the one-year contract with clearTXT and will not pass on that cost to students. However, students who do

not have free text messaging as part of their cellular plans may be charged for Lindenwood text messages. Evans said such a message typically costs the recipient about 10 cents.

University officials say text messaging will not be the only way they will communicate with students in an emergency. Lindenwood plans to continue broadcast emails to students in emergencies, as well as update the university website. But Evans said a text message will be quicker and will reach more students than an email.

## Homecoming 2007 — Calendar Of Activities

#### Registration

1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19 Hyland Performance Arena

### **Tours of the University**

3 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19 (leave from Performance Arena)

#### **Alumni Reception**

4:30 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 19
VIP Room, Hyland Performance Arena

#### **Theatre Performance**

"Blame it on the Movies"
7:30 p.m.
Thursday, Friday, & Saturday
October 18-20
Lindenwood Cultural Center
Call 636-949-4878 for ticket information

#### **Breakfast with the President**

9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 20 Anheuser Busch Leadership Room, Spellmann Campus Center (Parents and Alumni Welcome)

### **Alumni Association Meeting**

10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 20 Anheuser Busch Leadership Room, Spellmann Campus Center

#### **Arts Center Sneak Preview**

11:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 20 Center for Fine and Performing Arts

#### **Homecoming Football Game**

1:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20 Athletic Stadium (VIP Seating)

#### Don't Miss Sneak Preview Of Performing Arts Center

You are invited to be among the first visitors to Lindenwood University's Center for Fine and Performing Arts. The \$32 million building is still under construction, but Lindenwood is hosting a special preview event at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 20.

There will be tours of the main auditorium and others areas. You can be the first to see how the HDTV studio is shaping up, or one of the galleries, or the black box theatre. Snacks will be available, too!

See Page 5 for more information on the Center for Fine and Performing Arts.



## Spellmann Will Be First Inductee Of Inaugural Class Of Athletic Hall Of Fame



Dennis Spellmann

Highlighting the first class to be inducted into Lindenwood's Athletics Hall of Fame is the late President Dennis Spellmann, who will be inducted posthumously for

his meritorious service to the athletics department. Spellmann helped the athletics department grow from just a handful of programs to 40 programs today.

Fourteen student-athletes, two coaches and one team will also be inducted into the hall of fame during Homecoming ceremonies on Oct. 19-20.

Kelly Austene-Raines was a two-time firstteam all-American and helped Lindenwood advance to two NAIA Softball World Series.

**Earl Austin Jr.** is still among the school's men's basketball career leaders with 1,972 points and 840 rebounds.

**Sean Birren** won six all-American awards during his Lions track career and won two national championships in the marathon.

**Jamie Bonney** was a three-time first-team all-HAAC selection and a 2000 first-team

all-American in women's basketball.

**Kelley Bowen** earned three all-American honors during her women's soccer career from 1993-1996.

**Caryn Chasteen** was a high-scoring member of the women's soccer team who earned two all-American accolades.

**Dan Emrick** won 10 men's golf tournaments during his college career, including one HAAC title and two regional championships.

Sallie Henry won four all-conference honors and two all-American accolades as she helped Lindenwood advance to three NAIA Softball World Series.

**Jessica Metcalf** is the most decorated diver in school history, winning two conference championships and three national championships.

**Beth Neyman** was a three-time first-team all-American selection and played a big role in her teams advancing to two NAIA women's soccer semifinals.

**Krista Niedenbach** was a two-time all-American who helped Lindenwood win 66 games during her four years on the women's soccer team. **Tim Nihart** collected 95 RBIs in two years on the Lindenwood baseball team and was named a first-team all-American in 1994.

**Nebojsa Stefanovic** earned first-team all-American honors after recording 47 goals and 14 assists in 2000.

**Kris Tebbe** was a two-star athlete in softball and soccer, earned four all-conference selections and was named a first-team all-American.

**John Creer's** cross country and track and field teams won two national championships and 28 HAAC titles from 1995-2003.

**Debbie Washburn** won more than 150 games and had nearly a .700 winning percentage as the women's soccer coach from 1983-1993.

The 1998 Indoor Track and Field team won the first national championship in Lindenwood history.

Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner

Spellmann Center Leadership Room Sat., October 20, 2007 • 6 p.m. Contact Charlsie Floyd 636-949-4909

## Cycling Is Lindenwood's Newest Sport; Launch Coincides With Tour Of Missouri

Lindenwood is among the collegiate leaders in the United States in the number of athletic opportunities available for its students. That number will grow this year as the athletics department has added men's and women's cycling.

The sport is a great fit for the Lindenwood campus. Cycling is one of the fastest-growing sports in the country. It is also very popular in Missouri, as evidenced by the Tour of Missouri race in September, one stage of which will end in St. Charles.

Darren Marhanka helped bring cycling to Lindenwood, and he will serve as the teams' head coach in their inaugural season as varsity programs. Marhanka, a former police officer in North County, has taught in the criminal justice department at Lindenwood since 2004. Last year, he started a cycling club program, funding most of it out of his own pockets.

"The students competed strong, were well-behaved and, most importantly, enjoyed their experience," said Marhanka about last year's club team.

Based on the success of last year's club team, Lindenwood made cycling the 39th and 40th sports programs at the school. By making it a varsity sport, Marhanka is able to offer scholarship to future riders, and he will no longer have to personally fund travel costs.

The Lions and Lady Lions will compete in the Midwest Collegiate Cycling Conference (MWCCC), which includes around 60 schools throughout the Midwest. The MWCCC is one of 10 conferences that compete in the USA Cycling Collegiate Road National Championships every May.

"The goal is for my student-athletes to be the best they can, especially when it comes to academics," said Marhanka. "Down the road, I want Lindenwood to become the premier cycling school in the Midwest."

# LION ATHLETICS

## LU Coach Gains International Experience

Two Lindenwood coaches and five Lady Lion players got a taste of international competition this summer when they participated in the 2007 Prague Lacrosse Cup in Czechoslovakia.

Jack Cribbin, Lindenwood's women's lacrosse and field hockey head coach, was the head coach of this summer's American International Sports Tours (AIST) Blue team, which was one of 13 teams to compete in the international women's lacrosse tournament. He was joined in the Czech Republic by Lindenwood women's lacrosse assistant coach Aynie Linneman and players Kandee Schroeder, Jackie Noble, Laura Boland, Darby Hogan, and Katie Veile.

Their squad, which was mostly made up of NCAA Division II and III players, went 3-3-1 at the Prague Cup and finished sixth. The Lady Lion athletes held their own at the event, especially Boland who was named one of two team MVPs for the tournament. One of the biggest victories for the team came in their first contest in Prague. Despite having just one practice together before taking the field, AIST Blue defeated a team from Germany by a 13-8 score. The other highlight for the team was going 2-0-1 on

the third day of play to advance to the fifthplay game on the final day of action.

While not playing, the team was also able to tour the sites in Prague, including visiting the historic Prague Castle and the Charles Bridge.

"It was an unbelievable trip," said Cribbin.
"Our team became a very tight group during that week and the event was very exciting. The sport of lacrosse is really starting to grow in Europe, and it was great to be a part of an international experience like that." The biggest benefit for Lindenwood will come this spring when the Lady Lions take the lacrosse field. Four players that went on this trip will return to the Lindenwood program which won a conference title and advanced to the national tournament in 2007.

Cribbin hopes that with the experience those players received in Prague, Lindenwood will now be in a position to make a run at a national title in 2008.

"I would definitely do this trip again in a heartbeat," said Cribbin. "The players will take the experiences they had at this event with them for the rest of their lives."

Pictured from left: Assistant Lacrosse Coach Aynie Linneman, senior Darby Hogan, sophomore Laura Boland, and Head Lacrosse Coach Jack Cribbin were part of a group from the Lindenwood women's lacrosse team that competed in the 2007 Prague Lacrosse Cup.



## Fall Home Schedules

#### **Football**

Oct. 6	Benedictine*	6 p.m.
Oct. 20	William Jewell*	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 3	Central Methodist*	1:30 p.m.

#### Women's Volleyball

Sept. 25	Culver-Stockton*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 4	Benedictine*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5-6	Lindenwood Tournament	
Oct. 20	William Jewell*	3 p.m.
Oct. 20	Missouri Baptist	7 p.m.
Oct. 31	MidAmerica Nazarene*	7 p.m.

#### Men's Soccer

Sept. 26	Baker*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 2	Culver-Stockton*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 10	Benedictine*	7 p.m.
Oct. 22	McKendree	8 p.m.
Oct. 24	Central Methodist	8 p.m.

#### Women's Soccer

Sept. 23	Bethel	1 p.m.
Sept. 26	Baker*	5:30 p.m.
Oct. 2	Culver-Stockton*	5:30 p.m.
Oct. 10	Benedictine*	5 p.m.
Oct. 12	William Woods	6 p.m.
Oct. 22	McKendree	6 p.m.
Oct. 24	Central Methodist*	6 p.m.

#### Golf

Sept. 24-25	Lindenwood Lions Fall Invitational
Oct. 29-30	Lindenwood Lady Lions Fall
	Invitational

#### Men's Water Polo

Sept. 14-16	Missouri Valley West Division
	Tournament
Nov. 2-4	National Division III Collegiate
	Championships

#### **Field Hockey**

Sept. 22	Seton Hill	1 p.m.
Sept. 30	Bellarmine	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	Hendrix	8 p.m.
Oct. 27	Missouri-Columbia	11 a m

# ALUMNI

## Weddings/Anniversary

Cortney Hupper ('99), Alumni Association president, married Adam Lenk on June 1, 2007, in St. Lucia. They are making their home in Troy, Mo.

Jon Seeds ('03) married Lori Sickmann on June 16, 2007. They are making their home in St. Charles, Mo.

## **Births**

Frank Lydon ('87) and his wife Rachel announce the birth of their son, Joseph, on July 19, 2005. They reside in St. Louis.

Tim Klutsarits ('97) and his wife Lisa announce the birth of their daughter, Alexis Marie, on August 31, 2007. They reside in St. Louis, Mo.

## Nominations/Awards

Several Lindenwood alumni and staff were nominated for Dove Awards in June. The Dove Awards celebrate local women of achievement in St. Charles County. The following women were honored:

Patti York, St. Charles mayor ('92)

Edie Kirk, executive director, St. Charles Community College Foundation ('03)

Charlsie Floyd, director of community relations, Lindenwood University

Marsha Parker, dean of Fine and Performing Arts, Lindenwood University ('71 & '87)

Janet Watkins, music director, Church of the Good Shepherd ('99)

Jill Skyles, vice president Patient Care Services, Barnes Jewish Hospital ('90)

Dianna Graveman ('05) received the Catholic Press Association Award for Best Short Story in a Magazine (published in St. Anthony Messenger). Dianna also received two Missouri Writers Guild Awards in April: First Place for Best Inspirational Article, and second place for Best Nostalgia Article. Dianna resides in St. Charles.

Jennifer McDowell ('02) has been named

one of St. Louis Business Journal's "30 Under 30." Jennifer is corporate counsel for the Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield in Missouri. She resides in St. Louis.

## Miscellaneous

Cain Linville ('03) graduated from University of Missouri – Columbia Medical School this Spring and will start his residency in general surgery at the University of Texas – Houston Medical School this Summer.

Shandi Finnessey ('99) was featured on the cover of Alive, a St. Louis magazine.

Deborah Civey ('93), Renee Knobbe ('94 & '99), and Donna Nack (Education Professor, Lindenwood), were featured in the St. Charles Business Magazine for their growing St. Charles business, Little Guppy Child Development Center, which celebrates 10 years of excellence in early childhood education this year. Civey and Knobbe received Alumni Merit Awards at Lindenwood's 2007 commencement.

Mark Hinderliter (MBA, '86) is the author of "Diamond Quality Leadership," an engaging story of a leader who discovers the six practices that separate the best leaders from the rest. "Diamond Quality Leadership" is available online at www. amazon.com

## Careers

Beth Maddock ('04) is now an academic services representative at Lindenwood University.

Shannon Vines ('03 & '05) is now Graduate Education's St. Charles area coordinator and early college start director at Lindenwood University.

Alissa Botch ('03) is on a two-year mission trip in Chad, Africa, with Africa Inland Mission International. Alissa is from O'Fallon, Mo.

Shannon McQuary ('03) has joined Midwest Testing as information technology manager. Shannon resides in St. Louis.

Joel Atchison ('99) has joined Washington Group International as director of safety in Denver, Colo.

Antoinette Coleman ('92) is now a freelance reporter for the Dayton Daily News in Dayton, Ohio. She is also a reading and math intervention aide for the Trotwood, Ohio, school district. She resides in Trotwood, Ohio.

## Impromptu Reunion



This group of Lindenwood alums hadn't seen one another since graduation years and years ago. They planned to meet on campus and avail themselves of a tour from Director of Alumni Affairs Katy Montgomery, who was waiting with goodie bags. They told stories and had a grand tour of the campus. From left: Mary Thomas Beck ('65), Nancy Daume Sheridan ('65), Mary Richardson Brann ('66), Damie Brownlee Crosswell ('66), and Linda Hale ('65).

# **NEWS & NOTES**

### In Memoriam

Mary Lois Cannon Ash Former Lindenwood College Chemistry Professor

Pauline Jones Neale ('30) Springfield, Mo.

Charlotte Wait Holder ('31)
Decatur, Ill.

Clevella Corder Vaught ('31) Tylertown, Miss.

Doris Bomford Wilson ('31) Miami, Okla.

Helen Davis Yeager ('31) Broken Arrow, Okla.

Mary Lou Hall Jobe ('32) Irvine, Calif.

Jessamine Hinds McMullen ('32) Stella, Neb.

Dorothy Rendlen Weaver ('33) Hannibal, Mo.

Katherine Simpson Emmons ('35) Lawrenceville, Il.

> Neva Hodges Pettit ('35) Houston, Texas

Alice McCauley Filkins ('36) Hazelwood, Mo.

Virginia Dana Emigholz ('36) Kent, Wash.

Laden Westenkuehler Elder ('37) St. Charles, Mo.

Amy Brenner Morisse ('37) West Hartford, Conn.

Mary K. Gould Pritchard ('38) Ft. Thomas, Ky.

Jean Leftwich Shellenberg ('38) Kingfield, Maine

Jane Bowman Waniata ('38) Lake Havasu City, Ariz. **Dorothy Gunter Jorss ('39)**Bartlesville, Okla.

Helen Duhadway Thatcher ('39) Elsah, Ill.

Dorothea Wehrle Brundage ('41) Eureka, Mo.

Mary Ekberg Pearson ('41) Holdrege, Neb.

Elaine Eckenroth Moore ('42) Petaluma, Calif.

Harriet Courtney Crosby ('43) Columbia, Mo.

Collette Hatfield Gillispie ('47)
Big Sky, Mont.

Sonja Chicotsky Gressman ('47) Fort Worth, Texas

Phyllis Maxwell La Fata ('47) St. Louis, Mo.

Mary Ann Wood Comfort ('48) Urbandale, Iowa

Mary E. Booth Dallas ('48) Indianapolis, Ind.

Carol Kane Menges ('48) Belleville, Ill.

**Jacqueline Jane Fulton Stanford ('48)** Oklahoma City, Okla.

> Beverly Benjamin Eckels ('49) Denver, Co.

Peggy Vilbig Landtroop ('49) Grand Prairie, Texas

Frances Kendrick Christensen ('51) Houston, Texas

Kathryn Bordewick Koontz ('52) Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Wanda Bullard Vipond ('58) St. Charles, Mo. Virginia (Ginger) Bauer Stonebraker ('69) Bowling Green, Ky.

> Betty Starks ('70) Platt City, Mo.

> Rosalin Flax ('72) Creve Coeur, Mo.

Rudolph E. Lama ('74) El Paso, Texas

**Babara Dultz ('77)** St. Charles, Mo.

Jane Fletcher ('80) Marina del Ray, Calif.

Kelly J. Meyer ('85) Moscow Mills, Mo.

Gloria Hawkins ('87) St. Charles, Mo.

Hellen Alione Yeager ('89) Broken Arrow, Okla.

**Lois Rorie** (**'93 & '00**) Foley, Mo.

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This is Your Last Chance to Avoid All Taxes on your IRA Distribution by Donating to Lindenwood University



Dear Alumni, Constituents and Friends,

It is now time to consider your year-end tax planning. The Pension Protection Act of 2006 still allows certain tax-free donations of your IRA, but that provision will expire on December 31, 2007.

This legislation grants an extraordinary benefit to individuals who are 70 1/2 years of age or older without recognizing income and without the necessity of taking a charitable deduction. This solves the problems of taxable mandatory withdrawal requirements, which would ordinarily be taxed, and charitable gift percentage limitations, which could limit your charitable donation tax benefits.

#### Do You Qualify?

Individuals who are 70 1/2 years of age or older are allowed to make a gift from their traditional or Roth IRA up to \$100,000 this year to Lindenwood University FREE of federal income tax. You could make a tax-free gift of \$100, \$1,000, \$10,000 or any amount up to \$100,000. If you do not qualify, please pass this information on to a friend or loved one who would.

#### How Do I Do It?

Assets up to \$100,000 must be rolled over directly to Lindenwood University from your account. You should call your financial institution or advisor for a distribution form requesting a payout directly to Lindenwood. The process is simple and easy.

#### When Should This Be Done?

NOW! The limit for such gifts is \$100,000 and it must be completed by December 31, 2007. (Hint: If you spouse owns an IRA, a second gift can be made to the university.)

The IRA Rollover Gift is a great way to reduce the cost of your gift to Lindenwood and maximize the good that it will do to help our students succeed. Please consider

this type of gift in your year-end tax planning.

My office will make itself available to you in all aspects of gift planning and other contributions. Please allow me to help you help Lindenwood by giving me a call at (636) 949-4617. Thank you for being a Lindenwood supporter!

Sincerely,

Eric O. Stuhler

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

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# Does Your Company Do Matching Gifts?

You may be able to double or even triple your tax-deductible gift and future gifts to Lindenwood University if your employer has a Matching Gift Program. It's easy - find out from your Human Resource Department if your company offers a Matching Gift Program. Next, simply obtain and complete the employee section of the company's matching gift form and send it along with your donation to Lindenwood. The university will complete the organization's portion of the form and return it to your company. Keep in mind - retirees, spouses, and employees of subsidiary companies may also be eligible to participate in matching gift programs.

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Please consider an engraved brick paver that will remain a part of the campus walkways and commemorate an exceptional accomplishment.

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Contact Director of Alumni Affairs Katy Montgomery at (636) 949-4975 with inquiries.

# LOST LION SEARCH

## Please Help Us Find Our Lost Alums!

We have lost tract of some of our alumni over the years and need your help finding them! We want to be able to communicate with them, and bring them back to campus for Homecoming. If you have any knowledge of the people listed below, please let us know.

Aandahl, Kevin ('84)
Aaron, Jamie L. ('00)
Baalmann, Debra ('95)
Babanly, Elchin ('02)
Cabera, Bruno ('05)
Cablish, Susan ('89)
D'Achiardi, Luis ('06)
D'Angelo, Donna ('81)
Eacret, Scott ('90)
Eagan, Patrick ('85)
Faber, Frieda ('84)
Fabrizio, Pugliese ('04)
G'Sell, Patricia ('94)
Gabbert, Donna ('82)
Haag, Marilyn ('95)

Haake, Kathleen ('98)
Ibrahim, Khan ('02)
Iller, Alma ('62)
Jack, Barbara ('66)
Jack, Linda ('93)
Kaczmarek, Marion ('40)
Kaercher, Mary ('36)
La Berta, Catherine ('00)
La Budde, Patricia ('55)
Maas, Steven ('88)
Maaskant, Trudy ('65)
Nacke, Michele ('97)
Nadimi, Parvin ('79)
O'Boyle, Sally ('77)
O'Brien, Barbara ('68)

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#### **OR SEND AN EMAIL TO:**

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Class Year, Degree (BA, MBA, etc.)			
E-mail address			
Birthdate (Month/Day/Year)			
Major(s)			
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Alumni News/Recent Activities (Births, Marriages, Jobs, etc.)			
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Return to:

Alumni Office, Lindenwood University, 209 S. Kingshighway, St. Charles, Missouri 63301-1695 Or e-mail kmontgomery@lindenwood.edu





The fall semester has begun at Lindenwood University, and the campus is buzzing with activity!

Lindenwood has an exceptional freshman class this semester. Some of the highlights

of the class are: 44 scored over a 30 on the ACT, 48 graduated with a perfect 4.0 GPA, 6 were valedictorians, 5 were salutatorians, and 8 were Student Council presidents. Quite an impressive class!

On behalf of the Lindenwood Alumni Association, I would like to invite you to Reunion and Homecoming Weekend on October 19 and 20. This year's theme is "Come Home to Lindenwood." Lindenwood was our home for a number of years, and this will be a great weekend to reminisce about our college days and catch up with friends.

At 4:30 p.m. Friday, October 19, our Alumni Reception will be held in the Hyland Performance Arena. There will be an Alumni/Parents Breakfast with President and Mrs. Evans on Saturday, October 20. I hope you will cheer for the Lions at the

Homecoming Football game Saturday at 1:30 against William Jewell College.

Please consider making a class gift to Lindenwood. Your gifts are 100 percent designated to scholarship assistance, and your generosity makes a real difference to our students.

For additional information on Reunion and Homecoming see Page 9. To give a class gift, please call Director of Alumni Affairs Katy Montgomery at (636) 949-4975.

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President James D. Evans has signed an agreement with BenefitBar.com to create a special Lindenwood toolbar. There is no cost to download the toolbar, and no cost to Lindenwood University.

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- 4.Click Run-Run-Install-Finish....
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